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RULES FOR THE FIS SNOWBOARD / FREESTYLE / FREESKI & SKI CROSS WORLD CUP

1. Rules Common to all World Cup Competitions

1.1 Definition of FIS World Cups

A FIS World Cup consists of a series of competitions for Women and Men in the different Events and Team Competitions It is held every year during the period from July 1st to March 31st.

1.1.1 Number of Competitions

The FIS Council, on proposal by the FIS SBFSFK Committee, will confirm the annual calendar with bids from NSA's.

1.1.2 Rules

The FIS World Cup competitions follow the SBFSFK ICR except where otherwise specified by these World Cup Rules.

1.1.3 Distribution of Results

The Organising Committee is responsible for copying and distributing all printed result outputs and information according to the FIS rules and regulations and standard operating procedures.

1.2 Organisation of a FIS World Cup

1.2.1 Acknowledgement of FIS

The organisers shall mention and use the registered logos of the FIS World Cup and use the official logo on all their posters, publicity announcements, competition announcements, press & media communiqués, programs, starting orders all other communications. For further details please refer to the FIS Advertising Rules and World Cup Marketing Guide.

Advertising Rules and Marketing Guides:

https://www.fis-ski.com/en/inside-fis/document-library/marketing

1.2.2 Assistance to the Media

The organiser of the FIS World Cup shall assist attending media with the coordination of accommodation and ground transportation. The organiser shall also supply the representatives working space which should be sufficient to meet the needs of all accredited media representatives. The organiser shall supply all technical means (internet, wifi) necessary for the fulfillment of their task and shall appoint an experienced Chief of Media & Press who will be charged with the responsibility to assist the media with all possible information. The Chief of Media & Press will be responsible for announcing, orally if necessary, any decisions of the Jury.

1.2.3 Insurance

With reference to Art. 212 of the ICR.

Before the first training day or competition, the Organiser must be in possession of a binder or cover note issued by a recognized insurance company and present it to the Technical Delegate. The Organising Committee and its members require liability insurance with coverage of at least CHF 3'000'000 (3 million).

1.2.4 Medical Services

The Organiser is responsible for setting up and operating during all competition times (training and competitions) appropriate medical services. The Medical Support Requirements for FIS Event Organisers are set forth in the ICR, 221.6 and Chapter 1 of the FIS Medical Guide (containing Medical Rules and Guidelines). https://www.fis-ski.com/en/inside-fis/governance/medical-iss

1.2.5 Prohibition from including Additional Competitions

The Organiser of an approved competition program is forbidden to add any additional competition without being requested and supported by the National Ski/Snowboard Association and without being FIS approved.

1.2.6 Leader Bib

The World Cup leader in the corresponding event starts with the World Cup leader bib. Failure to wear the leader bib could result in a sanction.

1.2.7 Warming / Waiting Facilities

The OC has to provide a heated and separated waiting room no more than 15 minutes travel (using lifts if necessary) from the Start, with sufficient capacity for all competitors to stay during training intervals and/or between the phases of a competition. No special provision has to be arranged if existing resort facilities meet the above requirement.

1.2.8 Internet

Internet access is required at least in the finish area according to ICR 5201.4, 6204.8, 7201.4, 3204 and at the Teams Captains Meeting Room.

1.2.9 Starting Times and Starting Intervals

1.2.9.1 Starting Times

FIS and the Organiser have to fix the starting times which may not be changed. If the starting times have to be changed for any reason, the OC can only change them after consulting FIS and the host broadcaster. In case of postponements during the competition, the decision is made by the Jury on the advice of the Race Director/Contest Director.

1.2.9.2 Starting Intervals

The Race Director/Contest Director determines the starting intervals and TV breaks together with TV and OC (after considering TV transmission, length, most interesting parts of the course, TV sequences, etc.).

On the competition day, decisions about program changes (e.g. due to weather conditions, etc.) are made by the Jury.

1.2.10 Payment of Prize Money

The amount of prize money in Euro (EUR) must be communicated by the LOC to FIS before October 15th (resp. April 15th for Southern Hemisphere) and the breakdown of the prize money has to be published by the LOC in the official invitation.

The payment must be done electronically by bank transfer latest seven (7) working days after the last competition or receiving the bank information to the respective athlete's bank account, taking into consideration the local tax laws.

For conversion to the currency of the bank account of the athlete will be based on the daily rate of the athlete's bank. There will be no compensation for an unfavourable exchange rate. Potential bank charges due to the transfer or due to the exchange of the currency are not getting compensated or off-set.

A one-time late payment charge of CHF 999 will apply for LOC from the 31st day after the last competition day or receiving the bank information for each late payment to each individual athlete. Excluded from this is a delay due to wrong or missing bank account information as provided by the Athlete. Also excluded are delays due to special regulations that require an individual TIN (Tax Identification Number) or similar.

NSAs are responsible for entering the personal bank information for each athlete using the Athlete Registration module in the FIS Member Section.

Receipts must be provided to the athlete electronically. 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.

The OC must provide an official document to show the competitors the prize money breakdown for each place/rank. This document must contain all additions and/or deductions showing the calculated net values for all eligible prize money recipients.

1.2.10.1 In Case of a Tie

In case of a tie, all tied competitors shall receive the same amount of prize money, by adding the successive prize money amounts according to the breakdown for the place/rank of the tied competitors and then dividing the total amount of prize money by the number of tied competitors.

1.2.11 Matters of Contention

For all matters of contention during a World Cup event that cannot be solved by the existing rules, the Jury has to make the final decision.

1.2.12 Payment

The team leaders of each nation are responsible to guarantee the payment of the expenses of their respective nation directly to the OC and/or hotel. The Organising Committee must accept credit cards as a form of payment.

1.3 Substitution of a Competition

1.3.1 Force Majeure/ Non-Fulfillment of Requirements

In all cases a canceled competition will be automatically returned to FIS and will be rescheduled whenever possible.

1.3.2 Snow Control

If there is not enough snow on the course(s) or sites selected for the competition, the Organiser must cancel the competition(s) in agreement with FIS. Cancellation deadlines, based on the first competition day, are defined for each Event:

Park& Pipe: Rule 2.1.3
AE & MO: Rule 3.1.3
Cross: Rule 4.1.3
Snowboard Alpine: Rule 5.1.2

For competitions in the Southern Hemisphere, cancellation must be made 14 days before the first competition or training day published in the official program. In special cases, an expert can be nominated by FIS as a snow controller.

1.3.3 Interference with another World Cup

A replacement competition must in no way interfere with another scheduled World Cup in the same event already listed in the World Cup calendar. Postponed competitions also count as replaced competitions.

1.3.4 Competitions after the World Cup Final

No competitions counting for the World Cup may be rescheduled after the World Cup Final. If several World Cup competitions had to be cancelled, the FIS will decide about a possible postponement of the Final.

1.4 Invitation and Entry System

1.4.1 Competition Invitation

The Organiser must send the competition invitation to the National Ski and Snowboard Associations at least 90 days in advance of the competition date as published in the FIS Calendar.

1.4.2 FIS Online Entry System

Team Entries are only accepted using the FIS Online Entry System. NSAs can enter using the Online Entry System on the FIS website via the Member Section: http://www.fis-ski.com/

Login and Password can be obtained from the FIS office: hostettler@fis-ski.com. The Organisers must provide contact information including an email address and phone number where the entries can be sent, and the organisers contacted.

1.4.3 Entry Procedures and Deadlines

Entry Procedures and Deadlines are defined for each specific Event:

Park & Pipe: Rule 2.3.4

MO & AE: Rules 3.2.1 & 3.2.2

Cross: Rule 4.2 Snowboard Alpine: Rule 5.2

1.5 Titles, Trophies, Medals and Diplomas

Trophies and/or medals shall be provided by the OC for the competitors who are ranked first, second and third in each of the World Cup Events

1.5.1 Series and Overall Titles

A minimum of three competitions per Event must take place to establish an Event Series Title or an Overall Title.

1.5.2 World Cup Trophies

The series winners of each Event and the Overall winners will receive World Cup trophies.

1.5.2.1 Big Trophies

-	Aerials	ΑE
-	Moguls Overall	MO/DM
-	Ski Cross	SX
-	Snowboard Cross	SBX
-	Snowboard Alpine Overall	PAR
-	Snowboard Park & Pipe Overall	BA/HP/SS
-	Freeski Park & Pipe Overall	BA/HP/SS

1.5.2.2 Small Trophies

-	Aerials Team	AET
-	Moguls	MO
-	Dual Moguls	DM
-	Ski Cross Team	SXT
-	Snowboard Cross Team	BXT
-	Snowboard Parallel Giant Slalom	PGS
-	Snowboard Parallel Slalom	PSL
-	Snowboard Parallel Team	PRT
-	Snowboard Halfpipe	HP
-	Snowboard Slopestyle	SS
-	Snowboard Big Air	BA
-	Freeski Halfpipe	HP
-	Freeski Slopestyle	SS
-	Freeski Big Air	BA

1.5.2.37 Naming of the World Cup Winners

At the end of the competitive season the winners of an Overall Title will be titled "FIS (name of the Overall Title, e.g. Park & Pipe) World Cup Winner". Event Series winners will be classified as FIS World Cup "(name of event e.g. Slopestyle) Winner".

1.5.3 World Cup Medals

Competitors ranked 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each Event series and in the Overall series will receive medals.

1.5.4 Nations Cup

Formula Nations Cup:

There are two Overall Nations Cups and seven Event Nations Cups

1.5.4.1 Overall Nations Cup

1.5.4.1.1 Snowboard Nations Cup

- The World Cup points from the two best results per Snowboard competition per gender per nation will be added.

All Snowboard Team Event competitions will count for the Nations Cup. (only points for the highest ranked Team from a Nation will count)

1.5.4.1.2 Freestyle / Freeski Nations Cup

- The World Cup points from the two best results per Freestyle / Freeski competition per gender per nation will be added.

All Freestyle / Freeski Team Event competitions will count for the Nations Cup.

(only points for the highest ranked Team from a Nation will count)

1.5.4.2 Event Nations Cup

- Aerials Nations Cup
- Moguls/Dual Moguls Nations Cup
- Snowboard Cross Nations Cup
- Ski Cross Nations Cup
- Snowboard Alpine Nations Cup
- Freeski Park & Pipe Nations Cup
- Snowboard Park & Pipe Nations Cup

1.5.4.3 Event Nations Cup Formula

The total of World Cup points per Event (both genders) per nation will be added.

All Team Event competitions will count for the Nations Cup (only the points for the highest ranked Team from a Nation will count)

1.5.4.4 Nations Cup Tie-Breaking

The nation with the highest number of first places is the winner. If still tied, the nation with the greatest number of highest places is the winner.

1.5.5 Provision of Awards

The Nations Cups and the trophies and medals for the Series and Overall winners will be provided by FIS.

1.5.6 Women's and Men's World Cup Winner

The competitor who wins a single World Cup competition has the right to be called a "FIS (name of the event) World Cup Winner".

1.5.7 World Cup Winner

At the end of the competitive season the winner of an Overall Title will be titled "FIS (name of the Overall Title) World Cup Winner". Event Series winners will be classified as FIS World Cup "(name of event) Winner".

