



RULES FOR THE FIS NORDIC COMBINED WORLD CUP (MEN)

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Legend:	WCNC-M	=	FIS World Cup Nordic Combined
	COCNC-M	=	FIS Continental Cup Nordic Combined Men
	NCT	=	FIS Nordic Combined Triple

1. Calendar Planning, Entry and Appointment of the Competitions

1.1 FIS World Cup Nordic Combined presented by Viessmann

1.1.1 Each National Ski Association is entitled to apply to the WCNC-M competitions (Individual and Team competition) to the Nordic Combined Committee by the pre-established deadline.

1.1.2 The application has to be made two years in advance and on the official FIS entry form. The application form must show the expiration date of the hill and course certificate.

1.1.3 The last WCNC-M event in this competition season is the WCNC-M final. In connection with the WCNC-M final the overall WCNC-M prize-giving ceremony will take place.

1.1.4 Calendar planning and adjustments

The Chair of the FIS Nordic Combined Committee, the Chair of the FIS Sub-Committee and the FIS Nordic Combined Race Director together will be allowed to adapt the World Cup Calendar and technical rules in order to maximize the possibility to organize World Cup events.

1.2 Appointment of the WCNC-M Events

1.2.1 The Nordic Combined Committee examines:

- the suitability of the hill and course in question for WCNC-M competitions by means of the valid certificate
- the suitability of the organizers in question for WCNC-M competitions by means of a selection criteria which includes, among other things, the guaranteed availability of an international TV-signal – suitable for live transmissions - for the entire duration of the competition.

1.2.2 According to the result of this evaluation and the proposed dates the Nordic Combined Committee establishes a provisional WCNC-M competition schedule for the upcoming five (5) years. The final WCNC-M competition calendar for the current season requires the approval of the FIS Council.

1.3 Date Protection

1.3.1 Only one WCNC-M event can take place on the same date.

1.3.2 The International Championships (OWG & WSC) are protected as to their date which means that no WCNC-M competitions can take place on those days.

1.4 Cancellations

In the events that the selected competition site cannot be used, the respective National Ski Association must cancel the event(s) and this must be done at the latest eight (8) days before the competition.

1.5 Waxing Cabins and Changing Area

The Organizing Committee is obliged to provide the necessary waxing cabins, as well as a separate changing area, at disposal of the teams without any additional costs for the nations. Teams arriving with a Wax Truck have to inform the OC by the deadline for Team entry and are not entitled to get a Wax Cabin at the CC stadium.

2. Participation Right in WCNC-M Competitions

2.1 Only competitors with a FIS-Code are allowed to be entered.

2.2 Allowed to start are Competitors who are born in 2008 or earlier and

- a) who have already gained WCNC-M points or
- b) who have gained at least one COCNC-M point of the past or of the current season or
- c) Medal winners from the Individual event in the JWSC will get a personal right to start in World Cup until the start of the next JWSC

3. WCNC Evaluation

3.1 Individual Competitions

1 st place = 100 points	21 st place = 20 points
2 nd place = 90 points	22 nd place = 19 points
3 rd place = 80 points	23 rd place = 18 points
4 th place = 70 points	24 th place = 17 points
5 th place = 60 points	25 th place = 16 points
6 th place = 55 points	26 th place = 15 points
7 th place = 52 points	27 th place = 14 points
8 th place = 49 points	28 th place = 13 points
9 th place = 46 points	29 th place = 12 points
10 th place = 43 points	30 th place = 11 points
11 th place = 40 points	31 st place = 10 points
12 th place = 38 points	32 nd place = 9 points
13 th place = 36 points	33 rd place = 8 points
14 th place = 34 points	34 th place = 7 points
15 th place = 32 points	35 th place = 6 points
16 th place = 30 points	36 th place = 5 points
17 th place = 28 points	37 th place = 4 points
18 th place = 26 points	38 th place = 3 points
19 th place = 24 points	39 th place = 2 points
20 th place = 22 points	40 th place = 1 point

3.1.1 In case of equality in points between competitors, each athlete receives the points corresponding to the rank (the following place is omitted).

3.1.2 A minimum of eight (8) National Ski Associations must participate if a WCNC-M competition is to count for the WCNC-M evaluation.

3.1.3 **World Cup Standing**

The WCNC-M points of all Individual competitions of the current season will be counted for the WCNC-M overall standings.

In case of an equality of points in the WCNC-M standing the better ranking order of the different competitions will be used to decide the ranking. If the competitors are still equal, the starting order will be drawn.

3.1.4 The current leader of the WCNC-M overall evaluation receives the "WCNC-M yellow Leader bib", which he is allowed to keep. The "WCNC-M Leader bib" has to be worn by the leader at the WCNC-M event, at the official winner's ceremony and at all official Ski Jumping trainings.

3.1.5 "Best jumper's bib" (blue) and "best Cross-Country skiers' bib" (red) will be distributed to each of the current leading athletes each weekend. The "best jumper/skier bib" has to be worn by the leaders at the WCNC-M event and at the official winner's ceremony.

