



PRECISIONS, INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

PARA ALPINE SKIING

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1) Introduction

This document presents the rule changes within the Para Alpine Skiing International Competition Rules (ICR), Rules for the Para Alpine Skiing Points, Para Alpine Skiing Classification Rules and Regulations and the FIS Para Snowsports Equipment Specifications following the approval of the proposals by the FIS Council on 10th June 2026.

All updated documents are now available on the FIS Website.

2) Participation of Russian and Belarussian Athletes in FIS competitions

Currently, in line with [the decision issued by the Court of Arbitration for Sport \(CAS\)](#) in December 2025:

- **FIS is ordered by CAS to allow the participation** of Para athletes and support personnel of Russian and Belarusian sporting nationality in all FIS events “under the same conditions as those recommended by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), i.e. **without the AIN framework** being applied.”

3) Approved Rule Changes to the International Competition Rules

All approved rule changes can be seen under [Annex 1 - International Competition Rules Para Alpine Skiing](#)

4) Rules for the Para Alpine Skiing Points

All approved rule changes can be seen under [Annex 2 - Rules for the Para Alpine Skiing Points](#)

5) Para Alpine Skiing Classification Rules and Regulations

All approved rule changes can be seen under [Annex 3 – Para Alpine Skiing Classification Rules and Regulations](#)

6) Approved Rule Changes to the Equipment Specifications for Para Snowsports

The changes to the Para Snowsports Equipment Specifications and the proposed separation into Equipment Specifications and Adaptive Equipment Regulations have been approved and the documents can be found under the following links:

- [FIS Para Snowsports Equipment Specifications 2026/2027](#)
- [FIS Para Snowsports Adaptive Equipment Regulations 2026/2027](#)

7) Qualification Regulations – FIS Para Alpine Skiing Competitions Season 2026/2027

The Qualification Regulations for season 2026/2027 have been postponed for the Fall Meetings

Annex 1 – International Competition Rules Para Alpine Skiing

- 201.6.3 Freestyle Ski Events
Moguls, Dual Moguls, Aerials, Aerials Synchro, Ski Cross, Halfpipe, Slopestyle, Big Air, ~~Rail~~Street Style, Team Competitions
- 201.6.4 Snowboard and Para Snowboard Events
Slalom, Parallel Slalom, Giant Slalom, Parallel Giant Slalom, Halfpipe, Snowboard Cross, Big Air, Slopestyle, ~~Rail~~Street Style, Team Competitions, Banked slalom, Dual Banked Slalom
- 201.7.5 The art. 201.7.4 shall not be applied to the Para Snow Sports events (all levels) until the competition season 20~~3026~~/20~~3127~~ when specific Para numbers will be defined.

220.6 FIS Education

FIS licensed Technical Officials must follow the education pathway outlined in the FIS Technical Official Education Guidelines and its related Discipline-specific Annex Documents agreed upon. After the fulfilment of all criteria, they receive a FIS license that needs to be actively renewed following the specific guidelines defined. In principle, this regulation applies to all disciplines, taking into consideration the special rules of the disciplines as outlined in sections 220.6.1 - 220.6.5

220.6.1 Technical Delegate

The education pathways as well as the conditions of containing a license are outlined in the discipline-specific Annex Documents for Technical Delegates.

220.6.2 Judge

The education pathways as well as the conditions of containing a license are outlined in the discipline-specific Annex Documents for Judges.

220.6.3 Chief of Competition

The education pathways as well as the conditions of containing a license are outlined in the discipline-specific Annex Documents for Chief of Competition.

220.6.4 Homologation Inspector

The education pathways as well as the conditions of containing a license are outlined in the discipline-specific Annex Documents for Homologation Inspectors.

220.6.5 Para Classifier

The education pathways as well as the conditions of containing a license are outlined in the discipline-specific Annex Documents for Para Classifier.

220.6.6 Equipment Controller

The education pathways as well as the conditions of containing a license are outlined in the discipline-specific Annex Documents for Equipment Controller.

- 302.2.4 If changes are made to an athlete's Sport Class during competition (e.g. following Observation Assessment, IF Protest etc.), these changes come into effect from the next race in which the athlete is entered. A Sport Class change will not occur between different phases of the same race (e.g. Run 1 and Run 2 or Qualification and Finals). Results achieved by the athlete before the Sport Class change comes into effect remain valid.

The results of the specific race(s) in which one or more Athletes with the tracking code OA competed shall be recalculated if an Athlete with OA receives a Sport Class change following Observation Assessment.

304 Age Limit

- 302.3.1 The competition year (season) begins 1 July and goes on to 30 June of the following year. In order to be eligible to compete in FIS Para Alpine Skiing international competitions (all competition levels), the competitors/Guides must comply with the following admitted years of birth (or earlier):

Season	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29
				29/30
Year of Birth	2009	2010	2011	2012
				2013

303.4 Program/Race Invitation

The Organiser must publish an official Race Invitation no later than three (3) months before the first day of competition. The Race Invitation must contain the information described in art. 213 and art. 214 and all necessary details regarding the payment of the race entry fees.

