



## **RULES FOR THE FIS GRASS SKI**

**WORLD CUP**

**JUNIOR CUP**

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## **A. World Cup Rules**

### **1. Organisation**

Jury according to Art. ICR Art. 601.4

#### **1.1 Sprint – Downhill, Super-G and Super Combined**

With voting right:

- the Technical Delegate
  - the Chief of Race of the Organising Committee
  - the Race Director as Referee, appointed by the FIS
  - the assistant referee appointed by the Team captains meeting.
- The Race Director has the dominant vote.

#### **1.2 Slalom and Giant Slalom**

With voting right:

- the Technical Delegate
- the Chief of Race of the Organising Committee
- the Race Director as Referee, appointed by the FIS
- The Referee (Race Director) has the dominant vote.

#### **1.3 Substitution**

If due to "force majeure" one of the members of the Jury, nominated by the FIS is unable to participate, the Race Director appoints a qualified substitute.

#### **1.4 World Cup Calendar**

It may be performed less than two World Cup races on the same day (except Super-G). On a World Cup, the organisation may not be eye wear FIS races at the same time. If unforeseen circumstances require it, but that a FIS race must be planned so it is up to the Race Director to approve an exception.

### **2. Setting the course**

#### **2.1 Super-G, Giant Slalom, Slalom, Super Combined, Parallel competitions and combined competitions**

The Race Director appoints the course setters following the Art. 603.2.2 ICR. The announcement takes place at the respective Team Captain's meeting. The jury will decide on possible proposals for amendments made by the Team Captain's meeting.

The control and approval is carried out by the Jury.

### **3. Qualification**

#### **3.1 General**

##### **3.1.1 Qualification standards**

The qualification standards will be established before each season, based on an agreement with the Committee for Grass Skiing.

The standards cannot be modified during the season.

##### **3.1.2 Women's and men's events**

These standards can be different for women's and men's events.

### 3.2 Basic quota

For races of the FIS World Cup every National Ski Association, which is a part of FIS, can sign up two (2) competitors under following conditions (basic quota).

Art. 3.3 – 3.4 will only be valid when the number of participants rises over:

Women: 30

Men: 60

#### 3.2.1 Participation conditions

All Events

Slalom, Giant Slalom, Super G, Super Combined, Relays and Combined races

Minimum request: every competitor must have a valid FIS-code (registration with FIS by the National Ski Association).

### 3.3 National quota

Additional approval quota for each National Federation is calculated from the number of competitors who are among the first 50 women and first 100 men in the FIS point list of the particular events.

For every National Federation this quota is valid (table):

0	qualified, competitors,	$(0 + 2) = 2$	places
1	qualified, competitors,	$(1 + 2) = 3$	places
2	qualified, competitors,	$(2 + 2) = 4$	places
3	qualified, competitors,	$(3 + 2) = 5$	places
4	qualified, competitors,	$(4 + 2) = 6$	places
5	qualified, competitors,	$(5 + 2) = 7$	places
6	qualified, competitors,	$(6 + 2) = 8$	places
7	qualified, competitors,	$(7 + 2) = 9$	places
8	qualified, competitors,	$(8 + 2) = 10$	places

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(Only for Downhill)

#### 3.3.1 Qualified, competitors

Qualified competitors of the national quota can be replaced, but only for competitors, who are qualified among the first 50 women and 120 men in the valid FIS points list of the particular events (only if condition of point 3.2 and 3.2.1 is fulfilled).

### 3.4 Higher quotas for organising countries

In its own country the national association with the quota under (6) contestants is allowed to let compete as many as 12 contestants (men and women) in each race.

#### 3.4.1 Points limit

To higher quotas are allowed only those contestants who are registered at FIS and signed the athlete declaration.

### 3.5 Combined

Winner of the combined is the competitor who has the best overall time (sum of the times in the event counting for the combination).

## 4. Payment of expenses

### 4.1 Competitors

#### 4.1.1 Quotas

The organiser is not obliged to cover any expenses for accommodation. Special conditions are applied in agreement with the Organiser for competitions held in the Southern Hemisphere, Asian Region and in the United States of America.

#### 4.1.1.1 Validity

Art. 4.1.1 is valid until a general sponsor could be found.