1.6 Advertising Rules Commercial Markings and Marketing

Reference is made to the FIS Advertising Rules, the FIS Marketing Guides and the Rules for Commercial Markings:

Advertising Rules
Commercial Markings Rules
FIS Marketing Guides

1.7 World Cup Points

1.7.1 Points Breakdown

Competitors ranking first to maximum 30th are awarded points in accordance with the following schedule:

1st Place 2nd Place 3rd Place 4th Place 5th Place 6th Place 7th Place 8th Place 9th Place 10th Place 11th Place 12th Place 13th Place 14th Place 15th Place 15th Place 15th Place 20th Place 20th Place 21st Place 22nd Place 23rd Place 24th Place 25th Place 26th Place	100 Points 80 Points 60 Points 50 Points 45 Points 40 Points 36 Points 32 Points 29 Points 24 Points 22 Points 20 Points 18 Points 16 Points 17 Points 18 Points 19 Points 19 Points 10 Points 11 Points 11 Points 12 Points 13 Points 14 Points 15 Points 16 Points 17 Points 17 Points 18 Points
25th Place	6 Points
26th Place	5 Points
27th Place	4 Points
28th Place	3 Points
29th Place	2 Points
30th Place	1 Points

1.7.2 Ski Cross and Snowboard Cross Points Breakdown

Competitors ranking first to maximum 32nd are awarded points in accordance with the following schedule:

Place	Points
1st Place	100 Points
2nd Place	80 Points
3rd Place	60 Points
4th Place	50 Points
5th Place	45 Points
6th Place	40 Points
7th Place	36 Points
8th Place	32 Points
9th Place	29 Points
10th Place	26 Points
11th Place	24 Points
12th Place	22 Points
13th Place	20 Points
14th Place	19 Points
15th Place	18 Points
16th Place	17 Points
17th Place	16 Points
18th Place	15 Points
19th Place	14 Points
20th Place	13 Points
21st Place	12 Points
22nd Place	11 Points
23rd Place	10 Points
24th Place	9 Points
25th Place	8 Points
26th Place	7 Points
27th Place	6 Points
28th Place	5 Points
29th Place	4 Points
30th Place	3 Points
31st Place	2 Points
32nd Place	1 Point

1.8 Biographical Information

In addition to complying with the rules for Entries (ICR 215), each entry shall include the following biographical information for the competitor: place of residence, digital image (portrait picture suitable for TV), place of birth, age they started competing and competition, languages, Club, hobbies, personal competition equipment details and, where available, web and/or social networking site URLs. See Appendix A Data List.

2. WORLD CUP RULES FOR PARK & PIPE

2.1 Course & Preparation

2.1.1 Approved Courses

All FIS Snowboard / Freeski World Cup competitions shall take place on courses approved by the FIS.

2.1.2 Course Preparations

The organiser is required to follow the International Competition Rules (ICR 3102) and course specifications for the development of the courses.

The Organiser must build and prepare the courses and the technical installations according to the ICR, the Snowboard / Freestyle / Freeski FIS Course Specifications Manual, Snowboard / Freeski Judges Stand Specifications and the instructions of the FIS Contest Director, the Technical Delegate or the FIS Technical Advisor.

2.1.3 Snow Control

The event organising committee and FIS will confirm and communicate any World Cup cancellations a minimum of 10 days prior to the first training session.

2.2 Accommodation & Payment of expenses

2.2.1 Accommodation

2.2.1.1 Organising Committees

Lodging, food (half board) and transportation must be guaranteed at a maximum of CHF 80 per day (max. 2 people per room/2 beds) for each competitor and official. The quotas for the payment of lodging and food are calculated on the basis of the World Cup Quotas (see point 2.3.).

The organiser can offer free accommodation. In this case it is the teams' task to provide their own meals. This is only acceptable if fully furnished apartments (ie. including kitchen facilities, bed sheets, towels, etc.) are provided.

The number of competitors per country may not exceed the total quota.

There are restrictions for officials (coaches, doctors, team staff) and official accompanying persons:

2.2.1.2 Accredited Team Officials

For officials (representatives of a National Ski/Snowboard Association, coaches, trainers, doctors, technicians and official accompanying persons) of teams with a World Cup quota the costs for lodging, food (half board) must be guaranteed according 2.2.1.1 to the following list:

Team size:

1-3 competitors
4 competitors
5 competitors
6-7 competitors
8 or more
3 officials or accompanying persons
4 officials or accompanying persons
6 officials or accompanying persons
10 officials or accompanying persons

2.2.1.3 Additional Officials

For five (5) additional officials or accompanying persons and for service staff of a National Ski/Snowboard Association, the maximum price that can be charged for half board must not exceed CHF 110 per day (or the equivalent) if they are listed on the official entry form by the corresponding Team Captain and the accommodation is arranged by the Organising Committee. The number of those officials is limited to 25% of the total quota.

Example: 8 competitors + 10 officials or accompanying persons = total quota 18. 25% of the total quota 18 = 4.5 (this number has always to be rounded up). 5 additional officials or accompanying persons would be allowed.

2.2.1.4 Service Personnel

For service personnel, who are in addition to the officials covered by point 2.2.1.2, the maximum price that can be charged for half board must not exceed CHF 110 per day (or the equivalent) if they are listed on the official entry form by the corresponding team captain and the accommodation is arranged by the Organising Committee.

2.2.1.5 Duration

All the expenses for lodging and food must be applied to all nights before the official start of the competition (but not longer than four nights before the first competition day) until the morning after the last competition day including official weather days. The Organiser or the hotel manager are not allowed to demand the hotel check-out of the teams on a competition day. Allocation of single rooms per team (athletes and support staff combined) must be made according to the following table at the FIS rate:

up to 3 officials=1 single roomup to 5 officials=2 single rooms7 officials or more=3 single rooms

Additional requested single rooms will only be available based on hotel availability, and at full market value.

2.2.1.6 Arrival/Departure

The Organiser only has to guarantee accommodations for the FIS rate per day according to the World Cup rules.

Additional costs due to an earlier arrival or a later departure have to be agreed upon by the organiser and the teams.

In case of late arrival or early departure there is no right to the maximum guarantee of expenses. In necessary cases, the FIS Contest Director can decide special arrangements.

2.2.1.7 Right of Accommodation

Each National Ski/Snowboard Association has to announce to the Organisers the expected total number of team members including their names (competitors, coaches, accompanying persons and service personnel) by the deadlines fixed and announced in the quota rule 2.3.4. & 2.3.5.

The Organisers are permitted to add a deadline for accommodation bookings for athletes, service personal and officials that is 40 days prior to the final entry deadline. The accommodation deadline should be clearly stated in the team invitation. Accommodation requests made after this deadline are not guaranteed at the FIS rates.

Teams or persons who register late have no right for the reservation or the guarantee of the FIS rate.

The requirements for provisional and final entries are subject to the delivery of an approved athlete photo according to the athlete photo standards of FIS. If there is no approved athlete photo the entry is not allowed.

2.2.1.8 Confirmation of Final Entries with Arrival and Departure

Not later than 12 days before the 1st competition day the NSA must confirm with the OC final entries (Names, FIS Code and Gender) with their arrival and departure dates. The NSA must also inform the OC about the arrival and departure dates of the team officials.

Adjustments to final competitor entries and rooming needs shall be done up until the confirmation of final entries deadline. The same can be done for Team Officials. Any changes in entries or rooming will be confirmed by email from the Online Entry System to the Organiser and Team. For any cancellations made less than 12 days before the 1st competition day, the Organising Committee is permitted to invoice the costs for cancelled accommodations to the respective National Association.

2.2.1.9 Hotel

The hotels for the teams must at least meet the requirements of the international three star category and has to be as close as possible to the competition area (max 20km or 30 min driving). Possibilities for Internet access are requested. Lodging for competitors and coaches must be provided in rooms with bath or shower and a maximum of 2 beds (separate beds).

Breakfast and dinner must be served at the actual hotel if possible. FIS representatives will decide during the summer inspections whether alternatives are acceptable.

The hotel should offer separate treatment space for the team doctors and therapists (e.g. access to spa massage rooms etc.)

2.2.2 Food and Beverage

2.2.2.1 Food must be healthy and of sufficient quantity. It must correspond with the needs of elite athletes.

Breakfast must be served from 6 o`clock (even earlier in some cases). The meals must meet at least the following guidelines:

Breakfast: Different kinds of bread, butter and jam, coffee with milk and tea.

Choice of eggs, cheese, sausage, fresh fruits and different kinds of "cereal"

cereal.

Lunch/ Choice of at least two menus:

Dinner: Soup or appetizer, 200 g meat (steak, etc.), poultry or fish, in

agreement with the team captains. Vegetable, salads or other sidedishes, cheese, fruit or desserts. Non-alcoholic beverages (as

occasion demands) of 0.5 litre.

- 2.2.2.2 Vegetarian food should also be available.
- 2.2.2.3 The teams shall receive a non-alcoholic beverage with their meals (tap water is excluded). If this is not the case a compensation of CHF 12.-- per day, per person must be paid.

Furthermore, the hotels should serve a small snack (tea and sandwiches).

2.2.2.4 Meal Times

The hotel must adapt itself to the needs of the schedules of the training and the competitions (for instance, in general, breakfast is served very early in the morning).

The OC has to inform the hotel management about the FIS-agreements concerning accommodation and food, and about the daily program including changes of the schedule.

2.2.3 Waxing Facilities

For competitions where the OC is offering host accommodation, the hotel or the OC must make available one or more rooms for preparation and storage of skis / snowboards. There must be security provided or a possibility to lock these rooms. They must be heated and ventilated, equipped with tables and adequate electricity. The height must be at least 2.40 meters. There must be a minimum area per service technician/team according to the following table:

Size Waxing Facilities Park & Pipe:

1-5 competitors 4x3 m 6-12 competitors 6x3 m 13 or more competitors 8x3 m

The size of the waxing facility for each team will be determined on the 40 day deadline, increased team size after this date will not be guaranteed extra waxing facility space.

At a Snowboard/ Freeski combined competition, the waxing facility size will be for the combined team totals.

For competitions that the OC is not offering host accommodation, the OC is not responsible for providing any waxing facilities.

2.2.4 Participation Fee

A mandatory Participation Fee (competitors only) of a maximum of CHF 50 per official training and competition day will be charged to all entered competitors, based on the programme in the official invitation. The invitation should clearly state the total amount to be paid by each competitor and event. The total amount cannot be more than CHF 200 per competitor.

Double participation (e.g. HP and SS): the participation fee only has to be paid once (e.g. 2 x Training-, 1 Qualification, 1 Final day) or respectively up to the maximum of CHF 200.

In case the Qualification and the Finals are on the same day, the participation fee has to be paid for one day only.

Organisers who do not provide lodging, food (half board) and transportation at a maximum of CHF 80 per day for each competitor and official are entitled to charge only CHF 20 as above described.

2.2.5 Late Entry

Teams or persons who register late (art. 2.2.1.7 and 2.2.1.8) have no right to reservation at the FIS Rate (art. 2.2.1.1, 2.2.1.3 & 2.2.1.4).

2.3 World Cup Quotas (HP, SS, BA)

Big Air and Slopestyle World Cup events will have a maximum field size of 30 women and 60 men. City Big Air World Cup events will have maximum field size of 30 women and 50 men.

Halfpipe can have a maximum field size of 110 competitors with 50 women and 60 men.

For BA and HP the unused event spots (BA 30 Women, 50/60 men and HP 50 Women, 60 men) can be transferred from one gender to the other gender (example 25 Women and 55 men or 35 women and 45 men, total number always 80). Nations may not transfer their unused guota spots from one gender to the other.

2.3.1 Basic Quota (BQ):

Snowboard:

Each National Ski Association affiliated with FIS may earn one (1) basic nation quota per gender per Event based upon having:

- 120 FIS points or 230 WSPL points in Slopestyle
- 50 FIS points or 130 WSPL points in Halfpipe
- 100 FIS Points or 230 WSPL points in Big Air or Slopestyle whichever is higher for Big Air.

Freeski:

Each National Ski Association affiliated with FIS may earn one (1) basic quota place per gender based upon having (in the current FIS point list):

- 50 FIS points in Slopestyle
- 10 FIS points in Halfpipe
- 50 FIS Points in Big Air or Slopestyle whichever is higher for Big Air.

2.3.2 Minimum Standards to Participate in a WC:

Snowboard:

- 120 FIS points or 230 WSPL points in Slopestyle
- 50 FIS points or 130 WSPL points in Halfpipe
- 100 FIS Points or 230 WSPL points in Big Air or Slopestyle whichever is higher for Big Air.

Freeski:

- 50 FIS points in Slopestyle
- 10 FIS points in Halfpipe
- 50 FIS Points in Big Air or Slopestyle whichever is higher for Big Air.

