

Mixed Team Parallel Rules at the World Cup, FIS Alpine World Ski Championships and Olympic Winter Games

1. Type of Event
 - The race will be conducted as a parallel event.
 - GS gates and panels will be used
2. Eligibility of the Teams
 - Maximum number of nations allowed to participate at the World Cup Mixed Team Parallel is 16. (See art. 9.2.3 of the Rules for the organization of the FIS World Championships and special rules for Olympic Winter Games).
 - The best 16 nations on the overall World Cup Nations Cup standing after the last World Cup race, prior to the event, are qualified.
 - The total team size per Nation is limited to a maximum of 6 competitors; at least 2 competitors from one gender.
 - A competitor can only start in a heat once.
 - The final entries for the Mixed Team Parallel (without names) must be done within 24 hours after the last scheduled World Cup race (Women or Men) has finished, prior to the event.
 - Confirmation of the entries including names of the competitors must be submitted within 3 hours prior to the Team Captains' meeting for the Mixed Team Parallel.
3. Seeding of the Teams
 - 16 Nations will form 8 heats
 - Bracket list will be arranged as follows:
 - Heat 1: Nation 1-16
 - Heat 2: Nation 8-9
 - Heat 3: Nation 5-12
 - Heat 4: Nation 4-13
 - Heat 5: Nation 3-14
 - Heat 6: Nation 6-11
 - Heat 7: Nation 7-10
 - Heat 8: Nation 2-15
 - In case of only 8 Teams, the bracket list will be arranged as follows:
 - Heat 1: Nation 1-8
 - Heat 2: Nation 5-4
 - Heat 3: Nation 3-6
 - Heat 4: Nation 7-2
 - The best nation, according to the current Nations' Cup standing, will receive bib number 1 and the last nation will receive bib number 16. If two or more teams have the same World Cup Nations' Cup points, a calculation will be made by adding the PWSL (Parallel World Seeding List) ranks of the best woman and best man (or second best woman and man in case of tie) entered for the Mixed Team Parallel. The lowest result will be ranked first.
 - Women will receive bibs from 1 to 4 and Men from 5 to 8, in alphabetical order.

- If a heat is incomplete (for instance only 10 nations at start), the best Nation(s) present will automatically qualify for the next round (a bye).

4. Running the Competition

- Parallel Event (ICR 1220 - 1234)
- Each individual leg between two opponents consists of one run.
- The start order will be as follow:
 - “Course red” Nation 1 W1 against “Course blue” Nation 16 W1
 - “Course red” Nation 16 M1 against “Course blue Nation 1 M1
 - “Course red” Nation 16 W2 against “Course blue Nation 1 W2
 - “Course red” Nation 1 M2 against “Course blue Nation 16 M2

The blue course will be located on the skier’s right.

Team captains must announce the names of the competitors for the first round 10 minutes prior to the start, for all other rounds according to the race program. The lower ranked nation always announces first.

5. Points Scoring

- The winner of each individual leg scores 1 point for his/her nation.
- In case of a tie of an individual leg, both nations are awarded 1 point.
- If there is a tie at the end of the heat (example 2:2) the nation with the lowest combined time of the best individual woman and the best individual man (or second best in case of a tie for the best time) will win the heat.
- If the teams cannot be separated by combined times, the team with the fastest single time is the winner. If the teams cannot be separated by fastest time, the nation with the better ranking on the board is the winner.
- If the teams cannot be separated by fastest time in the Big Final or Small Final, the teams will share the same rank, but will be ordered by descending bib number.
- Reasons for disqualifications (immediate and without protest):
 - False start
 - Changing from one course to another
 - Interfering with an opponent, accidentally or not
 - Not passing through a gate correctly (ICR art. 661.4.2)
 - Stepping back (ICR art. 614.2.3)
- If both competitors fail to finish, the competitor who completed the most gates will be the leg winner.

6. Awards (*FIS Alpine World Ski Championships see art 15.2.1 Rules for the Organisation of FIS World Championships; World Cup see art. 6 World Cup Rules*)

- 1st ranked NSA 40%
- 2nd ranked NSA 30%
- 3rd ranked NSA 20%
- fastest run women 5%
- fastest run men 5%

- From the top 3 Nations
 - 80% goes to the participating competitors
 - 20% goes to the NSA

7. Scoring points

Final ranking for teams losing in the 1/4 Finals and 1/8 Finals will be based on the following criteria

- Phase reached
- Points scored in last phase reached
- If there is a tie (example 2:2) the nation with the lowest combined time of the best individual woman and the best individual man (or second best in case of a tie for the best time)
- Team with the fastest single time
- Team with the lowest starting bib

8. World Cup points (only for World Cup events)

World Cup points will be distributed to the ranked nations as follows:

➤ Women (same for Men)		
➤ 1 st	200	9 th 58
➤ 2 nd	160	10 th 52
➤ 3 rd	120	11 th 48
➤ 4 th	100	12 th 44
➤ 5 th	90	13 th 40
➤ 6 th	80	14 th 36
➤ 7 th	72	15 th 32
➤ 8 th	64	16 th 30

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