

Rules for FIS – UNI Competitions (Edition 2023)

These rules were adopted in 1983 both by the Executive Committee of FISU (Fédération Internationale du Sport Universitaire) in Sofia and by the FIS Congress in Sydney.

They were completed during the years 1984 to 1988, 1989 to 1992 and ratified by the FIS Congress in Budapest (1992). Further completions followed in 1993 (Bled), 1996 (Christchurch) and 2008 (Cape Town). The last edition was ratified by the FIS Council in 2014. Further adaptations were accepted by the FIS Sub Committee for University Racers in 2015 and 2016. Update in 2017 concerning age limit of Students Athletes and new naming of Winter Universiade in 2021.

The FIS Sub Committee for University Racers is responsible for the observance of the FIS-UNI Rules.

1. Definition

Alpine University Ski competitions are subject to the regulations of FIS and FISU.

The following alpine University Ski competitions are organised:

- FISU World University Games (former Winter Universiade)
- FIS-UNI competitions

2. Participation

- 2.1 The above mentioned competitions are open to all University Students (ladies and men) according to the FISU qualification rules.
- 2.2 The qualification University Student (to be controlled by the jury and / or the TD FISU) as well as the age determine the eligibility (to refer to the FISU WUG regulations in general).
 - 2.2.1 For the FIS-UNI Races the competitor must be older than 16 years and less than 25 years old (FISU upper age limit for all competitions).
 - 2.2.2 For the FISU World University Games the competitor must be at least 17 and no older than 25 years (age range specified in the FISU WUG regulations and entry forms for the concerned event).
- 2.3 In FIS-UNI competitions each organising National Ski Association is allowed to participate with the ground FIS quota of competitors (men and ladies). In this ground quota all the students and non-students are included. If the maximum number of participants (140 men or ladies) is not reached, the organizing National Ski Association can fill up the starting list with own students or non-students up to the maximum of allowed 140 participants.
- 2.4 All participating National Ski Associations have a quota of **maximum twelve (12) ladies and men**, however a **maximum of four (4) ladies and four (4) men** are accepted **without the status of a student** within the quota.
- 2.5 These exception to the rules of exclusiveness of University Ski Sports teams from desire to have a close relationship to the National Ski Associations.

3. Homologation

If FIS points are to be awarded, FISU World University Games and alpine FIS-UNI competitions must be organised according to the FIS Rules (ICR). Therefore, the competition will only be accepted if the following conditions are met:

- 3.1 The competitions must be announced by the National Ski Association within the deadlines prescribed in order to be listed in the international calendar of FIS events.
- 3.2 The competitions must be organised on courses with valid homologation by FIS.
- 3.3 The execution of the FIS-UNI competitions must be controlled by a TD-FIS, appointed by FIS.
- 3.4 The FIS-Point penalty were calculated in order the rules for FIS points. For the FISU World University Games the penalty for Continental Cup (COC) applies.
- 3.5 The most important provisions of the most recent ICR must be observed, in particular:
 - Determination concerning the qualification, the obligations, and the rights for athletes (ICR art. 204/205)
 - Insurance and Responsibility (ICR art. 212)
 - Publication of the program 3 weeks before the event by the organizer (ICR art. 213/214)
 - Entries of participants (ICR art. 215)
 - Publication of official results (ICR art. 218)
 - Medical Services and Doping Control (ICR art. 221)
 - Competition Equipment (ICR art. 222)
 - Appointment of the Jury (ICR art. 601.4)
 - Technical dates for alpine events (ICR - checklist)

4. Deviations from FIS-Rules (ICR)

4.1 Quotas

In all alpine FIS-UNI races the maximum number of participants is 140. For all nations the quota is 12 participants for each gender and event. The organising National Ski Association may fill to the maximum of 140 competitors with his own competitors.

For FIS-UNI races in North America (USA/CAN) the following special quota applies:

In USA FIS-UNI races **CAN and NOR** (due to many Norwegian Students in North America) have a **quota of 20 participants** for each gender and event, however a maximum of four (4) ladies and four (4) men are accepted without the status of a student within the quota. Same rule for FIS-UNI races in CAN for USA and NOR.