The basis for calculation is the World Cup Men scoring list, see art 3.1. If there is an equal score in the daily result, each competitor will receive the points assigned to the rank and the following rank will be skipped.

3.2 **Team competitions**

3.2.1 **Team competition / Mixed Team competition (aliquote per gender)**

1 st place = 400 / 200 points	5 th place = 200 / 100 points
2 nd place = 352 / 176 points	6 th place = 152 / 76 points
3 rd place = 300 / 150 points	7 th place = 100 / 50 points
4 th place = 248 / 124 points	8 th place = 48 / 24 points

3.2.2 **Team-Sprint competition / Mixed Team-Sprint competition (aliquote per gender)**

1 st place = 200 / 100 points	5 th place = 100 / 50 points
2 nd place = 176 / 88 points	6 th place = 76 / 38 points
3 rd place = 150 / 75 points	7 th place = 50 / 25 points
4 th place = 124 / 62 points	8 th place = 24 / 12 points

3.2.3 In case of equality of points of teams, each team obtains the points corresponding to the rank. The following place is omitted.

3.2.4 At least six (6) National Ski Associations must participate if a WCNC Team competition (Team competition, Mixed Team competition, Team-Sprint competition, Mixed Team-Sprint competition) is to count for the WCNC-M Nations Cup.

3.2.5 **Starting order in Team competitions**

The starting order will be based on the reverse order of the actual World Cup Nations standings.

The starting order for the Mixed Team/Mixed Team-Sprint event will be based on the reverse order of the total sum of the WCNC Nations standings men and women.

3.2.6 **WCNC-M Nations Cup**

The sum of the points of all competitors from one nation of all WCNC-M competitions of the current season – including the points of the Team competition /Team-Sprint competition (one per nation) and share of the Mixed Team competition or Mixed Team-Sprint competition – will be taken into consideration for the WCNC-M evaluation per nation.

In case of an equality of points in the WCNC-M nation's evaluation, the better ranking order of the different competitions (Individual as well as Team competitions) will decide.

4. **WCNC-M Competitions**

4.1 **Number of Participants for the National Ski Associations**

The number of participants will be calculated periodically according to:

- the World Ranking List (see art. 4.1.1)
- the standings of the actual COCNC-M period

The basis for the calculation is:

- the top 55 competitors in the World Ranking List (WRL), with a maximum of six (6) athletes per nation
- the top three (3) athletes (only one per nation) of the COCNC-M period

However, a nations quota is limited to a maximum of eleven (11) athletes per nation. This includes the basic quota 6+1, the additional quota per name from art. 2.2 c) and the national quota for the host nation.

Apart from the nations quota (according to the ranking list), each nation which has gained at least one (1) individual or team competition point during the past or the current competition season shall have a basic quota of one plus two (1+2) for a maximum of 2 x 4 periods.

4.1.1 **FIS World Ranking List**

The quota calculation as well as the payment of the travel expenses will be done according to the World Ranking List which is established according to the following criteria:

- The points system is the same as for the World Cup ranking (1st rank 100 points, 40th rank 1 point).
- The competition results of the four (4) periods of the past World Cup season will gradually be replaced by the competition results of the four (4) periods of the current World Cup season.
- This updating procedure is repeated after each of the periods, so that the four (4) most current periods are used to calculate the World Ranking List.
- The 55 best competitors of this World Ranking List will be taken into consideration for the quota.
- The nation's quota is valid for the entire period that follows and is not affected by actual competition results.

4.1.2 **Division into periods**

The FIS WCNC-M calendar 2023-2024 is divided into the following four (4) periods:

1 st period:	24.11.2023 – 17.12.2023	(Ruka – Ramsau)
2 nd period:	06.01.2024 – 28.01.2024	(Oberstdorf – Schonach)
3 rd period:	02.02.2024 – 18.02.2024	(Seefeld - Otepää)
4 th period:	24.02.2024 – 17.03.2024	(Lahti - Trondheim)

4.1.3. **Starting quota in the Official Training, PCR and the Competition round**

Each National Ski Association is allowed to enter the number of athletes according to their nations quota, but no more than eleven (11) as a maximum.

Nations with quota one (1), two (2) and three (3) are allowed to enter one (1) athlete in addition.

Nations without a quota at all or with a basis quota (see art. 4.1) are allowed to enter up to two (2) athletes as a maximum.

The National Ski Association of the organizing country has the right to enter an additional National Group (group I) up to a maximum of four (4) athletes for the Official Training, the PCR and the Competition round.

However, if an event program includes a Team competition or Team Sprint competition, the participating nations with quota less than four are allowed to enter up to a number of four (4) athletes as a maximum for the Individual competition as well, as long as the conditions according to art. 2.2 are kept.

Each nation can start with one (1) Team in Team competitions and with a maximum of two (2) Teams in Team Sprint competition.

The maximum starting quota of each National Ski Association is eleven (11) athletes for the Official Training, the Provisional Competition round (PCR) and the Competition round.

