



THE SLOWEST RACE ON THE PLANET

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THE GOAL OF THE COMPETITION IS TO SMOKE A CIGAR FOR THE LONGEST PERIOD OF TIME.
THE CIGAR SMOKING COMPETITION IS OPEN FOR ADULTS ONLY.

Rule 1

- All participants receive the same cigar that they picked themselves from the box.
- In the event that a defective cigar is chosen, the competitor can exchange the cigar for a new one.
- Every cigar competition band is placed in the same position and fixated with glue on every cigar provided to participants.

Rule 2

- Each participant will be given a cigar cutter and a box with two long matches.
- The competition table may only contain items provided by the organizer; any additional items are not permitted on the table during the whole competition.
- Participants have 1 (one) minute to prepare the cigar (cutting).
- Participants can choose to light the cigar using one or both matches.
- It is not permitted to light the cigar before the competition officially starts; the judge will provide a clear signal when cigars are to be lit.
- Participants have a maximum of 1 (one) minute to light the cigar, which is also included in the overall time of the competition.
- Additional preparation of the cigar is not permitted.

Rule 3

- During the competition it is not permitted to re-light the cigar.
- During the competition it is not permitted to blow on the embers of the cigar, blow through the cigar or wet the cigar.
- During the first 5 (five) minutes, participants are not permitted to talk or consume drinks.
- It is not permitted to put down the cigar; the cigar has to be kept in the participants' hand during the whole competition.
- It is not allowed to cover or hide the cigar; the cigar has to be visible at all times.
- It is not allowed to touch the burning line of the cigar.
- It is not allowed to use the aid of any wristwatches, smartwatches, mobile phones or personal items in any way.
- Judges, at their sole discretion, may issue warnings, disqualifications and determine whether or not competitors' actions are in the spirit of fair play.

Rule 4

- The cigar is smoked through to the competition band.
- If the competition band is burned, the participant will be fined 15 penalty minutes. In case that the competition ring is burned, participant earns 15 penalty minutes and his/her smoking time is finished and marked.

Rule 5

- Keeping the cigar ash gives a slow burning advantage to the participant.
- Once the first ash has fallen or been shaken off the cigar, the participant will be deducted the following

Penalty minutes:

In the first 10 minutes of the competition, 20 minutes will be deducted.
In the first 20 minutes of the competition, 15 minutes will be deducted.
In the first 25 minutes of the competition, 10 minutes will be deducted.
In the first 30 minutes of the competition, 5 minutes will be deducted.
In the first 35 minutes of the competition, 3 minutes will be deducted.
In the first 40 minutes of the competition, 1 minute will be deducted.

- Each disposal of the cigar in the ashtray or out of the hands during the competition brings -10 penalty minutes.
- If the cigar band is burned, 15 penalty minutes will be deducted.
- After 40 minutes, participants are permitted to shake off the ash without incurring penalty minutes – except in the case of ring burning (explained above).

Rule 6

- Cigar smoking ends at the exact moment when the participant lifts his/her number and in that moment his/her smoking time is recorded. This happens in two possible cases:
 1. if the cigar extinguishes by itself.
 2. when the band limit has been reached.
- When finished smoking, the participant is required to leave the participant table.

Judges

- Competition is guided by judge(s). In the case of a larger number of judges, one is Main judge and the others are Assistant judges or Judge assistants.
- The participant himself reports falling or shaking off the ashes, as well as extinguish of the cigar or end of smoking.
- Judge can publicly report the participant in a case of registering ash falling, ring burning, putting the cigar on the ashtray or extinguishing of the cigar.
- Judge can disqualify the participant if he/she does not respect the rules or disturbs other participants. For the first official warning judge gives a yellow card, in the case of giving a second yellow

card it is automatically a red card and that means disqualification of the competitor. Judge can give immediate red card-disqualification in the case of heavy breaking or disrespecting the CSWC rules

- During the competition, the Main judge informs the participants about the time: after the first minute and every ten (10) minutes after that.
- When competition ends, judge inspects the rings to determine if the ring is burned or not.
- Competition report, recording of the time and writing the penalty minutes are being done by the Main judge.

Winner

The winner of the competition is the person who smokes the cigar for the longest time without turning it off. Meaning, the winner of the competition is the person whose time of smoking is the longest, after all the reductions from the penalty minutes are taken into consideration. Main judge declares the winner of the competition.



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