





# RULES FOR THE FIS SNOWBOARD / FREESTYLE / FREESKI CONTINENTAL CUP

EUROPEAN CUP NORAM CUP ASIA CUP SOUTH AMERICAN CUP AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND CUP

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# **CONTINENTAL CUPS**

# **GROUPS OF NATIONS**

# **EUROPEAN CUP (EC)**

AND, AUT, BEL, BIH, BLR, BUL, CRO, CZE, DEN, ESP, EST, FIN, FRA, GBR, GEO, GER, GRE, HUN, IRL, ISL, ISR, ITA, KOS, LAT, LIE, LTU, LUX, MON, MDA, MKD, MNE, NED, NOR, POL, POR, ROU, RUS, SLO, SMR, SRB, SUI, SVK, SWE, TUR, UKR

# NOR AM CUP (NAC)

CAN, USA

# **SOUTH AMERICAN CUP (SAC)**

ARG, BOL, BRA, CHI, COL, ECU, PER, URU, VEN

# ASIA CUP (AC)

CHN, IND, IRI, JPN, KAZ, KOR, MGL, PAK, PRK, RUS, TPE, UZB

# **AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND CUP (ANC)**

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#### **Section A**

## Rules Applicable to all FIS Snowboard / Freestyle / Freeski Continental Cups

Section A defines the FIS Continental Cup Rules that are common to all FIS Continental Cups worldwide.

#### 1. General

All events in the FIS Continental Cup Series will be conducted under the rules and regulations of the International Ski and Snowboard Federation (ICR and CoC: Section A) and the respective Cup Series (Section B).

#### 1.1 Organisation

## 1.1.1 Jury

For Continental Cup Competitions the composition of the Jury shall follow the ICR (Rule 2007).

#### 2. Qualification

Qualification Standards

The qualification standards and quotas will be established before each season, after approval of the FIS Snowboard / Freestyle / Freeski Committee. They cannot be modified during the season.

#### 2.1 Quota

See regulations in each section.

## 2.1.1 Personal qualification for World Cup (Ski Cross only) see WC 4.5.2.9

## 2.2 Applications for Entry

## 2.2.1 Entry Deadlines

The deadline for receipt of entries by the Organiser shall be thirty days (30) for Entry by Number and fourteen days (14) for Entry by Name before the first official training day for the Event to which entry is sought. This deadline may, at the Organiser's discretion, be later but not earlier, provided that this change has been announced in the official Invitation to the competition. (See ICR 215).

2.2.2 EC entries shall be submitted using the FIS Online System (See CoC Rules, EC 1.4).

#### 2.3 Titles

The following CoC Titles (SAC/AC/ANC/NAC/EC) will be awarded on each Continent

- Parallel (PSL+PGS)
- HP (SKI)
- HP (SB)
- SX
- SBX
- BA (SKI)
- SS (SKI)
- BA/SS (SKI)
- BA/SS (SB)
- BA (SB)
- SS (SB)
- AE
- MO
- DM
- Moguls Overall

A minimum of 3 events for EC and NAC and a minimum of 2 events for SAC, AC and ANC per category and gender must take place to establish a title.

The Series Title Trophies and awards shall be presented at the final competition of the season.

#### 3. Calendar and Planning

The respective FIS Continental Cup Series are organised each year according to the evaluation period as defined in the rules of the FIS Points. Southern Hemisphere:  $1^{st}$  July  $1-15^{th}$  October, Northern Hemisphere:  $1^{st}$  October  $-30^{th}$  April.

Cancelled FIS Continental Cup competitions may not be re-scheduled after the respective FIS Continental Cup Final.

A CoC competition shall only be valid for a single CoC Series.

Russian competitors will not be considered AC members eligible for Personal Quota Spots in World Cup if they finish in qualifying positions

#### 3.1 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). Cancellation deadlines are defined for each Event:

Europa Cup:

NorAm Cup:

10 days before the first Team Captains' Meeting
14 days before the first Team Captains' Meeting
15 days before the first Team Captains' Meeting
16 days before the first Team Captains' Meeting
17 days before the first Team Captains' Meeting
18 days before the first Team Captains' Meeting
19 days before the first Team Captains' Meeting
10 days before the first Team Captains' Meeting

In special cases, an expert can be nominated by FIS as a snow controller.

## 3.2 The Addition of another Competition

The Organiser of a FIS Continental Cup competition is not allowed to add any further FIS competitions to its programme, if this event has not already been included in the FIS Calendar. Under no circumstances may an additional competition disrupt the respective FIS Continental Cup programme.

## 3.3 Substitution of a Competition

## 3.3.1 Cancellation due to "Force Majeure"

If a competition has to be cancelled due to "force majeure", a replacement competition in the same event may be organised in another location. Such a change has to be approved by FIS. A replacement competition may never interfere with the organisation of another competition which is already scheduled in the respective FIS Continental Cup Calendar.

## 3.3.2 Replacement

Any replacement Competition must be announced with the following periods of notice (prior to the first training or competition day):

for Europa Cup
for NorAm Cup
for South American Cup
for Asia Cup
for Australia New Zealand Cup
10 days
10 days
10 days
10 days

3.3.2.1 Notices for any replacement Competition should contain all necessary information (refer to Rules 213 and 2002.3) and be posted on the FIS Website

## 3.3.3 In another Country

In case a replacement competition has to be moved to another country, the new Organiser (National Association) is entitled to the additional host participation quota.

