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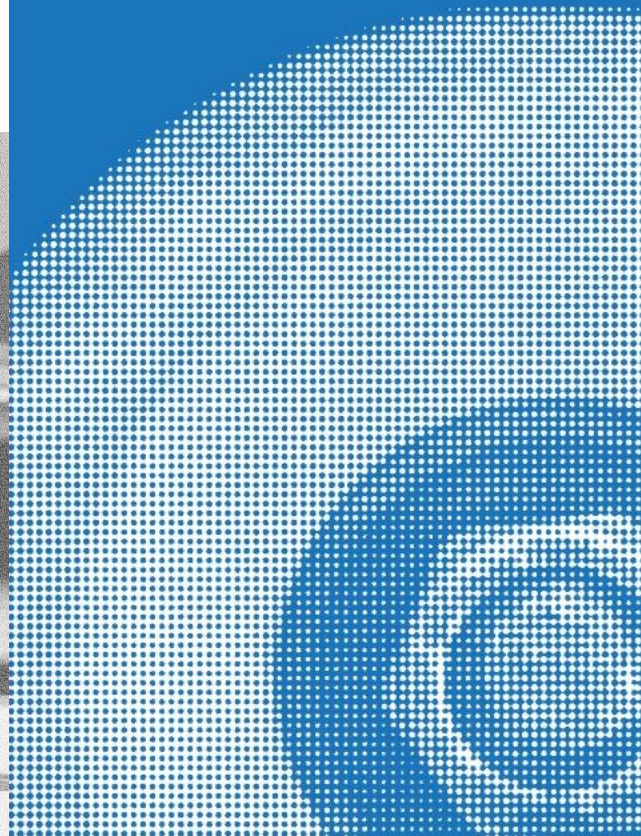
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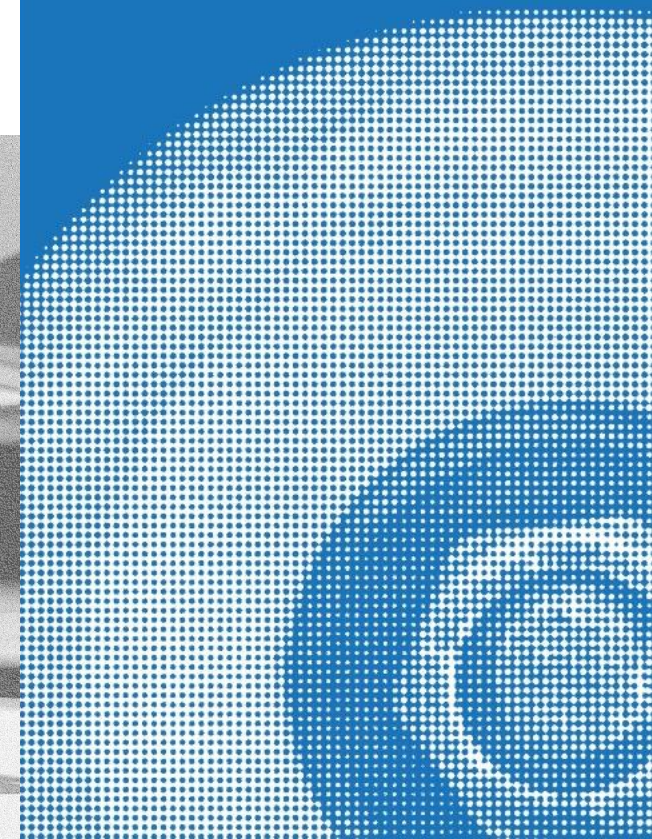
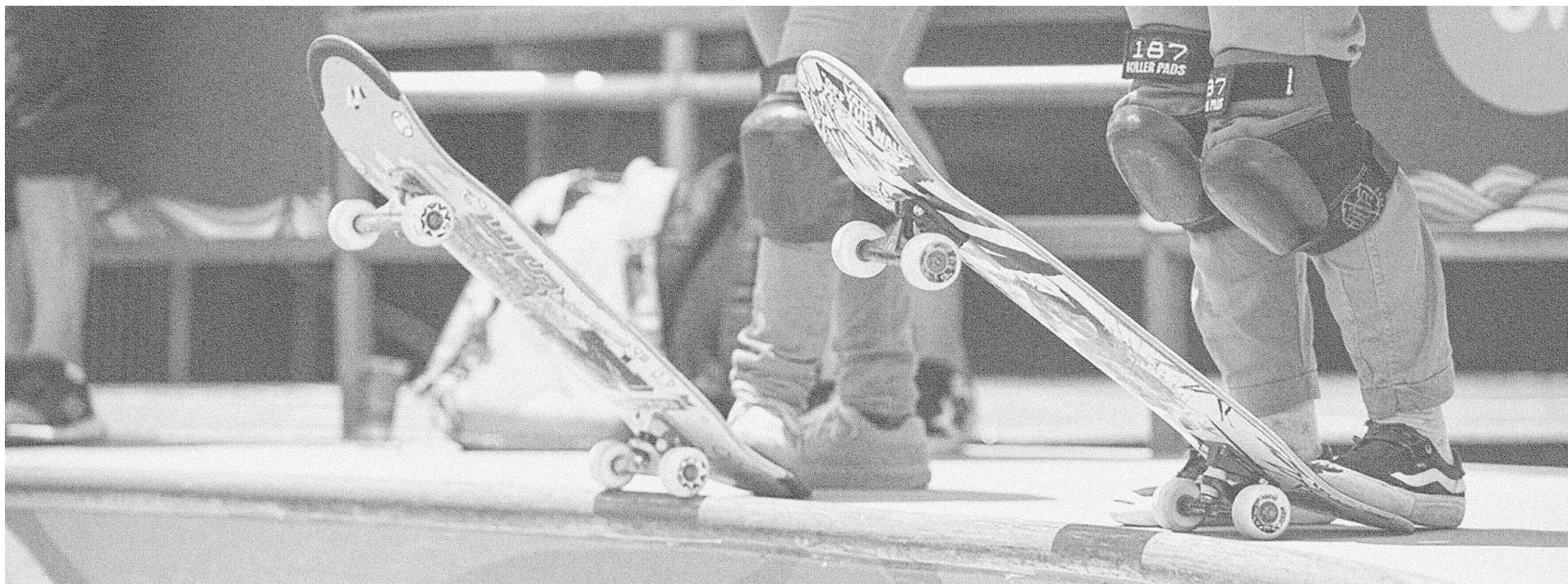
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- Ensure athletes, NTOs, and support staff read and understand competition rules and abide by all World Skate Rules and Regulations.
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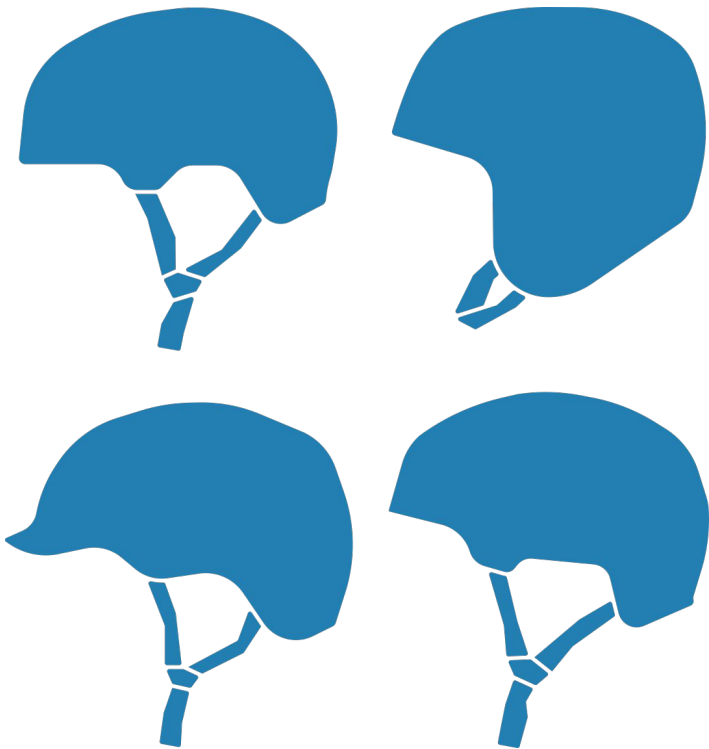


