

# 2023 GBO COMPETITOR GUIDELINES

## WOMEN BEACH BODY

### I. GENERAL

- a. A competitor can do both Open and Novice
- b. NOVICE: an athlete that has never entered a Global Bodybuilding Organization sanctioned event. Once a competitor wins his/her novice class, they are not allowed to enter another novice class. If a competitor does not win, they may choose to compete again in a novice class. If a competitor is caught entering a novice class after winning, they will be disqualified. Pro cards are not awarded in the novice classes.
- c. Competitors' numbers are to be visible at all times and worn on left side.

### II. COMPETITION ATTIRE

- a. Two-piece contest regulated suit (25% coverage of gluteus). Suits may be enhanced with rhinestones, sparkles, sequins, etc. Thongs will not be permitted.
- b. Clear high-heeled shoes are required.
- c. Jewelry may be worn within good taste and should not interfere with the presentation of the competitor's physique.

### III. HEIGHT CLASSES

Open / Novice	A under 5' 2"	B 5' 2.25" up to 5' 5"
	C 5' 5.25" up to 5' 7"	D over 5' 7"

**AGE GROUPS:** Masters – 35 – 39/ 40 – 45/ 41 – 45 / 46 – 50 / 51 – 55 / 56 - 60 / 61 – 65 / 66 – 70 / 70+

**Teen 16-19 Must be 18 or older to obtain Professional Status.**

### IV. POSING

- a. FRONT POSE: Face front, eyes forward, hips facing judges, and arms remain at sides or with one/two hands on hips. Feet should be slightly apart with toes facing judges.
- b. REAR POSE. Head held high, arms remain at sides or with one/two hands on hips, lats open, and feet should be slightly apart. Competitors with long hair should brush their hair to one side to ensure their back is visible to the judges.
- c. WALKING POSE: As directed by head judge, athletes will slowly walk to a line at the back of the stage, then face the front and slowly return to the front of the stage.

## **V. JUDGING**

- a. **INDIVIDUAL ROUND:** Competitors will execute a model walk to center stage where they will stop in a front pose. They will then transition with a full turn to the back pose and return to the front. Then the competitor will line up either stage right or left based on the direction of the expediter until all presentations are complete. Judges will be looking for stage presence, a shapely toned/balanced body and good conditioning. Competitors will also be judged on overall appearance including a healthy look to the skin, makeup, and poise.
- b. **COMPARISON ROUND:** Once all competitors have completed their individual rounds, the head judge will call random competitor numbers to line up center stage where front and back comparisons will be performed. Judges will compare competitors against others in the same class to help determine placement.
- c. **EVENING PRESENTATION:** Depending on size of the show, each competitor will be introduced and either perform three poses at center stage or perform a "box walk" across the stage with 2 poses on each of the three boxes. Once all competitors have been presented, the expediter will instruct the competitors to exit the stage. The top 5 competitors will be called back on stage for trophy presentations.