#### 4. Invitations and Programme

The invitation and provisional programme shall be published and circulated at least 2 months in advance of the competition. The OC shall inform the FIS Office if due to the weather conditions or lack of snow, the programme has to be changed.

## 5. Awards and Ceremonies

The OC shall provide appropriate awards for the first, second, and third place finishers in each event.

The awards ceremony for each Event shall be conducted either immediately following each competition or at a prearranged awards function.

## 6. Television

Any television other than immediate local TV coverage or news coverage must be co-ordinated with the host National Ski Association.

## 7. Point – Breakdown

The point breakdown is a scale, providing a maximum possible score of 100 points in any event. Individual Regional Cups may define higher maximum points, like Premium Continental Cup Competitions that award double points.

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

# 7.1 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

## Rules Specific to European Cup (EC)

#### EC 1 Common Rules

#### EC 1.1 FIS Officials

At each competition there will be the following FIS Officials:

- FIS Continental Cup Coordinator
- FIS Technical Delegate
- FIS Course Advisor (SX optional based upon CoC Coordinator decision)
- FIS Head Judge / Referee
- FIS Judges (3 for AE, 5 for MO/DM, 3 or 6 in case of double up Judging for SS, BA and HP)

#### EC 1.1.2 FIS Continental Cup Coordinator

The FIS Continental Cup Coordinator will act, in conjunction with the Technical Delegate and the OC, in a supervisory capacity as an additional FIS Technical Expert overseeing the technical preparations, safety and as an adviser to the OC. The FIS Continental Cup Coordinator, if present, will take over at the European Cup Cross Competitions the position of the Referee in the Jury (see 2007.1.2.2) and has the deciding vote in case of a tie.

## EC 1.1.3 Expenses for the FIS Technical Advisor/Coordinator and FIS Officials

Payment of expenses to FIS Officials refer ICR 2006.2 & 2006.4.

Payment of TD expenses refer to TD ICR 2008.7.

Payment of Judge expenses refer to 3311.11 (P&P), 4003.4 (AE), 4202.4 (MO) and 4302.4 (DM).

## EC 1.2 Transport, Passes and Priority

The OC shall provide all team staff members (subject to the permitted team officials ratio - see EC event sections) and officials with free lift passes and priority on lifts serving competition runs during official training and competition days. Reserved parking shall also be made available close to the competition area.

The lift pass prices for competitors are defined below in each event section together with the entry fees.

If there are Teams with more Team Officials the extra officials can get lift tickets and accommodation according to the regulations for the competitor's.

## EC 1.3 Team Officials Ratio to Team Size

#### Team size:

1-3 competitors4-8 competitors5 team officials9 or more3 team officials6 team officials

## EC.1.4 Entry Deadline EC

## EC 1.4.1 Provisional Entries – 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), 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 for MO/DM/AE
- 40 days before the first competition day for PGS/PSL
- 40 days before the first competition day for SBX
- 10 days before the first competition day for HP/SS/BA
- 5 days before the first competition day for SX

## EC 1.4.2 Confirmation of Final Entries with Arrival and Departure

Not later than 10 days before the competition day for MO/AE/HP/SS/BA and 5 days for SX, SBX, PGS and PSL 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.

## EC 1.5 Accommodation

## Freestyle/ Freeski:

It is recommended that the OC provides accommodation through its Tourist Office, in different categories at a reasonable price level each.

## Snowboard:

For SBX, PSL and PGS the maximum amount for athletes and officials for half board is CHF 80 according to the official currency of the hosting nation per day. Teams or persons who register after the communicated deadline in the Invitation, have no right for the reservation or the guarantee of the above mentioned price. For HP, SS and BA there is no limitation. The organiser needs to offer a package price for accommodation, which is lower than the standard season price in the organising resort.

#### EC 1.5.1 Duration of Accommodation

Lodging and food must be guaranteed from the night before the first official training/competition day to (and including) the morning after the last competition day.

## EC 1.4.2 Food and Beverages

Food must be healthy and plentiful and must correspond to the needs of highly competitive athletes.

#### EC 1.5.3 Mealtimes

The hotel must adapt itself to the needs of the schedule, which depend on the training and competition programme. In most cases the breakfast is to be served very early in the morning. The Organiser should inform the hotel management of the agreement with regard to accommodation and food and of the daily programme, including any changes.

## EC 1.6 Ski / Snowboard Rooms

The Organisers are responsible for making adequate ski/snowboard preparation and storage facilities available to all Nations. They must be heated, secure and well ventilated.

This responsibility is met by provision of facilities per Nation. (Recommended ski/snowboard room size to accommodate material for 6-8 athletes and 1-2 service technicians).

## EC 1.7 EC-Trophy and Medals

The winners of each Event will receive a European Cup trophy.

The 1st, 2nd and 3rd ranked competitors of each event will receive medals.

## EC 2 Park & Pipe Section

## EC 2.1 Entry Fees, Lift Pass

The Organising Committee is allowed to charge an entry fee of maximum CHF 50 for one competition and CHF 80 for 2 competitions - without lift pass. The lift pass prices shall be at maximum 60% of a standard adult day ticket at the hosting resort.

If they charge an entry fee, the amount and the payment procedure must be included in the official invitation.

#### EC 2.2 Quotas

## EC 2.2.1 Halfpipe

There is no Quota or FIS/WSPL Point restriction for Halfpipe

#### EC 2.2.2 Slopestyle & Big Air

Each nation is entitled to a basic quota of 18 (max. 12 per gender).