## 4.2 Right of accommodation

Each National 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 before the competition season. Furthermore the Organisers must be informed latest 5 days before the official arrival day about the names of the team members, eventual changes to the arrival date and the originally registered size of team (incl. officials and service personnel as well as an eventual withdrawal from the event. If this is not done, the Organising Committee will invoice the costs incurred for cancelled accommodation to the National Association concerned.

Teams or persons who register late have no right for the reservation or the payment of accommodation expenses.

Hotel:

The Hotels for the teams must at least meet the requirements of the international three star categories.

Breakfast and dinner must be served at the actual Hotel if possible. The Race Director will decide during their inspections whether alternatives are acceptable.

## 4.3 Hotel expenses

Hotel expenses for full board must not exceed CHF 90.00.

If the regular hotel price at the location is less than CHF 90.00, it not permitted to exceed it.

## 4.4 Transport expenses

Organisers who have to pay for transportation costs as lift or shuttle for their own (receipt is necessary) can collect max. CHF 20.00 for each competitor per one or two days event at the team captains meeting.

## 5. Travel expenses

The organiser is not obliged to cover any expenses for accommodation.

Special agreements will be made with Organising Committees in conjunction with the calendar and communicated to the National Ski Associations.

## 6. Prize money

Prize money distribution for Women and Men.

Prize money must be paid-off at the prize giving ceremony; local tax laws must be followed. Prize money is to be paid-off in cash and in convertible currency.

OC must be in disposal to the competitors in the country of the competition in case of any tax problems.

### 6.1 Prize money (pt. 6)

The organiser must guarantee the minimum amount of CHF 7500.00 as prize money for a competition with three events. For the Combined, no prize money will be provided.

Exception: Super Combined

Prize money for	Women	Men	Total
- one event	CHF 835.00	CHF 1665.00	CHF 2'500.00

- two events	CHF 1'670.00	CHF 3'330.00	CHF 5'000.00
- three events	CHF 2'505.00	CHF 4'995.00	CHF 7'500.00

The listed prize money is in net amounts. Possible taxes have to be paid by the organiser.

### 6.1.1 Conditions of payment

If there are less than 5 Women or 10 Men in the ranking, the organiser will be refunded the amount of prize money for the positions that have not been obtained.

## 6.2 Distribution of financial rewards

The amount of prize money and its distribution for Women 1. – 5. and Men 1. – 10. must be communicated to the Race Director.

Example:

World Cup:      place: Example      date: xx.xx.xx      event: SL

Women:

rank:	1.	CHF	285.00
	2.	CHF	200.00
	3.	CHF	145.00
	4.	CHF	115.00
	5.	CHF	90.00

**Total**      CHF 835.00

World Cup:      place: Example      date: xx.xx.xx      event: SL

Men:

rank::	1.	CHF	330.00
	2.	CHF	265.00
	3.	CHF	200.00
	4.	CHF	170.00
	5.	CHF	150.00
	6.	CHF	135.00
	7.	CHF	120.00
	8.	CHF	115.00
	9.	CHF	95.00
	10.	CHF	85.00

**Total**      CHF 1'665.00

### 6.2.1 Expenses Race Director

The Organiser has to cover the expenses for travel and accommodation of the Race Director as well as the costs of the FIS TD according to ICR Art. 602.5.

#### 6.2.1.1 Inspections

Necessary inspections of the Race Director will be charged to the Organiser according to ICR Art. 602.5.

Per day of travel CHF 100.00 will be charged.

- Train Journey 1st class,
- Kilometre money by car CHF --.70/km (maximum CHF 600.00)
- Flight ticket economy class.



## **7. Insurance**

With reference to ICR Art. 212.

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 presents 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), ICR art. 212.2.

## **8. Starting times and starting intervals**

### **8.1 Starting times**

The fixed starting times have to be observed strictly. In case of postponements a decision is taken by the jury. (At all events where there is no planned TV coverage, the next competitor is only allowed to start when the previous one has crossed the finish line).

### **8.2 Starting intervals**

The Chief Race Director determines the starting intervals, in principle up to 2 minutes 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 eventual changes (weather conditions, etc.) are made by the Jury.

## **9. Enrolment of competitors**

### **9.1 Enrolment for Slalom, Giant Slalom, Super Combined, Super G**

#### **9.1.1 First Group (Women, 1-5, Men 1-10)**

The first group will be determined according to the World Cup points respectively World Cup standings. The best seven (7) competitors will be drawn between start numbers 1 - 7 and the remaining competitors between 8 - 15. This will take place by double draw. The double draw may be done electronically. In case of competitors with the same World Cup points enrolled in the 7th or 15th position, the group would be extended to include these competitors. If there are not 15 (female or male) competitors with respective World Cup points, the first group comprises only the competitors with corresponding World Cup points.

