



Participants' Regulations for the *Dutch* International Flute Competition 2015 for Students

1. Participation

All music students (regardless of nationality) who are registered as a student at a conservatory (regardless of the country in which it is located) on April 1st, 2015 can be admitted to the *Dutch* International Flute Competition 2015.

Students who are enrolled in a pre-training or young talent class of a conservatory can be admitted to category 1 on request or can participate in the Benelux Flute Competition for amateur soloists if they study in the countries of the Benelux.

2. Participation categories

Students are divided into two categories:

Category 1: Bachelor's student

Category 2: Master's student

In case of doubt concerning the correct choice of the specified category, the Board of Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcorso may decide to place a student in a different category, *let the participant play without competing or deny participation altogether.*

3. Length of playing

A performance may take no more than 20 minutes (including changes).

The jury reserves the right to stop a performance that is running over time.

The performances are open to the public.

4. Program requirements

Every participant must play at least two clearly differing pieces in terms of style and/or period. Parts of pieces may be played. At least one piece must be accompanied by piano. There are no compulsory pieces for the *Dutch* International Flute competition 2015.

Of the two pieces which have been played in the preliminary round, one piece has to be played during the final, supplemented by another piece that distinguishes in style and/or period. Again, parts of works may be played and at least one piece must be accompanied by piano.

Any changes to the program as indicated in the registration form must be notified to the organizers no later than six weeks before the competition day.

5. Scores and copies

Three copies of each score must be handed to the jury secretary on the day of the competition. The jury uses these copies while listening to and judging the participant.

Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcorso stresses the fact that the use of copies is a legal offence if the original, printed music cannot be displayed at the same time.

6. Registration

Registration commences on September 1st, 2014 and closes on January 1st, 2015. Registration takes place by means of sending a fully completed application form and payment of the registration fee.

7. Registration fee

The registration fee amounts to € 50.00, plus (where applicable) the costs of making use of a competition pianist (€ 85.00) and group accommodation (€ 25,- per night, including free transfers, breakfast and a simple dinner).

Participants are required to transfer this sum to account number: **IBAN: NL36INGB000 5531961 in the name of Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours, stating the participant's name** (BIC: INGBNL2A).

In the event of cancellation by the participant after December 31st, 2014 the registration fee will not be refunded.

8. Confirmation of participation and provision of information

Participants will receive a confirmation of receipt by e-mail once the application form has been received by the organisers.

Applicants who have complied to all the registration conditions will be notified by e-mail after January first 2015 whether their participation has been confirmed.

Incomplete applications will not be taken in consideration. Participants who have not paid their fees before the first of January 2015 will be excluded from participation.

The participants will be e-mailed the final performance schedule, including warm-up times, on the competition day no later than four weeks before the competition.

No further changes to this schedule will be possible. Nor is it possible to specify a preference for a particular performance time.

Information on the performance schedule and location details will also be published on www.fluitconcours.nl.

Individual questions may be e-mailed to info@fluitconcours.nl.

9. Preliminary round

A preliminary round is held for each category. The schedule depends on the number of applications. Participants staying overnight will be scheduled if possible on the Thursday. Participants from the Benelux will be scheduled on the available days.

The participant subscribes to participate in the final after admission to the final.

In the event of a large number of applications the Board of the Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours may decide to place a limit on the number of participants. *Similarly, the deadline may be extended if there are still places available.*

Participants receive written comments from the jury. The jury can decide whether or not to award prizes. There is no correspondence possible about the results.

10. Competition location and facilities

A grand piano is available at the competition facility. A piano is available in every warm-up room. *The participant must provide all other necessary instruments.*

During the competition days the services of a competition pianist will be available in return for a fee of € 85.00. This facility is mainly intended for students from abroad. Limited rehearsal time is available at the competition facility.

The Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours can advise the participants about the possibilities of accommodations in the vicinity of the competition location, including the own campus.

11. Insurance, liability, minors, house rules and visum

No insurance for participants is arranged by the organization. It is the responsibility of the participant to take care of insurance. The organization accepts no liability for the consequences of illness and accidents and for loss or theft of belongings etc.

Smoking inside the accommodations and the competition locations is forbidden. The use of (soft) drugs is always forbidden. Adults may consume a moderate amount of alcohol. Use your discretion. There are separate sleeping quarters for men and women. Minor participants have to be accompanied by an assisting adult during their stay. Participants and visitors have to follow the instructions of the organization.

In case of a request for a visum, the Stichting National Fluitconcours will send an official invitation for the participation of the competition.

12. Concluding article: deviations from the regulations

Any matters not covered by these regulations will be decided upon by the Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours.

In the event of a dispute between participant and Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours the board will consult the issue with the participant or in the case of a minor with his / her legal representative. If no solution is found during the consultation, the board shall formulate a binding decision.

** Italicized text is for clarification and / or upon request at a later date added to the regulations.*