If it is planned to carry out more than four (4) WCNC-M in one country, the hosting National Ski Association is only entitled to enter a National Group in a maximum of four (4) competitions. This limit will be not applied to competitions replaced from another host country.

4.2 **Competition Modes and Starting Order**

4.2.1 WCNC-M competitions

As a rule, a Nordic Combined competition consists of:

- the official Training
- the Trial round ski jumping
- the Provisional Competition round (PCR) ski jumping
- one or two Competition Round ski jumping and
- one 5 km, 7,5 km, 10 km or 15 km Cross Country (Ind. competition)
- one 7,5 km, 10 km and 12,5 km Cross County (Nordic Combined Triple))
- one 5 km / 2,5 km / 2,5 km / 5 km race Cross Country (Mixed Team comp.)
- one 4 x 5 km race Cross-Country (Team competition)
- one 2 x 7.5 km race Cross-Country (Team-Sprint competition)
- one 2 x 6 km race Cross-Country (Mixed Team-Sprint competition)

4.2.1.1 For the official Training ski jumping, the Trial round, the Provisional Competition round and the Competition round the number of competitors will be divided into three groups.

The number sequence of the groups is as follows:

- Group I athletes of the organizing country
- Group II athletes without WCNC-M points
- Group III athletes with WCNC-M points

4.2.1.2 The starting order within the group will be determined as follows:

- Group I: draw or seeding through the organizing country
- Group II: draw
- Group III: reverse order of the actual WCNC-M standings. For the first WCNC-M competition of the season, the final WCNC-M standings of the past season is decisive. As soon as athletes appear in the World Cup Men standings, they are seeded in group III according to their ranking.

After the formation of the seeded Group I and II, the Jury can make the draw before the official Training.

In case of only one official training for two competitions carried out on the same hill (Individual and Team competition or two Individual competitions), only the single quota is allowed to start. The competition schedule has to be published together with the invitation for the competition.

Changes can be made by the Jury in case of a "force majeure".

4.2.1.3 **Trial round**

A Trial round must be carried out before the Provisional Competition round/Competition round (exception see ICR art. 525.1.1)

If both genders are present at least one official training round but no Trial round will be carried out before the PCR.

On competition days with both genders, if the schedule does not allow it, the competition can be started directly without a trial round.

4.2.1.4 **Provisional Competition Round (PCR)**

The Provisional Competition round will be carried out according to the regulations for a Competition round. The scores can be used as a result for the start of the CC race only if the actual Competition round ski jumping cannot be carried out. This score can be used only one time as a maximum for a weekend.

4.2.1.5 **Season Finale**

If the last competition of the season is a "final with 2 jumps and 15 km race" the present top 30 athletes of the actual World Cup men overall standings are qualified for the event.

4.2.1.6 For the second competitive round (final round), they start with the same start number but in reverse order of the collective points score from the first competitive round.

4.2.1.7 The final round must start 15 minutes after the end of the first competition round. The jumpers who are not at the start on time are disqualified.

4.2.1.8 **Formats**

The Nordic Combined Committee is entitled to propose other formats to use in the World Cup series as long as the format is described in the ICR, the WCNC-M or COCNC-M rules.

4.2.1.9 **Non-qualified athletes**

Non-qualified athletes cannot be nominated as fore jumpers for the respective competition if another Individual competition of the series is scheduled for the same competition weekend/ event/ place.

The jury is allowed to nominate fore-jumpers from the non-qualified athletes in exceptional cases.

4.3 **Nordic Combined Triple (NCT)**

- Day 1 1 jump 7,5 km Individual Gundersen
- Day 2 1 jump 10 km Individual Gundersen
- Day 3 1 jump 12,5 km Individual Gundersen

- All athletes start on Day 1
- The top 50 athletes from Day 1 competition (according to the official results) start on Day 2.
- All athletes from Day 2 competition (according to the official results) start on Day 3

Only athletes who are on the official results list are eligible to compete on the next day of competition. E.g. athletes who do not take part in all of the competitions or who are listed as NPS, DNS, DNF or DQ will no longer be eligible to start at the NCT.

The athletes will receive fixed points after Day 1 results that they bring to Day 2, the same after Day 2 results that they bring to Day 3 and the first athlete crossing the finish line on Day 3 wins the Nordic Combined Triple.

If only two events can be carried out in case of a "force majeure" the winner of the 2nd competition wins the Nordic Combined Triple. He will then receive the Prize Money according art. 4.3.5.4 and WC points according art. 4.3.4.1

Fixed points:

Place	Time / Points	Place	Time / Points	Place	Time / Points
1	25" / 6,2	6	10" / 2,5	11	5" / 1,2
2	21" / 5,2	7	9" / 2,2	12	4" / 1,0
3	18" / 4,5	8	8" / 2,0	13	3" / 0,8
4	15" / 3,7	9	7" / 1,7	14	2" / 0,5
5	12" / 3,0	10	6" / 1,5	15	1" / 0,2

4.3.1 **Competition realization - Nordic Combined Triple**

4.3.1.1 Ski Jumping: See ICR art 525.1

Addition: The result of the 1st Competition is the basis for the start list of the 2nd Ski Jumping competition (reverse starting order) and the result of the 2nd Competition is the basis for the start list of the 3rd Ski Jumping competition (also reversed starting order).