For all FIS UNI races organized in countries with **special "Country Groups"** the **quota is 30** in events organised in one of the bordering countries.

4.2 Draw

4.2.1 The starting order for all competitors (ladies and men) is determined by the last valid FIS point list. The first group of 15 competitors will be drawn (ICR art. 621.3).

4.2.2 *The following rule is only valid for **European FIS-UNI races**:*

A competitor who has accumulated during the past season in the general classification a certain number of points (fixed by FIS-UNI Committee each year), can start as number 16 in all events, unless he has right to start in the first group.

These points can be accumulated in all FIS-UNI races in Europe.

In case of several competitors within this rule the starting order up from 16 is determined by their FIS points. This rule applies to a maximum of 5 competitors in each event.

4.2.3 *The following rule is only valid for **FIS UNI races in USA**:*

The first group (1-15) will be determined on the basis of respective FIS-UNI Start List points. There are two separate USA FIS-UNI Start Lists, one in the Eastern USA and one in the Western USA. If there are not 15 competitors with respective FIS-UNI Start List points, then the first group comprises only the competitors with respective FIS-UNI Start List points.

The first group in GS and SL is sub-divided into two groups (1-7 and 8-15). The start numbers are drawn by double-draw from within these groups.

The five competitors with best FIS points in that event, who are entered, shall start after the first group, unless they are within one of the two above mentioned groups (1-7 or 8-15). The next 15 competitors start according to the respective USA FIS-UNI Start List event standing.

Validity of the USA FIS-UNI Start List points:

The final event ranking in the respective USA FIS-UNI Start List is used as race result with validity for the next season. The first ranked has 100 points, the 30th ranked has 1 point. This ranking determined the first 30 competitors for the first race of the season. For the first race, if there are not 30 competitors present who appear on the basic list, the missing places will be filled up by continuation of the previous season's final event standings. The respective USA FIS-UNI Start List points achieved from the first race onwards in each event will be added to the basic list to determine the new ranking.

Validity of the Basic list

After the second race in that event in the current season the basic list will be deleted.

The start field will be comprised (according to the FIS-UNI rules) by colligate and non-colligate competitors up to 140 starters with respective National Quota rule.

4.2.4 For downhill competitions these competitors will be set only once (not for each training).

4.2.5 In downhill the starting order of competitors without FIS points shall be determined every day according to their time in the last training run.

4.3 **TD-FIS**

4.3.1 The TD-FIS has the duty to control and to supervise the differences to the FIS rules (ICR) and to work close together with the TD-FIS.

In addition to these remarks the TD-FIS has the following duties:

- Control the quotas according to the FIS-UNI rules and the university qualification if necessary.
- To send the TD-report to the Chairman of the FIS Sub Committee for University Racers in case of any concerns to the FIS-UNI rules.

4.4 **FISU World University Games**

4.4.1 *Members of Jury*

In accordance to ICR Rules (601.4) for all events (men and ladies) the Jury must be nominated with the following members:

- TD-FIS (one for men and one for ladies nominated by FIS).
- TD-FISU (nominated by FISU) takes the function of Referee,
- Assistant Referee (only for speed events) proposed by FISU and nominated by the TD-FIS.
- Chief of Race (nominated by Organising Committee).
- The second nominated TD-FIS could be proposed to act as Start Referee or Finish Referee.

All Jury members must be able to communicate with the local Organising Committee and with all Jury members by radio during the competitions (ICR 601.4.1.5) in one and the same FIS language.

4.4.2 *Connecting Coach*

The Jury has the right to nominate a Connection Coach at the Teams Captains meeting who will work together with the jury and the other coaches, but will not be Jury member.

4.4.3 *Draw*

The board and the draw shall be prepared according to the most recent ICR.

4.4.4 *Quotas*

The quotas for all events are specified in the FISU WUG regulations.



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