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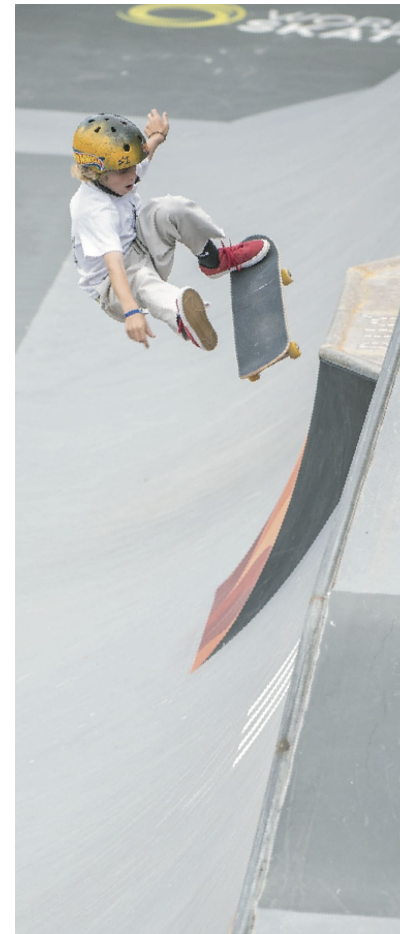
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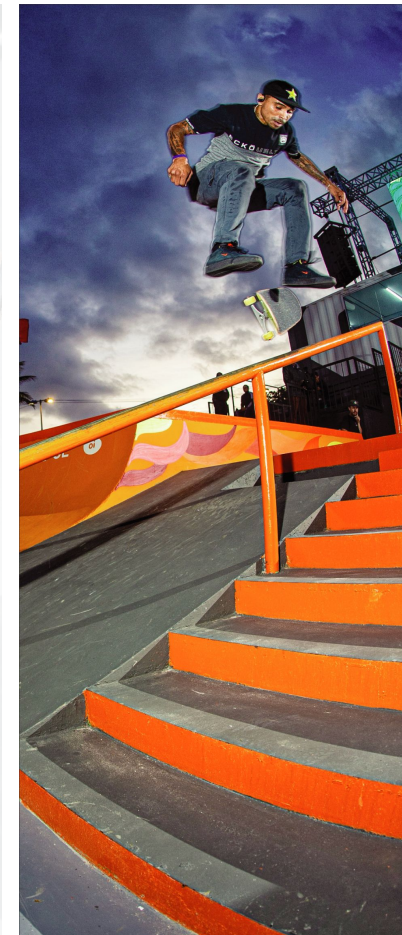
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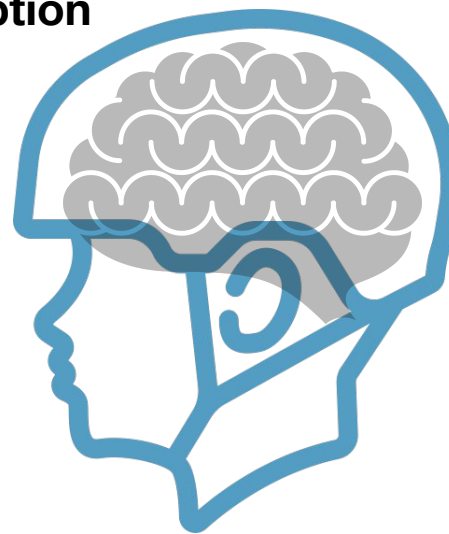


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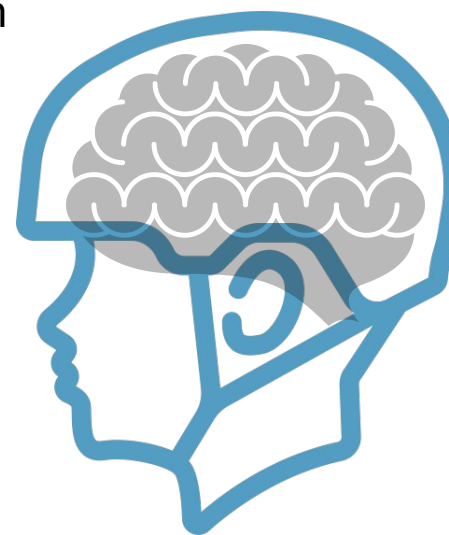


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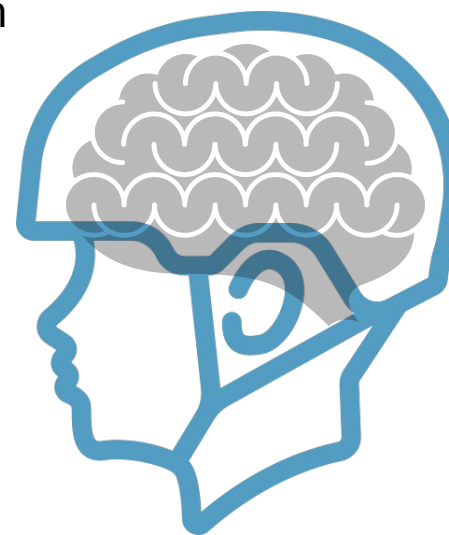


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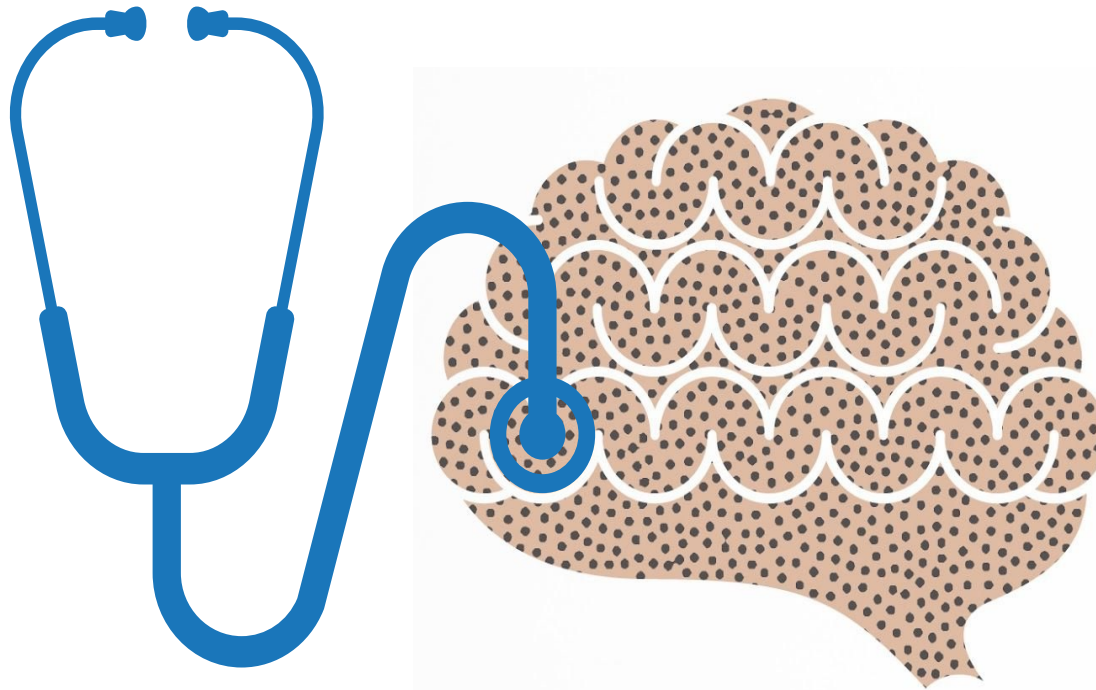
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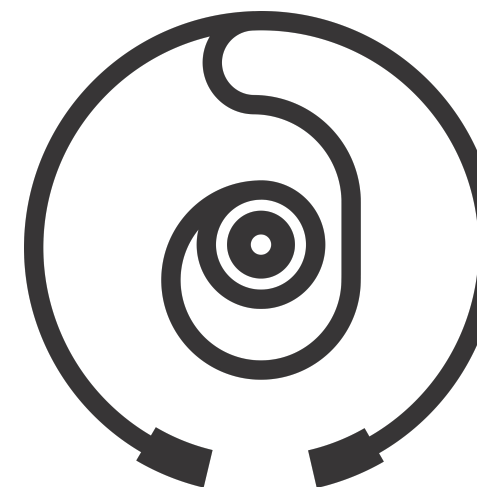
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A concussion can affect memory, judgment, reflexes, speech, balance and muscle coordination. People with concussions often report a brief period of amnesia or forgetfulness, where they cannot remember what happened immediately before or after the injury. They may act confused, dazed or describe “seeing stars.” Paramedics and athletic trainers who suspect a person has suffered a concussion may ask the injured person if they know their name, what month/year it is and where they are.