2.3.3 Quota Spot Allocation System:

All World Cup quotas are allocated in the following order:

Host Nation Quota: 3 women / 5 men

Personal Quota Spots:

- World Junior Championship*

1 woman / 1 man

- Continental Cup (per CoC per event; HP and SS/BA) 1 woman / 1 man**

Nation Quota Spots:

World Cup winner from the previous season in BA counts for Slopestyle and Big Air

1 woman / 1 man

World Cup winner from previous season in SS counts for Slopestyle and Big Air

1 woman / 1 man

All the above spots are to be considered in addition to the maximum team size per nation and athletes need to meet all eligibility criteria to start in World Cup the following season, or in case of the ANC and SAC the same calendar season.

General personal spot notes:

The personal spot winners must have the minimum points to start in WC.

In all cases only the winner of the competitions or series will receive the personal spot. If the winner is the same in several competitions or series, the personal spot cannot be reassigned.

If the winner of the CoC or WJC does not meet age eligibility criteria to start in the World Cup, the spot will be awarded to the highest ranked competitor that meets such criteria.

*For the winners in Junior World Championship, BA will only award a personal spot in BA, SS will only award a personal spot in SS, and HP will only award a personal spot in HP.

** The Continental Cup (CoC) personal spots for HP and the personal spots for combined SS/BA ranking are received by the highest ranked competitors from the host continent that meet all eligibility criteria to start in World Cup the following season, or in case of the ANC and SAC the same calendar season. How this ranking is calculated is defined in the respective Continent Chapters in the CoC book. In case of a remaining tie in the Cup Standing, the athlete with the highest HP or combined SS and BA FIS points will receive the personal spot. The personal spot winners must have the minimum points to start in WC and have competed in a minimum of three competitions of the respective Continental Cup season for that event: three HP events, or a combination of three SS/BA events.

Basic, Elite, Additional Spots:

Maximum team size is 10 per nation (max 6 women / 6 men) and referring to the following quota calculation process:

Basic Nation Quota spot*: 1 woman / 1 man

Elite Quota spots: 8 women / 10 men****

Snowboard Elite personal spots are earned through the World Cup Ranking and the World Snowboard Points List (WSPL) for Freeski they are earned through the World Cup Ranking and the FIS Points Base list. If 3 World Cups were not conducted in an event, for snowboard the WSPL at 30th of May and the FIS points Base list for Freeski will be used to calculate all of the elite spots. (If the WSPL list ceases to exist the current seasons FIS points Base list will be used). Elite quotas will be personal spots and will be granted even if more than the maximum team size and gender size as above described.

Snowboard Elite Quota Spots calculation: The top 5 women / 6 men World Cup Ranking and top 5 women / 6 men WSPL will be considered.

Freeski Elite Quota Spots calculation: The top 5 women / 6 men World Cup Ranking and top 5 women / 6 men Freeski FIS points Base list will be considered. In the event an athlete is in both ranking lists that 1 athlete will receive one elite spot, athlete who are only in one of the ranking lists will also receive 1 elite spot. Up to a maximum of 10 spots for men and 8 spots for Women

In the event the maximum quota is not reached, the World Cup Ranking will have priority for the next ranked athlete to fill the next quota spot, with the respective list for ski/snowboard having the next priority using the next ranked rider to fill the next quota and so on.

Additional Nation Quota spots*

- 1 additional spot with 2 competitors ranked between next rank after quota calculation and 20 (women) or 25 (men).
- 2 additional spots with 3 or more competitors ranked between next rank after quota calculation and 20(women) or 25 men). (The count for additional nation quotas spots will exclude the names of competitors who earned elite spots from the World Cup ranking).

All the above spots will be granted if the entries are done within the 60 days deadline before the 1st competition day, even if they reach or go over the maximum field sizes allowed.

*Basic and additional Quotas spots are calculated using the following ranking lists: Snowboard: earned through the WSPL rankings on the 30th May each year (If the WSPL list ceases to exist the respective FIS Points Base list will be used); Freeski: FIS Base Points List (calculated in June of each year);

2.3.4 Allocation system to fill in the additional spots

Ranking list Additional Spots are awarded (with a limitation of 2 per nation in SS/BA and 3 in HP) according to the following allocation system:

The Competition Invitation will be available 3 months prior to the first competition day.

60 days prior to the 1st competition day all teams must submit entries by name through the FIS online entry system.

58 days prior, FIS will produce a ranked list of the entered competitors. This list will indicate Host Nation Quota, Prequalification Competition Spots and Personal Spots, Basic Quota, Elite spots, & Additional Quota.

Competitors will be ranked according to the current WSPL for Snowboard and the latest FIS point list for Freeski. For BA, competitors will be ranked according to their highest rank between SS and BA. Ties will be broken by BA rank.

The remaining empty spots to reach the maximum number of competitors will be taken from the ranked list of entered competitors.

If entries reach or exceed the maximum field sizes as above mentioned only competitors who meet the minimum points criteria will be considered.

If entries don't reach the allowed maximum fields sizes per event according to the above quota description, then the competitors entered over quota and those who don't meet the minimum point criteria will be considered in order to reach such maximum numbers.

The competitors entered over quota and those who don't reach the minimum point levels required will be order as follows:

- Host nation will be granted max 4 additional spots for competitors who meet the minimum criteria:
- Riders from other nations who meet the minimum point criteria and one (1) per nation till none of such competitors are left or until the field is filled up;

If the field sizes are still not full entries made after the deadline will be added to the ranking list and ranked with the same above criteria.

Entries that are not made by the 60 day deadline will not be considered if the field size have reached the maximum size allowed.

2.3.5 Confirmation of Spots

Competitors that fill in the additional spots will be confirmed to the NSAs via the email listed on the official entry 58 days prior to the 1st competition day. NSAs should communicate to FIS as soon as possible if any competitor will not be able to participate. This will allow the reallocation of unused spots.

Nations may replace competitors as long as they are ranked higher than the highest ranked competitor on the waiting list.

2.3.6 Reallocation of Spots

Remaining available spots will be reallocated to the next highest ranked competitors on the entry list. Once the fields are allocated and confirmed the next 3 men and 2 women (reserve athletes) on the ranked list of competitors will be added to those permitted to train and forerun as a waiting list. If there are withdrawals prior to the draw, these competitors will be allowed to fill in the unused spots and start in the competition.

After the bib draw and before the official start, reserve athletes confirmed at entry (who have completed at least one training run) may replace withdrawn athletes. Reserves will be ranked according to the World Cup quota system, listed at the end of the start list at the time of the draw, and marked with an asterisk. Withdrawals must be communicated before the start of the competition by the athlete, coach, or team official to the Starter, Jury, or Event Director. If no withdrawals occur, reserves remain on the list and will be shown as NPS (No Start) in the results.

2.3.7 Injury status

An injured competitor within top 10 of the WC Standing of the respective event at the time of the injury (provided that at least 2 events have been conducted), who is not active anymore during the current season, will receive a personal quota spot for the entire next season. An injury status as such will only be valid for the next season and (in case of no starts) the season after

and then will be not awarded again. Proper document(s) must be submitted to the FIS office according to the FIS rules.

2.4 Prize Money

The Organiser must make available at least Euro 34'921 per event/gender for prize money. Greater prize money is permitted and must be equal per gender. This sum is divided between the Top 10 competitors per event/gender.

If it is not possible to complete a Final phase, then provided at least the Qualification phase has been completed the scores from the last completed phase shall stand as the final result. In this case the announced prize money can be reduced by 50%. The Organiser must communicate the amount that will be paid to FIS.

2.4.1 Prize Money Breakdown:

Place	Amount Euro	% of Total
1 st place	15,714	45.00%
2 nd place	8,207	23.50%
3 rd place	4,365	12.50%
4 th place	2,095	6.00%
5 th place	1,048	3.00%
6 th place	873	2.50%
7 th place	786	2.25%
8 th place	698	2.00%
9 th place	611	1.75%
10 th place	524	1.50%
Total	34,921	100.00%

2.4.2 Prize Money Breakdown without Finals:

Place	% of Total
1st place	45.00%
2nd place	23.50%
3rd place	12.50%
4th place	6.00%
5th place	3.00%
6th place	2.50%
7th place	2.25%
8th place	2.00%
9th place	1.75%
10th place	1.50%

Total 100.00%

2.4.3 In Case of a Tie

Refer to 1.2.10.1

2.5 Awards

2.5.1 Winner of the Freeski & Snowboard Park & Pipe World Cups (Big Globes)

The competitor who wins the Snowboard Park & Pipe overall classification is the "Winner of the Snowboard Park & Pipe FIS World Cup".

The competitor who wins the Freeski Park & Pipe overall classification is the "Winner of the Freeski Park & Pipe FIS World Cup".

2.5.1.1 Formula – Overall:

The overall winners will be calculated as follows:

The points from all World Cup Freeski or World Cup Snowboard Park & Pipe Results (Halfpipe, Slopestyle and Big Air) will be added together to determine the Overall Winner in the Freeski or Snowboard Park & Pipe events. A maximum of 6 events are taken into consideration regardless of the event where the results are achieved.

Tie Breaking: The highest total of the best event decides - if still tied, the number of first rankings, if still tied the number of second rankings, etc. decides.

2.5.2 Winners of the Individual Event World Cups (Small Globes)

The winners of the individual Events shall be honored as "Winner of the Freeski" or "Winner of the Snowboard" Halfpipe, Big Air or Slopestyle FIS World Cup.

A minimum of 3 competitions must be completed for an event title and trophy to be awarded.

2.5.2.1 Formula – Event:

The event winners will be determined as follows:

Number of completed and valid competitions during the season:

- 3 All 3 competitions count
- 4 All 4 competitions count
- 5 Best 4 out of 5 competitions count
- 6 Best 5 out of 6 competitions count
- >7 Best 5 out of X competitions count

All counting results in the Event are added together.

A total of points from all competitions will be made. The competitors with the highest total will win. If tied, the competitor with the greatest number of highest places is the winner. If still tied, the competitors stay tied. Only those places that earned World Cup points will be used.

2.6 Forerunners

OC shall arrange 1-3 qualified forerunners (competitors registered with FIS to participate in international FIS competitions) per competition.

2.7 Format

All competition formats must be according to ICR 3500.

2.7.1 Halfpipe & Slopestyle

The standard format is as follows:

- 1. Qualification in heats following ICR 3501.1 & 3501.1.2 with best of 2 runs following ICR 3502.1.
- 2. Semi Finals with the 2 options possible following ICR 3501.2.3 or 3501.2.4 with best of 2 runs following ICR 3502.1.
- 3. Finals with best of 2 or best of 3 following ICR 3502.1 or 3502.2 In case of Force Majeure the Semi Finals may be skipped and finals be held with a direct qualification following ICR 3501.2.1 or 3501.2.2.

2.7.2 Big Air Format

The standard format is as follows:

- 1. Qualification in heats following ICR 3501.1 & 3501.1.2 with best of 2 runs following ICR 3502.1.
- 2. Semi Finals with the 2 options possible following ICR 3501.2.3 or 3501.2.4 with 2 best of 3 runs following ICR 3502.3.1.
- 3. Finals with 2 best of 3 runs following ICR 3502.3.1. In case of Force Majeure the Semi Finals may be skipped and finals be held with a direct qualification following ICR 3501.2.1 or 3501.2.2.

3. WORLD CUP RULES FOR FREESTYLE

3.1 Courses and Preparation

3.1.1 Course Preparations

The Organiser is required to follow the International Competition Rules (ICR) and course specifications for the development of the courses. See the following regulations: 4006, 4205, 4305.

The Organiser must build and prepare the courses and the technical installations according to the ICR, the Freestyle FIS Course Specifications Manual, Freestyle Judges' Stand Specifications and the instructions of the FIS Race Director, the Technical Delegate or the FIS Technical Advisor.

3.1.2 Approved Courses

All FIS Freestyle World Cup competitions shall take place on courses approved by FIS.

3.1.3 Automatic Cancellation

Cancellation deadlines (see 1.3.2):

Northern Hemisphere

Aerials: 10 days before the competition day Moguls/Dual Moguls: 7 days before the competition day.

Southern Hemisphere see 1.3.2.

3.2 Entry Procedures and Deadlines

3.2.1 Provisional Entries – 40 Days before the Competition

Each National Association must inform the Organisers about the expected total number of team members (Names, FIS Codes, Photo and Gender art. 7.8.1 and 14.3), and team officials with arrival and departure dates and rooming needs (competitors, coaches, accompanying persons and service personnel). This needs to be done using the FIS Online System and respecting the deadlines fixed and announced by the OC (40 days before the first competition day).

