

## International Rogaining Federation Inc. World Rogaining Championships Rotation Policy – Adopted January 2014

## 1. Background:

The locations of WRCs have the capacity to provide a number of things to the nation and region holding the event and the broader rogaining community including:

- Opportunity to experience different rogaining terrain and organisational approaches
- Opportunity to visit countries and locations that people would be unlikely to visit otherwise
- Providing an opportunity for rank and file rogainers from the local nation and region to participate in a WRC, something they may be unlikely to otherwise do
- Giving significant profile to rogaining and the WRC in the country and region where the event is held which may in turn aid the development of the sport there
- Providing recognition to the country where the event is being held of their contribution to rogaining

The regular rotation of WRC locations around the regions of the world allows for a broader and more diverse participation in WRCs in the long term. It also assists the world's best rogainers to experience competition in a wide diversity of terrains and allows rogaining administrators the opportunity to learn from a broad range of event organisers.

## 2. Rotation of WRC Host Regions

The IRF Policy for the rotation of WRC locations is:

- The rogaining world is divided into four regions being:
  - o Europe<sup>1</sup>
  - North America<sup>2</sup>
  - Australasia<sup>3</sup>
  - Other Being all areas in the world not included in the above three regions
- Preference for WRC locations is rotated through the four regions with Europe allocated two WRCs and all other regions one WRC within each five-WRC period with a published fixed cycle
- For each WRC potential proponents from the "Preferred" region be given the first opportunity to provide formal Expressions of Interest (EoIs) to host that WRC
- If no suitable EoI is received from the "Preferred" region then the EoI for that WRC will be opened up to all regions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Europe is as defined by Wikipedia but including all of Russia and excluding Turkey.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> North America is defined as; Canada, United States and Mexico.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Australasia is defined as; Australia, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea

• Awarding the hosting rights for a WRC to a "non-Preferred" region will not change the future rotation of "Preferred" regions

## 3. Effective Date Rotation Schedule

This Policy is effective from 11WRC2013.

Thus the forward regional rotation of preferred WRC locations is:

- 12WRC North America
- 13WRC Europe
- 14WRC Australasia
- 15WRC Other
- 16WRC Europe
- 17WRC North America
- 18WRC Europe
- 19WRC Australasia
- 20WRC Other