

NorAm Competition Organiser Guidelines 2023/24

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Introduction

The information contained in these guidelines will provide information for organising committees as they plan and deliver NorAm competitions.

Key Terms

- Organising Committee – OC
- National Sport Association (Freestyle Canada, Canada Snowboard, Alpine Canada, U.S. Ski & Snowboard) – NSA
- FIS Officials – Technical Delegate, Judges

FIS Officials' Payments and Expenses

- The exchange rate will be set for the season on September 30 each year.
- All daily rates will be based on the CHF amount identified in the ICR and equivalent daily amounts and per diems are paid in the event's local currency

Meal Per Diem:

Payment to officials for meal per diems, including travel days and all event days, will be provided in the local currency of the organiser.

- The OC is required to provide lunch to officials on event days; lunch should be equivalent to \$15 value.
- An OC may provide meals for officials. For meals not provided (i.e. lunch on event days), the following amounts should be paid to the official upon their arrival to the event:
 - Breakfast \$10
 - Lunch \$15
 - Dinner \$20

Travel Guidelines

1. Travel arrangements and payments are handled by NSA in collaboration with OC. Prior to reimbursement all receipts must be provided to the reimbursing organisation.
2. Travel arrangements and costs must be pre-approved by the OC prior to purchase. Cost and effectiveness of methods of travel are considered when making travel arrangements. Value to the OC and convenience to the official will be balanced.
3. Airline baggage cost will be reimbursed - up to two checked bags. Receipts are required for reimbursement.
4. For those driving, the OC will reimburse gas or mileage, but not both. OC will provide a standard mileage rate from the official's home to the provided lodging and back. Local event travel during the event period is the responsibility of the OC. Receipts are required for reimbursement.
5. Mileage rates for FIS Officials: 0.55 CHF/Kilometer (North American FIS rate)

Lodging

OC covers lodging expenses from official arrival through departure day.

Officials' Honorarium, Payments and Expense Reimbursement

TD see rule ICR: 2008

Park and Pipe see ICR rule: 3311

Park & Pipe

	TD	Head Judge**	Judge (per Judge)
Administration Day		X	
Arrival Day*	X	X	X
Training Day(s)	X	X	X
Event Day(s)	X	X	X
Departure Day*	X	X	X

Aerials and Moguls see ICR Rule: 4001.1.7.1

Aerials and Moguls

	TD	Head Judge**	Judge (per Judge)
Arrival Day*	X		X
1st Training Day	X	X	
2nd Training Day	X	X	X
Event Day(s)	X	X	X
Departure Day*	X	X	X

Meal entitlements or per diems for identified FIS officials start with dinner on the respective arrival day then end with breakfast on the identified departure day.

Remote judging - Judges are required to be available for training beginning 15 minutes prior to the start of the first competition day training. If the Head Judge is also remote he/she will receive an additional day of honorarium and needs to be available for Jury meeting on training day 2 and for the Draw.

Lift Tickets

All officials required to be on course should be either provided lift access or reimbursed for the cost of a ticket

Discipline Specific Guidelines

Slopestyle

- Maximum Events Per Year
 - Each FIS calendar year both the USA and Canada are allowed to sanction a maximum of 3 slopestyle events in their respective countries for a total of 6 NorAm slopestyle events total. The maximum per nation will also include any Premium NorAm events.
 - An exception can be made to this maximum if approved by the NorAm committee.
- Prohibition of Double Up Slopestyle Events
 - Double stops for NorAm Slopestyle events are not allowed to be sanctioned at the same location during the same contest/event.
 - A NorAm Slopestyle event can be sanctioned at the same location and during the same contest event as a NorAm Big Air.
 - An exception to this rule can be made if approved by the NorAm committee.