The requirements for provisional and final entries are subject to the delivery of an approved athlete photo according to the athlete photo standards of FIS. If there is no approved athlete photo the entry is not allowed.

3.2.2 Confirmation of Final Entries with Arrival and Departure – 10 Days

Not later than 10 days before the competition day the NSA must inform the OC of its final entries (Names, FIS Code and Gender) with their arrival and departure dates. The NSA must also inform the OC about the arrival and departure dates of the team officials.

Adjustments to final competitor entries and rooming needs can be done up until the entry deadline (10 days before the competition day). The same can be done for Team Officials.

Any changes in entries or rooming will be confirmed by email from the Online Entry System to the Organiser and Team.

3.3 Accommodation and Payment of Expenses for Teams

3.3.1 Accommodation, Food, Transportation for Competitors and Team Officials Accommodation (half-board) and transportation on site will be charged at a maximum of CHF 80 per day per person (FIS Rate) to all competitors and team officials. For the first 6 athletes in the World Cup ranking, accommodation will be free of charge.

The organiser has the option to supply accommodation at the rate of CHF 40 and the teams have to arrange their own meals. This is only acceptable if fully furnished apartments (i.e. including kitchen facilities, bed sheets, towels, etc.) are provided. The apartments must meet 3 Star standards, one bathroom for max 4 people, daily Cleaning service in Hotel standards, WIFI for all apartments, national mobile phone connection mandatory.

3.3.2 Food and Beverages

3.3.2.1 Food must be healthy and plentiful and must correspond to the needs of the competitors.

Meals must meet at least the following requirements:

- 3.3.2.2 Breakfast: Different kinds of bread (whole wheat, white...), butter and jam, coffee or tea with milk and breakfast cereals, "muesli", fruit juice, choice of eggs, cheese and ham or sausages.
- 3.3.2.3 Dinner: Three-course meal including a variation between Pasta, Meat, Fish and vegetarian food.
- 3.3.2.4 The teams shall receive a non-alcoholic beverage with their meals (tap water is excluded). If this is not the case a compensation of CHF 12.- per day, per person must be paid.

3.3.2.5 Meal Times

The hotel must adapt itself to the needs of the schedules of the training and the competitions (for instance, in general, breakfast is served very early in the morning).

The OC has to inform the hotel management about the FIS agreements concerning accommodation and food, and about the daily program including changes of the schedule.

The Organiser is responsible for informing the hotel management of the daily programmes and any changes to them.

3.3.3 Accredited Team Officials

For officials (Coaches, Doctors, Team personnel) and official accompanying persons the following restrictions apply:

3.3.3.1 Team Officials Ratio to Team Size

Team Size Moguls, Dual Moguls, Aerials:

1-3 competitors
4 competitors
5 competitors
6-7 competitors
8 or more
3 officials or accompanying persons
4 officials or accompanying persons
5 officials or accompanying persons
10 officials or accompanying persons

3.3.3.2 Additional Officials

For additional officials or "accompanying persons" as well as for service personnel of the National Ski Associations, the maximum price that can be charged for accommodation and half board must not exceed CHF 120 or the equivalent in another currency, per day. The number of those officials is limited to 25% of the total quota.

Example: 8 competitors + 10 officials or "accompanying persons" = total quota 18. 25% of the total quota 18 = 4.5 (this number always has to be rounded up). Then 5 additional officials or "FIS accredited" accompanying persons would be allowed.

3.3.3.3 Service Personnel

Service personnel are entitled to (a maximum of CHF 120 or the equivalent) half-board accommodation, if the accommodation has been arranged by the OC.

- 3.3.4 All expenses for accommodation and food apply to all nights before the competition officially starts, up to a maximum of five nights before the first competition until the morning after the last competition day. By no means is the Organiser or the Hotel manager allowed to demand the vacation of the rooms of the teams on the day of competitions.
- 3.3.5 Duration of Accommodation for Competitors and Team Officials

The organiser shall provide the following support from at least the night before the first official training until the morning after the last competition in which the competitor participated.

3.3.5.1 Moguls / Dual Moguls – Arrival day / two training days / one competition day / departure day; 4 nights and 5 days.

3.3.5.2 Aerials -

- Single competition format: arrival day, three practice days, one competition day, departure day.
- Double competition format: arrival day, two practice days, two competition days, departure day.
- 3.3.5.3 Additional costs due to early arrival or late departure are the responsibility of the teams.

3.3.7 Hotel Rooms

The accommodation for the competitors, coaches, officials etc. must be provided in rooms with a maximum of two beds and bath or shower, or apartments with a maximum of two beds per sleeping room and bath or shower. Also one single room per country for a team official has to be provided.

Accommodation has to be as close as possible to the competition area. The hotels must meet "3-star category" minimum. An additional one (1) single room can be purchased at the rate of CHF 120. The Organiser is required to provide details or information for any additional rooms a team may purchase.

If the above mentioned criteria cannot be matched, the following can be offered and agreed by the RD: Free Lunch, Free Access to Wellness, Free Admission to Fitness Centre, Training Hall, Free Transportation, Internet Hotspot for Teams if no Internet is available in Hotel/Apartment, Athlete lounges with food available or Other Facilities (Gaming Room, etc.).

3.3.8 Wax Room

A heated and guarded room for storing the skis must be available in the Hotel or Apartment building. This room should be large enough so that work can be done there on the skis, preparation, waxing etc.

The Organisers are responsible for making adequate ski preparation and storage facilities available to all nations. These facilities must be heated, ventilated and secure.

3.3.9 On Site Waiting Room

See 127

3.3.10 Internet Access

See 1.2.8

3.3.11 Costs for Cancellation of Accommodation

For any changes notified after the deadline in art.7.6.4 above, the Organiser may invoice the costs incurred for cancelled accommodation to the National Association concerned.

3.3.12 Late Entry

Teams or persons who register late (art. 7.6.3 and 7.6.4) have no right to reservation at the FIS Rate (art. 3.3.1).

3.4 World Cup Quota Calculation

3.4.1 Number of Competitors per Nation – Nations Quota

The number of competitors per country (Nations Quota) is determined annually according to the Quota Calculation system. The Quotas are calculated using the Base FIS Points list for the new season.

Minimum FIS Point Standards for the Basic and Additional Quotas:

Standards/Requirements	MO/DM FIS Points	AE FIS Points
Basic Quota BQ (1)	50+	50+
Additional Quota AQ	100+	100+

After reviewing the FIS Points List for each event, every nation that has one competitor with or above the basic FIS points level will be granted one (1) Basic Quota (BQ) spot.

Additional Quota (AQ) spots are then determined based upon the FIS point standards for each event.

The Basic Quota and the Additional Quota spots are then added together and this total cannot be greater than the maximum gender size.

3.4.2 Number of Quota Calculations

There will be two quota calculations. The first calculation is based upon the new Base list. The second calculation is done beginning of January. For the second Quota Calculation, the quotas may increase but will not decrease.

3.4.3 Nations Quota Overview

Overview per Event by Number	MO/DM	AE
Maximum Team Size (Women and Men)	10	10
Maximum Quota per Gender	5	5
Host Nation Quota per Gender (in addition to gender	+3	+3
maximum and maximum team size)		
Personal spot per gender for WC overall winner from the	+1	+1
previous season (additional)		
Personal Spot per Gender for CoC winner (additional):	+1	+1
- for NAC/EC/AC, this is the overall winner from the		
previous season		
- for ANC/SAC, this is the overall winner from the same		
season		
WC Organising Nation Quota (in addition to gender	+1	+1
maximum and maximum team size)		
This is a single spot, not per Gender, and is granted to a		
Nation that organises at least one WC in the current		
season. According to the approved calendar.		

3.4.4 Basic Quota Calculation (BQ)

Each National Ski Association affiliated with FIS may have one (1) basic quota place based upon having FIS points at or above the Basic Quota level for each event (see art. 3.4.1).

3.4.5 Additional Quota Calculation (AQ)

A National Ski Association may have additional quota places based upon having FIS points at or above the Additional Quota level up to a maximum number of competitors (see art. 3.4.1, 3.4.3).

3.4.6 Host Nation Quota (HQ)

Each nation that hosts a World Cup may have additional quota spots. The competitor entered as HQ has to fulfill the same FIS Point Standard as BQ entries.

3.4.7 Quota Calculation per Event and per Gender

Moguls / Dual Moguls

BQ: Minimum 50 FIS Points **AQ:** Minimum 100 FIS Points

AQ: CoC Winners (see art. 3.4.8.1)

HQ: Additional competitors

BQ	AQ	HQ
1		
	up to 5	
	1	
		up to 3

Aerials

BQ: Minimum 50 FIS Points **AQ:** Minimum 100 FIS Points

AQ: CoC Winners (see art. 3.4.8.1)

HQ: Additional competitors

BQ	AQ	HQ
1		
	up to 5	
	1	
		up to 2

Aerials Synchro

Both pair members must have a minimum of 50 FIS Points. Based on each Nation's Earned Aerials Quota. Half of the earned quota to a maximum of three (3) pairs (per gender)

3.4.8 Additions to the Moguls, Dual Moguls and Aerials Quotas:

3.4.8.1 Continental Cup Winner

From each Continental Cup Standings, the highest ranked competitor (per gender and within their event) from the host Continent will be provided an additional personal quota spot that can be entered into the FIS World Cup. For Moguls, the Overall winners will get the spot. These competitors will be the previous season winners (northern hemisphere) and the current season leader (southern hemisphere) according to the respective Continental Cup Moguls/Dual Moguls and Aerials standings.

3.5 Prize Money

A minimum amount of prize money of Euro 34'921 per competition, per gender must be paid out.

3.5.1 Prize Money Breakdown:

Place	Amount Euro	% of Total
1 st place	15,714	45.00%
2 nd place	8,207	23.50%
3 rd place	4,365	12.50%
4 th place	2,095	6.00%
5 th place	1,048	3.00%
6 th place	873	2.50%
7 th place	786	2.25%
8 th place	698	2.00%
9 th place	611	1.75%
10 th place	524	1.50%
Total	34,921	100.00%

3.5.1.1 Special Prize – Double Event

If an Organiser wishes to create a special prize based upon two (2) or more events in the same or different location(s), then they must develop cumulative rankings from those competitions.

The ranking from the first competition is added to the rankings of the second competition (or other competitions) and these combined rankings are used to distribute the additional, extra prize money. The minimum value of the additional prize money is 25% of the value of each competition. Other proposals regarding other non-cash special prizes can be considered.

3.5.2 Team Competitions

For an Aerials Team or Aerials Dual Moguls Team World Cup, the prize money will be awarded per team or pair according to the results of the Team competition with the following allocations:

1st place	Euro	17,460	50.00%
2nd place	Euro	11,699	33.50%
3rd place	Euro	5,762	16.50%

Total Euro 34,921 100.00%

For an Aerials Synchro World Cup, the prize money will be awarded per pair according to the results of the Synchro competition with the following allocations:

1 st place	Euro 8,731	50.00%
2 nd place	Euro 5,849	33.50%
3 rd place	Euro 2.881	16.50%

Total Euro 17,461 100.00%

3.5.3 Prize Money in case of a Tie

See 1.2.10.1

3.5.4 Payment of Prize Money

See 1.2.10

3.6 World Cup Procedures

3.6.1 Bibs

3.6.1.1 Separate Bib for each Event

The Organiser must provide a separate set of bibs for each Event (Men's and Women's) but see also 3.6.1.2.

Bibs must be sent for approval to the FIS Marketing Department.

3.6.1.2 Assignment of Bibs for the top 25 Competitors

Bibs 1 to 25 will be assigned in order of the competitors' ranks on the latest World Cup Standings for the Event or, if such Standings do not yet exist, the Standings from the last completed season. Bibs 26 onwards will be randomly assigned. If Moguls and Dual Moguls form part of the same programme, the bib allocation made for the first of the two Events to be run may optionally be retained for the second.