The Hosting nation is entitled to an additional quota per event 16 (max. 10 per gender)

For SS and BA the organiser has discretion to accept additional athletes above the quota. This has to be announced in the official invitation.

## EC 2.2.3 FIS Points Requirement

The minimum requirement to participate in Slopestyle & Big Air European Cup Competitions is:

Freeski: Minimum 10 FIS points in Slopestyle or Big Air

Snowboard: Minimum 10 FIS points or 75 WSPL Points in Slopestyle or Big Air

#### EC 2.3 Prize Money

There is no mandatory prize money.

## EC 2.4 EC Trophy and Medals

For HP, SS and BA a maximum of 4 best EC points results (from Europa Cup and Premium Europa Cup) are taken into consideration and will be added together to determine the EC Event Champion and ranking.

For SS and BA there is also a combined ranking of both events. A maximum of the best 4 SS results and 2 BA results (from Europa Cup and Premium Europa Cup) are taken into consideration and will be added together to determine the winner of the personal WC spot in the upcoming season (WC Rule 2.3.3). The winners of the HP EC ranking and the combined SS/BA ranking will receive the EC Trophy. Medals are awarded to the numbers 1, 2 and 3 of these rankings.

## EC 2.4.1 Premium Europa Cup P&P

Selected P&P Events meeting the requirements defined in the "<u>Guidelines for Organisers of Premium ContinentalEuropa Cup P&P Competitions Guidelines for Organisers</u>" will be awarded <u>double 150%</u> Europa Cup Points.

i.e.: the winner is awarded 200150 points, .... the 4th Place 10075 points, etc.

## EC 2.4.2 Tie Breaking

In case of a tie for 1st place, the competitor with more 1st places in the Premium EC events will be placed 1st. If they are still tied the tie will be broken by the greater number of 1st places in the other EC events of the respective event categories. If they are still tied the same procedure will be used, inspecting 2nd, 3rd etc. places.

If they are still tied they remain tied.

## EC 3 Aerials / Moguls / Dual Moguls Section

## EC 3.1 Entry Fees

Entry Fees may be charged to a maximum of CHF 80 per competitor per event and CHF 40 per competitor per official training day.

### EC 3.2 Official Training

The organisers must provide a minimum of 2 days of official training. Minimum training time per day is 2 hours.

#### EC 3.3 Quotas

The current quotas for Continental Cups (Europe) are as follows:

**European Countries:** 

Moguls 15 women and 15 men Host Nation Quota + 8/8 extra Dual Moguls 15 women and 15 men Host Nation Quota + 8/8 extra Aerials 15 women and 15 men Host Nation Quota + 8/8 extra

Non European Countries:

8 men and 8 women per nation

## EC 3.3.1 FIS Points Requirement to participate in European Cup Competitions:

No minimum FIS points requirements Aerials.

5 FIS Points for Moguls/Dual Moguls.

#### EC 3.4. Prize Money

Prize money will be awarded at each FIS Europa Cup competition based on the total number of competitors entered into a Europa Cup event in Aerials and Moguls.

The total prize money available for each event will be determined by CHF 10.-- x the total number of competitors starting in each event. Prize Money is calculated separately for each event and the total prize money is split equally between women and men. An organiser is permitted to award more prize money in excess of the formula.

Prize money will be according to the following percentage of the Total Prize Money per event and taking into consideration the local tax laws:

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1<sup>st</sup> place = 50%
2<sup>nd</sup> place = 30%
3<sup>rd</sup> place = 20%
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In the case where supplemental prize money is provided the OC is allowed to determine the breakdown of percentages of prize money in excess of the minimum dictated by the rule above.

Prize money is paid to the athletes at the end of each competition day. The amount of prize money will be calculated and announced at the draw before each competition at the TC meeting. The OC must assist the competitors with matters relating to taxation for prize money awarded in the country in which the competition is held.

#### EC 3.5. Titles

All completed and valid Europa Cup Points results will count for the EC titles.

## EC 3.5.1 Tie Breaking

In case of a tie, the competitor with more 1st places in the respective EC event will be placed 1st. If they are still tied the same procedure will be used, inspecting 2nd, 3rd etc. places. If they are still tied they remain tied.

#### EC 3.5.2 Event Nations Cup

Event Nations Cups will be awarded in Aerials, Moguls and Dual Moguls calculated by adding the points of the top 2 male and top 2 female competitors of each nation in each Event (Aerials, Moguls, Dual Moguls) from each competition of the season.

## EC 3.5.3 Overall Freestyle Nations Cup

The Europa Cup points from the two best results per Freestyle competition (Aerials, Moguls, Dual Moguls) per gender per nation will be added.

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

## **EC 3.6** Special Procedures

EC 3.6.1 In addition to the rules in the ICR governing the start order, the following shall apply for the Moguls Event at Continental Cup. The competitors listed in the top 30 of the applicable 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.

- EC 3.6.2 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.
- EC 3.6.3 In any Event for which the formation of the Start List follows 3.5.1 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.

#### EC 4 Cross Section

## EC 4.1 Entry Fees

Entry Fees per competitor may be charged to a maximum of CHF 110 for 1 competition and CHF 180 for 2 competitions including free lift pass for training and all competition days.

CHF 30 for lift pass per day for additional officials above the team ratio defined in rule EC 1.3.