Moguls

- Scheduling of events should include a mogul (MO) event followed by a dual mogul (DM) event on the following day.
- In general:
 - There are four stops per season that include two stops (MO and DM) per stop with two (2) in the USA and two (2) in CAN; efforts are made to have an eastern and western host in each country.
 - The NorAm tour does not generally start before mid-January each season
 - When possible, events will follow WC events to use courses and infrastructure.
 - Efforts are made to schedule the two eastern and the two western events close to each other to minimize cross country travel.

Aerials

- In general:
 - There is a USA and a CAN stop (minimum) with a maximum of two Aerial (AE) events per stop.
 - AE Team (AET) or AE Synchro (AES) can be added to any stop.

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Sport Specific Guidelines

Appendix 1: NorAm Aerial Competitions - *Individual and Team Event Suggested Formats*

Where possible, NorAm organising committees are encouraged to include an Aerial Mixed Team Event at their competition.

Individual Format

Each athlete in individual NorAm aerial competition will usually be provided the opportunity to perform two jumps in a qualification round of competition. The athletes will be ranked based on their higher total score of the two jumps performed; the top six ranked athletes per gender will move on to the final round of competition (the “finals”). In the final round, each qualified athlete will perform a third jump; the third jump may be a repeat of a jump that was performed in the qualification round. The final results are based solely off the jumps performed in the final round. For safety or in the event of delays, the Jury may choose to alter the format.

Qualification: Ranking based on the best total score from two different jumps

Final: (Top 6) One jump for final ranking

Q1: one jump

Q2: one jump (different jump from Q1)

Best highest score per athlete from Q1 and Q2, Top 6 go to final (F1)

F1: one jump for final ranking (can repeat same jumps as Q1 and Q2)

Suggested Daily Schedule – Individual events:

Speed Check:	8h45-9h00
Women training:	9h00-9h50
Q1:	10h00-10h45
Q2:	10h45-11h30
F1:	11h45-12h00

Speed Check:	12h00-12h15
Men Training:	12h15-13h15
Q1:	13h20-13h50
Q2:	13h50-14h20
F1:	14h30-14h45

Format for Individual and Aerial Mixed Team Event

On days where an organiser chooses to run an Aerial Mixed Team event instead of an Individual Aerial event, there will usually be two competitions: a condensed individual event and the Aerial Mixed Team event.

For the condensed individual event each athlete will be provided the opportunity to perform one jump in a qualification round of competition. The top six ranked athletes per gender based on their total score from one jump will move on to the final round of competition (the “finals”). In the final round, each qualified athlete will perform a second jump; the second jump must be a different jump than was performed in the qualification round. The final results are based solely off the jumps performed in the final round.

For the Mixed Team event, teams of three athletes will be provided one competition jump each. Each team must have representation from each gender and can include athletes from more

than one country at the NorAm level. The three jumps performed by each team member will be combined to establish the team's score. Each team's score will be used to rank the final placings.

Individual event

Q1: one jump

Highest score per athlete from Q1, Top 6 go to final (F1)

F1: one jump for final ranking (different jump than Q1)

Mix team event

Mix team of three athletes – at least one athlete from each gender.

One jump per athlete

Jump score from each athlete in the team will be cumulate for a final team score.

Suggested Daily Schedule – Individual and Team event days

Speed check: 8h45 - 9h00

Training W & M: 9h00 – 10h25

Q1: 10h30 – 12h00

F1: 12h00 – 12h30 (different jump from Q1)