##### **9.1.1.1 Choice of start numbers/ draw**

The first group will be drawn; the rest of the competitors will start according to their valid FIS points.

##### **9.1.1.2 Grasski World Cup start list (for the first group)**

The final World Cup standings of each event of the previous season will be used as a Basic List for the next season and will be valid for the first two World Cup's in each event. After each competition per event the achieved World Cup points will be added. After the 2<sup>nd</sup> World Cup competition in each event the achieved World Cup points in the current season will be used for the World Cup start list.

##### **9.1.1.3 Validity of the Basic List**

After the first competition in each event of the current season the points of the Basic List will be divided by two and will be added to the achieved World Cup points to form the start list for the 2<sup>nd</sup> competition. After the 2<sup>nd</sup> competition the Basic List points will be cancelled and only the achieved World Cup points of the current season will be counted.

#### **9.1.2 Start order 2<sup>nd</sup> run, Giant Slalom, Slalom and Super Combined**

All competitors (maximum 60 Ladies and Men) who are classified in the 1<sup>st</sup> run are allowed to start in the 2<sup>nd</sup> run. Start order 2<sup>nd</sup> run:

The best 30 (female and male) competitors start in reverse order to their time achieved in the 1<sup>st</sup> run. Competitors, who are ranked after the 30<sup>th</sup> place, start according to the intermediate ranking list from number 31, 32, etc. The Jury has the right to decide no later than one hour before the start of the 2nd run whether the reverse order shall be reduced to the first 30 competitors placed from the first run.

### 9.1.3. FIS points

See FIS Points Rules.

9.1.4. Competitors ranked with more than 20% race time behind the winner race time will not be counted/will not receive any World Cup points.

### 9.1.5 Super Combined

All classified competitors who have finished both runs and are classified will receive FIS points.

The best 30 competitors who finished both runs of the Super Combined will receive World Cup points for Super Combined. It is possible to give World Cup points also for the Super G of the Super Combined but the Super G has to be insert in the Race Calendar as World Cup race at the start of the Season and it must assign the prizes provided for in the regulations.

Additional FIS points can be earned in the Super G run of the Super Combined (see FIS points rules art. 1.3.4)

## 9.2 Leader bib

The current overall leader and the respective event leader compete with the leader bibs (Event: green, Overall: red) exception for World Cup races. For the first race of the season this is the winner of the previous season.

## 10. Points distribution

### Schedule

The 30 best ranked competitors in the World Cup and World Championships races (individual events and combined) are awarded points in accordance with the following schedule (time limit 20%):

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

## **10.2 Several competitors tied for the same position**

If several racers are tied for one of the top thirty positions in a race, each of the competitors who are tied receive the points corresponding to that position. The remaining competitors receive the points corresponding to their official classification in the race.

## **10.3 FIS points list**

The periodically published FIS points list is valid for the FIS World Cup.

# **11. Classification**

## **11.1 General**

### **11.1.1 Formula**

The classification for overall and events for Women and Men is calculated with determined all achieved results (World Cup points) in World Cup and World Championships races. The World Cup final must be after the World Championships.

### **11.1.2 Number of results**

The formula will specify the number of results counting for the classification of the whole season.

### **11.1.3 Women and men**

The formula will be the same for women and men.

### **11.1.4 Modification during the season**

In no case can the formula be modified during the season.

## **11.2 Competitors having attained the same rank**

### **11.2.1 Number of places, equal number of points**

If two or more competitors have achieved the same total of points, than they shall be placed according to the number of their 1<sup>st</sup> places, then their 2<sup>nd</sup> places, 3<sup>rd</sup> places etc. The competitor with the most 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> places will be first in the official result list.

If they cannot be classified by this system, they will each receive the medals corresponding to their placing.

# **12. Winner of the FIS World Cup**

The competitors who have won the overall classification will be named "Winner of the FIS World Cup".

If two athletes have achieved the same World Cup points, the athlete with the better single results of the respective competitions will be ranked first.

## **12.1 World Cup Trophy**

The winner of the FIS overall World Cup receives the World Cup trophy.

## **12.2 World Cup Medals**

The 1st, 2nd and 3rd ranked competitors of the overall classification will receive medals.