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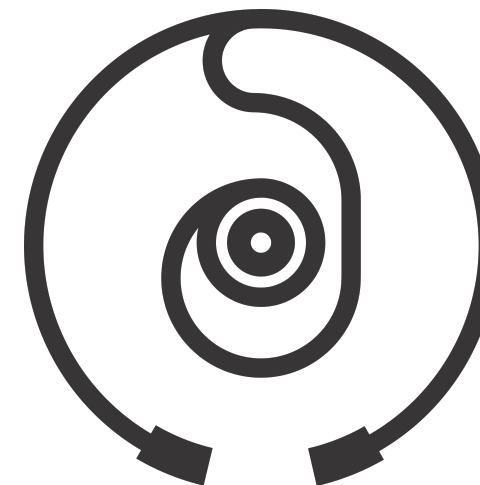
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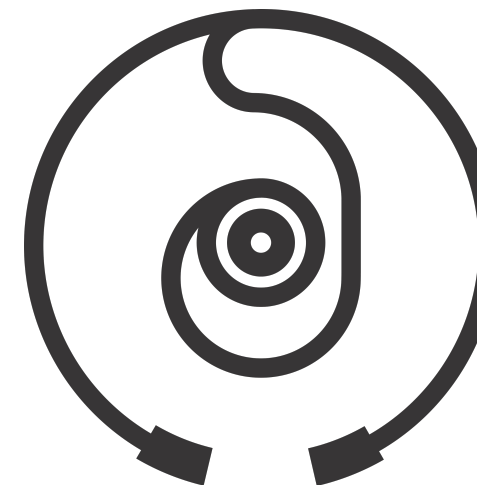
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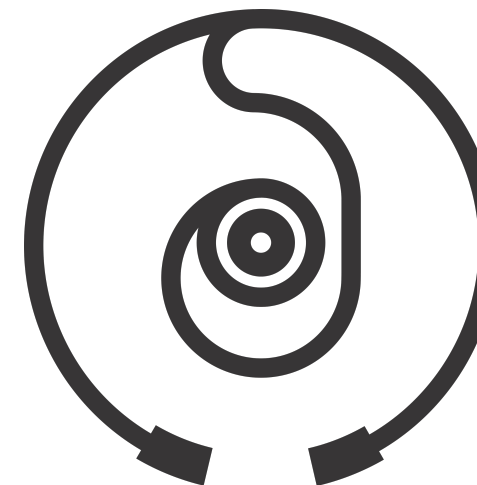
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World Skate will appoint a concussion coordinator for each event who will be responsible for ensuring the athlete is removed from the competition and is appropriately monitored and managed.

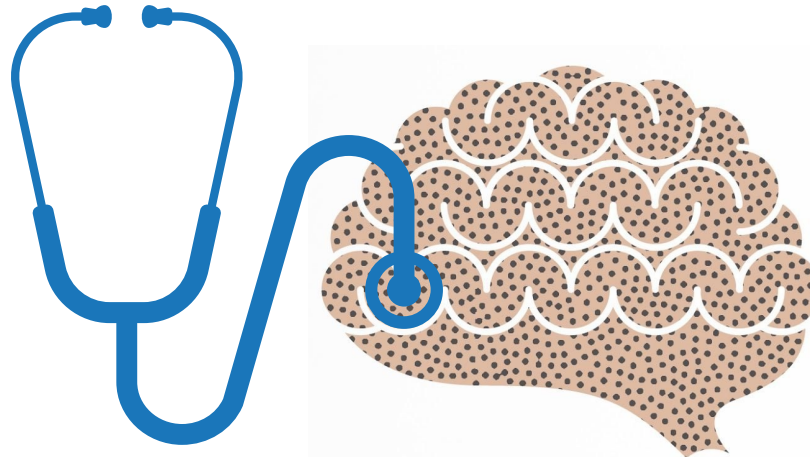
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Common Symptoms of Concussions

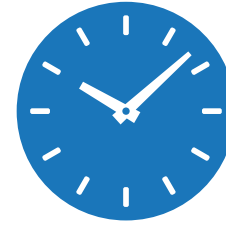
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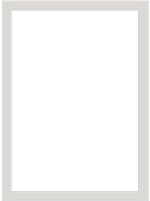
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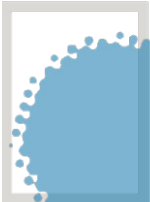
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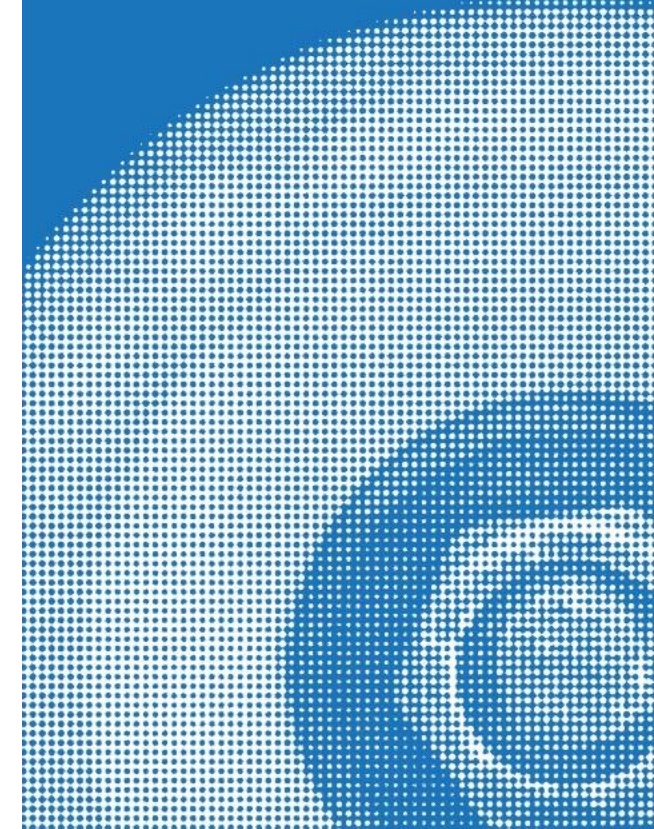








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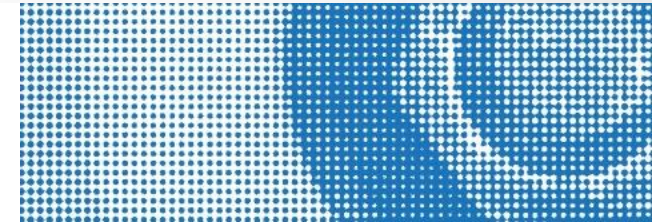