The top 15 placed competitors of the 1st Competition will receive the fixed points (see table art. 4.3) in addition to the day's result in the 2nd Ski Jumping competition. The same applies from day 2 to day 3.

E.g. second placed athlete from day 1 gets 5,2 fixed points to the day's result Ski Jumping day 2 - that means 1 point less in additional than the winner but three points more than the 7th placed athlete.

4.3.1.2 Cross-Country race: See ICR art 525.2

1 point = 4 seconds
15 points = 1 minute

4.3.2 **PCR - Nordic Combined Triple**

The PCR will be carried out the day before the 1st Competition. This PCR can be used 1 time during the NCT.

If the PCR is used on the Day 1, the trial round on Day 2 (if held) will count as a PCR and can be used on Day 2 or 3 if needed.

4.3.3 **World Cup points - Nordic Combined Triple**

- The World Cup points on Day 1 and Day 2 according art. 4.3.4 (50% of normal Individual competition -> 1st place: 50 pts)
- The World Cup points on Day 3 according art. 4.3.4 (double of normal Individual competition -> 1st place: 200 pts).

World Cup points - Nordic Combined Triple if only 2 days of competition

- The World Cup points on Day 1 according art. 4.3.4.1 (50% of normal Individual competition -> 1st place: 50 pts).
- The World Cup points on Day 2 according art. 4.3.4.1 (150% of normal Individual competition -> 1st place: 150 pts).

4.3.4 World Cup points – Nordic Combined Triple:

Place	Day 1 Points	Day 2 Points	Day 3 Points	Place	Day 1 Points	Day 2 Points	Day 3 Points
1	50	50	200	21	10	10	40
2	45	45	180	22	9	9	36
3	40	40	160	23	9	9	36
4	35	35	140	24	9	9	36
5	30	30	120	25	8	8	32
6	28	28	112	26	7	7	28
7	26	26	104	27	7	7	28
8	24	24	96	28	7	7	28
9	23	23	92	29	6	6	24
10	22	22	88	30	5	5	20
11	20	20	80	31	5	5	20
12	19	19	76	32	5	5	20
13	18	18	72	33	4	4	16
14	17	17	68	34	3	3	12

15	16	16	64	35	3	3	12
16	15	15	60	36	3	3	12
17	14	14	56	37	2	2	8
18	13	13	52	38	1	1	4
19	12	12	48	39	1	1	4
20	11	11	44	40	1	1	4

4.3.4.1 World Cup points – *Nordic Combined Triple, if only 2 days of competitions*

Place	Day 1 Points	Day 2 Points	Place	Day 1 Points	Day 2 Points
1	50	150	21	10	30
2	45	135	22	9	27
3	40	120	23	9	27
4	35	105	24	9	27
5	30	90	25	8	24
6	28	84	26	7	21
7	26	78	27	7	21
8	24	72	28	7	21
9	23	69	29	6	18
10	22	66	30	5	15
11	20	60	31	5	15
12	19	57	32	5	15
13	18	54	33	4	12
14	17	51	34	3	9
15	16	48	35	3	9
16	15	45	36	3	9
17	14	42	37	2	6
18	13	39	38	1	3
19	12	36	39	1	3
20	11	33	40	1	3

4.3.5 **Overall Prize Money - Nordic Combined Triple CHF, 119'340,--**

4.3.5.1 The top three (3) athletes of the first two Individual competitions share the prize-money of CHF, **12'000,--** see art. 4.3.5.2.

4.3.5.2 Prize money for top 3 athletes of Day 1 and Day 2

Place	Day 1 - CHF	Day 2 - CHF
1	6'000,--	6'000,--
2	3'600,--	3'600,--
3	2'400,--	2'400,--

The rest of the prize money goes in an overall pool which is distributed to the overall top 30 athletes of the overall Nordic Combined Triple ranking, see art 4.3.5.3.

Prize money if only 2 competitions can be held:

For the 3 top athletes of Day 1, see art. 4.3.5.2 (Day 1) and for the top 30 athletes of Day 2, see art. 4.3.5.4

4.3.5.3 Prize money Day 3 for top 30 athletes of the overall Nordic Combined Triple ranking:

Place	CHF	Place	CHF
1	20'000,--	16	1'800,--
2	15'000,--	17	1'700,--
3	9'000,--	18	1'600,--
4	4'000,--	19	1'500,--
5	3'500,--	20	1'400,--
6	3'250,--	21	1'300,--
7	3'000,--	22	1'200,--
8	2'850,--	23	1'100,--
9	2'700,--	24	1'080,--
10	2'550,--	25	1'060,--
11	2'400,--	26	1'040,--
12	2'250,--	27	1'030,--
13	2'100,--	28	1'020,--
14	2'000,--	29	1'010,--
15	1'900,--	30	1'000,--