#### EC 4.2 Quotas

The current quotas for European Cup are as follows:

**European Countries:** 

- 20 competitors per team, max 12 per gender
- Host Nation + 10 and max. 6 per gender extra

Non European Countries:

- 10 per nation with maximum 6 per gender

The Continental Cup Coordinator has discretion to accept additional athletes above the quota on request of the Organiser.

- EC 4.2.1 FIS Points Requirement to participate in European Cup Competitions
  - Minimum 35 Ski Cross FIS points or max 150 Alpine Points in any Ski Alpine Event.
  - A minimum of 15 SBX FIS points is required to start in a SBX Event.
- EC 4.2.2 EC Nations Quota for Top 24/12 WCSL in European Cup Ski Cross only

Each European Nation is entitled to enter two competitors per competition, which are currently ranked in the top 24 Men and Top 12 Women on the most current WCSL valid on the date of the draw meeting.

Non-European Countries are entitled to enter one competitor, which is currently ranked in the top 24 Men and top 12 women on the most current WCSL valid on the date of the draw meeting.

#### EC 4.3 Prize Money

There is no mandatory prize money.

#### EC 4.4 EC Titles

All completed and valid Europa Cup Points results will count for the EC titles.

#### EC 4.4.1 Tie Breaking

In case of a tie, the competitor with more 1st places in the Ski/Snowboard Cross EC will be placed 1st. If they are still tied the same procedure will be used, inspecting 2nd, 3rd etc. places. If they are still tied they remain tied.

## EC 4.4.2 Nations Cup Ski Cross

A Nations Cup will be awarded in Ski Cross, calculated by adding the points of the top 2 male and top 2 female competitors of each nation from each competition of the season.

In case of a tie, 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.

## EC 5 Snowboard Alpine Section

## EC 5.1 Entry Fees

The Organising Committee is allowed to charge an entry fee of maximum CHF 50 per official training and competition day – this must include lift pass.

#### EC 5.2 Quota

- Each European Nation is entitled to a basic quota of 20 (max. 12 per gender).
- Hosting nation additional 20 with maximum 12 per gender
- Non European Countries: 10 per nation with maximum 6 per gender

The Organiser has discretion to accept additional athletes above the quota. This has to be announced in the official invitation.

## EC 5.3 Prize Money

There is no mandatory prize money.

#### EC 5.4 Titles

All completed and valid Europa Cup Points results will count for the EC titles.

#### EC 5.4.1 Tie Breaking

In case of a tie, the competitor with more 1st places in the Snowboard Alpine EC will be placed 1st. If they are still tied the same procedure will be used, inspecting 2nd, 3rd etc. places. If they are still tied they remain tied.

#### Section B1

## Rules Specific to NorAm Cup (NAC)

#### **Common Rules**

#### NAC 1 FIS Officials

## NAC 1.1 Expenses for FIS Officials / Judges/TDs

Refer to NorAm "Event Organiser Guidelines".

## NAC 2 Technical Delegates

## NAC 2.1 Appointment of Technical Delegates

The FIS North American Technical Delegate Working Group in conjunction with the appropriate national ski associations shall appoint the FIS Technical Delegate for NorAm Cup competitions. All NorAm Technical Delegates must be from visiting countries. Exceptions will be made if a Technical Delegate from a visiting country is not available. In this case, the Jury must have one (1) person from a visiting country as a voting member.

## NAC 2.2 Arrival of Technical Delegates

The FIS Technical Delegate will arrive at the event site with sufficient time to be present on the field of play for inspection, prior to the first official training day.

## NAC 3 Judges' Panel

The NorAm Cup judges' panel for moguls shall include a head judge and seven (7) scoring judges.

For only an aerials competition, the judges' panel may consist of five (5) scoring judges and a head judge.

For halfpipe, slopestyle and big air competitions, the judges' panel shall be a group of 4-9 qualified Judges plus a qualified Head Judge with the appropriate license for CoC level events.

#### NAC 3.1 Qualifications – License

See ICR rule 3311.6

## NAC 3.2 Number of Judges per Country

See ICR Rule 3311.10

The NorAm Committee must approve any exceptions to the rules for establishing a judges' panel as outlined herein.

## NAC 3.3 Arrival of Judges

Refer to Judges Freestyle Skiing / Snowboard / Freeski Handbook.

#### NAC 4 Titles

Premium Snowboard and Freeski NorAm Park & Pipe:

Every FIS calendar year both Canada and USA are allowed to select one of their snowboard/freeski Park & Pipe events each as a Premium NorAm that meets the requirements defined in the "Guidelines for Organisers of Premium Continental Cup P&P Competitions". Premium event designations will be approved by the NorAm Committee prior to finalizing the calendar for the season.

## NAC 4.1 NorAm Event Champion

The NAC titles will be calculated as follows:

Moguls / Dual Moguls and Aerials:

- Aerials All valid NAC points results are taken into consideration and will be added together to determine the NAC Event Champion.
- Moguls and Dual Moguls overall A maximum of 3 best Mogul NAC points results and 3 best Dual Mogul NAC points results are taken into consideration and will be added together to determine the overall Mogul and Dual Mogul NAC Event Champion.
- Moguls A maximum of 3 best Mogul NAC points results are taken into consideration and will be added together to determine the Mogul NAC Event Champion.
- Dual Moguls A maximum of 3 best Dual Mogul NAC points results are taken into consideration and will be added together to determine the Dual Mogul NAC Event Champion.