### **12.2.1 World Cup Medals for the events SL, GS, SG, SC**

The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked competitors of the event will receive medals. The event winner is the competitor who wins the overall standing of the event. Medals in events will only be given, if minimum 2 races were hold during the season.

### **12.3 Overall Nations Cup**

A Nations Cup will be presented to the team which according to the formula has accumulated the highest number of points (total-points in the overall classification men and women) in the nations classification.

### **12.4 Provision of awards**

The trophies and medals will be provided by FIS.

The trophies for the 2nd and 3rd places of Overall Nations Cup will be provided by OC of the World Cup Final.

## **13. World Cup courses**

### **13.1 Access rights**

Accreditations must be handed out to the teams according to ICR Art. 604. The FIS season accreditations for the different groups are valid and will be accepted by the Organisers. Free access to the course as well as on ski lifts, etc. must be granted to all competitors, coaches, accompanying persons, service personnel, media representatives and officials.

The access to the race-course is only possible when specially allowed by the Organisers after clear agreement with the Chief Race Director of the FIS.

### **13.2 Training on World Cup courses**

During the last three (3) days before the official start of the training for a FIS World Cup event, or before the first competition, no training shall be allowed on World Cup courses - irrespective of the events and courses. It is recommended to preserve the best part of the slope at least seven (7) days before the first competition. In case of an infringement of this rule, the competitors concerned shall automatically be disqualified, or not allowed to participate in the competition concerned, and the respective Organiser will not be considered for the allocation of a FIS World Cup event during the next two (2) years.

Exception:  
the jury decides.

### **13.3 Non-essential changes**

In cases of immediate - non-essential but necessary - changes on the course, such as small removals of gates, an additional inspection or training run is not necessary.

Details must be communicated to all team-captains and competitors must be informed by the referee at the start.

## **14. Duration**

The FIS World Cup is held every year during the period from Mai 15<sup>th</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **15. Homologation**

All competitions can only be granted to Organisers who have valid homologated courses.

The courses and the situation of the finish area must conform to the criteria's fixed for the FIS World Cup.

## **16. Prohibition from including additional races**

The Organiser of an approved competition program is forbidden to add any additional race without request and support by the National Ski Association to the FIS and without FIS - Committee of Grass Skiing.

## **17. Cancellation and new allocation of competitions / events**

Basically all cancelled competitions / events return to FIS for reallocation on proposal of the Committee of Grass Skiing.

### **17.1 Cancellation during an event and new allocation**

Races, which have to be cancelled during an event due to a "force majeure", or non-fulfilment of requirements will in exceptional cases be rescheduled at events which already figure in the calendar.

### **17.2 Cancellation within the prescribed period and new allocation**

If the course cannot be finished for the scheduled competition date due to "force majeure" the Organiser must cancel the event.

This must be done ten (10) days before the race if it is a Sprint - Downhill or a Super-G, and six (6) days before the race if it is a Slalom, a Super Combined or a Giant Slalom.

### **17.3 Combined**

If at a Combined event one of the two events has to be cancelled during the event due to "force majeure", the completed race will be taken into consideration for the World Cup points.

The event which could not be held and the combined evaluation can be newly allocated.

### **17.4 Unusual conditions**

In cases of unusual conditions, the Race Director has the authority to establish a suitable starting point below the minimal vertical drop. This will take place as early as possible. In order to allow the realisation of a race, the Jury can shorten the course, relocate it, Agreement with TV must be made by the Race Director as early as possible.

### **17.5 Interference with another FIS World Cup race**

A replacement race must in no way interfere with another scheduled FIS World Cup race already listed in the FIS World Cup calendar. Postponed races also count as replaced competitions.

### **17.6 Races after the FIS World Cup Final**

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

## **18. Rescue service**

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

## **19. TV / advertising rights**

### **19.1 Television rights**

Reference is made to the FIS Rules concerning television rights.

### **19.2 Advertising rights in the competition area**

At all events published in the International Ski Calendar (especially FIS World Cup) the „FIS guidelines“ are valid for advertising opportunities in the competition arena, specifically the area covered by TV.

## **20. Matters of contention**

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

## **21. Control and supervision**

The Race Director is responsible for the adherence to and observance of these rules.

## **22. Rules of FIS**

The Alpine ICR Volume IV is valid for all further regulations.