3.6.2 Dual Moguls Draw

See ICR 4310.1

3.6.3 Start Order Draw

- 3.6.3.1 In addition to the rules in the ICR governing the start order, the following shall apply for the Moguls Event at World Cup. The competitors listed in the top 30 of the World Cup Standings shall be randomly drawn to the first 30 positions on the Start List, with the remaining competitors drawn randomly to the remaining positions.
- 3.6.3.2 Procedures for forming the Start Lists for Dual Moguls and for Aerials, Aerials Team, Dual Moguls Team and Aerials Synchro Events shall be as defined in the ICR.

3.6.4 Formats

See ICR 4005.1, 4204, 4304

3.6.4.1 In any Event for which the formation of the Start List follows 3.6.3.1 above, if the competition is interrupted and cannot continue, the Qualification result shall stand as the Final Result for the competition, provided that the first 30 on the Start List have received a result. Competitors who start will be ranked according to their result: those who do not start will be marked as DNS.

3.6.5 Forerunners

The Organiser shall arrange the following number of qualified forerunners (competitors with FIS points).

- Moguls, Dual Moguls: 4

- Aerial: 2

3.7 FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Titles

- 3.7.1 The World Cup Titles and trophies to be awarded are defined in 1.5.
- 3.7.1.2 The competitor who wins the FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Moguls / Dual Moguls overall title has the right to be called a "FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Moguls and Dual Moguls Winner".
- 3.7.1.3 The competitor who wins the FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Aerials event title has the right to be called a "FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Aerials Winner".
- 3.7.1.4 The Team winning the FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Team Aerials event title has the right to be called a "FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Team Aerials Winner".
- 3.7.1.5 The calculations for the Titles to be awarded in Aerials, Team Aerials Moguls / Dual Moguls are defined in 3.8.

3.7.2 Additional Awards

3.7.2.1 Rookie of the Year

In addition to the FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup awards, there will be awards for "Rookie of the Year" in women and men categories for Moguls and Dual Moguls (one award), Aerials.

The criteria for Rookie of the Year will be:

- 50% Results

- 50% Personality and Attitude

The award will be determined by a vote by the respective team captains at the last competition of the season.

Nominations for "Rookie of the Year" can be made by any team captain for a competitor who has completed a 1st full season of competitions.

Each team captain will have one vote. The winner must achieve an absolute majority of votes.

3.7.2.2 Awards presented at Last Competition of Season

The presentation of awards will take place at the Final competition on the FIS Freestyle World Cup. The awards to be presented are defined in 1.5.

3.8 FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Point System

3.8.1 Points Scale

For WC Points scale, see 1.7.

3.8.2 FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Standings Calculations

Points are awarded only at completed competitions and based upon the Final results.

3.8.3 Moguls/Dual Moguls/Aerials World Cup Calculations

To determine the FIS Freestyle Ski Moguls, Dual Moguls and Aerials Event Winners the competitor with the highest FIS Freestyle Moguls, Dual Moguls and or Aerials World Cup total points in an event will win.

3.8.4 Tie-Breaking for FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup

3.8.4.1 A total of points from all competitions will be made. The competitors with the highest total will win the tie. If still tied, the competitor with the greatest number of highest places is the winner. If still tied, the competitors stay tied. Places which earned FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup points only will be used.

3.8.4.2 Extent of Tie-Breaking

All ties shall be broken, if possible.

3.9 FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Final

3.9.1 Competitions to be Held

Moguls, Dual Moguls and Aerials, ought to be held at the FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Final.

3.9.2 Invitations to World Cup Finals

Invitations for the FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Finals are primarily based on the FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup standings. In addition, the following athletes are invited:

- The male and female winners of the Aerials and Overall Moguls rankings from each Continental Cup series.
- The most recent male and female FIS Freestyle Ski Junior World Champions in Moguls, Dual Moguls, and Aerials (from either the current or previous competition year).

 One athlete per gender in Moguls, Dual Moguls, and Aerials from the host nation.

3.9.3 Entries

The entries from the Aerials FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup will be limited to the top 20 competitors in Aerials per gender. The entries from the Moguls and Dual Moguls FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup will be limited to the top 30 competitors per gender. In addition to the top entries, if a nation has participated in all of the current season's FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup in Moguls/ Dual Moguls or Aerials and does not have an athlete invited in a gender, then that nation may enter a participant in that gender. The entered athlete must have a minimum of 5 World Cup points in the Event.

3.9.4 FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Final Eligibility Formula

Event	WC M/W	CoC M/W	WJC M/W	Host M/W
MO	30/30		+ WJC Champion	+ 1
DM	30/30		+ WJC Champion	+ 1
AE	20/20	+ CoC Winners	+ WJC Champion	+ 1
Overall MO*		+ CoC Winners		

^{*}Only the COC *Overall Moguls* winner for men and women will be invited to the World Cup Finals and they will have starts in both the Moguls and Dual Moguls events.

3.10 Qualification Standards to Participate in the FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup

3.10.1 FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Entry and Qualification

The FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup competitions are open to all men and all women who are eligible according to the quota system pre-determined for each nation. These standards can be different women's and men's events.

3.10.1.1 Qualification Standards

The qualification standards will be established before each season, based on an agreement with the FIS Sub-Committee for Moguls and Aerials. The standards cannot be modified during the season.

3.10.1.2 Entry Standards for the FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup

Competitors entered into FIS Freestyle Ski World Cups must have the minimum required Freestyle Ski FIS points (art. 3.10.1.4) in one of the valid FIS points lists in the current season.

The Organiser needs to check the FIS points as soon as they receive the entries. If the point levels are not according to the standard then they need to inform the team(s) and the FIS.

3.10.1.3 Biographical Information

See 1.8

3.10.1.4 Minimum FIS Point Standards to Participate in FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup Events.

Requirements per FIS Freestyle Ski World Cup event are:

Standards/ Requirements	MO/DM	AE/AES/AET
Minimum FIS Points	50	50

3.11 FIS Grand Prix Aerials

The WC rules will be applied for the Grand Prix series with the exception of:

3.11.1 Prize Money Individual competition:

Prize money may be awarded at the organiser's discretion. If prize money is offered, it must be stated in the competition invitation.

3.11.2 Mixed Team competition:

Prize money may be awarded at the organiser's discretion.

3.11.3 Prize Money Breakdown Single Competitions:

If prize money is awarded, it must paid using the following percentages of the total amount distributed:

 1st place
 50.00%

 2nd place
 33.33%

 3rd place
 16.66%

3.11.4 Prize Money Breakdown Mixed Team Competitions:

If prize money is awarded, it must paid using the following percentages of the total amount distributed:

 1st place
 50.00%

 2nd place
 33.33%

 3rd place
 16.66%

3.11.5 Minimum FIS Points

No minimum FIS points are required to compete, but all competitors must hold a current FIS license.

3.11.6 Accommodation, Food, Transport for Competitors and Team Officials

There are no rules for accommodation and transport on site.

3.11.7 Practice Days

Organisers are not required to provide free practice days, and athletes are not required to train at the site before the competition day.

3.11.8 Trophy

The first three competitors of the Grand Prix receive a FIS Grand Prix trophy, which will be provided by FIS. At least three Grand Prix Aerial competitions must be completed to award the FIS Grand Prix trophy

4. WORLD CUP RULES FOR CROSS

4.1 Course & Preparation

The Organiser is required to follow the International Competition Rules (ICR 5100/7100) and course specifications for the development of the courses.

The Organiser must build and prepare the courses and the technical installations according to the ICR, the Course building Guidelines and the instructions of a representative for the Jury appointed by the FIS.

4.1.2 Approved Courses

All FIS Cross World Cup competitions shall take place on slopes approved by the FIS Jury.

4.1.3 Snow Control

The deadline for snow control is ten days before the 1st official competition training day. Refer to 1.3.2.

4.1.4 Course Setting

The course is set by following the ICR rule Nr. 5310/7310 & 5605/7605

4.1.5 There will be no access to the course for training for any competitor that could be entered in a World Cup within 7 days before the first official competition day.

4.2 Entry procedure and Deadlines

Each National Ski/Snowboard Association has to announce to the Organisers the expected total number of team members (competitors, coaches, accompanying persons and service personnel) by the deadlines fixed and announced (40 days before the first competition day) in the OC invitation (90 days before the first competition day).

Teams or persons who register late have no right for the reservation or the quarantee of the rate in rule 4.2.1.

The requirements for provisional and final entries are subject to the delivery of an approved athlete photo according to the athlete photo standards of FIS. If there is no approved athlete photo the entry is not allowed.

4.2.1 Confirmation of Final Entries with Arrival and Departure – 10 Days

Not later than 10 days before the 1st competition day the NSA must inform the OC of its final entries (Names, FIS Code and Gender) with their arrival and departure dates. The NSA must also inform the OC about the arrival and departure dates of the team officials.

Adjustments to final competitor entries and rooming needs can be done up until the entry deadline (10 days before the competition day). The same can be done for Team Officials.

Any changes in entries or rooming will be confirmed by email from the Online Entry System to the Organiser and Team.

The change of the entire team ratio (competitors, officials, service personnel) may not exceed 20% of the original number. Teams that exceed 20% have no right for the reservation or the guarantee of the official rate. For Teams which cancel more

than 20% the organiser may ask a cancellation fee up to the official room rate for the cancelations exceeding the 20%. The Organiser may invoice the costs incurred for cancelled accommodation to the National Association concerned. This provision is not applicable for the World Cup Finals with a limited field size.

4.3 Accommodation & Payment of expenses

4.3.1 Resorts and Organising Committees

Accommodation (half-board, max. 2 people per room/2 beds) and transportation on site will be charged at a maximum of CHF 80 including tourist tax, credit cards and bank fees per day per person (FIS Rate) to all competitors and team officials per country.

The number of competitors per country may not exceed the total quota.

The organiser has the option to supply accommodation at the rate of up to CHF 40 SX / CHF 50 SBX and the teams have to arrange their own meals. This is only acceptable if fully furnished apartments (i.e. including kitchen facilities, bed sheets, towels, etc.) are provided. The apartments must meet:

- 3 Star standards, one bathroom for max 4 people, daily Cleaning Service in Hotel standards, WIFI for all apartments, national mobile
- phone connection mandatory
- 4.3.1.1 The Ski Cross WC organiser will waive the (FIS rate) for Top 5 Men/Women as per the current SX WC standing. or based on the final World Cup rankings from the previous season. In case of a tie, the athlete with the better result in the previous World Cup race will be waived by the organiser. The Top 5 Men/Woman will remain per venue / event (single or double race), as determined on the official arrival day of the event

4.3.2 Quota for Officials

The quotas for the payment of lodging, food are calculated on the basis of the World Cup Quotas (see point 4.2.1).

For officials (representatives of a National Ski/Snowboard Association, trainers, doctors, technicians and official accompanying persons) of teams with a World Cup quota the costs for lodging and food (half board) must be guaranteed at the rate in rule 4.3.1 according to the following:

Team Size Ski Cross:

1-3 competitors
4 competitors
5 officials or accompanying persons
6 officials or accompanying persons
7 officials or accompanying persons
9 officials or accompanying persons
8 or more competitors
4 officials or accompanying persons
14 officials or accompanying persons

Team Size Snowboard Cross:

1-3 competitors
4 competitors
5 competitors
6-7 competitors
8 or more competitors
3 officials or accompanying persons
5 officials or accompanying persons
6-7 officials or accompanying persons
10 officials or accompanying persons

4.3.3 Additional officials

For additional officials or "accompanying persons" as well as for service personnel of the National Ski Associations, the maximum price that can be charged for accommodation and half board must not exceed CHF110 including tourist tax,

credit cards and bank fees. or the equivalent in another currency, per day. The number of those officials is limited to 25% of the total quota.

Example: 8 competitors + 10 officials or "accompanying persons = total quota 18. 25% of the total quota 18 = 4.5 (this number always has to be rounded up) Then 5 additional officials or "FIS accredited" accompanying persons would be allowed.

4.3.4 Service Personnel

Service personnel are entitled to (official FIS rate according 4.3.3) half-board accommodation, if the accommodation has been arranged by the OC.