4.3.5.4 Prize money Day 2 for top 30 athletes of the overall Nordic Combined Triple ranking, if only 2 days of competitions:

Place	CHF	Place	CHF
1	14'000,--	16	1'200,--
2	10'000,--	17	1'150,--
3	5'000,--	18	1'100,--
4	4'300,--	19	1'050,--
5	3'400,--	20	1'000,--
6	2'500,--	21	970,--
7	2'000,--	22	940,--
8	1'700,--	23	910,--
9	1'560,--	24	880,--
10	1'500,--	25	850,--
11	1'450,--	26	820,--
12	1'400,--	27	790,--
13	1'350,--	28	760,--
14	1'300,--	29	730,--
15	1'250,--	30	700,--

4.4 Opening Tour

- Day 1 1 jump / Individual Competition
- Day 2 1 jump / Individual Competition
- Day 3 1 jump / 10 km Individual Competition

All athletes are allowed to start and each Individual competition will receive World Cup points, see art 3.1, and count to the Overall World Cup Men.

In case of equality in points between competitors, each athlete receives the points corresponding to the rank (the following place is omitted).

The sum of the World Cup points of all tour competitions will be taken into consideration for the overall tour ranking.

In case of an equality of points in the overall tour ranking, the better ranking in the different competitions will decide.

4.4.1 Competition realization - *Opening Tour*

4.4.1.1 Ski jumping: See ICR art 525.1

4.4.1.2 Cross-Country race: See ICR art 525.2

4.4.1.3 PCR – *Opening Tour*

The PCR will be carried out the day before the 1st Competition. This PCR can be used 1 time during the Opening Tour.

If the PCR is used on the Day 1, the trial round on Day 2 will count as a PCR and can be used on Day 2 or 3 if needed.

4.4.2 World Cup points - *Opening Tour*

Each Individual competition regarding art 3.1

4.4.3 Prize Money - *Opening Tour*

- On Day 1 and Day 2: 50% of the normal Prize Money (see art. 4.4.3.1)
- On Day 3: 50% of the normal Prize Money and extra Prize Money for the Opening Tour winner (see art. 4.4.3.1)

Prize Money - *Opening Tour if only 2 days of Competition*

- On Day 1: 50% of the normal Prize Money (see art. 4.4.3.1)
- On Day 2: normal Prize Money (see art. 5.1.1) plus 50% of normal Prize Money (see art. 4.4.3.1)

4.4.3.1 Table Prize Money - *Opening Tour*

Place	Day 1 - CHF	Day 2 - CHF	Day 3 - CHF	Opening Tour - CHF
1	4'500,--	4'500,--	4'500,--	13'500,--
2	3'500,--	3'500,--	3'500,--	10'500,--
3	2'200,--	2'200,--	2'200,--	6'600,--
4	1'300,--	1'300,--	1'300,--	3'900,--
5	1'100,--	1'100,--	1'100,--	3'300,--

6	800,--	800,--	800,--	2'400,--
7	650,--	650,--	650,--	1'950,--
8	530,--	530,--	530,--	1'590,--
9	480,--	480,--	480,--	1'440,--
10	430,--	430,--	430,--	1'290,--
11	380,--	380,--	380,--	1'140,--
12	330,--	330,--	330,--	990,--
13	310,--	310,--	310,--	930,--
14	290,--	290,--	290,--	870,--
15	270,--	270,--	270,--	810,--
16	250,--	250,--	250,--	750,--
17	230,--	230,--	230,--	690,--
18	210,--	210,--	210,--	630,--
19	205,--	205,--	205,--	615,--
20	200,--	200,--	200,--	600,--
21	195,--	195,--	195,--	585,--
22	190,--	190,--	190,--	570,--
23	185,--	185,--	185,--	555,--
24	180,--	180,--	180,--	540,--
25	175,--	175,--	175,--	525,--
26	170,--	170,--	170,--	510,--
27	165,--	165,--	165,--	495,--
28	160,--	160,--	160,--	480,--
29	155,--	155,--	155,--	465,--
30	150,--	150,--	150,--	450,--

4.5 German Trophy

All WCNC-M Individual competitions in Germany 2023-2024 (Oberstdorf - Schonach) count for the overall ranking of the German Trophy.

Athletes must start and finish in all these WCNC-M Individual competitions to be considered for the overall ranking.

Overall ranking is based on the Final Finish Times. Competition result list, NOT only the CC time.

If there is a Mass start competition on the program – the points from the Ski Jumping part will be converted into time and added to the overall ranking.

