



COMPETITION RULES

LOCKPICKING MINI-COMPETITION

ALLOWED TOOLS

- Lock picks (commercial or home-made)
- Tension tools (commercial or home-made)
- Pen and paper

REQUIREMENTS

- Arrive early (at least 15 minutes before the start of the competition)
- Every contestant needs to have his/her own equipment!

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- Euro profile cylinders and padlocks will be provided by the organizers
- Based on the number of contestants, qualification groups will be formed. The groups and seating places will be assigned randomly.
- In each round, the contestants have 5 minutes to open their lock.
- For each lock opened, the contestant gains one point. The opening times will be added together.
- The results of all competition rounds are based on the number of points obtained. In case of a tie, the total opening time is considered.
- From each qualification group (A-C, depending on the number of participants), 2-4 contestants advance to the “A finals”, and the following 2-4 contestants to the “B finals”. Usually, there are 6-12 contestants in both the final groups.
- The cylinder is considered open when the core is rotated 90 degrees and there is no tool inserted in the keyway.

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- A padlock is considered open when the shackle is released and there is no tool inserted in the keyway.
- For the total of opening times, 5 minutes are added for each unopened lock.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- The maximum number of participants in the is 21.
- Before the start of each round, the contestant may try out the tension tool on the lock. No manipulation tool may be inserted before the start. At the start, not even the tension tool can be inserted. In case of repeated violation of this rule, one point will be deducted from the contestant's score!
- The contestant may choose whether he/she wishes to hold the cylinder in hand or use the vise. The cylinder should be mounted in the vise before the start of each round.
- When the contestant opens the lock, they indicate this by saying "Open!" out loud and raising the hand. The referee then tells the contestant the opening time and the contestant writes it down into the provided sheet.
- If a tool remains stuck in the lock at the end of the competition round or if the contestant damages the lock during the competition, he will be disqualified.
- If a lock turns out to be faulty, it may be removed from the competition and disregarded in the results.
- The contestants who opened their locks are not allowed to disturb the other contestants.
- For each lock type, there are several individual locks (with different bitting), so that each group will compete with the same lock types at their tables.
- The locks that were not opened during the qualification or were too easy may be replaced for the finals.

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