



**EMIRATES INTERNATIONAL  
SALON CULINAIRE  
2026**



**Rules and Regulations**

**6-8 July 2026 Madinat Jumeirah Conference centre**

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## Rules and Regulations for Culinary Competitions

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### Emirates International Salon Culinaire 2026 6–8 July The venue is Madinat Jumeirah Dubai

1. Please read the following regulations carefully. The instructions contained herein are mandatory. Non-compliance with any of the points mentioned could lead to loss of marks or complete disqualification.
2. The **Briefs of the Classes** for Entry document also forms part of these Rules and Regulations and must be read in conjunction with this document. More details can also be found at [www.worldchefs.org](http://www.worldchefs.org) for Worldchefs rules and judging.
3. **Other regulations** relevant to a particular competition would appear on the last page/s of this document. **PARTICIPATION:**

1. Participation at competition is open to anyone professional employed in the preparation of food.
2. Unless the organisers specifically mention a class as being a team event, all classes are for entry by a single competitor.
3. Competitors are restricted to one entry per class
4. Competitors must attend and participate on the date and at the time allotted to them no date changes will be allowed.
5. Complete the entry-form on the foodverse app according to the instructions on the foodverseapp. [www.foodverse.io](http://www.foodverse.io)
6. Submit the completed form to the organisers via the app
7. Entry is paid but pending final decision.
8. Entries are accepted strictly on a first-come, first paid-accepted basis
9. Competitors must be 18 years old and above

#### CERTIFICATES AND LETTERS OF PARTICIPATION:

10. Ensure that your name on your entry-form exactly as you would wish it to appear on any certificate, letter of participation or posting of results.

#### HYGIENE:

11. A professional food-safety company will oversee all aspects of hygiene practice at the competition.
12. It is quite possible that the Municipality Food Control Section will conduct its own hygiene inspections as and when it sees fit.
13. The organisers have no control over these two entities. Should either raise an objection to the standard of hygiene of any particular person or team, that person or team will not be allowed to compete

#### THE SECRETARIAT:

14. The Emirates Culinary Guild (ECG) is the body responsible for the creation, organisation and administration of the competition.
15. The competition is governed by and construed according to the rules of the organisers.
16. The organisers have sole authority to adjudicate on any matters pertaining to the competition.
17. Entrants' acceptances of participation in the competition are construed as confirmation of their undertaking to submit unconditionally to the jurisdiction of the organisers in regard to all aspects of the Emirates International Salon Culinaire.
18. The address of the ECG for all correspondence and inquiries referencing culinary competitions is: The Emirates Culinary Guild, PO Box 454922 Dubai, United Arab Emirates. Tel: +(97156) 801 4089. Email: [emiratesculinaryguild@gmail.com](mailto:emiratesculinaryguild@gmail.com)

#### COMPETITORS AND HELPERS:

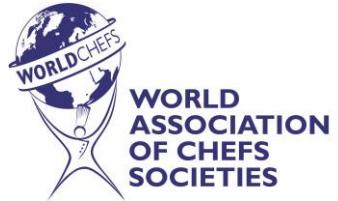
19. Each competitor is allowed one helper to assist with carrying equipment. No other help is allowed to a competitor within the preparation area.
20. A helper must be junior in rank to the person he/she is helping.
21. A competitor must wear full; freshly laundered chef's uniform with appropriate headgear and footwear when attending at the exhibition.
22. A competitor's helper must wear full; freshly laundered chef's uniform with appropriate headgear and footwear when attending at the exhibition.
23. Competitors that are incorrectly dressed at a competition will not have their exhibits judged.
24. Helpers that are incorrectly dressed will not be admitted to the exhibition.
25. Logos, marks and identifying colors provided by the organisers must be worn by competitor throughout the competition in the position indicated to them by the organisers at the time of registration.
26. Logos, marks and identifying colors provided by the organisers must be worn by helpers throughout the competition in the position indicated to them by the organisers at the time of registration.
27. A competitor entered in a practical competition must register at least thirty minutes before the commencement of the competition otherwise the competition slot will be given to a waitlisted competitor.
28. Any competitor not in place and ready to start at least five minutes before the time a competition commences, will be disqualified.
29. Competitors and helpers are forbidden from approaching or speaking with or at a judge without the express permission of the organisers.



