

**Special Regulations for
EFIRO 2019
International Stamp Exhibition**

1. Place and date

1.1 National Philatelic Exhibition with International Participation EFIRO 2019 celebrates "**560 years since Bucharest's first documentary attestation**" and "**145 years since the founding of the UPU**". During the exhibition will be held "**40th Symposium of Romanian Philately and Postal History**" of the Romania International Study Group. The exhibition will take place at the Museum of Romanian Records, Parfumului 25-27 Street, Bucharest, Romania.

1.2 The exhibition will open on Thursday 19 September 2019 in the afternoon and will end on Saturday, 21 September 2019, before noon.

2. Organization and support

2.1 The exhibition will be organized the Romanian Philatelic Federation and Museum of Romanian.

2.2 EFIRO 2019 is a national exhibition with international participation and its main purpose is to preselect the exhibits for the BALKANFILA 2020 exhibition.

2.3 The Museum of Romanian Records is the main sponsor of EFIRO 2019.

2.4 The official language of the exhibition is Romanian and complementary English.

2.5 Any natural or legal person is welcome to sponsor or support this exhibition.

3. Regulations of the exhibition

This special regulation shall be applicable to EFIRO 2019, which was built on the base of the Exhibition Regulation of the Romanian Philatelic Federation and:

a) FIP (GREX) and FEPA / FREGEX / Exhibition regulations.

b) General Rules for evaluating competitive exhibits / GREV /.

c) Special regulations for the evaluation of competitive exhibits / SREV /

d) The "One Frame" exhibits will be the subject of the Guide for the evaluation of "One Frame" exhibit at FIP exhibitions.

e) Exhibits in the "OPEN" class will be subject to the recommendations for judging the OPEN class.

f) Special regulations of the EFIRO 2019 exhibition.

4. Rank and classes of the exhibition

The EFIRO 2019 International Stamp Exhibition is an Rank I. Exhibition, where the exhibits may be presented in the following classes:

A. Out of Competitive Classes

- a) Official Class (for postal administrations and museums)
- b) Honorary Class (for invited persons and jury-members)

B. Competitive Classes

- B.1 Traditional Philately Class
- B.2 Postal History Class
- B.3 Thematic Philately Class
- B.4 Maximaphily Class
- B.5 Revenue Stamp Class
- B.6 Open Class
- B.7 Postal Stationary Class
- B.8 Aerophilately Class
- B.9 Picture Postcard Class
- B.10 One-Frame Exhibits Class
- B.11 Philatelic Literature
 - a. Special books and studies
 - b. Catalogs
 - c. Periodical publications.

Note: "One Frame" exhibits be allocated to the competitive classes they belong to.

5. Conditions for participation

- 5.1 Participation is open to all collectors who are members of a society affiliated with the Romanian Philatelic Federation or an invited Federation.
- 5.2 The EFIRO 2019 Exhibition does not have a Championship Class, in which case it will not be admitted to the competitive classes 8 frames exhibits or exhibits that have won LV – G - LG at FIP/Continental exhibitions. At the request of the exhibitor and with the agreement of the Organizing Committee, they may be placed in class A.b. noncompetitive class.
- 5.3 The competition class accepts exhibits of 5 frames who have obtained at least one medal of vermeil at a class II exhibition and especially first time entry exhibits. National commissioners will confirm the quality of the new exhibits.
- 5.4 No more than two exhibits are accepted per exhibitor and only in different classes. There are no restrictions for the "Literature" class. In the philatelic Literature class, exhibits must have been published / issued by:
 - January 2014 for manuals or special studies (B.11a class)

- 1 January 2018 for the remaining entries (classes B.11b, B.11c)

5.5 The exhibitor has the right to participate using a pseudonym, provided that his name and affiliation to a philatelic company are known to the national commissioner and the Organizing Committee, who are then authorized to inform the Jury about this.

6 Registration and acceptance

6.1 The application form shall be accompanied by a photocopy of the exhibit 1st page or a synopsis, and sent to the respective national commissioner.

6.2 The application form together with the introductory page will be sent by the national commissioner to the organizing committee by 31 May 2019.

6.3 The exhibits must be entered in the correct class. The jury reserves the right to redistribute the incorrect classification. No exhibits can be entered in more than one class. The content of the exhibits must be in accordance with moral and ethical standards, as well as with the Romanian Law.

6.4 The Organizing Committee reserves the right to reject any exhibit without justifying rejection.

6.5 Each accepted exhibit will be entered in the official catalog of the exhibition under its title as mentioned in the application form and with a brief description.

6.6 The list of accepted exhibits must be sent to the national commissioner no later than 15 July 2019 in order to have enough time to inform the exhibitors.

7 Participation Fees

7.1 There are no participation fees for any of the exhibition classes.

8 Allocation and dimensions of the frames

8.1 There will be approximately 300 frames for all classes, with a size of 970 x 1200 mm. A frame contains 16 sheets A4 / 210 x 297mm DIN and maximum 12 mm thickness for objects in the OPEN class.

8.2 The sheets will be mounted on 4 rows of 4. Each sheet shall be protected in transparent plastic.

8.3 Atypical formats can also be mounted, but must be mentioned on the enrollment form and the organizers warned in writing.