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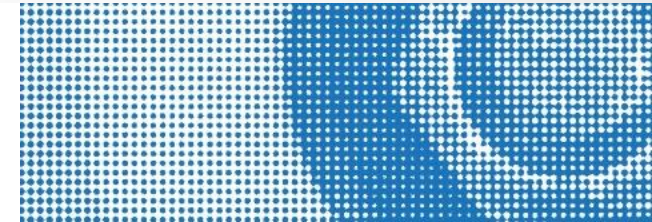
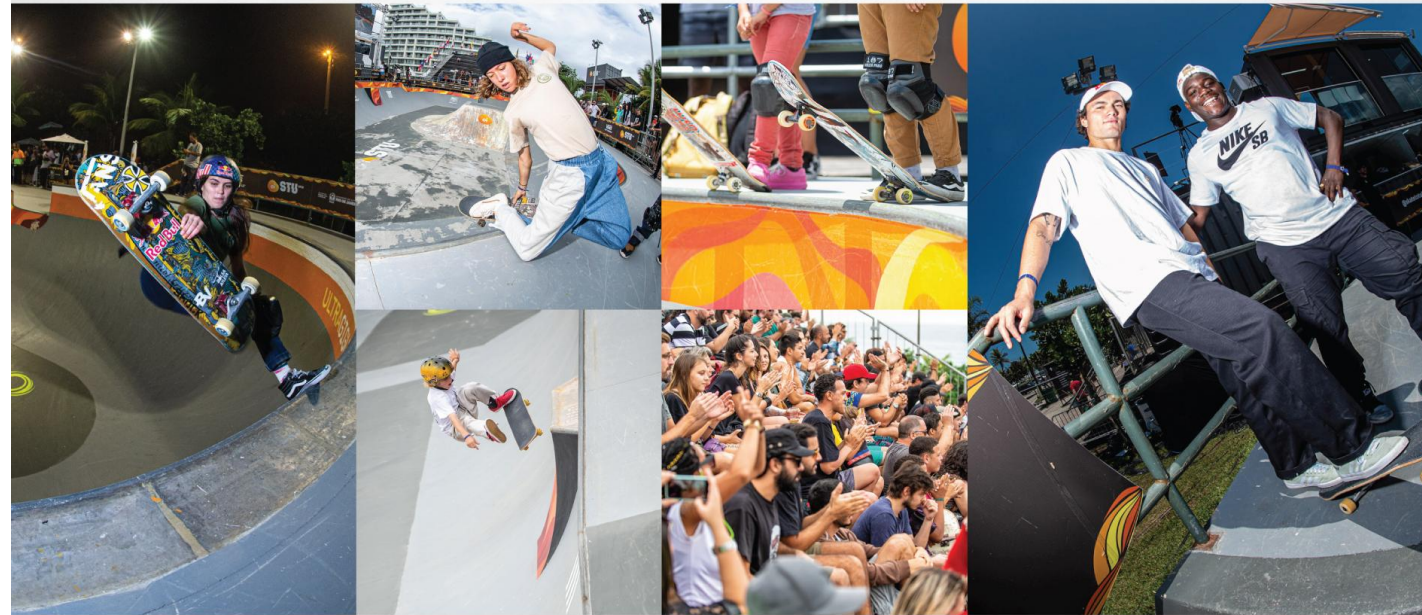




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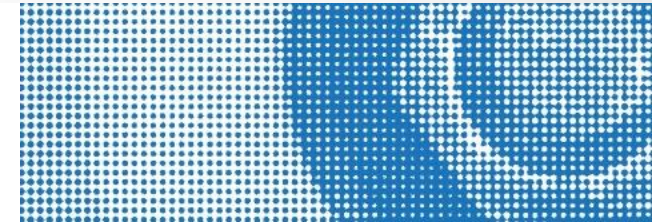




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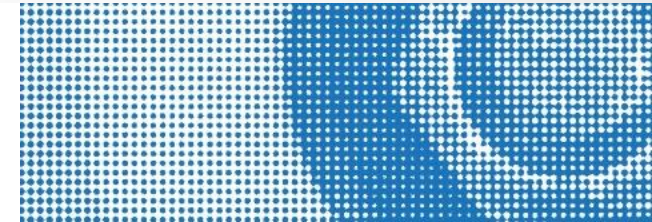
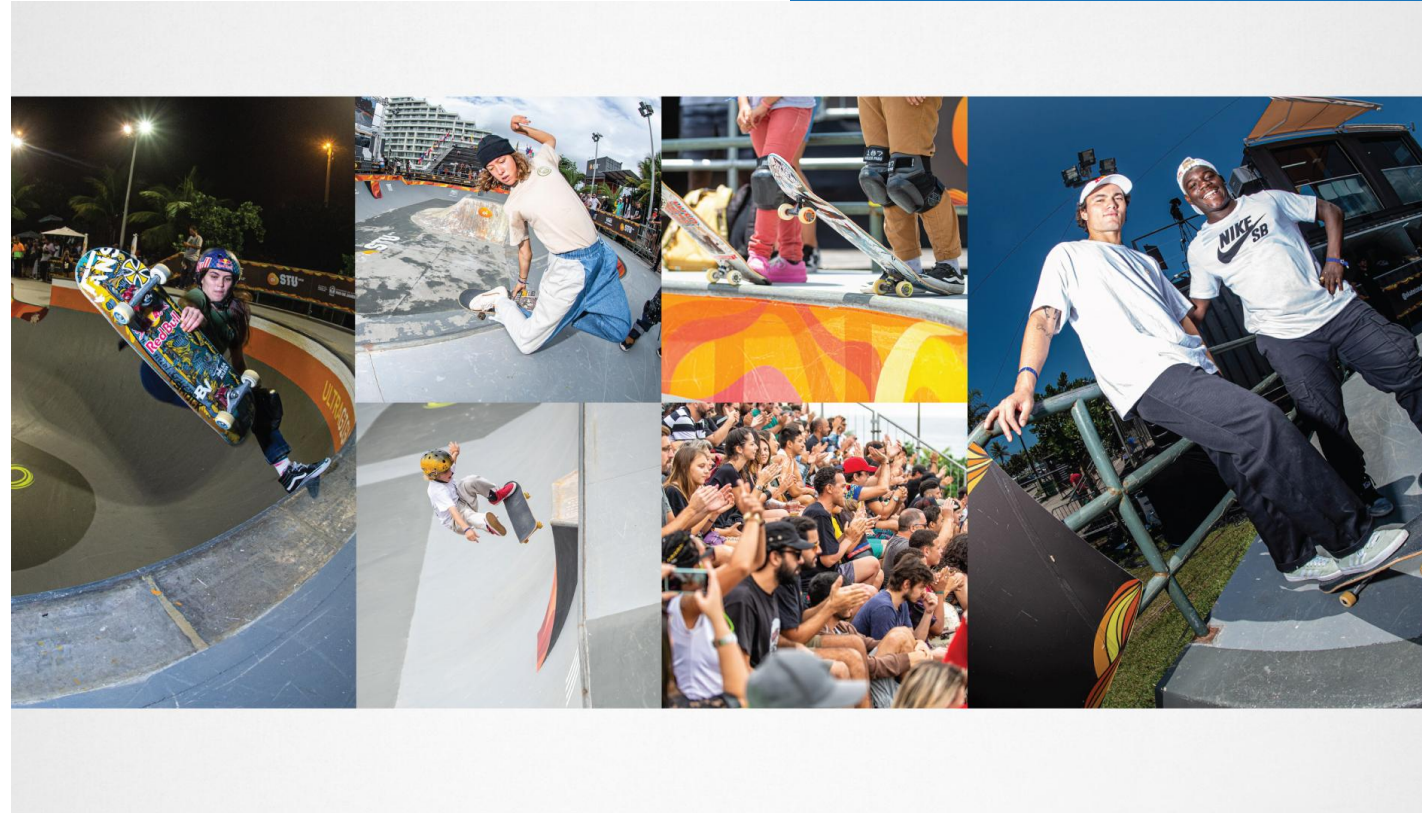