## **23. Team captains meeting**

The Team captains meeting is headed by the Race Director in cooperation with the Jury.

## **24. Dates**

The first team captains meeting has to be scheduled in the program later than 20:00 (8 pm.).

Definition of the duties of the  
Race Director and the Technical Delegates at  
Grass Ski World Cup competitions  
(Race Director as a referee – art. 1 of Grass Ski World Cup rules and art.  
603.4.9 ICR)

## **I. Fundamental questions**

1. With the recognition of these regulations valid for Grasski World Cup, the Race Director takes over the duties of a referee. This is because the referee has the operative word about the technical section (section which deals with the area of start, track and finish). The Technical Delegate of Alpine World Cup competitions keep the duties concerning the administrative section (the whole working section with the exception of the technical section).
2. To prevent any conflicts that might arise from the competence of both regulations, it is essential to carry out certain determinations.
3. It is necessary to define which decisions, duties or other competences belong to the technical or administrative section. In marginal cases, where the competence belongs both to the technical delegate and also the Race Director, the director has the decision right when appointing competence. Their decision is obligatory. The Race Director cannot take over competences, which do not belong to the technical section.
4. There are also tasks and duties, which according to the regulations belong to both the Race Director (referee and ass. referee), and also the Technical Delegate. The change of competence at Alpine World Cup is therefore dual:  
Race Director takes over the duties of the referee, which they were appointed to on the basis of the ICR,  
they also take over the duties of the Technical Delegate, which would be appointed to them on the basis of the ICR, but limited on to the technical section (as a referee, they are also the Chair of Jury).  
For Super-G World Cup regulations the Race Director has also the duties of the referee. They then decide about technical devices and safety measures on the competition tracks. These rules are also valid for World Championships.
5. Consisting, therefore valid rules show which duties at the World Championships and World Cup competitions belong to the director of the race, technical delegate or together to both officials.

## **II. Common Responsibilities**

These are resulting from the general rule mentioned earlier on; it is possible that in individual cases the Race Director or the Assistant Referee has to take other tasks than the ones assigned to them, for instance the inspection of homologation files, inquiries regarding special permits, cancellation of events due to the lack of homologation, inspection of TD reports concerning former events held in that

particular location as well as the checking of proposed improvements and the filing of the referee minutes, the calculating of race points, etc.

Most of all, it seems important that all leading officials in a World Cup event approach their tasks with discernment and courage and with a commitment to co-operation and co-ordination. Of course, a unanimous decision is always the best one.

The most important rule is that the Technical Delegate is respected as the official representative of the International Ski Federation at the place of the competition and as such has to fulfil all tasks associate with this position, including that of, for instance, representation of the FIS.



## **B. Junior Cup Rules**

### **1. Organisation**

According to the ICR and World Cup rules. These rules apply for both Women and Men.

### **2. Events**

According ICR Art. 201.6.8 and 201.4

- Slalom
- Giant Slalom
- Super-G
- Super Combined

### **3. Competitions**

- FIS Junior World Ski Championships
- FIS Races
- For the Super Combined those competitors maintain Cup points who are ranked in the Super-G and Slalom.
- In all competitions at which no FIS points calculation is possible, according to FIS points rules art. 4.4, World Cup points will be awarded.

### **4. Valuation**

The Junior Cup points will be distributed according to the World Cup points scale art. 10:

Women and Men  
1. rank 100 points  
2. rank 80 points  
3. rank 60 points  
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### **5. Terms of participation**

Women and Men  
According to ICR art. 607.3

**5.1** The earned Junior Cup points from the competitions which take place after the Junior Cup Final will be counted for the next season.

### **6. Prizes**

#### **6.1 Medals**

The first three (3) competitors of the Overall Ranking receive souvenir medals. Additional souvenir prizes can be given by the organiser of the last Junior Cup race.

6.1.1 The medals will be provided by the FIS Committee for Grass Skiing and the invoice will be sent to the organiser of the last Junior Cup race. The FIS Committee for Grass Skiing is responsible for the delivery of the medals in time.

## **6.2 Diploma**

Women: Rank 1 – 6

Men: Rank 1 – 10

6.2.1 The acquisition of the diplomas is carried out by the Committee for Grass Skiing. The FIS Committee for Grass Skiing is responsible for the delivery of the diplomas in time.

## **6.3 Ranking**

If two athletes have achieved the same Junior Cup points, the athlete with the better single results of the respective competitions will be ranked first.