
dutch international flute competition

students & young talents

Participants' Regulations for the Dutch International Flute Competition (Bachelor and Master students, Young talents and Piccolo players)

1. Participation

All music students (regardless of nationality) who are registered as a **student at an academy of music** (regardless of the country in which it is located) on February 15th in the year of the competition can be admitted to the Dutch International Flute Competition.

Participants who are registered in a pre-training or a **young talent** class apply for category 3: young talent (through 18 year-olds).

Students who are registered at a **school for music** 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 (Belgium, Netherlands, Luxemburg). This also applies to participants who have studied at a an academy of music, but have not completed the education.

2. Participation categories

Students take part in one of four categories:

Category 1: Bachelor's student

Category 2: Master's student

Category 3: Young talent

Category 4: Piccolo

In case of doubt concerning the correct choice of the specified category, the Board of Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours may decide to **reclassify** 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 the time in between two pieces/parts of pieces). The adjudicators can stop a performance which runs over time. The performances are open to the public.

4. Program requirements

In each of the rounds, the participant chooses one piece from the **list of compulsory pieces** and one optional piece, of the participant's own choice:

- In each round, the participant plays at least a **solo** work and a work **accompanied** by piano.
- In each round, the participant chooses pieces which **differ in style**.
- It is **allowed** to choose compulsory pieces from the other round as an optional piece, of the participant's own choice.

- **Parts** of pieces may be played.
- In the third and final round for the categories 1 and 2 (bachelor and master students) **only the compulsory piece** is required.
- In category 4 (piccolo) **the same program** is required **in both rounds**.

Any **changes** to the program as indicated on the registration form must be notified to the organizers six weeks before the competition day at the latest.

5. Scores and copies

Three copies of each score should be handed to the secretary on the day of the competition. The adjudicators use these copies while listening to and judging the participant.

Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours stresses the fact that the use of copies is a legal offence if the original, **printed music** cannot be shown at the same time. Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours cannot be held responsible for the use of copies, for which no original, printed music can be shown.

6. Registration and recordings

Registration closes on **February 15th**. Registration takes place by sending a fully completed online application form and payment of the registration fee.

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

During the competition, recordings can be made for **radio, television and or social media**. Winners are obliged to cooperate in a radio or television program, if planned.

On application participants are requested (in case of a minor, participant parents or guardians are requested) to give **permission** to the Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours to make audio/video recordings and/or stills/pictures for promotional purposes.

Please **do not publish** pictures or recordings of other participants.

7. Registration fee

The registration fee amounts to **€ 50.00**, plus (when applicable) the costs of making use of a competition pianist (€ 90.00) and group accommodation (€ 35,00 per person per night, including free transfers, breakfast and a simple dinner).

Participants are required to transfer this sum to account number: **IBAN: NL22 RABO 0323 9354 27** (BIC: RABONL2U) in the name of Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours, stating the participant's name.

You can transfer the costs of the group accommodation to **IBAN: NL43 INGB 0688 8578 41** (BIC: INGBNL2A) in the name of M.Taherian, stating Bekerhof and the participant's name.

In the event of **cancellation** by the participant after February 15th, the registration fee will not be refunded.

8. Confirmation of participation and provision of information

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

Applicants who have complied with all the registration conditions will be notified by e-mail after February 15th whether their participation has been **accepted**. Incomplete applications will not be taken into consideration. Participants who have not paid their fees before the 15th of February will be excluded from participation.

The participants will be e-mailed the performance **timetable** of the final round including warm-up times on the competition day four weeks in advance of the competition. No further changes to this performance timetable will be possible. Nor is it possible to specify a preference for a particular performance time.

The schedules are mainly determined by the **availability** of the competition pianists.

Participants report at the **registration desk** on arrival.

Information on the performance timetable and location details will also be published on www.flutecompetition.com. Individual questions may be e-mailed to secretaryflutecompetition@gmail.com.

9. Adjudicators and results

Adjudicators do not judge their own students. In these cases, the other judicators evaluate the performance of these participants.

Adjudicators are *not* informed about the name of the teacher of the participant.

Teachers are not allowed to help their students in the concert hall.

The adjudicators give a **grade** (with 1 decimal) for both technique and musicality. These grades are used to determine the ranking.

The participant is obliged to participate in the **final round** after admission to the final round.

The adjudicators can decide whether or not to award **prizes**. In the event of a draw the adjudicators will decide about the prizes which will not be shared.

There is no correspondence or discussion possible about the **results**.

10. Competition location and facilities

A **grand piano** (and a marimba for the piccolo competition) 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** (and a marimba player for the piccolo competition) will be available in return for a fee of € 90.00. 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 competition campus.

11. Insurance, liability, minors, location regulations and visum

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

Smoking inside the sleeping 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 adult during their stay. Participants and visitors have to follow the **instructions** of the the Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours or the ones that are appointed by the Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours.

In case of a request for a **visum**, the Stichting National Fluitconcours will send an official invitation for the participation in 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 a participant and Stichting Nationaal Fluitconcours the board will consult the issue with the participant or in case of a minor with his / her legal representative. If no solution is found during the consultation, the board shall formulate a **binding decision**.