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- Professional skateboarder
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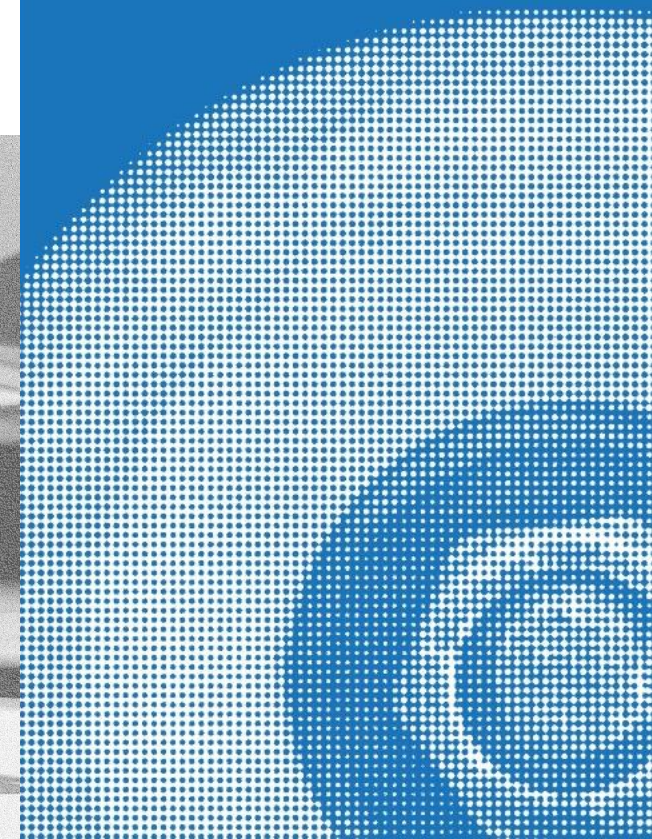
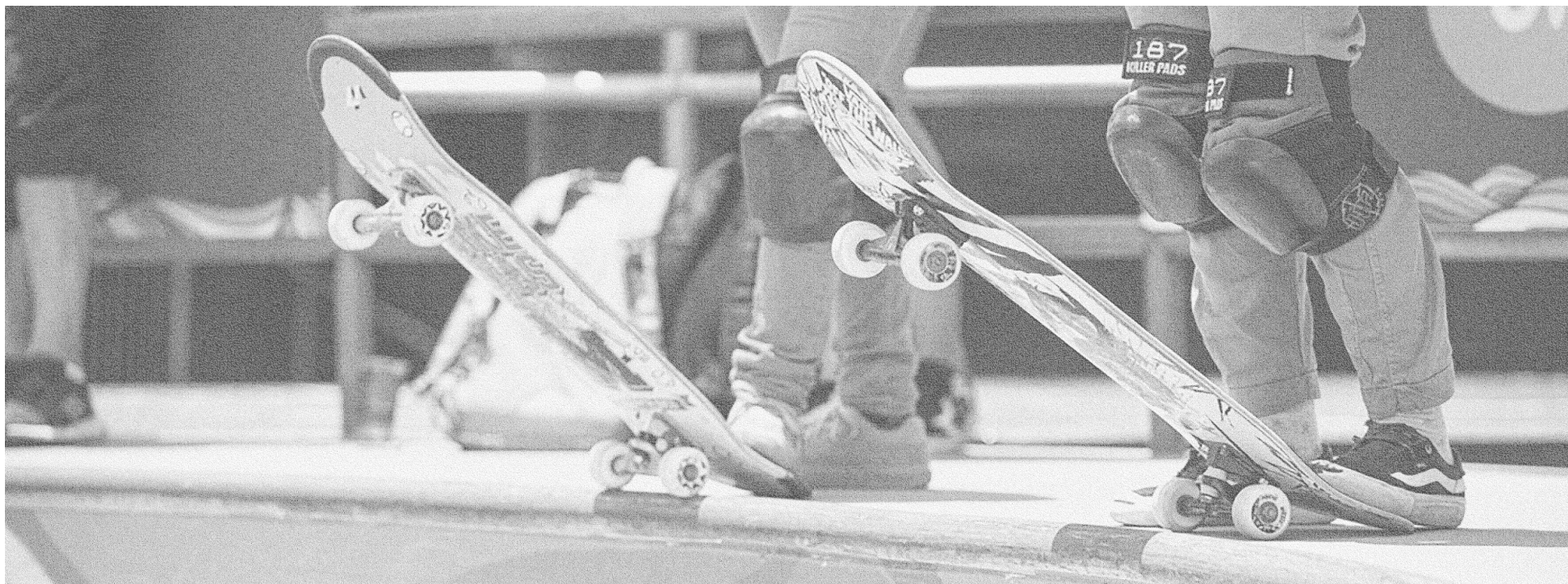
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Practice groups must be defined to meet the best possible standard of safety and practice quality for all the athletes during every practice session



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- **Minimum guaranteed time for practice**
- **Maximum numbers of athletes per one practice group**
- **Scheduling of practice**
- **Practice groups starting order**

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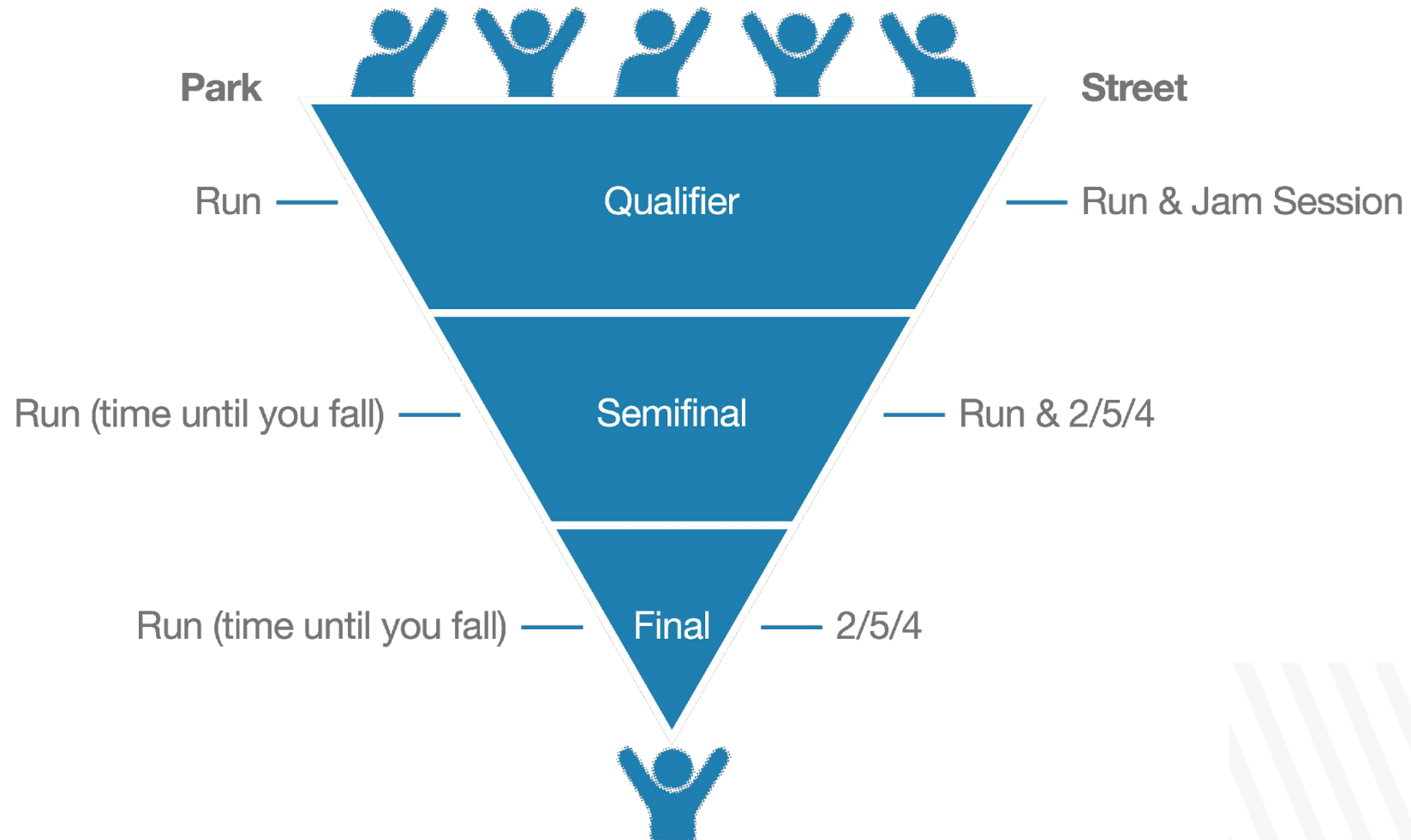