All expenses for accommodation and food apply to all nights before the first competition day, up to a maximum of five nights before the first competition until the morning after the last competition day. By no means is the Organiser or the Hotel manager allowed to demand the vacation of the rooms of the teams on the day of competitions.

4.3.4.1 Ski Racing Suppliers (SRS)

Ski Racing, Management and Marketing personnel with a FIS ID card who are not directly related to a national team cannot be entered for World Cup events by a national team. These officials must be entered by their company, using the FIS online entry system mandatory, based on the actual SRS name list.

Ski service professionals of a SRS member company who are working as ski tester, in the sector of ski boots, poles, protectors, etc, which are not directly related to a national team must be entered by their company, using the FIS online entry system mandatory, based on the actual SRS name list.

SRS can distribute the following maximum quota of 12 SRS accredited professionals to their SRS member companies for a Ski Cross event:

For these SRS service professionals the maximum price that can be charged for accommodation with half board incl. non-alcoholic beverages must not exceed CHF 110 per day/ person in a double room or CHF 150 per day in a single room (or the equivalent) including tourist tax, credit card, bank fees.

SRS will take the responsibility for their members in case of no-show and related to payments. The Organising Committee has the right to invoice SRS all no-show at the actual late cancellation or no-show costs. The late cancellation and no-show costs can be charged to SRS only after the official entry deadline.

4.3.5 Duration

The organiser has to provide the accommodation support from at least the night before the first official training/testing day until the morning after the last competition in which the competitor participated.

4.3.5.1 Arrival / Departure

The Organiser only has to guarantee accommodations following the FIS rates per day according to the World Cup rules.

Additional costs due to an earlier arrival or a later departure have to be agreed upon by the organiser and the teams.

In case of late arrival or early departure there is no right to the maximum guarantee of expenses. In necessary cases, the FIS Race Director together with the Organiser can decide special arrangements.

4.3.6 Accommodation Requirements

The accommodation for the competitors, coaches, officials etc. must be provided in rooms with a maximum of two separate beds and bath or shower, or apartments with a maximum of two beds per sleeping room and bath or shower. Maximum 3 persons for one bathroom. Additionally, two single rooms per country for a team official or athletes must be provided.

Accommodation has to be as close as possible to the competition area. The hotels must meet "3-star category" minimum. The Organiser is required to provide details or information for any other additional rooms a team may purchase in the invitation. Breakfast and dinner must be served at the actual hotel if possible.

The hotel should offer separate treatment space for the team doctors and therapists (e.g. access to spa massage rooms,)

Other values:

If the above mentioned criteria cannot be matched, the following can be offered and agreed by the RD: Free Lunch, Free Access to Wellness, Free Admission to Fitness Centre, Training Hall, Free Transportation, Internet Hotspot for Teams if no Internet is available in Hotel/Apartment, Athlete lounges with food available or Other Facilities (Gaming Room, etc.).

4.3.6.1 Single Rooms

All teams shall be provided with 2 single rooms at the FIS rate according to Rule 4.3.6.

Allocation of additional single rooms per team must be provided at a rate of CHF 120 including tourist tax, credit cards and bank fees according to the following table:

3 or 4 officials = 1 additional single room 5 or 6 officials = 2 additional single rooms 7 or more officials = 3 additional single rooms

If more single rooms are requested, this will be subject to availability and local market rates will apply.

4.3.7 Wax Room

The Organisers are responsible for making adequate ski/snowboard preparation and storage facilities available to all nations. These facilities must have electricity sockets, be heated, ventilated and secure.

There must be a possibility to lock these rooms. They must have an area of minimum 4×3 meters per service technician, the height must be at least 2.40 meters.

4.3.8 Food and Beverage

Food has to be healthy and of sufficient quantity. It has to correspond with the needs of elite-competitors.

Breakfast has to be served from 6 o'clock (even earlier in some cases).

The meals have to meet at least the following requirements:

Breakfast: Different kinds of bread, butter and jam, coffee with milk and tea. Choice of eggs, cheese, sausage, fresh fruits and different kinds of "cereal".

Lunch/ Choice of at least two menus:

Dinner:

Three-course meal including a variation between Pasta, Meat, Fish and vegetarian food. Soup or appetizer, 200 g meat (steak, etc.), in agreement with the team captains. Vegetables, salads or other side-dishes, cheese, fruit or desserts. Non-alcoholic beverages (as occasion demands) of 0.5 litre (tap water is excluded)

Vegetarian food should also be available. Furthermore, the hotels should serve a small snack (tea and sandwiches).

The teams shall receive a non-alcoholic beverage with their meals (tap water is excluded). If this is not the case a compensation of CHF 12 per day, per person must be paid.

4.3.9 Meal Times

The hotel must adapt itself to the needs of the schedules of the training and the competitions (for instance, in general, breakfast is served very early in the morning).

The OC has to inform the hotel management about the FIS-agreements concerning accommodation and food, and about the daily program including changes of the schedule.

The Organiser is responsible for informing the hotel management of the daily programs and any changes to them.

4.3.10 Parking at the Race Arena

The LOC must provide free parking for the teams. The number of free parking spots for every team will be provided is depending on the team size.

50% of the team size, rounded up, is the number of free parking spots for the team at the race arena or the closest parking to the race arena.

Additional parking spots are not guaranteed. Team size is defined by the number of athletes and staff, not including the guests.

Exceptions can be made for the host nation. If the race arena is similar the place of accommodations and or the place of meals, all parking must be free.

4.4 Participation Fee for Snowboard WC (Not valid for Ski Cross)

A mandatory Participation Fee (competitors only) of a maximum of CHF 30 per official training and competition day (including team events) will be charged to all entered competitors, based on the program in the official invitation. The invitation should clearly state the total amount to be paid by each competitor and event. The total amount cannot be more than CHF 120 per competitor.

Double participation: the participation fee only has to be paid once (e.g. 2x Training-, 1 Qualification-, 1 Final day) or respectively up to the maximum of CHF 120.

In case the Qualification and the Finals are on the same day, the participation fee has to be paid for one day only.

4.5 World Cup Quotas

4.5.1 Quota Calculation Snowboard

World Cup Quotas SBX

- Basic Quota (BC) Basic Quota of 3 (max. 2 per gender) 3 - Personal spot for the Junior World Champion of the previous season 1 - Personal spot for the World Cup winner of the previous season - Additional WC Hosting Quota (HQ) per organisation of a WC competition/ location of the previous season per gender in the respective event SBX / SBX Team) up to max. 2 per gender and event group (SBX) 1 - Hosting nation per event and gender 6 - SBX Team event: the hosting nation gets one extra spot in the final, in addition to their teams already regularly seeded, per gender up to a maximum of 3 teams (4 teams only in case of 24 teams) (all competitors have to be eligible acc. 5801.1.1.2. - Additional Quota (AQ) spots per nation and gender 1-6

Each competitor ranked in the top 25 women/ 40 men of the World Cup Standings from the previous season (see Quota-Calculation-Additional Spot sheet for current season)

Note: If in a season there are 6 World Cup results or less, the FIS Points list may be used for the allocation of Additional World Cup Quota Spots.

Minimum FIS Point Standards for the Basic and Additional Quotas

Standards/ Requirements	SBX FIS Points
Basic Quota BQ	75+
Personal WJC-WC/WC Host/Host Nation	75+
Additional Quota AQ	125+

- World Cup Quota will be recalculated using the end of January FIS Points List and only an increase but no decrease of the Quota is possible.
 Any personal spot will not change during the season
- Top 3 competitors, from the hosting continent, out of the final CoC Standings of the previous season will receive a personal spot in the respective event. NAC/EC and AC winners from the preceding season and SAC and ANC winners from the same season.

Personal Spots for the 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} ranked competitors, will be awarded only if those competitors have achieved a minimum of 125 FIS points (one result of at least 250 points or two results that when averaged equal 125 or higher) from their respective event in their CoC.

If one individual competitor earns multiple personal spots in the same event, only the spot earned in the highest-level category will be used. The other unused spots will be awarded to the next ranked athlete in the respective category.

- Additional spots due to injury: An injured competitor within the Top 10 of the World Cup Starting List WCSL of the respective event at the time of the injury who is not competing anymore during the current season will receive a personal quota spot for the entire next season. An injury status as such will only be valid for the next season and (in case of no starts) the season after.

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Proper document(s) has to be submitted to the FIS office according to the FIS rules.

4.5.1.1 Additional Regulations for Team Events

Qualification requirements are according to the necessary minimum FIS points for participation in individual SBX. Furthermore, all participants have to be entered as a part of their nation's regular quota for SBX.

4.5.1.2 Minimum FIS Points Standards to Participate in a FIS Snowboard Cross World Cup

Competitors minimum Participation Requirements:

A minimum of 75 SBX Points are required to start in a SBX event.

Additional Spots minimum Participation Requirements:

A minimum of 125 SBX FIS Points or Base Points (whichever are better) are required to use an additional quota spot in a SBX event.

4.5.2 Quota Calculation Ski Cross

4.5.2.1 Number of Competitors per Nation – Nations Quota

The number of competitors per country (Nations Quota) is determined annually according to the Quota Calculation system. The Quotas are calculated using the Base FIS Point list for the new season.

4.5.2.2 Minimum FIS Point Standards for the Basic and Additional Quotas

Standards/ Requirements	SX FIS Points
Basic Quota BQ	100+
Additional Quota AQ	125+

After reviewing the FIS Points List for each event, every nation that has one competitor with or above the basic FIS points level will be granted one (1) Basic Quota (BQ) spot.

Additional Quota (AQ) spots are then determined based upon the FIS point standards for each event.

The Basic Quota and the Additional Quota spots are then added together and this total cannot be greater than the maximum gender size.

4.5.2.3 Number of Quota Calculations

There will be two quota calculations. The first calculation is based upon the new Base list. The second calculation is done beginning of January. For the second Quota Calculation, the quotas may increase but will not decrease.

4.5.2.4 Nations Quota Overview

Overview per Event by Number	Ski Cross
Maximum Team Size (Women and Men)	12
Maximum Quota per Gender	7
Host Nation Quota per Gender (additional)	+4
Personal spot per gender for WC winner from the	+1
previous season (additional)	
EC previous season winners by Gender	+3
NAC previous season winners by Gender	+ 2
ANC/SAC same season	+1

4.5.2.5 Basic Quota Calculation (BQ)

Each National Ski Association affiliated with FIS may have one (1) basic quota place based upon having FIS points at or above the Basic Quota level for each event (see art. 4.5.2.2).

4.5.2.6 Additional Quota Calculation (AQ)

A National Ski Association may have additional quota places based upon having FIS points at or above the Additional Quota level up to a maximum number of competitors (see art. 4.5.2.4, 4.5.2.2).

4.5.2.7 Host Nation Quota (HQ)

Each nation that hosts a World Cup may have additional quota spots. The competitor entered as HQ has to fulfill the same FIS Point Standard as BQ entries.

4.5.2.8 Quota Calculation per Gender

BQ: Minimum 100 FIS Points **AQ:** Minimum 125 FIS Points **AQ:** CoC Winners (see art. 4.5.2.9)

HQ: Additional competitors

BQ	AQ	HQ
1		
	up to 6	
	1	
		up to 4

4.5.2.9 Additional Quota for Qualified Continental Cup Competitors

Up to 3 additional personal quota spots per gender will be available for the FIS Ski Cross World Cup to qualified competitors from the respective Continental Cup Standings.

Qualified competitors shall be from the previous season Continental Cup Standings in the Northern Hemisphere or from the same season in the Southern Hemisphere.

4.5.2.9.1 Number of qualified competitors from the event standings of each Continental Cup: European Cup: Rank 1 - 3

Nor-Am Cup Rank 1 - 2

Far East Cup, South American Cup, Australia New Zealand Cup: Rank 1 see 4.5.2.4

4.5.2.9.2 Geographical requirements

Competitors are only eligible to qualify through the Ski Cross Continental Cup in the geographical region of which their National Association is a member. If the competitor(s) in the World Cup qualifying positions comes from another continent, the personal start place(s) will be awarded to the next best placed competitor(s) from the Continental Cup concerned.