304.2 Race Entries Deadlines

- 304.2.1 World Cup and COC

- ~~• Pre-Entries open 12 weeks prior to the event~~
- Pre-Entries close 6 weeks prior to the event
- ~~• Entries open 6 weeks prior to the event~~
- Entries close 1 week prior to the event
- Final Entries 24 hour prior to each Team Captains Meeting

- 304.2.2 FIS/NC

- ~~• Entries open 6 weeks prior to the event~~
- Entries close 1 week prior to the event
- Final Entries confirmed to the Organiser prior to each Team Captains Meeting

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- 304.2.5 FIS may decide to open and close the Pre- Entries, [Entries](#) and Final Entries according with a different timeframe than described under art. 304.2.1 and 304.2.2.

305 Competition and Adaptive Equipment

- 305.1 The term “Adaptive Equipment” refers to [any implement, apparatus, and/or technical aid adapted to the special needs of an Athlete to reduce the impact of their impairment\(s\) and that is permitted by the ICR and the FIS Adaptive Equipment Regulations](#). ~~Refractive or optical correction (such as eyeglasses or corrective lenses) are not considered to be Adaptive Equipment. all the implements and apparatus adapted to the needs of Para athletes and used by them during competition on the field of play (e.g., sit-ski, protections, prostheses and orthoses) that is specified in the FIS Adaptive Equipment Rule Book.~~
- 305.2 Any new Adaptive Equipment must be [submitted for approval uploaded](#) in accordance ~~to~~[with](#) the FIS Adaptive Equipment ~~Registration User Manual~~[Regulations](#) (published on the FIS website)
- 305.3 ~~FIS must approve any new Adaptive Equipment.~~
- ~~For Level 0 competitions, Aa~~ competitor may only ~~take part in a FIS Para Alpine Skiing competition~~[compete](#) with ~~a~~[Adaptive e](#)Equipment which ~~is approved by FIS in accordance with the FIS Adaptive Equipment Regulations~~ [conforms to the Para Alpine Skiing Equipment Specifications](#).
- 305.4 [For Level 1,2,3 and 4 competitions, a competitor may only compete with Adaptive Equipment which is provisionally approved or approved by FIS in accordance with the FIS Adaptive Equipment Regulations.](#)
- 305.5 A competitor is responsible for the competition equipment and Adaptive Equipment that they use. ~~It is each competitor's responsibility to check that the equipment they use conforms to the specifications and general safety requirements and is in working order.~~
- ~~The new Adaptive Equipment must be uploaded for approval a minimum of one month prior to being used in a competition.~~
- ~~The new Adaptive Equipment to be used in PWG and WSC must be submitted by September 30 prior to the competition season in which the equipment is going to be used.~~

- 401.2 Appointments by the International Ski and Snowboard Federation
- 401.2.1 The International Ski and Snowboard Federation appoints the Technical Delegate for all competitions and:
- 401.2.1.1. In World Cup
- ~~the Race Director~~
 - the Referee (Race Director) and the Assistant Referee (Assistant Race Director)

402 The Jury and Competition Officials

- 402.1 The following members of the Jury are responsible for technical matters within the closed competition areas:
- the Technical Delegate
 - ~~the Race Director~~
 - the Referee
 - the Chief of Race
 - the Assistant Referee for Downhill, Super-G and Alpine Combined (and for Slalom and Giant Slalom for PWG/WSC/WC)
 - the Start Referee (Only for PWG/WSC)
 - the Finish Referee (Only for PWG/WSC)
- 412.4.4 The Official Result List must contain:
- the penalty calculation sheet (exception: competitions with fixed penalty, e.g., Level 0 competitions)
 - the signature (physical or electronic) of the Technical Delegate

~~403.3~~ Expense Accounts

- ~~The TD has a right to reimbursement for travel expenses up to a maximum of CHF 600¹) (highway taxes included), as well as free accommodation and meals during the assignment. This rule also applies to agreed inspections as well as the trip to the competition (train, first class; for longer distances air fare, tourist class; or payment of a per kilometre fee of CHF 0.70 or equivalent).~~
- ~~In addition a fixed daily rate of CHF 125.—, is added for the travel days to and from, as well as each day of the assignment, which includes postage charges for mailing reports, etc. Double charges (e.g. travelling home on the same day as the last race) are not permitted. If overnight accommodation during the journey to and from the assignment is necessary, this must be justified and reimbursed separately.~~

¹~~Except Paralympic Winter Games, FIS World Championships and World Cup~~

423 Disqualifications

Competitors will be disqualified if they:

- 423.1 participate in the race under false pretences.
- 423.2 jeopardise the security of persons or property or causes actual injury or damage.
- 423.3 or their Guides do not pass through a gate correctly or do not start within the time limits.
- [423.4](#) [participate in the race with Adaptive Equipment which has not been approved by FIS as per art. 305.](#)

1302.2. Changing Guides

- [1302.2.1](#) [An Athlete is permitted to enter separate races with different Guides \(e.g., one guide for GS and one guide for AC etc.\). The name of the competing Guide must be communicated before the Final Entries deadline.](#)
- 1302.2.[24](#) After the official Start List has been published, only in the event of a Guide's injury or illness, a competitor is permitted to change their Guide with the approval of the Jury. In all other circumstances an NSA must make a written request to the competition Jury explaining their reasons for the request. The Jury shall decide in their own discretion if such request shall be approved. In all cases, the replacement Guide must have a valid FIS Licence.