Speed Check: 12h45 – 13h00

Mix team training: 13h00 – 13h30

Mix team comp: 13h40 – 15h00

Appendix 2: NorAm Pipe & Park Competitions Schedule Template

Saturday, February 25, 2020				Slopestyle 3 Heats W/ Hot Lap	
Start	Finish	Duration	Event: 60 MEN, 14 WOMAN		Location
SS	8:30	- 8:45	0:15	Load Lift	
	8:45	- 9:15	0:30	Woman's Ski Slopestyle Training Heats	
	9:15	- 9:45	0:30	Woman's Ski SS Qualification Run 1 HEAT 1	
	9:45	- 10:15	0:30	Woman's Ski SS Qualification Run 2 HEAT 1	
	10:15	- 10:25	0:10	Woman's Ski Finals (6)	
	10:25	- 10:25	0:00	Course Preparation	
	10:25	- 11:10	0:45	Men's Ski SS Qualification Training ALL HEATS	
	11:10	- 11:55	0:45	Men's Ski SS Qualifications - Run 1 HEAT 1 (30)	
	11:55	- 12:40	0:45	Men's Ski SS Qualifications - Run 2 HEAT 1 (30)	
	12:40	- 12:55	0:15	Course Preparation /Hot Lap Heat 2	
	12:55	- 13:40	0:45	Men's Ski SS Qualifications - Run 1 HEAT 2 (30)	
	13:40	- 14:25	0:45	Men's Ski SS Qualifications - Run 2 HEAT 2 (30)	
	14:25	- 14:45	0:20	Course Preparation/Verification	
	14:45	- 15:00	0:15	Men's Finals Training	
	15:00	- 15:30	0:30	Men's Finals Run 1 (20)	
15:30	- 16:00	0:30	Men's Finals Run 2 (20)		
AWARDS	16:30			Awards Ceremony	Finish
TCM	16:30	- 17:00	0:30	Team Captains Meeting - Finals Start Lists for SS	OHOFF Theatre

Appendix 3: NorAm Mogul Competitions Schedule Template

Saturday, January 30, 2016				MOGUL COMPETITION	
	Start	Finish	Duration	Event	Location
MO Qual.	8:00	- 8:10	0:10	Ladies' Inspection	
	8:10	- 8:20	0:10	Course Preparation	
	8:20	- 8:50	0:30	Ladies' Mogul Training	
	8:50	- 9:00	0:10	Course Preparation	
	9:00	- 9:40	0:40	Ladies' Qualifications (30)	
	9:40	- 9:50	0:10	Men's Inspection	
	9:50	- 10:00	0:10	Course Preparation	
	10:00	- 10:35	0:35	Men's Mogul Training	
	10:35	- 10:45	0:10	Course Preparation	
	10:45	- 11:45	1:00	Men's Qualifications (50)	
	11:45	- 12:00	0:15	Break	
MO Final	12:00	- 12:10	0:10	Ladies and Men's Mogul Finalist Inspection	
	12:10	- 12:30	0:20	Ladies and Men's Mogul Finalist Training	
	12:30	- 12:45	0:15	Break	
	12:45	- 13:05	0:20	Ladies' Mogul Finals (F1) (16)	
	13:05	- 13:25	0:20	Men's Mogul Finals (F1) (16)	
	13:25	- 13:30	0:05	Break	
	13:30	- 13:40	0:10	Ladies' Mogul Finals (F2) (6)	
	13:40	- 13:50	0:10	Men's Mogul Finals (F2) (6)	
	13:50	- 13:55	0:05	Awards Preparation	
	13:55	- 14:00	0:05	Ladies' Mogul Awards	Finish Area
14:00	- 14:05	0:05	Men's Mogul Awards	Finish Area	
14:05	- 14:15	0:10	FIS Podium Interviews	Finish Area	

Mogul Air Bump Shapers

For the purpose of shaping and grooming the air bumps in Moguls and Dual Moguls, the Canadian and USA national team representative shall appoint two shapers per NorAm competition: one shaper will be assigned to the top jump and one to the bottom. Each shaper is responsible for the final preparation of the inrun to the jumps and the shape of the jumps in accordance with the current FIS Freestyle Ski specifications.

These individuals will be assigned for the tour (season) at the first Team Captain's meeting of the season (the first NorAm). One representative should be nominated from Canada and one from the USA for each competition. If an assigned shaper is unable to fulfill their responsibility at their assigned competition, it is their responsibility to find a replacement from their nation.

The list assignments will be provided to each LOC and the assigned Technical Delegate.