4.5.2.9.3 Top 24 World Cup Start List Men (WCSL), Top 12 World Cup Start List Woman (WCSL)

Competitors who are already ranked in the top 24 Men and Top 12 Women on the WCSL valid for the new season are not taken into consideration for the additional Quota spot from the CoC. The open spot will be awarded to the next best ranked competitor in the CoC Final Ranking.

4.5.2.9.4 Tie Breaking for personal spots

In the event of a tie in the places that allow a personal starting spot through the CoC placements, according to EC 4.5, are from the same nation, the respective nation decides which participant will receive the place for the season in question.

- 4.5.2.10 Training Quota Double Competition at same Location
 If there are two competitions scheduled at one location then each Team may enter one (1) additional competitor per gender for training.
- 4.5.2.11 Additional Competitors Winner Previous Season FIS Ski Cross World Cup
 A National Ski Association may enter an additional one (1) named competitor (above their Maximum Team size) in the FIS Ski Cross World Cup, by winning the previous season's FIS Ski Cross World Cup.
- 4.5.2.12 Team Competition

The basic quota is (one) 1 team per nation.

The host nation can have (one) 1 additional host nation team guota.

4.5.2.13 Minimum FIS Point Standards to Participate in a FIS Ski Cross World Cup

Standards/ Requirements	Ski Cross FIS Points
Minimum FIS Points	100
Alpine FIS Points list rank in any event	Top 50

4.5.3 FIS World Cup Finals

The World Cup Finals can be held in 2 different ways:

1) Normal World Cup Quota

To participate in the World Cup Finals, the existing World Cup Quota will be valid.

2) Restriction of the Field

Only the top 16 women and 32 men nominated by the nations until a defined deadline before the World Cup Finals are invited to participate (personal spot). The selection of the top 16 women and 32 men out of the pool of nominations is based on the current World Cup ranking list (after the last WC competition before the deadline).

There will be 3 additional reserve athletes per gender (the next best ranked athletes) permitted to participate as forerunners and reserve competitors in case of injuries, etc.

- 3) Format WC Finals with reduced Field
 - No Qualification rounds will be held; only Final rounds will be held.
- 4) Seeding for WC Finals with reduced Fields
 Only the World Cup Standings will be used to create the Seeding
 List. (exception to ICR 5604.1.5/7604.1.4).

4.6 Prize Money

A minimum amount of prize money of Euro 34,921per competition, per gender must be paid out.

Team Events minimum prize money is Euro 34,921 per gender. Team mixed Events the minimum prize money is Euro 34,921 and it will be distributed in between the top 3 teams per competition. The amount of prize money and its method of distribution must be communicated to FIS. (see 1.2.10)

4.6.1 Special Prize – Double or Tour Event

If an Organiser(s) wishes to create a special prize based upon two (2) or more events in the same or different location(s), then they must develop cumulative rankings from those competitions.

The ranking from the first competition is added to the rankings of the second competition (or other competitions) and these combined rankings are used to distribute the additional, extra prize money. The minimum value of the additional prize money is 25% of the value of each competition. Other proposals regarding other non-cash special prizes can be considered.

4.6.2 Prize Money Breakdown

4.6.2.1 Prize Money Breakdown without qualification runs:

Place	Amount Euro	% of Total
1 st place	16,064	46.00%
2 nd place	8,381	24.00%
3 rd place	4,435	12.70%
4 th place	2,095	6.00%
5 th place	1,397	4.00%
6 th place	1,048	3.00%
7 th place	803	2.30%
8th place	698	2.00%
Total	34,921	100.00%

4.6.2.2 Prize Money Breakdown with qualification runs and timed seeding runs

Place	Amount Euro	% of Total
1 st place	15,714	45.00%
2 nd place	8,207	23.50%
3 rd place	4,365	12.50%
4 th place	2,095	6.00%
5 th place	1,048	3.00%
6 th place	873	2.50%
7 th place	786	2.25%
8 th place	698	2.00%
9 th place	611	1.75%
10 th place	524	1.50%
Total	34,921	100.00%

4.6.3 Prize Money Breakdown Team Events

Distribution (in %): 1-3 (for the team events only)

 1st place
 60%

 2nd place
 30%

 3rd place
 10%

4.6.4 In Case of a Tie

Refer to 1.2.10.1

4.7 FIS Ski & Snowboard Cross World Cup Awards

4.7.1 FIS Women's and Men's Ski & Snowboard Cross World Cup Winner

The competitor who wins a FIS Ski Cross World Cup event has the right to be called a "FIS Ski Cross World Cup Winner".

The competitor who wins a FIS Snowboard Cross World Cup event has the right to be called a "FIS Snowboard Cross World Cup Winner".

4.7.2 Individual World Cup Winner (Big Globe)

The FIS Cross World Cup will recognize the top competitors and provide appropriate awards. These competitors will be known as the FIS Ski Cross World Cup and FIS Snowboard Cross World Cup Winners.

The presentation of awards will take place at the Final competition on the FIS Ski Cross & Snowboard Cross World Cup.

4.7.2.1 Formula

The Cross World Cup Winners will be determined as follows:

All completed and valid results in the respective Cross Event are added together. In case of a tie, the competitor with the greatest number of highest ranks will win the tie. If still tied, the competitors stay tied. Places which earned FIS Ski Cross-/FIS Snowboard Cross World Cup results only will be used.

4.7.3 Team World Cup (Small Globe)

Teams will be listed by team composition (members names).

The presentation of awards will take place at the Final competition on the FIS Ski Cross & Snowboard Cross World Cup.

4.7.3.1 The Team Cross World Cup Winners will be determined as follows:

All completed and valid results in the respective Team Cross Events are added together. A team can only accumulate World Cup points for the same composition during the season. Whenever a team is ranked once within the season, the team members cannot change for the accumulation of World Cup points. An athlete can only be on the event podium once.

In case of a tie, the competitor with the greatest number of highest ranks will win the tie. If still tied, the competitors stay tied. Places which earned FIS Ski Cross-/FIS Snowboard Cross World Cup results only will be used.

4.7.4 Rookie of the Year

In addition to the FIS Ski and Snowboard Cross World Cup awards, there will be awards for "Rookie of the Year" in women and men categories- for Ski Cross and Snowboard Cross

The criteria for Rookie of the Year will be:

- 50% Results,
- 50% Personality and Attitude.

The award will be determined by a vote by the respective team captains at the last competition of the season.

Nominations for "Rookie of the Year" can be made by any team captain for a competitor who has completed a 1st full season of competitions.

Each team captain will have one vote. The winner must achieve an absolute majority of votes.

4.8 Forerunners

The Organiser shall arrange the following number of qualified forerunners (competitors with FIS points).

- Ski Cross & Snowboard Cross competitions: 4

4.8.1 Snowboard Cross, number of forerunners and special procedure:

Training before qualification: The forerunners have to go first.

If the OC cannot provide enough forerunners the drawn snow-seed competitors athletes have to go first Training before finals: 8 forerunners.

If the OC cannot provide enough qualified forerunners the first 4 men and 4 women, who are not qualified for finals, can forerun and will go first in the training. Rank 33 men and 17 women of the qualification ascending until the necessary number of forerunners is reached.

4.8.2 Forerunners Ski Cross

The organiser must have at least 2 forerunners (competitors with an active FIS FS code and FIS SX points) available for training and qualification. At least 4 forerunners or 1 heat (4) must have completed the course before the first round of the Final Phase.

In the event of interruptions, the jury will decide on the use of forerunners before the next competitor or heat.

If the organising committee is unable to provide qualified forerunners, the first Snow seed participants drawn by lot must compete instead of the forerunners. Up to 2 of forerunner heats for the KO final phase.

4.9 Format

All formats described in the ICR in 5500/7500 may be used. In case formats other than the timed qualifications or holistic format are planned, it must be defined with the Organiser and Data Service Provider and mutually agreed upon in advance within a defined time frame.

4.10 FIS Ski/Snowboard Cross World Cup Starting List (WCSL)

For WCSL Refer Chapter 6.

5. WORLD CUP RULES FOR SNOWBOARD ALPINE

5.1 Course & Preparation

5.1.1 Homologation

All competitions can only be granted to Organisers with FIS approved courses.

The courses and the situation of the finish area must conform to the criteria fixed for the Snowboard World Cup. Also, the basic preparation of World Cup, World Championship, and OWG courses must be guaranteed by snowmaking facilities with sufficient capacity for all events according to the following:

- Resorts with glaciers which have proven able to conduct successful Snowboard World Cups, etc. during previous years and who are able to comply with FIS homologation standards and venue requirements for Snowboarding will not be required to have snow making capabilities (i.e. Kaprun, AUT).
- 2. New resorts with glaciers which are presented for Snowboard World Cups, etc., may be approved (without snow making) at the discretion of the FIS inspectors. The resorts must be able to comply with FIS homologation standards and venue requirements for Snowboarding.
- All new non-glacier resorts must have snow making capabilities and must comply with FIS homologation standards and venue requirements for Snowboarding. Under special circumstances, FIS inspectors may approve resorts without snowmaking.

5.1.2 Snow Control

The deadline for snow control is six days before the 1st competition. Refer to 1.3.2

5.1.3 Course Settings

5.1.3.1 Parallel Slalom and Parallel Giant Slalom

The course setter is appointed by FIS. Control and approval are carried out by the Jury.

5.1.3.2 The course setter will be drawn out of a group of experienced coaches, whose nation will host a World Cup during the season. This group of coaches includes one coach per Nation, for each World Cup competition held in their respective countries.

*If hosting two or more World Cup competitions in different resorts, then the host nation has the right to set one home World Cup of their choosing. This will only apply to their home World Cup.

The draw will be organised at the TCM before the first World Cup competition.

5.1.4 Training on WC Courses

For PAR events no gate training on the competition course is allowed within 5 days prior to the competition.

5.2 Entry procedure and Deadlines

Each National Ski/Snowboard Association has to announce to the Organisers the expected total number of team members (competitors, coaches, accompanying persons and service personnel) by the deadlines fixed and announced (40 days before the first competition day) in the OC invitation (90 days before the first competition day).

Furthermore, the Organisers must be informed at the latest 8 days before the first TCM about the names of the team members, changes to the arrival date and the originally registered team size. This needs to be done using the FIS Online Entry system. If this is not the case, the Organising Committee is allowed to invoice the costs for cancelled accommodations to the respective National Association.

Teams or persons who register late have no right for the reservation or the guarantee of the rate in rule 5.3.5.1.

The requirements for provisional and final entries are subject to the delivery of an approved athlete photo according to the athlete photo standards of FIS. If there is no approved athlete photo the entry is not allowed.

Any changes in entries or rooming will be confirmed by email from the Online Entry System to the Organiser and Team.

Adjustments to final competitor entries and rooming needs can be done up until the entry deadline (10 days before the competition day). The same can be done for Team Officials.

Any changes in entries or rooming will be confirmed by email from the Online Entry System to the Organiser and Team.

5.3 Accommodation

5.3.1 Resorts and Organising Committees

Accommodation (half-board, max. 2 people per room/2 beds) and transportation on site will be charged at a maximum of CHF 100 per day per person including tourist tax, credit cards and bank fees per day per person (FIS Rate) to all competitors and team officials per country. The quotas for the payment of lodging, food are calculated on the basis of the World Cup Quotas (see 5.5.2.).

The organiser has the option to supply accommodation at the rate of up to CHF 50 and the teams' shall arrange their own meals. This is only acceptable if fully furnished apartments (ie. including kitchen facilities, bed sheets, towels, etc.) are provided.

The number of competitors per country may not exceed the total quota.

There are restrictions for officials (coaches, doctors, team staff) and official accompanying persons.