Annex 2 – Rules for the Para Alpine Skiing FIS Points

- 3.2.1.4 For an athlete who has not obtained results in any of the event (Downhill, Slalom, Giant Slalom, Super G, Alpine Combined), during the previous season, a 50% penalty will be added to their BL points from the previous season. These athletes must remain licensed and registered as active with FIS. The minimum penalty to be applied in this respect is 50 points. Newly All licensed athletes with no results will be listed with 999.99 points.

3.3 The FIS Points List

3.3.1 The FIS points list is available electronically

- 3.3.1.1 PALFPxxx.zip is the file and valid with the FIS points list program (the “xxx” is always the number of the list and season - for example 1st List 2026/2027 = PALFP127F.zip = full list or PALFP127P = only updated information since last list).
The FIS points list can be also downloaded as Excel and CSV files on the FIS website. (<https://www.fis-ski.com/DB/para-snowsports/para-alpine/fis-points-lists.html?mi=menu-fis-points>)

3.3.2 Identification

- * Base List
- # Injury status protection according to art. 3.6
- + Competitors who have only one result in that event during the past season art. 3.2.1.3 or only one result in that event and no BL points in the current season art. 3.2.2.4. (20%)
- > Competitors who have not obtained results in the event during the past season art. 3.2.1.4 (50%)
- C Points confirmation
- Injured but real points

3.3.3 Validity of the Individual Lists

- 3.3.3.1 The validity dates are published on the FIS website.

3.43.4 Fewer Than Five Competitors: Maximum value

- 3.43.4.1 If there are fewer than five competitors with FIS Points amongst the first ten of the result list, or there are not five competitors who started with FIS Points, then those competitors without FIS Points, e.g. the remaining competitors, will receive the maximum value:
- Downhill: 330
 - Super G: 270
 - Slalom: 165
 - Giant Slalom: 220
 - Alpine Combined: 270
- 3.43.4.2 If ~~fewer than~~ three ~~or more~~ competitors with FIS Points ~~exceeding above the maximum value~~ are ranked ~~within among~~ the five competitors ~~who are~~ taken into consideration, ~~or at least three~~

~~competitors without FIS Points are ranked,~~ the competition will be considered for FIS Points with the maximum value of the respective event (art. 3.4.4.1) as an applied maximum fixed penalty, as per art. 3.4. If only one or two athletes or fewer are ranked in total, then the competition will ~~not~~ be considered for FIS Points with an applied fixed penalty of 250 for Technical events (SL, GS) and 340 for Speed events (DH and SG).

3.4.5 Minimum/Maximum Penalty

Description	Race Level	Category Adder	Minimum Penalty	Maximum Penalty
PWG, WSC, WC	0	0	0	0 (25*)
<u>PCOM, WCOM, COM</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0 (25*)</u>
GOG-EC, NAC, SAC, <u>AC, ANC</u>	1	0	15	175 <u>999</u>
<u>ECOM, NCOM, CCOM</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>999</u>
NC	2	0	20	250 <u>999</u>
FIS Race	3	0	23	300 <u>999</u>
ENL	4	0	60	300 <u>999</u>

Annex 3 – Para Alpine Skiing Classification Rules and Regulations

Sport Class	Sport Class Profile
LW1	Bilateral Lower Limb Impairment
Impaired Muscle Power	Total score of less than 35 (normal = 80) in both legs on the Oxford Scale
Limb Deficiency	Bilateral through or above knee amputation, or one through or above knee and one through or above ankle (Symes amputation) or Impairments that cause a similar loss of limb
Hypertonia Ataxia Athetosis	Both lower limbs affected Athetosis must be observable with involuntary movement of both limbs Ataxia must be observed in both lower limbs during voluntary movements. Hypertonicity will be present with Babinski, Clonus and/or Brisk/Different reflexes bilaterally= grade 3-2 bilaterally And Requires a gait aid for ambulation and/or walking will be labored. Trunk sways to lead lower extremity movement. Running not possible Single leg stance less than 3 sec Poor balance Unable to hop Unable to perform advanced balance and co-ordination skills (grapevine, jump and turn, heel-shin)
Technical	Skis with 2 skis, 2 poles /outriggers, the skis may be tied together. Lower limb prosthesis or orthosis must comply with the FIS Para Snow Sports Equipment Specifications.