4.5.1 Calculation table (times as example)

	Comp 1	Comp 2	Comp 3	Comp 4	Comp 5	Comp 6	Total time	German Tour	Place
Ath 1	22:50	24:30	22:50	24:00	23:30	23:00	2:22:50	0:00	1

Ath 2	25:02	24:40	23:00	24:15	23:35	23:15	2:23:37	+0:47	2
Ath 3	25:20	24:45	23:10	24:20	23:40	23:30	2:24:45	+1:55	3

4.5.2 Overall Prize Money – German Trophy

Top 3 athletes in the overall ranking will receive extra prize Money

1 st place = CHF 10'000,--
2 nd place = CHF 5'000,--
3 rd place = CHF 2'500,--

4.6 Individual Compact Competition

4.6.1 Competition Realisation

4.6.1.1 Ski jumping: See ICR art 525.1

4.6.1.2 Cross-Country: See ICR 523.2

4.6.1.3 For the Individual Compact competition, the Jumping competition is held first with the Cross-Country race being the second event. To have start right for the Cross-Country race it is necessary for the competitor to have taken part in the competition round for Ski Jumping. The start of the Cross-Country race is according to the fixed start intervals, (see art. 4.6.1.4)

4.6.1.4 Fixed start intervals

Place	Start time	Place	Start time
1	00:00	14	00:46
2	00:06	15	00:48
3	00:12	16	00:50
4	00:17	17	00:52
5	00:22	18	00:54
6	00:26	19	00:56
7	00:30	20	01:00
8	00:33	21 - 23	01:05
9	00:36	24 - 26	01:10
10	00:38	27 - 29	01:15
11	00:40	30 - 32	01:20
12	00:42	33 - 35	01:25
13	00:44	36 – all others	01:30

4.6.1.5 Calculation

The calculation is based on the appropriate meter and point value according the ICR art. 527.2.3.2 and 527.4.1.

For the final result list the ranking must be fixed, if necessary with technical help. In case of two or more athletes arriving at the finish line with the identical times a decision is made by the use of the photo finish video or by finish referee (art. 514.2.5).

In case when no visual differences between competitors can be determined with the assistance of the technical equipment, the same rank will be given in the final result. For cup competitions, the same points will be awarded.

5. WCNC-M Prizes

5.1 Prize Money

The Organizing Committee must provide prize money of at least the following amount in Swiss Francs (CHF) per competition:

5.1.1 Bank transfer fees and value added tax (VAT) is covered by the Organizer. The below mentioned prize money is declared without VAT.

Individual competition: CHF, 39'780,--
divided between the top 30 athletes:

1 st place = CHF 9'000,--	16 th place = CHF 500,--
2 nd place = CHF 7'000,--	17 th place = CHF 460,--
3 rd place = CHF 4'400,--	18 th place = CHF 420,--
4 th place = CHF 2'600,--	19 th place = CHF 410,--
5 th place = CHF 2'200,--	20 th place = CHF 400,--
6 th place = CHF 1'600,--	21 st place = CHF 390,--
7 th place = CHF 1'300,--	22 nd place = CHF 380,--
8 th place = CHF 1'060,--	23 rd place = CHF 370,--
9 th place = CHF 960,--	24 th place = CHF 360,--
10 th place = CHF 860,--	25 th place = CHF 350,--
11 th place = CHF 760,--	26 th place = CHF 340,--
12 th place = CHF 660,--	27 th place = CHF 330,--
13 th place = CHF 620,--	28 th place = CHF 320,--
14 th place = CHF 580,--	29 th place = CHF 310,--
15 th place = CHF 540,--	30 th place = CHF 300,--

Team / Mixed Team competition: CHF, 36'000,--
divided between the top 3 teams:

1 st place = CHF 19'000,--
2 nd place = CHF 12'000,--
3 rd place = CHF 5'000,--

Team-Sprint / Mixed Team-Sprint competition: CHF, 36'000,--
divided between the top 6 teams:

1 st place = CHF 14'500,--	4 th place = CHF 3'600,--
2 nd place = CHF 9'500,--	5 th place = CHF 2'400,--
3 rd place = CHF 4'800,--	6 th place = CHF 1'200,--

5.1.2 Timely Payment of Prize Money

If a Local Organizing Committee has all the necessary bank and tax information from participating athletes, the prize money must be paid electronically latest 1 week after the competition. A late payment charge will apply for Organizers from the second week of CHF 999.--.

Excluded from this deadline is a delay due to wrong or missing bank account information as provided by the Athlete. Also excluded are delays due to special regulation that require an individual TIN (Tax Identification Number) or similar.

NSA's are responsible for entering the personal bank information for each athlete using the Athlete Registration module in the FIS Member Section. The date of submission of bank details to the LOC is valid for the above deadlines for the LOC to execute payment. Receipts must be provided to the athlete electronically and a copy needs to be transmitted to FIS latest three days after the final competition at the respective venue.

Bank transfer fees, including and any applicable value added tax (VAT) to those fees, as charged by the local bank must be covered by the LOC. Any banking fees levied by the recipient's bank, including taxes charged upon those fees, are the expense of the athlete.

Any supplementary expenses that occur due to incorrect declaration of banking details will be charged by the LOC against the sum of money (respective prize money) that is to be paid out. Any withholding tax required by local law, can be deducted by the LOC from the prize money. This information with the amount must be stated on the receipt transmitted to the athlete. The athlete is responsible for any applicable withholding/income taxes. The LOC must assist the athlete with matters relating to taxation of prize money in the country in which the competition is held including but not limited to evidence of the taxes withheld.