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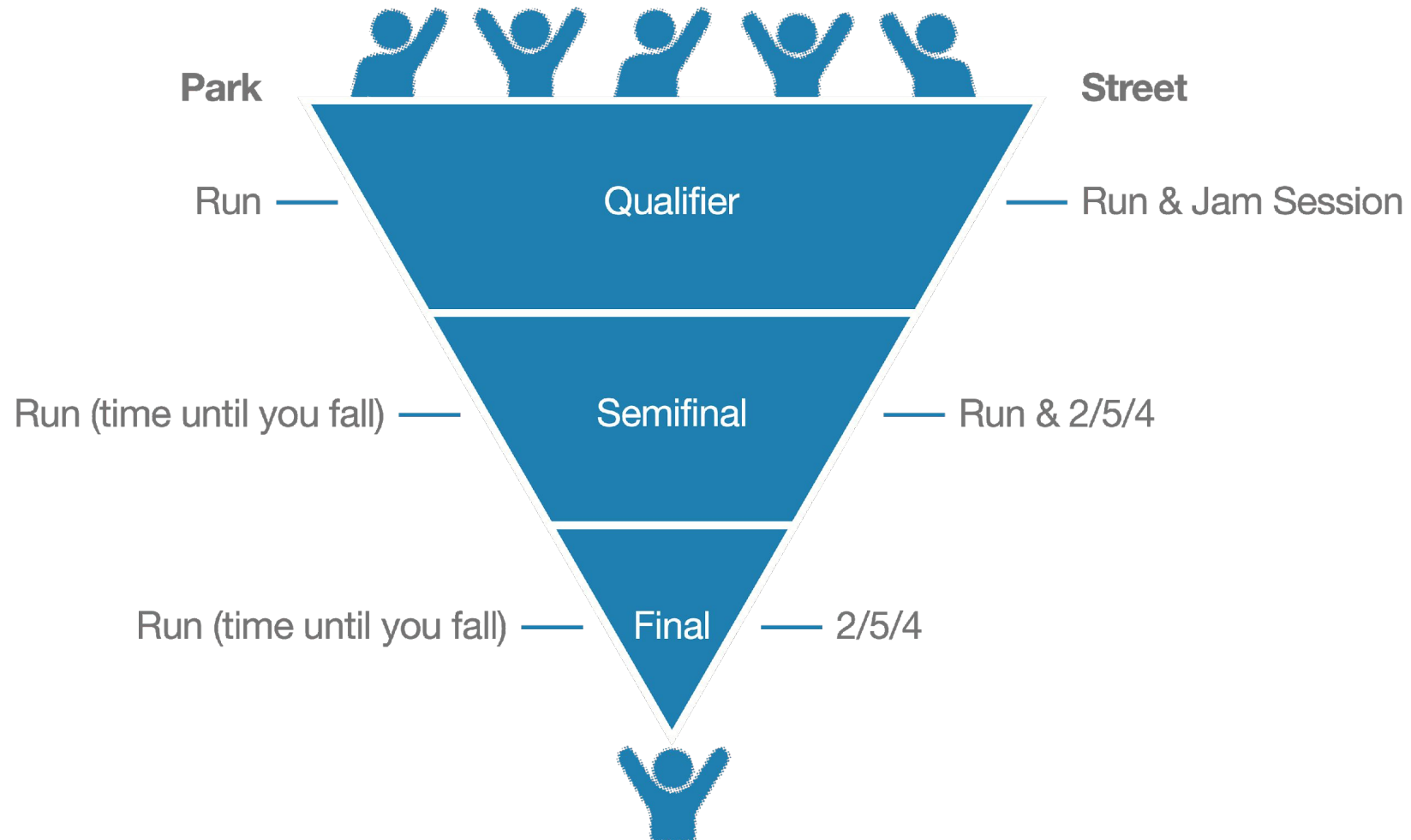
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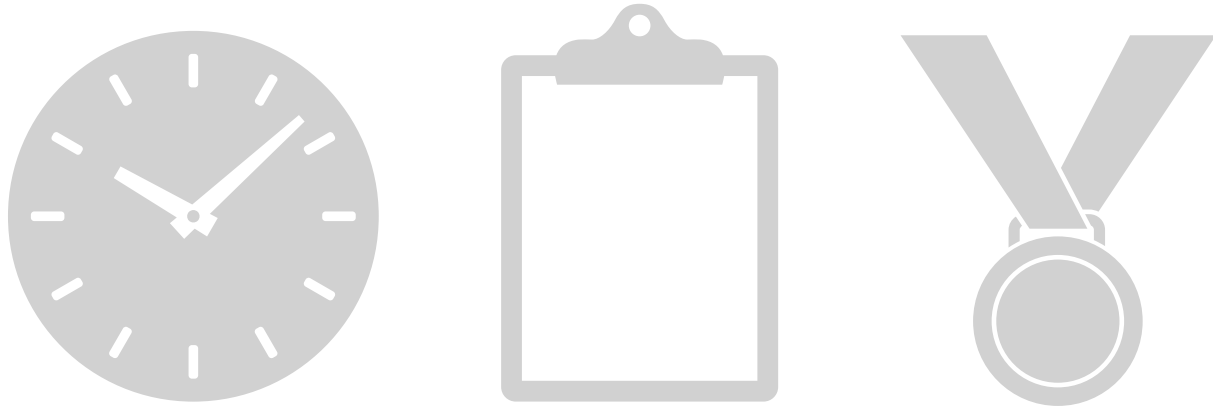


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Scoring Regulations

COMPETITION SCORE CLARIFICATION REQUEST PROTOCOL

- Once competition scores are approved by the Head Judge and published, they are final and not subject to any appeal.
- Athletes can request an explanation on Judging and competition-related matters following the WS Clarification protocol.



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Clarification Request Protocol

- Clarification requests can **only** be filed in written form by using the dedicated formulary available at the event registration desk (during event time) or submitted online to WS Sports department
- Clarification requests can only be filed during the competition and the 24 hours following the end of the competition
- After the competition time, clarification requests can be filed via email writing to WS Sports department
- Under no circumstance can the TD, Head Judge or other Judges be contacted directly

The Clarification request can be filed exclusively by:

- The Athlete or his/her legal guardian if under 18
- National Team Manager
- In case of a Clarification request filed by the National Team Manager, the Athlete or his/her legal guardian must provide consent to the filing by co-signing the form.

All the Clarification requests must be completely filled out and provide details such as:

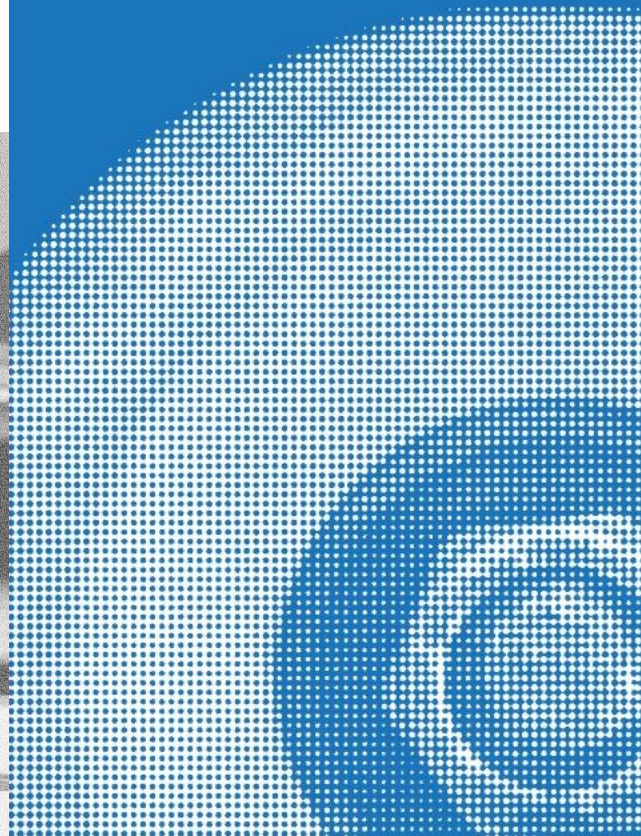
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Competition Related Situations and Procedures



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ATHLETE RE-RUN REQUEST

Unexpected external situations may occur during an athlete's performance, preventing the athlete from performing further or causing a performance failure. When situation like this happen, athletes may request a Re-Run of their wasted performance.