Ski Cross, Snowboard Cross, Snowboard Parallel Slalom/Parallel Giant Slalom:

- A maximum of 6 best NAC points results are taken into consideration and will be added together to determine the NAC Event Champion.

Ski Halfpipe and Snowboard Halfpipe:

- A maximum of 3 best NAC points results per event are taken into consideration and will be added together to determine the NAC Event Champion.

Ski Slopestyle/Ski Big Air and Snowboard Slopestyle/Snowboard Big Air: A combined SS and BA NAC Event Champion will be determined based on the total number of SS valid competitions in a given season.

- Up to 4 SS competitions total: best 3 results total (combined 2 SS +1 BA or 3 SS)
- 5 6 SS competitions total: best 4 results total (combined 3 SS +1 BA or 4 SS)
- 7 + SS competitions total: best 5 results total (combined 4 SS +1 BA or 5 SS

In case of a tie, the competitor with more 1st places in the respective NAC event\* will be placed 1st. If they are still tied the same procedure will be used, inspecting 2nd, 3rd etc. places. If they are still tied they remain tied.

\*SS/BA are considered the same event

#### NAC 4.2 Trophies & Medals

The Winners of each of the 10 Events (Parallel, Ski Halfpipe, Snowboard Halfpipe, Ski Slopestyle/ Big Air, Snowboard Slopestyle/Big Air, Snowboard Cross, Ski Cross, Moguls, Dual Moguls and Aerials) will receive a North American Cup Trophy. The 1st, 2nd and 3rd ranked competitors of each event will receive medals.

#### NAC 4.3 NAC Finals

A best effort will be made to rotate NorAm Finals between the USA and CAN each year.

## NAC 5 Prize Money

Prize Money will be awarded at each FIS NorAm Cup competition from the entry fees collected by each Organiser.

The total Prize Money available for each event will be determined by \$ 10.00 in local currency multiplied by the total number of entries per event. Prize money is calculated for each event separately and the total prize money is split equally between women and men. An organiser is permitted to award more prize money in excess of the formula.

Prize money is awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places for women and men separately according to the following percentage of the total Prize Money per event:

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1<sup>st</sup> place = 50%
2<sup>nd</sup> place = 30%
3<sup>rd</sup> place = 20%
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In the case where supplemental prize money is provided the OC is allowed to determine the breakdown of percentages of prize money in excess of the minimum dictated by the rule above.

Prize Money is paid via cash, check or electronic transfer to the athletes and will be processed by the OC within 14 days of the competition provided all appropriate information is provided by the athlete.

## NAC 6 Entry Fees

Entry fees will be reviewed before each NorAm season by the NorAm Committee and set for the season at the fall FIS meeting. The 20223/243 base maximum entry fee shall be CHF 13540 per competition for each participant, or the equivalent in local currency rounded to the nearest \$5.00 as per the rate of exchange on September 30th 4st of each year. Entry fees shall be paid in the currency of the host country.

The base entry fee includes entry into one individual event.

In addition to the event registration fees, a bib deposit of \$20 (local currency) may be charged by the OC but must be returned upon the return of the bib.

No additional charges can be added on to the entry fees.

If there are extenuating circumstances that require a higher entry fee, that entry fee amount must be approved by the NorAm Committee two months prior to the event and must be stated on the event invitation.

#### NAC 7 Refunds

A competition may be cancelled for a number of reasons at various times which are outlined below.

If an OC incurs a charge for processing a refund (i.e. PayPal), that charge can be deducted from the total amount owed.

## NAC 7.1 Cancellation by the Organiser

In the event that a competition is cancelled by the organiser (OC), entry fees will be refunded.

## NAC 7.2 Cancellation by the Jury

If an event is cancelled by the Jury, the OC is not obligated to provide a refund.

#### NAC 7.3 Athlete Withdrawal

If an athlete withdraws from the competition before the event entry deadline, they will be provided a refund (less applicable processing fee).

After the event registration deadline, an organiser is not obligated to provide a refund to an athlete even if he or she is injured.

#### NAC 7.4 Other Cancellations

Requests for refunds for other extraordinary circumstances shall be considered at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

## NAC 8 Transport, Passes and Priority

#### NAC 8.1 Lift Passes

Organisers are encouraged to provide complimentary lift tickets to athletes and coaches on training and competition days. In the event the organiser cannot provide complimentary lift tickets, organisers must make available to registered teams a lift ticket package where the daily lift ticket fee charged does not exceed either the resort's published race/event discounted ticket price or the regular daily ticket price, whichever is the lower price.

Teams are not obligated to purchase the lift ticket package offered by the organiser and athletes cannot be denied start rights if they do not choose the organiser's package.

#### NAC 8.2 Priority

During training and racing, an effort should be made to give priority to the competitors, coaches and officials on the appropriate ski lifts if necessary.

## NAC 9 Park & Pipe Section

## NAC 9.1 Training Days

Organisers are required to provide access to the competition venue for two days prior to the first day of competition; at least one session should be designated as official training. The event jury may adjust the schedule and limit training only for issues of force majeure.

#### NAC 9.2 Quotas

The quotas for the NorAm Cup Tour for HP/SS/BA events are as follows:

Nation	Halfpipe / Slopestyle / Big Air		
	Women	Men	
Canada	15	15	
USA	15	15	
Host Nation	Up to remaining total	Up to remaining total	
	field size	field size	
Foreign Nations	20 – Max of 8 per nation, with a max of 5 per gender		
Totals	Max field size determined by each event		

In addition the top 16 competitors in the current FIS points list (each event) will receive a personal spot.