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### **XHIBITS:**

30. Each exhibit must be the bona fide work of the entering competitor. It must be solely the work of the competitor and must be certified as such by his Head of Department or General Manager.
31. Each exhibit must be a completely original work, it must not have been displayed previously (in whole or in part) in any competition or exhibition whether private or public.
32. All exhibits must be of edible substance except for framing, socles and stands where they are allowed.
33. It is forbidden to use any living entity whatsoever as part of an exhibit (e.g. tropical fish).
34. It is forbidden to depict religious, nude, semi-nude or political themes in an exhibit.
35. All exhibits must be suitable for presentation as a decorative item in a restaurant or banqueting setting.
36. An exhibit must not carry any logo, label or mark of identification; however, competitors must be able to identify their exhibit if required.
37. Competitors are responsible for their exhibits and should ensure that they are available in their proper place for judging on the day and time specified.
38. No preparation or finishing of exhibits is allowed in any area except the designated preparation area at the rear of the competition area.
39. Finished exhibits must be placed in the position indicated by the organisers.
40. No interference with an exhibit is allowed once the organisers have deemed it as submitted for judging.
41. Competitors must leave the judging area as soon as their exhibits are in place or when instructed to leave by the marshals, whichever is the sooner.
42. Exhibits may, at the discretion of the organisers, be moved to a separate enclosure, there to remain for part or for the duration of the exhibition.
43. Failure by a competitor to register or exhibit at the specified time could result in disqualification. The competitor entered must place his or her exhibit themselves this task cannot be done in absentia
44. Exhibits which are removed by competitors without permission of the organisers will not qualify for any kind of award.

### **COMPETITION MARSHALS:**

45. A Marshal-at-arms will be recognizable by a badge displaying the logo of the Emirates Culinary Guild and the legend 'Marshal'.
46. Marshals are charged with ensuring that the rules and regulations of the competition are observed by all concerned.
47. Competitors, helpers and visitors are all obliged to cooperate with the marshals - without question, at all times.  
If a competitor is disrespectful to any member of the organizing committee, judges or marshal they will be disqualified and banned for life from future competitions organized by the ECG and reported to their General Manager.

### **AWARDS:**

48. Gold, silver and bronze medals and certificates of merit are awarded solely at the discretion of the judges.
49. The decision of the judges is final and each competitor is required to abide by it without comment.
50. Medals will normally be presented at 17:30 each day. This may change according to circumstance.
51. Any medal or certificate that is not accepted by the competitor or his/her helper at the presentation ceremony for that day will be forfeit, unless prior arrangements are made with the organisers.
57. A competitor or his/her helper must be correctly dressed as stipulated in the rules when collecting medals or certificates. Chefs uniform NO JEANS
58. Incorrectly dressed competitors/helpers will not be allowed access to the awards area.

### **COPYRIGHT:**

59. All exhibitors and competitors assign all rights concerning videos, photographs, menus, recipes, exhibits, sound recordings etc. to the Emirates Culinary Guild.

### **DISCLAIMER:**

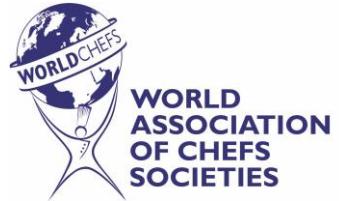
60. The organisers are entitled to cancel or postpone the Salon, or to alter the duration, timing or schedule of any event.
61. The organisers reserve the right to cancel any classes or limit the number of entries or extend, modify or revoke any of the rules and conditions without being held liable for any claims for compensation whatsoever.
62. The organisers will not under any circumstances be held liable or responsible for the loss or damage of any exhibit, equipment, goods, persons or personal effects.
63. By entering the competition, the competitors give their permission to the organizer the right to use their submitted personal information as required as part of the Guild activities.



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### QUERIES:

64. All queries must be submitted by email to: [emiratesculinaryguild@gmail.com](mailto:emiratesculinaryguild@gmail.com) the question and answer to each query will be broadcast to all entrants.

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