

2016 Summary of changes to rules for World Latte Art Championship



To take effect at Shanghai WLAC 2016

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New Rule

2.1.B-C SUMMARY

- B. During the preliminary round there are two components:
 - a. ART BAR, where a single creative pattern is produced.
 - b. STAGE PRESENTATION, where two matching free-pour lattes and two matching designer lattes are produced.
- C. The competitor must present drinks the order in which the drink categories are set on the scoresheet. In the Preliminary Round, the competitor must first present the free pour lattes, followed by the designer lattes. In the Final Round, the competitor must first present the free pour lattes, followed by the designer lattes, and then by the free pour macchiatos. The competitor must also write "Free Pour" or "Designer" on the corresponding picture.

Reason: To avoid confusion about which drink is the Free Pour Latte and which is the Designer Latte, competitors will all follow the same beverage order and present pictures that are labeled as "Free Pour" or "Designer."

Rewording

2.3.C PRELIMINARY ROUND – ART BAR AREA

- C. Competitors may use their own cups in this section, although the cup selected should still be feasible to be served to a customer. Any additional decoration outside of the cup is not allowed.

Reason: Reworded for clarify.

Rewording

2.9 Preliminary Round- Stage Area- Free-Pour Latte

The official competition latte cup will have a volume between 190ml - 300ml.

Reason: Maximum volume changed to 300ml for clarity.

Rewording

14.2.1 Two patterns and presented picture identical

Judges will assess the similarity of the two presented patterns to the presented picture. Because competitors are demonstrating their skill in replicating an intended pattern, this is the only category where judges will review both presented patterns, and not just the pattern specifically presented to them.

6 points will only be awarded to two patterns that are identical to the presented picture, whatever the quality of the design in the presented picture (The section is marking the similarities rather than the quality of the pattern itself). 2.5 points would be awarded if one pattern was identical to the presented picture and the other bore no resemblance to the picture at all. 0 points would be awarded if both drinks bore no resemblance to the picture at all. 1-5 points can be used where the drinks show some similarities to the presented picture.

Reason: Reworded for clarity.

Rewording

14.2.3 Contrast Between Ingredients

Judges will review only the drink presented to them. High points will be awarded to patterns demonstrating sharp contrast between the surface of the beverage and the white milk foam. Unintentional mixing/blurring of the contrast will reduce this score.

Judges should take under consideration areas of mixed crema and milk foam that are intentionally created by the competitor as a requirement of the desired pattern.

Reason: Reworded for clarity.