## NAC 9.3 Foreign Nations Entries

Must be submitted by the deadline outlined in CoC rule 2.2.1 using the official FIS Entry Form.

Foreign Nation Entries will be confirmed upon payment receipt.

NAC 9.3.1 If the demand for foreign quota spots exceeds the stated quota of 20, each Foreign Nation will receive 1 spot per gender. Any remaining foreign quota spots (up to 20 counting both genders) will be given to competitors in order of highest to lowest rank according to the current points list (FIS or WSPL- whichever ranking is higher).

Any remaining spots not taken by one gender can be transferred to the other gender – based on approval from the OC

## NAC 10 Freestyle Section

#### NAC 10.1 Official Training

- NAC 10.1.1 Training for NorAm competitions should follow the rules in the ICR 4206.
- NAC 10.1.2 On the first day of official training, the training blocks should be divided into two equal blocks. The first block should be a men's training period and the second, a period for women. Both blocks must include an inspection period.

  On the second day of official training, men's and women's training blocks should

be provided in the order of the qualification programme of the competition.

#### NAC 10.3 Quotas

Each nation is provided an equal number of quota spots for men and women; each nation is expected to provide equal opportunity per gender to fill spots. The quotas for the NorAm Cup Tour for MO/DM/AE events are as follows:

<u>Nation</u>	Moguls and Dual Moguls	<u>Aerials</u>
CAN	50 - Maximum of 30 per Gender	30
USA	50 - Maximum of 30 per Gender	30
Foreign Nations	30	40
Maximum Field Size	130	100

## NAC 10.4 Foreign National Ski Association Quotas

All member FIS National Ski Associations may participate in NorAm Cup Tour competitions.

NAC 10.4.1 If the demand for foreign quota spots exceeds the stated quota of 30 in MO and 40 in AE, each Foreign Nation will receive 1 spot per gender. Any remaining foreign quota spots (up to 30 in MO/40 in AE counting both genders) will be given to competitors in order of highest to lowest rank according to the current FIS points list.

Any remaining spots not taken by one gender can be transferred to the other gender – based on approval from the OC.

## NAC 10.5 Foreign Nations Entries

Must be submitted by the deadline outlined in CoC rule 2.2.1 using the official FIS Entry Form.

Foreign Nation Entries will be confirmed upon payment receipt.

## NAC 10.6 Competition / Seeding

Start Lists for all NAC Moguls and Dual Moguls competitions will follow the procedures defined in the ICR (4209, 4310).

## NAC 10.6.1 Assignment of Bibs for the top 25 Aerialists and Mogul Competitors

At the first NorAm event of the year, the first 25 competitors ranked in each event will be assigned a bib which corresponds to their ranking on the most recent FIS Points list. After the first event, each athlete will be assigned a bib which corresponds to their ranking on the NorAm Cup Ranking List. If the competitor is not present, the bib will not be assigned. Competitors ranked 26<sup>th</sup> or lower will be given bibs that have been assigned randomly.

#### NAC 11 Ski and Snowboard Cross Section

#### NAC 11.1 Additional TD Duties

The TD will arrive at the event site with sufficient time to be present on the field of play for official course testing, prior to the first official training day.

## NAC 11.2 Training Days

The Organiser shall schedule a minimum of 1 official training day. Sufficient Training for the level of competition and course, prior to the first day of competition. It is recommended that cross events have two separate training sessions over the course of two days. The event jury may adjust the schedule and limit training only for issues of force majeure.

## NAC 11.3 Quotas

The quotas for the NorAm Cup Tour are as follows:

Nation	Ski Cross / Snowboard Cross		
	Women	Men	
Canada	15	15	
USA	15	15	
Host Nation	Up to remaining total	Up to remaining total field	
	field size size		
Foreign Nations	20 - Max of 10 per nation, with a max of 6 per gender		
Totals	Max field size determined by each event		

In addition the top 16 competitors in the current FIS points list (each event) will receive a personal spot.

The Organiser has discretion to accept additional athletes above the quota. This has to be announced in the official invitation.

## NAC 11.4 Foreign Nations Entries

Must be submitted by the deadline outlined in CoC rule 2.2.1 using the official FIS Entry Form.

Foreign Nation Entries will be confirmed upon payment receipt.

NAC 11.4.1 If the demand for foreign quota spots exceeds the stated quota of 20, each Foreign Nation will receive 1 spot per gender. Any remaining foreign quota spots (up to 20 counting both genders) will be given to competitors in order of highest to lowest rank according to the current FIS points list.

Any remaining spots not taken by one gender can be transferred to the other gender – based on approval from the OC.

## NAC 12 Snowboard Alpine Section

#### NAC 12.1 Quotas

Nation	Parallel		
	Women	Men	
Canada	15	15	
USA	15	15	
Host Nation	Up to remaining total	Up to remaining total field	
	field size	size	
Foreign Nations	20 - Max of 10 per nation, with a max of 6 per gender		
Totals	Max field size determined by each event		

In addition the top 16 competitors in the current FIS points list (each event) will receive a personal spot.

## NAC 12.2 Foreign Nations Entries

Must be submitted by the deadline outlined in CoC rule 2.2.1 using the official FIS Entry Form.

Foreign Nation Entries will be confirmed upon payment receipt.

