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A. WORLD CUP
B. Junior Cup**

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A. WC Rules

1. Organisation

Jury according to Art. 603.4 ICR

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 Organizing Committee
- the Chief Race Director as Referee, appointed by the FIS

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.

2. Setting the course

2.1 Sprint downhill

Coach named by the Race Director at the meeting of MF builds the track of sprint downhill after consulting this with the named assistant of the referee.

The control and approval is carried out by the Jury.

2.2 Super-G, Giant Slalom, Slalom, Super Combined, Parallel competitions and combined competitions

The course is set by the coaches who are appointed by the Jury at the Team Captain's meeting. The Super-G course setter sets the course in conjunction with the Assistant Referee.

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 Ladies and men's events

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

3.2 Basic quota

For races of the FIS WC 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:

Ladies: 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 and must sign a “proclamation of a competitor”.

Sprint downhill

Minimum requests: Ladies with max. 100 and Men with max. 120 FIS points in the particular events of the valid FIS point list.

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

(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 Limitation Slalom / Giant Slalom / Super Combined

Limitations for the final rounds (Slalom/Giant Slalom/ Super Combined)

Ladies:

First fifteen (15) competitors

Men:

First thirty (30) competitors

- 3.5.1 Super-Combined

All competitors who are ranked in the Super-G have the right to start in the Final run.

3.6 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 his inspections whether alternatives are acceptable.

4.3 Hotel expenses

Hotel expenses for full board must not exceed CHF 75. -
If the regular hotel price at the location is less than CHF 75.-, it not permitted to exceed it.

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 Ladies 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 7500.- CHF as prize money for a competition with three events. For the Combined, no prize money will be provided.
Exception: Super Combined

Prize for:	Ladies:	Men:	Total
- one event	Fr. 835.00	Fr. 1665.00	Fr. 2'500.00
- two events	Fr. 1'670.00	Fr. 3'330.00	Fr. 5'000.00
- three events	Fr. 2'505.00	Fr. 4'995.00	Fr. 7'500.00

6.1.1 Conditions of payment

If there are less than 5 Ladies 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 Ladies 1. – 5. and Men 1 – 10 must be communicated to the Race Director.

Example:

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

Ladies:

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
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World Cup: place: Example date: xx.xx.xx discipline: 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
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6.2.2 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 Alpine ICR Art. 604.5.

6.2.2.1 Inspections

Necessary inspections of the Race Director will be charged to the Organiser. (Alpine ICR Art. 650.6.1)

Per day of travel CHF 80.-- will be charged.

- Train Journey 1st Class,
- Kilometre money by car CHF --.70/km
- Flight ticket economy class.

7. Insurance

With reference to Art. 212 of the ICR.

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) 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 SL, GS, SC, Sprint- DH

9.1.1 The best 10 Ladies / 15 Men

Ladies:

The best 10 competitors present start according to the current FIS point list of the respective event

Men:

The best 15 competitors present start according to the current FIS point list of the respective event

9.1.2 Start order after the best 10th Ladies and 15th man

Competitors start according to the current FIS point list of the particular event (IWO art. 621).

9.1.3 Start order of the final round (WC)

Ladies:

Best 15 in reverse order.

Men:

Best 30 in reverse order.

9.1.3.1 Super Combined

Start order 2nd competition

Ladies and Men

In reverse order according to the classification of the first competition.

FIS points

See ICR Art. 806.1.2.5, 906.2.6 and 1006.5

9.1.4.1 A ranking list with all classified competitors will be made after the first run. For the calculation of the FIS points, the results of the first run is important.

9.1.4.2 Super Combined

All classified competitors who have finished both events receive FIS Super Combined points

9.2 Leader bib

The World Cup leader in the corresponding discipline starts with the green leader bib, which may be different than specified in Art. 606.1 (ICR).

10. Points distribution

Schedule

The 30 best ranked Ladies and Men (individual disciplines and combined) are awarded points in accordance with the following schedule:

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	28	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 for 15 Ladies and 30 for Men, 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 overall classification is determined for Ladies and Men on the basis of all achieved results (WC points) including Combined.

11.1.1.1 FIS Cup points

For the overall standings all athletes who obtained FIS Cup points in FIS races and who are gaining at least one result in one event in the FIS World Cup, will receive the FIS Cup points added to the WC points.

11.1.1.2 Points distribution

Ladies and Men:

The 30 best ranked athletes (individual and combined) receive points according to the following scale:

1st	rank	30 points
2nd	rank	29 points
3rd	rank	28 points
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30th	rank	1 point

11.1.1.3 Ranking list

To the thereof resulting ranking list, points will be awarded according to the following scale and added to the World Cup points (no allocation at individual events, only at the Final competitions)

Tabelle:

1st	Rang	300	Punkte	46th	Rang	4	Punkte
2nd	Rang	280	Punkte	47th	Rang	4	Punkte
3rd	Rang	260	Punkte	48th	Rang	43	Punkte
4th	Rang	240	Punkte	49th	Rang	42	Punkte
5th	Rang	220	Punkte	50th	Rang	41	Punkte
6th	Rang	200	Punkte	51st	Rang	40	Punkte
7th	Rang	180	Punkte	52nd	Rang	39	Punkte
8th	Rang	170	Punkte	53th	Rang	38	Punkte
9th	Rang	160	Punkte	54th	Rang	37	Punkte
10th	Rang	150	Punkte	55th	Rang	36	Punkte
11th	Rang	145	Punkte	56th	Rang	35	Punkte
12th	Rang	140	Punkte	57th	Rang	34	Punkte
13th	Rang	135	Punkte	58th	Rang	33	Punkte
14th	Rang	130	Punkte	59th	Rang	32	Punkte
15th	Rang	125	Punkte	60th	Rang	31	Punkte
16th	Rang	120	Punkte	61st	Rang	30	Punkte
17th	Rang	116	Punkte	62nd	Rang	29	Punkte
18th	Rang	112	Punkte	63th	Rang	28	Punkte
19th	Rang	108	Punkte	64th	Rang	27	Punkte
20th	Rang	104	Punkte	65th	Rang	26	Punkte
21st	Rang	100	Punkte	66th	Rang	25	Punkte
22nd	Rang	96	Punkte	67th	Rang	24	Punkte
23rd	Rang	92	Punkte	68th	Rang	23	Punkte
24th	Rang	89	Punkte	69th	Rang	22	Punkte
25th	Rang	86	Punkte	70th	Rang	21	Punkte
26th	Rang	83	Punkte	71st	Rang	20	Punkte
27th	Rang	80	Punkte	72nd	Rang	19	Punkte

28th	Rang	77	Punkte	73th	Rang	18	Punkte
29th	Rang	74	Punkte	74 th	Rang	17	Punkte
30th	Rang	72	Punkte	75th	Rang	16	Punkte
31st	Rang	70	Punkte	76th	Rang	15	Punkte
32nd	Rang	68	Punkte	77th	Rang	14	Punkte
33rd	Rang	66	Punkte	78th	Rang	13	Punkte
34th	Rang	64	Punkte	79th	Rang	12	Punkte
35th	Rang	62	Punkte	80th	Rang	11	Punkte
36th	Rang	60	Punkte	81st	Rang	10	Punkte
37th	Rang	58	Punkte	82nd	Rang	9	Punkte
38th	Rang	56	Punkte	83th	Rang	8	Punkte
39th	Rang	54	Punkte	84th	Rang	7	Punkte
40th	Rang	52	Punkte	85th	Rang	6	Punkte
41st	Rang	50	Punkte	86th	Rang	5	Punkte
42nd	Rang	49	Punkte	87th	Rang	4	Punkte
43th	Rang	48	Punkte	88th	Rang	3	Punkte
44th	Rang	47	Punkte	89th	Rang	2	Punkte
45th	Rang	46	Punkte	90th	Rang	1	Punkte

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 Ladies and men

The formula will be the same for ladies 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 at the end of all the events, a number of competitors are placed equally within the top six (6) positions in the overall classification, or, if in the classification of the disciplines a number of participants have achieved an equal number of points, then they shall be placed according to the number of their 1st places, then their 2nd places, 3rd places, etc.

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".

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 FIS World Cup medals.

- 12.2.1 Individual competitions
A ranking list of all individual competitions is produced.
- 12.2.2 Diploma
The 1st, 2nd and 3rd ranked competitors in the individual competitions receive a diploma.
- 12.2.3 Ranking
If two athletes have achieved the same WC points, the athlete with the better single results of the respective competitions will be ranked first.

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 ladies) in the nations classification.

12.4 Provision of awards

The trophies and medals will be provided by FIS.

13. World Cup courses

13.1 Access rights

Accreditations must be handed out to the teams according to Art. 606 of the ICR. 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 five (5) 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 disciplines and courses. 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 decide.

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 15st to September 30th.

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-fulfillment 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

17.2.1 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.

23.1 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 Grasski WC competitions (Race Director as a referee – art. 1 of WC Grasski rules and art. 603.4.9 ICR)

I. Fundamental questions

1. With the recognition of these regulations valid for Grasski WC, 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 WC 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. His decision is obligatory. The Race Director can not 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 WC is therefore dual:

Race Director takes over the duties of the referee, which he was appointed to on the basis of the ICR,
he also takes over the duties of the Technical Delegate, which would be appointed to him on the basis of the ICR, but limited on to the technical section (as a referee he is also the chairman of JURY).
For sprint downhill and Super-G WC regulations the Race Director has also the duties of the referee. He then decides 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 WC 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 him, for instance the inspection of homologation files, inquires 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.

The German original was used for this translation.

B. Junior Cup Rules

1. Organisation

According to the ICR and WC rules. These rules apply for both Ladies and Men.

2. Events

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

3. Competitions

- FIS races
- FIS Junior World Ski Championships

4. Valuation

According to the World Cup points scale:

Ladies and Men

1. rank	100 points
2. rank	80 points
3. rank	60 points

5. Terms of participation

Ladies and Men

Year of birth: Juniors ladies and men according ICR Art. 607.3

6. Prizes

6.1 Medals

The first three (3) competitors in the overall ranking receive souvenir medals.

6.2 Diploma

Ladies: Rank	1 – 6
Men: Rank	1 – 10

6.3 Ranking

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

7. Leader bib

The leader of the FIS Grasski Junior Cup wears the red leader bib.