8.4 The philatelic literature will be displayed in special presentation cabinets or in the exhibition halls, which will be available to the visitor.

8.5 The Organizing Committee will decide on allocating frames to non-competitive classes.

8.6 In competitive classes 5 frames or 1 will be allocated, depending on the competition class.

8.7 Each member of the invited countries will have 30 frames available. If a member does not use all of his frames, then the Organizing Committee will provide frames left to another member.

9 Presentation of exhibits

9.1 All exhibits must be mounted on white pages. Do not accept exhibits mounted on dark or black pages. Sheets must contain original objects.

9.2 The Organizing Committee advises exhibitors to enclosed in a transparent protective cover their sheets rather rigid to ensure a better presentation of the sheet.

9.3 The original of expertizing certificate must be placed at the disposal of the Jury by inserting it at the back of the page. A small letter © is to be denoted at the right bottom corner of the display sheet.

10 Commissioners

10.1 Each invited country must appoint a commissioner who may also be a juror.

The responsibilities and privileges of the Commissioners are those identified in Articles 25, 27 and 28 of GREX.

11 Jury

11.1 The jury shall be composed of jury appointed by the Philatelic Federation of Romania and invited members. Each invited country may propose a single jury member.

11.2 The privileges of jury members will be communicated later.

12 Prizes

12.1 The awards will be awarded by the International Jury. Jurors will use the appropriate FIPs (SREV) for all exhibition classes.

12.2 Prizes for competitive class exhibits.

EFIRO 2019 will be a Rank I exhibition, so the award will be made in accordance with the following points.

- ♥ Gold medal (85 - 100 points)
- ♥ Large Vermeil medal (80 - 84 points)
- ♥ Vermeil medal (75 - 79 points)
- ♥ Large Silver medal (70 - 74 points)
- ♥ Silver medal (65 - 69 points)
- ♥ Silver Bronze medal (60 - 64 points)
- ♥ Bronze medal (55- 59 points)
- ♥ Diploma (\leq 54 points)

The exhibitor, who does not attain the medal degree, will be provided with a certificate in the rank of participation.

The awards will be accompanied by certificates.

Medals are made of common metal, identical for all prizes.

12.3 Each Federation is welcome to donate a Special Award; will be made available to the jury and given to the exhibit for originality, new treatment etc.

12.4 The Organizing Committee will nominate the Grand Prize of the Exhibition. The special prize will be awarded by the jury's decision during the Palmares ceremony by the President of the Philatelic Federation of Romania.

13 Delivering and returning exhibits

13.1 All exhibits must be transported in special envelopes to protect the boards. Each sheet must be numbered and enclosed in a transparent protective case closed on three sides. The certificate of expertise may be placed behind the sheet inside the protective bag. The numbering sheets will be continuous and will be placed in any of the lower front corners.

13.2 The exhibits in the "Literature" class must be sent in advance in a single copy until August 20, 2019. The "Literature" class exhibits will not be returned. They will be dispatched to the Organizing Committee by the exhibitor at the address indicated on the registration form.

13.3 All expenses related to sending the exhibit will be borne by the exhibitor. Exhibits will be returned to exhibitors by the way they were shipped.

13.4 The Organizing Committee recommends that the exhibits be delivered and returned by the National Commissioners.

14 Insurance and security

14.1 Each exhibitor must provide at his own expense the exhibit presented at EFIRO 2019 (GREX Article 50.2).

14.2 The Organizing Committee of the exhibition will take appropriate action to protect, manipulate and expose collections from their arrival to their return.

14.3 The Organizing Committee of EFIRO 2019 and their employees, in case of natural disasters, shall not be liable for any loss or damage to an Exhibit that might occur during the transportation to and from the exhibition; from receipt to return of the Exhibit; and during the exhibition.

14.4 The mounting and dismantling of exhibits shall be carried out by personnel appointed by the Organizing Committee. Upon request, this

will be done by a commissioner or exhibitor under the direct supervision of a delegate of the Organizing Committee.

14.5 Requests for the return, substitution in part or dismounting of exhibits during the period of the Exhibition are not accepted.

14.6 For all legal questions that arise between the Organizing Committee of EFIRO 2019 and exhibitors, Romanian Laws will apply exclusively.

15 Customs formalities

15.1 Special instructions on customs regulations for the export and import of exhibits will be sent to national commissioners. Collections outside the European Union must be accompanied by an ATA carnet.

15.2 Exhibitors must send their national commissioners, together with their entries, a list or inventory, indicating for each plate the number of stamps or philatelic objects.

16 About the Organizing Committee.

16.1 The Organizing Committee of EFIRO 2019 reserves the right to amend the regulations in force. In this case, exhibitors will be immediately notified of any change.

16.2 By signing the final entry form, each exhibitor accepts these Special Rules for EFIRO 2019.

16.3 Interpretation and resolution of issues not covered by this Regulations, are dependent on the decision of the Organizing Committee of EFIRO 2019, and the decision will be final.

16.4 In the event of a discrepancy or disagreement that can not be settled amicably between the parties, the jurisdiction of the Bucharest Tribunal shall be the place of jurisdiction.

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Note: In the case of deviations which may be attributed to the differences between the different language versions of this special regulation of EFIRO 2019, the Romanian version is mandatory.