When can an athlete request a Re-Run?

- Conditions of the FOP changed dramatically and unexpectedly during the athlete's performance
- Technical conditions on or around the FOP prevented the athlete from his/her full performance
- Third-party interference during the athlete performance

How shall the athlete request a Re-Run?

- Stop during or immediately after his/her interference or change of condition occurred,
- Raise his/her hand and approach the course manager to claim his or her re-run request,
- Describe the incident and claim request for a new trick attempt or a new run.

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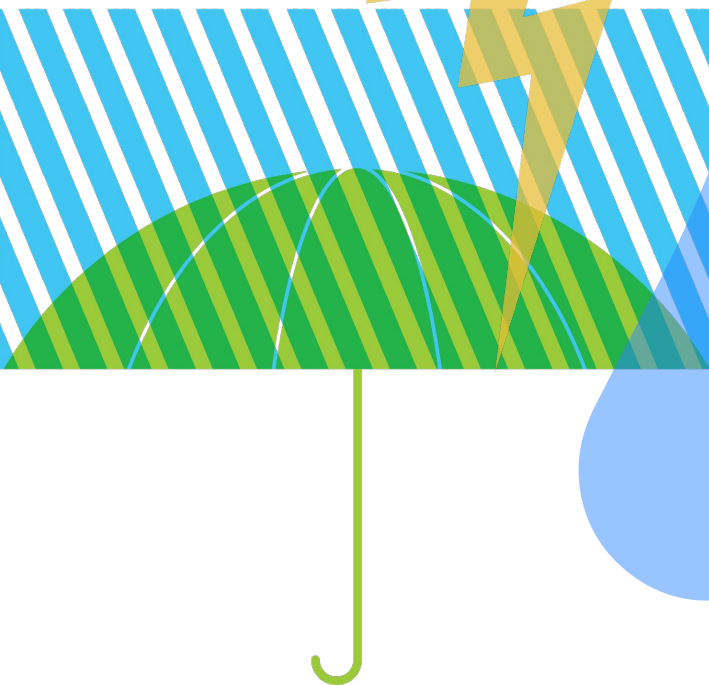


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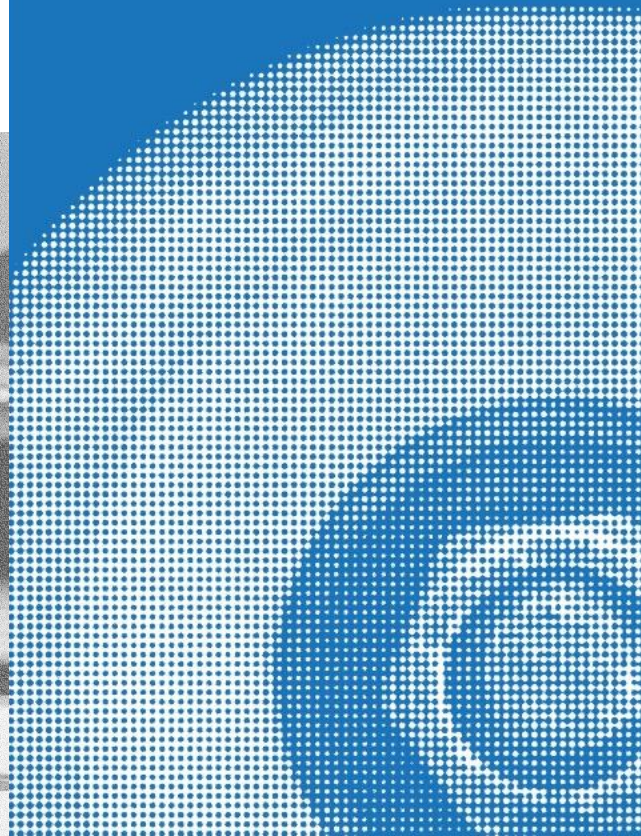
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Contingency Situations



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Contingency Situations

Possible situations may arise and cause the competition event to be altered or even cancelled. Circumstances for these alterations could be caused by:

- **Venue or FOP:** Unexpected or irreparable structural issues, agitated public behavior in or around the venue, or any unsafe element for the Athletes and/or Staff.
- **Weather :** Rain, high winds, extreme temperatures, or other weather related situations that would make the competition venue unsafe for athletes and/or staff.
- **Technical Equipment :** Major failure occurs within the scoring system, or other unforeseen technical malfunctions occur that could result in the competition being altered or delayed.



Contingency Competition Format

The format of the selected Contingency Plan depends on:

- **the round or phase of the event that have been already completed before the interruption**

and

- **on the remaining parts that still need to be accomplished.**

The main goal of any Contingency Plan is to complete any unfinished event phase on the utmost fair basis so the event results can be validated and later announced. Only in this way, it will be possible to allocate the points and award them to the athletes. And by doing so, the event can and will be successfully finished.

The application of contingency competition formats must be announced and defined in detail at least 1 hour before the start of the affected competition phase.

Validating The Results

If situations occur that keep World Skate from continuing or finishing an event round, the following validation procedures will go into effect.

- **Runs/Tricks cannot be completed:**
 - At least one run in Street and two runs in Park must be completed by all athletes within the same round to validate results.
- **The Final cannot be completed:**
 - The results of a previous event round can be considered to be the Final if all athletes had an equal chance to compete in said round.