5.1.3 Overall Prize Money

For each World Cup competition the amount of CHF 2'000.-- shall be paid by the organizers in a so-called "overall pool". On the end of the World Cup season the total amount will be distributed to the top six (6) athletes of the overall World Cup men, the best ski jumper and the fastest skier of the World Cup 2023-2024, see art. 5.1.4

5.1.4 Overall Prize Money - *best ski jumper / fastest skier / overall WC*

Prize Money Calculation 2023-2024 (CHF)*

Amount		2'000.--
Number of events		22
Total		44'000.--
For the best ski jumper**		6'000.--
For the fastest skier**		6'000.--
Overall World Cup		32'000.--
1 st Place	38%	12'160.--
2 nd Place	25%	8'000.--
3 rd Place	15%	4'800.--
4 th Place	10%	3'200.--
5 th Place	7%	2'240.--
6 th Place	5%	1'600.--

*) If a competition has to be cancelled, the prize money has to be adapted.

**) Only Individual competition is valid for the calculation.

The Overall prize money has also to be paid if a competition is moved in another country.

5.2 FIS World Cup Trophy

- The winner of the Overall FIS World Cup Men Nordic Combined (including all Individual World Cup competitions) receives the big **World Cup Trophy**, which will be provided by the FIS.
- The winner of the Overall standing of the Individual FIS World Cup Compact competitions receives the **small World Cup Trophy**, which will be provided by FIS, providing that three Compact events have been disputed during the season.

5.3 FIS World Cup Medals

The first three (3) competitors receive FIS World Cup medals.

5.4 FIS Nations Cup Trophy

The winner of the FIS-Nations Cup receives the FIS-Nations trophy.

5.5 Provision of Awards

The trophies and medals will be provided by the FIS.

5.6 Presentation

The awarding ceremony for the overall winners will take place in connection with the World Cup Men final.

6. Reimbursement of Expenses

6.1 Nations Quota for the Reimbursement of Expenses

The national quota for the participating nations will be determined as follows:

- A World Ranking List will be established using the results from the WCNC-M competitions (art. 4.1).

From this World Ranking List will be included at the end of each period's:

- the top 55 competitors in the World Ranking List with a maximum of six (6) athletes per nation
- the top three (3) athletes (only one per nation) of the current COCNC-M period
- as well as a basic quota.

Each National Ski Association has the right to be reimbursed for a maximum of seven (7) athletes.

The number of officials that have to be taken over will be determined according to the following standards:

Key for the quota of officials:

1 – 4 athletes	2 officials
5 – 7 athletes	3 officials

6.2 The following reimbursements must be paid to the teams according to the quotas determined in art. 6.1 for the reimbursement of expenses of the National Ski Associations.

6.2.1 Accommodation

Room and full pension in a good hotel in the competition resort for the duration of the event, beginning one night before the first official training resp. the night following after the last competition. Two single rooms per nation must be provided for nations with starting quota 4 and more.

For booked room reservation not used, the organizer has the right to demand a cancellation fee from the National Ski Associations, see art. 6.2.1.1.

In case reimbursements of travel expenses for the nations concerned occur, the organizer has the right to deduct the cancellation fee directly from the reimbursement of the travel expenses.

By no means is the organizer or the hotel manager allowed to demand the vacating of the rooms on the day of the competition without agreement of the team captain.

For competitors and officials not included in the quota, the Organizing Committee has to provide competitors and officials accommodation and meals at least 25% below the normal price at the host venue, whereby CHF 125.-- is the maximum price.

If a NSA choose to book their accommodation themselves, they will get reimbursed for their actual cost up to a maximum CHF 125.-- per person including full board by providing the invoice to the Organizing committee.

6.2.1.1. Reservation process, deadlines, cancellation rules

Teams and SRS companies must use the FIS competition online entry system for accommodation reservation according to the following deadlines:

- **Latest 8 weeks before the first competition:**
Teams and SRS must provide the team size with number of rooms and special requests to the OC.
- **Until 13 days before the first competition:**
Teams and SRS can change their bookings by adapting the preliminary entry. Cancellation (entire team or only some rooms) is free of charge for 25% of the rooms booked.
- **Between 13 days until 8 days before the first race:**
Teams and SRS have to provide their final entry to the OC latest 8 days before the first competition. The OC has the right to charge a cancellation fee between 13 days and 8 days before the first race with a size tolerance of -10% (cancellation free of charge for 10% of the rooms booked).
- **Between 8 days and until the end of the events** (departure date chosen by the team):
The OC has the right to charge a cancellation fee.

The amount of cancellation fees should be announced for each venue in the event program on the FIS website.

The cancellations fees (hotel, wax cabin, power for truck) will be carefully checked by the OC together with the FIS staff.

The offset of Nation Support will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and a determination will be made through mutual agreement between the OC, FIS staff and the nation in question.

It is in the responsibility of the Teams/SRS to cancel their rooms if they do not need it, as the preliminary entry counts as a booking.

