# 2018 RULES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE COLUMBUS SCOTTISH FESTIVAL HIGHLAND GAMES

#### Dates

The games will be conducted as part of the Columbus Scottish Festival on Saturday, September 8 and Sunday, September 9, 2018.

## Registration

- 1. It is strongly preferred that athletes register in advance.
- 2. Athletes who have not registered and paid their registration fee on or before August 24 are not guaranteed a shirt.
- 3. Athletes may register for two classes for which they qualify as long as those classes are competing on separate days.
- 4. Fees
  - a. \$30.00 if registration information and fee are received on or prior to August 24.
  - b. \$35.00 if registration information and fee are NOT received on or prior to August 24.
    - i. The later, \$35.00 option may be paid in-person the day of the event.
  - c. Registration fees are non-refundable.
- 5. Forms can be found at www.scottishfestival.org/athletics.
- 6. Online registration is available at <a href="https://mkt.com/columbus-scottish-festival/">https://mkt.com/columbus-scottish-festival/</a>.
- 7. Athletes will receive lunch, a T-shirt, and water.

#### **Events**

Athletes will be expected to compete in all seven Highland Heavy events as follow:

- 1. Braemar Stone Put
- 2. Heavy Weight for Distance
- 3. Light Weight for Distance
- 4. Caber Toss
- 5. Heavy Hammer Throw
- 6. Sheaf Toss
- 7. Weight for Height
- 8. \*\*\*Special Event\*\*\*

### Classes

1. Athletes may compete in one of nine different class on a given day.

Saturday, September 8	Sunday, September 9
Men's A Class	
Men's B Class	Men's C Class
Men's Masters Class	Men's Lightweight Class
Women's A Class	Women's Masters Class
Women's Open Class	

- 2. Athletes may be placed in one of these classes based on ability and the Athletic Director's discretion.
- 3. Qualifications
  - a. Entrants in Masters Classes must be 40+ years of age.
  - b. Entrants in the Lightweight Class must be 190 lbs. or less.
- 4. All accepted registrations will play.
- 5. We welcome first time athletes and do not limit the number of applicants.

# Scoring and Awards

- 1. Awards will be given out for the winners of each of the seven classes.
- 2. The 1, 2, 3 scoring system is used for placing at the Columbus Scottish Festival Highland Games.

### Other Rules and Guidelines

- 1. All athletes must be kilted.
- 2. Due to the nature of these Heavy Events, the Columbus Scottish Festival Highland Games Athletic Director and the Festival Director reserve the right to refuse any applicant the opportunity to participate. Unsportsmanlike behavior towards athletes, judges, scorekeepers, volunteers, field help, or spectators will result in immediate disqualification from the Games and future Games hosted by the Columbus Scottish Festival.
- 3. Individual instruction will be available on the field prior to each event for new (and old!) athletes.
- 4. Athlete registrations fees do not cover festival entry fees for friends and family.

## **Contact Information**

Any inquiries or questions should be addressed to:

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