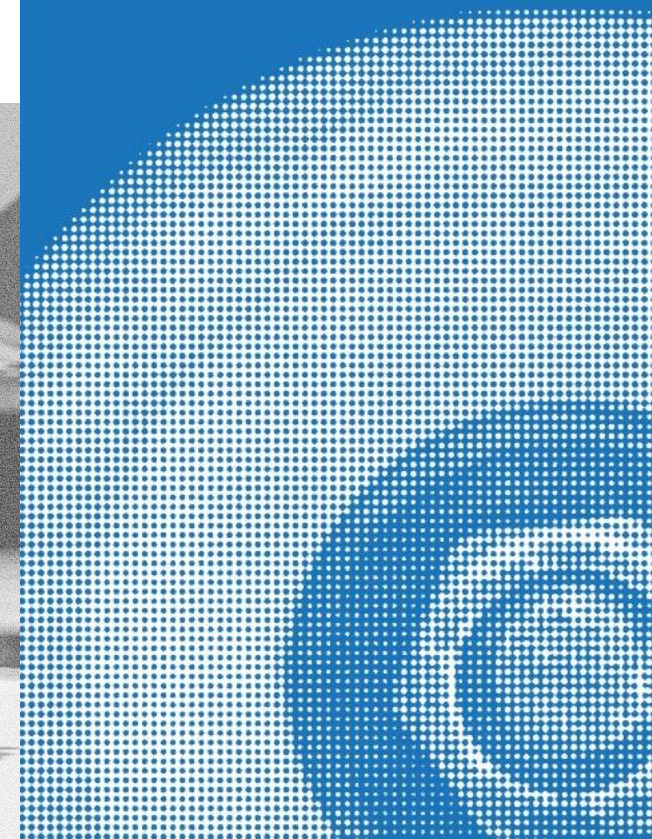
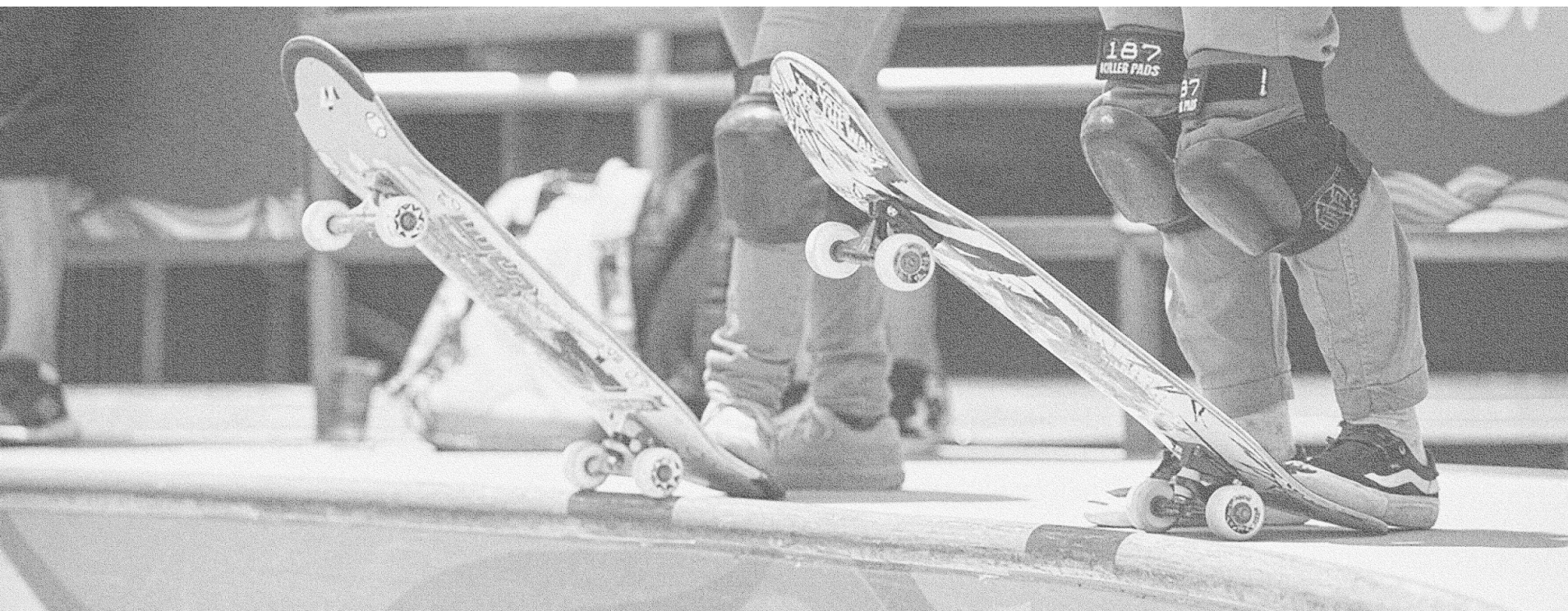


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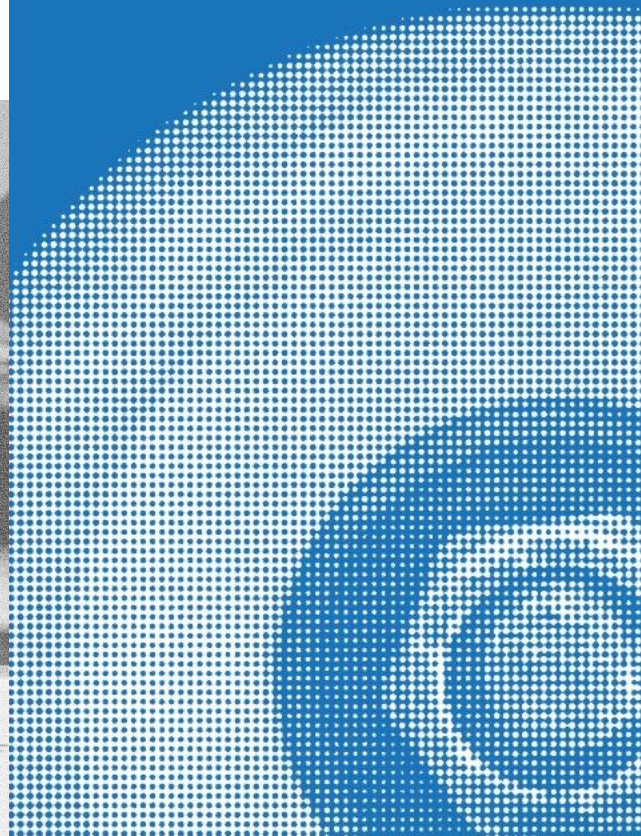
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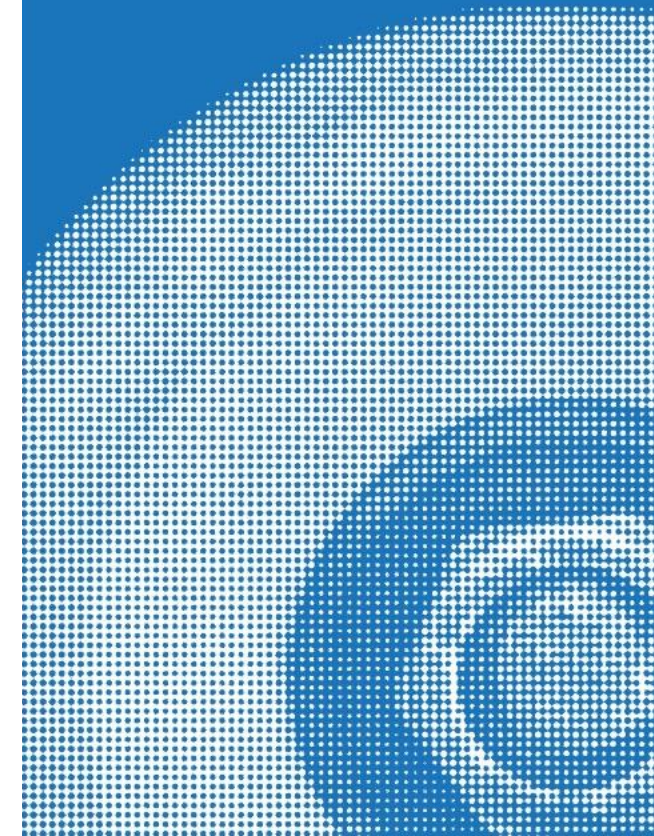
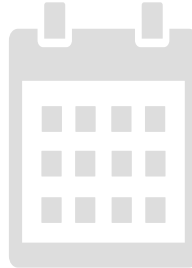
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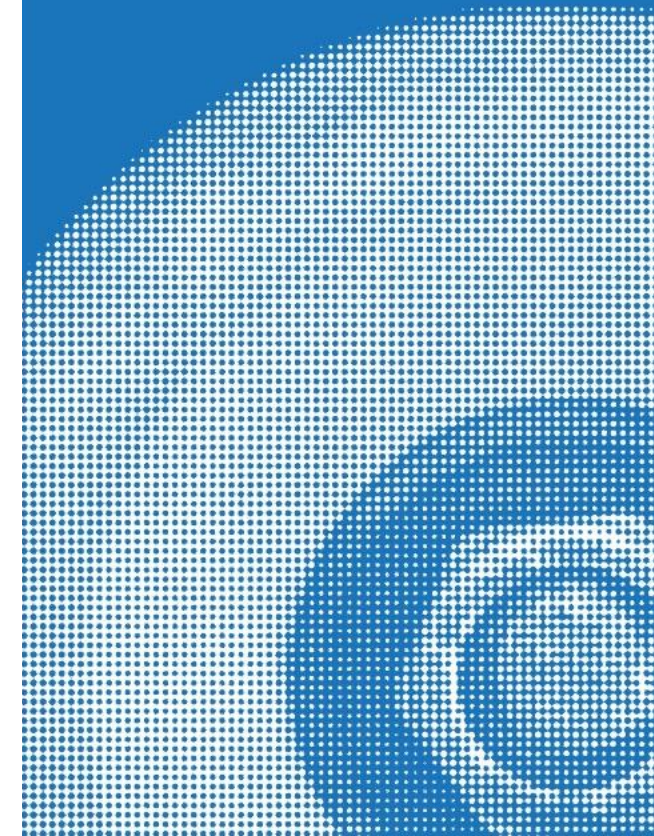
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