NSA's who are not using the FIS competition online entry system and do not respect the deadlines are losing their rights for World Cup prices and/or conditions.

6.2.2 Travel expenses

The WCNC-M organizer has to pay the following minimum reimbursement per person, according to the travel regions established by FIS for travel costs, based on Swiss Francs (CHF):

1. Organizers of group A have to pay:
 - for quota from a country in group A CHF 250.—
 - for quota from a country in group B CHF 400.—
 - for quota from a country in group C CHF 400.—
 - for quota from a country in group D CHF 600.—
 - for quota from a country in group E CHF 700.—
2. Organizers of group B have to pay:
 - for quota from a country in group A CHF 400.—
 - for quota from a country in group B CHF 250.—
 - for quota from a country in group C CHF 400.—
 - for quota from a country in group D CHF 600.—
 - for quota from a country in group E CHF 700.—
3. Organizers of group C have to pay:
 - for quota from a country in group A CHF 400.—
 - for quota from a country in group B CHF 400.—
 - for quota from a country in group C CHF 250.—
 - for quota from a country in group D CHF 600.—
 - for quota from a country in group E CHF 700.—
4. Organizers of group D have to pay:
 - for quota from a country in group A CHF 600.—
 - for quota from a country in group B CHF 600.—
 - for quota from a country in group C CHF 600.—
 - for quota from a country in group D CHF 250.—
 - for quota from a country in group E CHF 700.—
5. Organizers of group E have to pay:
 - for quota from a country in group A CHF 700.—
 - for quota from a country in group B CHF 700.—
 - for quota from a country in group C CHF 700.—
 - for quota from a country in group D CHF 700.—
 - for quota from a country in group E CHF 250.—

A late payment charge will apply for organizers from the second week on: CHF 999,— per week in default. Excluded from this is a delay due to wrong or missing bank account information.

- 6.2.2.1 The FIS members are divided into five travel resp. organizer regions as follows:
- 1) Northern Europe Group A
(DEN, EST, FIN, ISL, NOR, SWE)
 - 2) East Europe Group B
(BLR, BUL, GEO, LAT, LTU, RUM, RUS, UKR, UZB)
 - 3) Middle and South Europe Group C
(AND, AUT, BEL, BIH, CRO, CZE, ESP, FRA, GER, GBR, GRE, HUN, IRL, ITA, LIE, LUX, MON, NED, POL, RSM, SVK, SLO, SUI, TUR)
 - 4) Overseas I Group D
ALG, CAN, EGY, IRA, ISR, LIB, MAR, MEX, RSA, SEN, SUD, SWZ, USA, ZIM)
 - 5) Overseas II Group E
(ARG, AUS, BRA, CHI, CHN, FIJ, GUA, HON, KAZ, JPN, KOR, PRK, MGL, NZE, PHI, PUR, URU, ISV)
- 6.2.2.2 Charter arrangements (flight, train, bus, ship) may be organized and charged for by the OC or between several OC's (coordinated arrangements); this offer must be made in writing and be included in the program or invitation. The teams must confirm their acceptance or refusal to the organizers within the official entry deadline.
- 6.2.2.3 Bus journeys should be limited to 400 km. The transfer from and to the airport will be organized and covered by the organizer, as long as the resp. National Ski Association has informed the OC of the members of the team, arrival day, arrival time and the flight number.
- 6.2.3 **Payment FIS Officials**
- The designated Technical Delegates (TD, TD-A, TD nat.), the Assistant RD, the Equipment Controller and the Jumping Judges have to be paid according to the ICR (art. 505.3). The TD nat. supports the jury and the Equipment Controller and receives the daily allowance as a TD.
- The OC has to pay for the Media Coordinator travel, accommodation and board. Prior to travel, all officials must contact the organizer regarding the arrangements.
- 6.2.3.1 A late payment charge will apply for organizers from the second week on: CHF 999,- per week in default. Excluded from this is a delay due to wrong or missing bank account information.

7. FIS WCNC-M Title Sponsor / Advertising / Media Service

- 7.1 The FIS signs an agreement with the official FIS World Cup presenting sponsor or with an agency.
- 7.2 The "FIS World Cup Organizer agreement", concluded between FIS and the NSA/OC respectively club, contains all advertising matter to be strictly observed by the parties involved.

7.3 The OC's Chief of Media will be supported by the FIS Media Coordinator, nominated by the FIS, for general services regarding PR and information - media service, winner's press conference etc.

7.4 The press-/media service has to be organized and performed according to the recommendations and guidelines of the International Ski Federation as well as the International Association of Ski Journalists (AIPS).

8. Rescue Service – Medical Support Requirements

The Organizer is responsible for setting up and operating during all competition times (training and competitions) an appropriate rescue service. The Medical Support Requirements for FIS Event Organizers are set forth in the ICR, 221.6 as well as chapter 1 of the FIS Medical Guide (containing Medical Rules and Guidelines).

9. WCNC-M Report

9.1 The FIS TD is responsible for the report on the WCNC-M competition. The online report of the TD and TD-Assistant has to be done within five days after competition.