NAC 12.2.1 If the demand for foreign quota spots exceeds the stated quota of 20, each Foreign Nation will receive 1 spot per gender. Any remaining foreign quota spots (up to 20 counting both genders) will be given to competitors in order of highest to lowest rank according to the current FIS points list.

Any remaining spots not taken by one gender can be transferred to the other gender – based on approval from the OC.

#### Section B2

## Rules Specific to South American Cup (SAC)

## SAC 1 Payment of Expenses

## SAC 1.1 Expenses for the FIS Technical Advisor/Coordinator

Accommodation and meals for the FIS Technical Advisor/Coordinator are to be covered by the Organisers for the duration of their assignment (on site).

#### SAC 1.2 Expenses for FIS Officials

Expenses for the Technical Delegate, FIS CoC-Coordinator and the Halfpipe/Big Air/Slopestyle Judges have to be paid according to the current FIS regulations.

#### SAC. 2 Accommodation

The maximum amount for athletes and officials for half board is CHF 90.

## SAC. 3 Entries, Prize Money

A reasonable entry fee may be required that would include lift access and event hospitality. There is no mandatory prize money.

## SAC 4 Lift Tickets and Priority

Competitors and officials are entitled to tickets, which permit them to use the uphill transport for the training and competition courses without payment for all competition days.

During training and racing, priority should be given to the competitors, coaches and officials on the appropriate ski lifts if necessary.

#### SAC 5 Snowboard / Ski Rooms

The Organisers are responsible for making adequate snowboard/ski preparation and storage facilities available to all Nations. They must be both heated and secure.

This responsibility is met by provision of facilities per Nation; Organisers are not required to provide facilities per company or per regional/national team. (Recommended snowboard/ski room size to accommodate 6-8 athletes and 1-2 servicemen).

## SAC 6 Quotas

#### SAC 6.1 Basic Quota

Each nation is entitled to a basic quota of 8 (max. 5 per gender). In addition the top 16 competitors in the current FIS points list (each event) will receive a personal spot.

#### SAC. 6.2 Additional Quotas

Each Nation (ARG-BRA-CHI) may enter up to 20 men and 20 women in each competition organised in the other nation. All competitors must hold a current FIS license.

## SAC. 6.3 Organising Nation

The Organising Nation may enter a basic quota of 30 men and 30 women: In addition they are entitled to any of the 20 and 20 places the other South American nation's do not fill. The Host Nation may, with approval of the Organising Committee, allow a visiting Nation to use any of the unfilled places. All competitors must hold a current FIS license.

## SAC. 6.4 Additional Quotas for off Continent Visiting Nations

Off Continent National Federations applying for Additional Quotas, limited to a maximum of double the Basic Quota should apply in writing, accompanying the official entry form. This request should be made at least 10 days prior to the competition. A decision will be made by the Organising Committee five days prior to the competition.

## SAC 7 Cup Titles

#### SAC 7.1 South American CoC Events Title

For each Event title, all valid results that a competitor has achieved in the related Event will be counted (must be from the host continent). In case of a tie, the competitor with more 1st places will be placed 1st. If they are still tied the same procedure will be used, inspecting 2nd, 3rd etc. places. If they are still tied they remain tied.

## SAC. 7.2 South American CoC Nations Cup Title

The Nations Cup Title will be won by the Nation which has achieved the highest number of valid points during the SAC / CoC Series in all Events, adding all the valid points for women and men.

## Section B3

## Rules Specific to Asia Cup (AC)

## AC 1 Expenses for FIS Officials

Expenses for the Technical Delegate, FIS CoC-Coordinator and the Judges have to be paid according to the current FIS regulations.

## AC 2 Event Fees, Prize Money, Event-Hospitality

The Organising Committee is allowed to charge an event fee per training and event-day – this must include entry fee, lift pass and event-hospitality. If they charge an event fee, the amount and the payment procedure must be included in the official invitation.

There is no mandatory prize money.

#### AC 2.1 Refunds

Event fees must be refunded in the case of cancellation or postponement of the event or if the entry is withdrawn by the entry deadline.

#### AC 3 Quota

#### AC 3.1 Asian Nations

China, Japan and Korea may enter up to 20 competitors (Maximum 15 per gender) in events organised in the other nation. Other nations who are members of the Asian Ski Federation can enter up to 10 competitors.

All competitors must hold a current FIS license.

#### AC 3.2 Organising Nation

Additional 50 (total women and men / maximum 30 per gender) / Host Nation per event

In addition they are entitled to any of the higher quota (per AC 2.3.1) that the other nations do not fill. On prior agreement between the nations the host organiser may allow the other countries to use some of their organising nation's places.

## AC 3.3 Nations outside Asia

Each nation outside Asia is entitled to a basic quota of 8 (max. 5 per gender).

The Organiser has discretion to accept additional athletes above the quota. This has to be announced in the official invitation.

#### AC 3.4 Minimum Points Requirement

The minimum requirement to participate in Asia Cup Competitions is:

## Freeski Big Air & Slopestyle:

No minimum points required.

#### **Snowboard Big Air & Slopestyle:**

No minimum points required.

#### **Ski Cross:**

No minimum points required.

#### **Snowboard Cross:**

No minimum points required.

## Aerials, Moguls/Dual Moguls:

No minimum points required.

## AC 4 Calculation of AC Cup Standing

All completed and valid Asia Cup results will count for the CoC titles. Except for the SS and BA combined title where a maximum of 2 best AC SS points results and the best BA result are taken into consideration.

