

Notice on the implementation of the Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading

The Asian Xiangqi Federation, the European Xiangqi Federation, the North American Xiangqi Federation, all member associations of the World Xiangqi Federation:

The Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading (Trial) has been issued and implemented since 01.05.2018, and a total of 337 Xiangqi players have been approved to receive technical grading titles. In order to meet the needs of the current development of Xiangqi sport, opinions and suggestions from several experts and member associations have been well received. This revision adds the technical grading standard of North American Xiangqi Championship, clarifies the scope of tournament grading award, and adjusts the ratio of grading award appropriately. Therefore, the Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading can reasonably and accurately reflect the technical level of players and effectively promote the development of Xiangqi.

The Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading will be implemented from 01.10.2020. Since then, the former " Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading (Trial)" has been abolished.

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Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading

To better promote and oversee the development of Xiangqi worldwide, to encourage the players to improve their skills, and to enhance the influence of Xiangqi organizations and tournaments at all levels, the World Xiangqi Federation (hereinafter referred to as “WXF”) herewith issues the Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading as following.

Article 1 There are three titles that the WXF would issue. They are listed in order of decreasing importance as follows: International Grandmaster, International Master, Federation Master.

Article 2 Only competitions or tournaments sanctioned and approved by the WXF are authorized to award the titles. They include the following list:

1. World Xiangqi Championship
2. World Xiangqi Open
3. Asian Xiangqi Championship
4. Asian Xiangqi Open
5. European Xiangqi Championship
6. North American Xiangqi Championship
7. Other tournaments approved by WXF to award the titles.

Article 3 The criteria required for each title is given in the "List of Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading."

Article 4 Right of Examination and Approval

The World Xiangqi Federation is responsible for the examination, approval and documentation of the player titles from the World Xiangqi Championship and the World Xiangqi Open. The Asian Xiangqi Federation (hereinafter referred to as the "AXF") is responsible for the examination, approval and documentation of the player titles from the Asian Xiangqi Championship and the Asian Xiangqi Open. The European Xiangqi Federation (hereafter referred to as "EXF") is responsible for the examination, approval, and documentation of the player titles from the European Xiangqi Championship. The North American Xiangqi Federation is responsible for the examination, approval, and documentation of the player titles from the North American Xiangqi Championship. The player titles examined and approved by the AXF, EXF and the North American Xiangqi Federation shall be

submitted to WXF within one month after the examination and approval.

Article 5 The players who have obtained or achieved the titles given by the AXF, EXF, and the North American Xiangqi Federation prior to the implementation of this standard will be awarded corresponding titles of under the new scheme as follows: the title of AXF Grandmaster, EXF Grandmaster and North American Grandmaster will correspond to the title of “International Grandmaster”; the title of AXF International Master, EXF International Master and North American International Master will correspond to the title of “International Master”; the title of EXF Federation Master and North American Federation Master will correspond to the title of “Federation Master”.

Article 6 The " Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading" shall be implemented as of October 1, 2020 and will replace all pre-existing regulations of the "Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading (Trial)"

Attachment: "List of Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading".

List of Standards of WXF Player Technical Grading

Competitions	Groups	Male			Female		
		International Grandmaster	International Master	Federation Master	International Grandmaster	International Master	Federation Master
World Xiangqi Championship	Individual	1 st - 3 rd Place (once), or 4 th Place (cumulated twice)	4 th -8 th Place	9 th -16 th Place	Champion	2 nd -3 rd Place	4 th -6 th Place
	NCNV			1 st -3 rd Place			Champion
	U16		Champion	2 nd -3 rd Place			Champion
World Xiangqi Open	Team		Champion team, win percentage $\geq 65\%$	1 st -3 rd Place, win percentage $\geq 55\%$		Champion team, win percentage $\geq 65\%$	1 st -3 rd Place, win percentage $\geq 55\%$
	U18 and U16			Champion			
Asian Xiangqi Championship	Individual	1 st -3 rd Place	4 th -6 th Place	7 th -12 th Place	Champion	2 nd Place	3 rd -4 th Place
	Team	Champion team, win percentage $\geq 75\%$	1 st -3 rd place, win percentage $\geq 65\%$	win percentage $\geq 55\%$			
	Junior Individual		Champion	2 nd -3 rd Place			Champion
Asian Xiangqi Open	Individual		Champion	2 nd -6 th Place			Champion
European Xiangqi Championship	Individual	Champion	2 nd -3 rd Place	4 th -8 th Place	twice of Champion	Champion	2 nd -3 rd Place
	NCNV			Champion			Champion
	Team		Champion, win percentage $\geq 65\%$	1 st -3 rd place, win percentage $\geq 55\%$			
	U18			Champion			
North American Xiangqi Championship	Individual	Champion	2 nd -3 rd Place	4 th -8 th Place	twice of Champion	Champion	2 nd -3 rd Place

Remark:

1. The competitions eligible to award the title of WXF International Grandmaster will have to meet all the criteria listed below:

- a) Individual Championships that are organized by the WXF or AXF/EXF/North American Xiangqi Federation cannot be rapid chess tournaments;
- b) the number of the participating units shall be no less than 2/3 of the total number of member association;
- c) the total number of players in a tournament must be no less than 16 for men's individual events and no less than 6 for women's individual events.

2. For competitions that are eligible to award the title of WXF International Grandmaster, if the number of participating units or people (teams) is less than the required threshold as stipulated above, one-step downgrading will be implemented. That is, the original promotion to International Grandmaster is downgraded to International Master, and the original promotion to International Master is downgraded to Federation Master.

3. For competition or tournament that is eligible to award WXF titles, if there are less than 6 players (teams), the awarded titles will be automatically downgraded by one tier; If there are less than 3 players (teams), no titles will be awarded.

4. The competition or tournament that is eligible to award WXF titles cannot be held more than once a year for the same event.

5. Individual win percentage = Sum of individual scores / Total rounds, scores are based on “win 1, draw 0.5, loss 0”.