

AIN Program: Key Information for National Ski Associations and Organizers

FIS is glad to provide additional information to the National Ski Associations and Organizers involved in events that will host participants under the **Individual Neutral Athlete (AIN)** program. Before anything, we would like to express our gratitude for your efforts to support the Olympic qualification pathway and to help us promote the values of fair play and neutrality.

This fact sheet is designed to help organizers navigate the process with clarity and confidence. Below you will find essential information on:

- **How are AIN athletes entered for FIS events**
- **Applicable rules and quota limits**
- **Operational Information**

Our goal is to ensure that every athlete has a transparent, fair, and sustainable opportunity to compete at the highest level. Please review this document carefully and do not hesitate to contact the FIS office should you have any additional questions.

Entry Process

- Entries for AIN athletes are done by the FIS office.
- Team Captains' Meetings (TCM): athletes or their accredited support personnel attend and follow all the standard FIS procedures for each discipline's TCMs, appeals, jury inspections, etc.
- Final Entries for World Cup, Continental Cup (only applicable for Cross-Country and Alpine Ski): entries will be done automatically at the time of registration. Please contact the Race Directors before the TCM in case you do not intend to participate in an event.

Required documentation and deadlines: all existing FIS rules apply. However, AIN athletes are exceptionally permitted to make late entries, provided they bear by themselves the costs for accommodation, transfers, and any potential "no show" fees.

FIS points and conduct at events

- FIS points and quota were frozen as of 1st of March 2022.
- All existing FIS rules apply equally to AINs.
- Code of Conduct obligations for athletes and support personnel are outlined in the AIN policy.

Operational Information:

- **Flags and symbols:**
Flags or symbols of Russia or Belarus must not be displayed anywhere at the competition venue or organizer-controlled areas, including by spectators. When a flag is required for identification purposes, only the **FIS flag or no flag** may be used.

- **Anthems:**
National anthems of Russia or Belarus must not be played or sung. For ceremonies involving AIN athletes, only the **FIS anthem** (or another anthem designated by FIS) may be used.
- **Uniforms and equipment:**
Uniforms, clothing, equipment, and accessories of AIN athletes and their support personnel must not reflect the national colors or any references to Russia or Belarus.
- **Data and IT handling:**
Public outputs (TV graphics, start lists, results, live timing, PDFs) must display **AIN** with the **FIS flag**.
For start list and results XML, any nation code may be sent and will be overwritten to AIN, except for **live results**, where **AIN must be sent directly**.
- **Participation restrictions:**
Eligible athletes of Russian or Belarusian sporting nationality may only compete as **individual neutral athletes**. They are **not allowed** to participate in team events and must **not be included** in team or Nation Cup standings.

Other Information:

The [FIS Individual Neutral Athlete Policy](#) and its [Annex Document](#) are publicly available to be consulted.

You can always find the current list of AIN athletes / support personnel on FIS website:

[Updated list of Individual Neutral Athletes \(AIN\) cleared to participate in FIS events](#)

In case you are interested, all other documents can be found at the bottom of these articles:

11 December 2025

[CAS provides clarification on decision regarding Individual Neutral Athletes \(AIN\)](#)

2 December 2025

[CAS requests that Russian and Belarusian athletes participate in FIS qualification events for Milano Cortina 2026](#)

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