In case there are only 2 competitions held per event it has to be on 2 different venues.

In case of a tie, the competitor with more 1st places in the respective AC event\* will be placed 1st. If they are still tied the same procedure will be used, inspecting 2nd, 3rd etc. places. If they are still tied they remain tied.

\*SS/BA are considered the same event

## Rules Specific to Australian New Zealand Cup (ANC)

#### ANC 1 Payment of expenses/Support for Teams

Expenses for FIS Officials

Expenses for the Technical Delegate, FIS-CoC-Coordinator and the Judges have to be paid according to the current FIS regulations.

## ANC 2 Event Fees, Prize Money, Event-Hospitality

The Organising Committee is allowed to charge an event fee per training and event-day – this must include entry fee, lift pass and event-hospitality. If they charge an event fee, the amount and the payment procedure must be included in the official invitation.

There is no mandatory prize money.

#### ANC 2.1 Refunds

Event fees must be refunded in the case of cancellation or postponement of the event or if the entry is withdrawn by the entry deadline.

#### ANC 3 Quotas

#### ANC 3.1 Basic Quotas

Australia and New Zealand may enter up to 40 men and 20 women in each competition organised in the other nation.

All competitors must hold a current FIS license.

Maximum 10 (total women and men / maximum 8 per gender)

The Organiser has discretion to accept additional athletes above the quota. This has to be announced in the official invitation.

## ANC 3.2 Organising Nation

The Organising Nation may enter a basic quota up to 80 men and 40 women in each event.

In addition they are entitled to any of the higher quota (per ANC 2.3.1) that the other nations do not fill. On prior agreement between the nations the host organiser may allow the other countries to use some of their organising nation's places.

## ANC 4 ANC Cup Standing

All events included in the category will count for the ANC Cup ranking. Except for the SS and BA combined title where a maximum of 2 best ANC SS points results and the best BA result are taken into consideration.

In case of a tie, the competitor with more 1st places in the respective AC event\* will be placed 1st. If they are still tied the same procedure will be used, inspecting 2nd, 3rd etc. places. If they are still tied they remain tied.

\*SS/BA are considered the same event

#### **Section C**

## **Book of Duties for Organisers of Continental Cup Events**

## A. Publicity

#### A.1 Event Title

The Organisers are obliged to put the designation:

FIS European/NorAm/Asia/South American/Australia New Zealand Cup' **or** 'FIS European/NorAm/Asia/South American/Australia New Zealand Cup - Trophy (sponsor's name) in all posters, notices, press reports, programmes and start lists as well as on the unofficial results lists.

## A.2 Other Advertising

No information other than the event title (named in A.1) and the name and place of the event shall appear on the finishing banner without the prior permission of FIS.

#### A.3 FIS Logo

The FIS logo must appear on all event related material (section A.1).

#### B. Information

#### B.1 Invitation

The official invitation must contain the information specified in ICR Rules 213 and 2002.3.

#### **B.2** Results Distribution

The results must be published promptly after each Competition in accordance with ICR Rules 2002.4, 2004.7, 3701, 5701, 6701, 4015, 4211 and 4310.

## B.2.1 Timing and Data

The Organiser must provide a Timing and Data System which is able to fulfill the following requirements: use existing FIS Points Lists and CoC Standing Lists; provide the possibility to calculate start lists, results from all phases of the competition including final results, CoC points and FIS points achieved.

#### B.3 E-mail / Electronic Transmission

Immediately after approval by the Technical Delegate, Organisers must transmit official results and penalty calculation by e-mail to <a href="https://hostettler@fis-ski.com">hostettler@fis-ski.com</a> so be transmitted electronically and in **FIS format (xml)** to: results@fisski.com.

## B.4 Details for Results Distribution

#### **All Continental Cups:**

FIS Office Tel: +41 33 244 61 61
Kathrin Hostettler e-mail: hostettler@fis-ski.com

#### B.5 Duty of the Organiser

The Organiser must forward results and any relevant information by e-mail to the person(s) listed in B.4 for the respective Continental Cup directly after each competition.

#### C. Media Service

The press service should adhere to the FIS Media Services Guidelines

The organiser of a FIS Continental 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 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.

At a minimum the Organiser should provide all accredited journalists and photographers with an indoor working space equipped with basic technology (wifi, electrical outlets, etc.) necessary for journalists to successfully cover a competition.

#### C.1 Public Draw

A public draw of start numbers for the top group may be organised for one of the competitions if there is television coverage of the public draw or there is sufficient public interest to justify it.

## D Warm-up Courses / Forerunners

Refer to ICR Rules 5104 and 6016.

#### D.1 Forerunners

Refer to ICR Rule 2012.

## E. Pre-event Control of Snow Conditions on the Competition Courses

Instructions

Refer to CoC Rule 3.1.

#### F. Medical Service

The Organiser is responsible for providing a Chief of Medical and Rescue Services according to the FIS Medical Guide and ICR 221.6, who must provide medical services as mentioned in the FIS Medical Guide.

#### G. Accreditation

Please refer to ICR 220.

#### H. Payment of Expenses to FIS appointed Officials.

Please refer to ICR 2006.2, 2006.3 and 2006.4.

#### I. General

The ICR, the Continental Cup Rules Section A and Section B Continental Cup and other complementary directives must be strictly followed.

Other matters relating to the competition rules which do not have specific precisions in the Continental Cup Rules Section A or Section B, are otherwise covered in the FIS International Competition Rules (ICR).