The apartments must meet:

- 3 Star standards, one bathroom for max 4 people, daily cleaning service in hotel standards, WIFI for all apartments, national mobile
- phone connection mandatory

5.3.2 Quota for Officials

For officials (representatives of a National Ski/Snowboard Association, trainers, doctors, technicians and official accompanying persons) of teams with a World Cup quota the costs for lodging, food (half board) must be guaranteed at the official FIS rate per day according 5.3.1 to the following:

Team Size:

1-3 competitors
4 competitors
5 competitors
6 competitors
7 competitors
8 or more
3 officials or accompanying persons
4 officials or accompanying persons
6 officials or accompanying persons
7 officials or accompanying persons
10 officials or accompanying persons

5.3.3 Additional Officials

For five (5) additional officials or accompanying persons and for service staff of a National Ski/Snowboard Association, the maximum price that can be charged for halfboard must not exceed CHF 120 per day (or the equivalent) if they are listed on the official entry form by the corresponding Team Captain and the accommodation is arranged by the Organising Committee. The number of those officials is limited to 25% of the total quota.

Example: 8 competitors + 10 officials or accompanying persons = total quota 18. 25% of the total quota 18 = 4.5 (this number has always to be rounded up). 5 additional officials or accompanying persons would be allowed.

5.3.4 Service Personnel

For service personnel, who are in addition to the officials covered by point 5.2 and 5.3, the maximum price that can be charged for half board must not exceed CHF 120 per day (or the equivalent) if they are listed on the official entry form by the corresponding team captain and the accommodation is arranged by the Organising Committee.

5.3.5 Duration

All the expenses for lodging and food must be applied to all nights before the official start of the competition (but not longer than four nights before the first competition day) until the morning after the last competition day. The Organiser or the hotel manager are not allowed to demand the hotel check-out of the teams on a competition day. Allocation of single rooms per team must be made according to Rule 5.3.5.1.

5.3.5.1 Arrival/Departure

The Organiser only has to guarantee accommodations for maximum CHF 100 per day according to the World Cup rules.

Additional costs due to an earlier arrival or a later departure have to be agreed upon by the organiser and the teams.

In case of late arrival or early departure there is no right to the maximum guarantee of expenses. In necessary cases, the FIS Snowboard Race Director can decide special arrangements.

Single Rooms

All teams shall be provided with 2 single rooms at the FIS rate of CHF 100.

Allocation of additional single rooms per team must be provided at a rate of CHF 120 according to the following table:

3 or 4 officials = 1 additional single room 5 or 6 officials = 2 additional single rooms 7 or more officials = 3 additional single rooms

5.3.6 Hotel:

The hotels for the teams must at least meet the requirements of the international three star category and has to be as close as possible to the competition area. Possibilities for Internet access are requested. Lodging for competitors and coaches must be provided in rooms with bath or shower and a maximum of 2 beds (separate beds).

Breakfast and dinner must be served at the actual hotel if possible. FIS representatives will decide during the summer inspections whether alternatives are acceptable.

The OC and the hotels have to accept credit cards.

The hotel should offer separate treatment space for the team doctors and therapists (e.g. access to spa massage rooms,)

5.3.7 Storage/Preparation of Snowboard

The hotel or the OC has to make one or more heated rooms for storing the boards available. There must be a possibility to lock these rooms. They must have an area of minimum 4 x 3 meters per technician, the height must be at least 2.40 meters. They must be equipped with tables and adequate electricity.

The OC has to provide a heated and separated waiting room near the start or finish area where competitors can stay during training intervals and/or between the runs of a competition. No separate waiting room has to be organised if the finish area or the means of transport leading to the start are next to the competition site.

5.3.8 Food and Beverage

Food has to be healthy and of sufficient quantity. It has to correspond with the needs of top-competitors.

Breakfast has to be served from 6 o'clock (even earlier in some cases).

The meals have to meet at least the following guidelines:

Breakfast: Different kinds of bread, butter and jam, coffee with milk and tea.

Choice of eggs, cheese, sausage, fresh fruits and different kinds of

"cereal"

Lunch/ Choice of at least two menus:

Dinner: Soup or appetizer, 200 g meat (steak, etc.), poultry or fish, in

agreement with the team captains. Vegetable, salads or other sidedishes, cheese, fruit or desserts. Non-alcoholic beverages (as

occasion demands) of 0.5 litre.

Vegetarian food should also be available.

If the teams have no beverages with their meals, a compensation of CHF 12 per day per person must be paid.

Furthermore, the hotels should serve a small snack (tea and sandwiches).

5.3.9 Meal Times

The hotel must adapt itself to the needs of the schedules of the training and the competitions (for instance, in general, breakfast is served very early in the morning).

The OC has to inform the hotel management about the FIS-agreements concerning accommodation and food, and about the daily program including changes of the schedule.

5.4 Participation Fee

A mandatory Participation Fee (competitors only) of a maximum of CHF 30 per competition day (including team events) will be charged to all entered competitors, based on the program in the official invitation. The invitation should clearly state the total amount to be paid by each competitor and event. The total amount cannot be more than CHF 120 per competitor.

5.5 WC Quota

5.5.1 Qualification Standards

The qualification standards will be established latest at the FIS fall technical meetings one year prior each season.

5.5.2 Parallel World Cup Quotas

Each Association affiliated with FIS may enter the following number of competitors based on World Cup quotas.

-	Basic Quota (BC) Basic Quota of 3 (max. 2 per gender)	3
	Personal spot for the Junior World Champion of the previous season in PGS and PSL Personal spot for the World Cup winner of the previous season in PGS and PSL	1
-	Additional WC Hosting Quota (HQ) per organisation of a WC competition/ Location per gender of the previous season in the respective event (PGS, PSL, PAR Team) up to max. 2 per gender	
	and event group (PAR)	1
-	Hosting nation per event and gender	6
-	Additional Quota (AQ) spots per nation and gender	1-6

Each competitor ranked in the top 40 women / 40 men of the FIS Points Base List (See Quota-Calculation-Additional and Basic Spot sheet for current season)

- World Cup Quota will be recalculated using the end of January FIS Points List and only an increase but no decrease of the Quota is possible. Any personal spot will not change during the season
- Top 3 competitors, from the hosting continent, out of the final CoC Standings of the previous season will receive a personal spot in the respective event. NAC/EC and AC winners from the preceding season and SAC and ANC winners from the same season.
 Personal Spots for the 2nd and 3rd ranked athletes, will be awarded only If those athletes have achieved a minimum of 120 FIS points (one result of at least 240 points or two results that when averaged equal

- If one individual competitor earns multiple personal spots in the same event, only the spot earned in the highest category will be used. The other unused spots will be awarded to the next ranked athlete in the respective category.
- Additional spots due to injury: An injured competitor within the Top 10 of the World Cup Starting List WCSL of the respective event at the time of the injury who is not active anymore during the current season will receive a personal quota spot for the entire next season. An injury status as such will only be valid for the next season and (in case of no starts) the season after. Proper document(s) has to be submitted to the FIS office according to the FIS rules.

Competitors minimum Participation Requirements:

A minimum of 50 Alpine FIS points is required to start in an Alpine event.

5.6 Prize Money

The Organiser must make available at least Euro 34,921 (per event/gender for prize money. For individual competitions this sum is divided between the 10 best competitors per race/gender. Team events the prize money is Euro 34,921 minimum and it will be distributed in between the top 3 teams per competition/gender. If the competition consists of mixed teams it will be distributed by the top 3 teams. The amount of prize money and its method of distribution must be communicated to FIS (refer 1.2.10).

5.6.1 Prize Money Breakdown

Distribution (in %):	1-10
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Place	Amount Euro	% of Total
1 st place	15,714	45.00%
2 nd place	8,207	23.50%
3 rd place	4,365	12.50%
4 th place	2,095	6.00%
5 th place	1,048	3.00%
6 th place	873	2.50%
7 th place	786	2.25%
8 th place	698	2.00%
9 th place	611	1.75%
10 th place	524	1.50%
Total	34,921	100.00%

Distribution (in %): 1-3 (for the team events only)

1st place 60% 2nd place 30% 3rd place 10%

5.6.2 In Case of a Tie

Refer to 1.2.10.1

5.7 Awards

5.7.1 Winner of the Snowboard Parallel Overall World Cup (Big Trophy)

The competitor who wins the Snowboard Parallel overall classification is the "Winner of the Snowboard Parallel FIS World Cup".

5.7.2 Formula – Overall:

The points from all completed and valid World Cup Snowboard PSL and PGS Results will be added together to determine the Overall Winner in the Snowboard Parallel events

Tie Breaking: The number of first rankings if still tied the number of second rankings, etc. decides.

5.7.3 Winners of the Event Series (small trophies)

The winners of the 3 events shall be honored as "Winner of the Snowboard Parallel Giant Slalom, Parallel Slalom or Parallel Team*

Tie Breaking: the number of first rankings, if still tied the number of second rankings, etc. decides.

* Teams will be listed by nation (eg.: USA 1, (name/name), AUT 1 (name/name, AUT 2 (name/name)).

A national team can only accumulate World Cup points for one combination of two named athletes during the season. Whenever a national team is ranked once within the season, it cannot be changed for the accumulation of World Cup points. An athlete can only be on the event podium once.

5.7.4 Formula – Parallel Snowboard Events:

The event winners will be determined as follows:

All completed and valid results in the event are added together.

5.8 Forerunners

OC shall arrange 2-4 qualified forerunners (FIS licence required) per event.

5.9 Format

Competition format according to the ICR 6504 Parallel Events.

5.10 FIS Snowboard World Cup Starting List (WCSL)

For WCSL Refer Chapter 6.

6. FIS WORLD CUP STARTING LIST (WCSL)

6.1 The World Cup Starting List (WCSL) is a ranking list based upon a competitor's past season World Cup points, as a Base, with those points being progressively deducted from the Base during the current season and replaced with the present season's World Cup points.

6.2 Addition

After each FIS World Cup, WSC or OWG competition, the World Cup Points gained in that competition will be added to the competitor's total for the current season.

6.3 Deduction

After each FIS World Cup, FIS WSC, or OWG competition, a proportion of the competitor's World Cup Points from the previous season (see art. 6.4) will be deducted from the competitor's total for the current season. If a cancelled competition is not rescheduled, the deduction for that competition will be done after the end of the season (see also 6.4 below).

6.4 Calculation of Deleted Points

To establish the value to be deducted for every completed competition, base WCSL points of the previous season are divided by the number of FIS World Cup, WSC and OWG competitions scheduled in the respective Event for the current season. In exceptional cases, when the cancellation of multiple competitions, without rescheduling, has a significant impact on the accuracy of the WCSL, FIS can decide to reduce the number of scheduled competitions counted in this calculation accordingly. After every competition this value is multiplied by the number of FIS World Cup, FIS WSC or OWG competitions held in the respective Event, rounded to integer, and finally subtracted from the base WCSL points of the previous season.

6.5 Status of Injured Persons

6.5.1 WCSL Points of the Previous Season

In all cases the deletion of WCSL points of the previous season follows automatically during the current season according to art. 6.3 of the FIS World Cuprules, in order to keep the WCSL current.

6.5.2 Application for Status as Injured

If due to injury a competitor has started not more than 4 times per event, during the period from October 15th to April 15th, the National Ski/Snowboard Association may apply for the approval of a status as injured in the WCSL for the upcoming season provided that such application is made no later than April 30th.

If the status as injured is approved according to the World Cup rules, the competitor will be enrolled in the WCSL of the respective event(s) for the coming season.

6.6 Reclassification

Approved injured competitors will be reclassified, before the beginning of the next season. This will be done in order to adjust the new season's WCSL list.

6.6.1 No start or a Maximum of 1 WSCL Start per Event

If a competitor starts at a maximum of one WCSL competition of the event concerned in the season, their penalty is calculated according to the competitor's rank before the beginning of that season.

6.7. Participation

If a competitor has participated in at least two WCSL competitions in the event(s) concerned during the season:

- the penalty is calculated according to the competitor's WCSL rank at the moment of the injury (irrespective of the event).
- In case of participation at a WCSL event after the injury, the penalty is calculated according to the competitor's WCSL rank at the moment of his/her last WCSL participation (irrespective of the event).

6.7.1 Retired Competitors

Retired competitors are automatically deleted from the WCSL at latest after 1 season without participation in FIS events.

6.8 Scale for penalties according to ranks

Rank	Penalties
1 – 5	4
6 – 10	6
11 – 15	8
16 – 20	10
21 – 25	12
26 - 30	14
31 - 40	18
41 – 50	20
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APPENDIX A

Online Bio Sheet (Rule 1.8)

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