



PRECISIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS SNOWBOARD

EDITION 2010/2011

PRECISIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE 2010/2011 (October 2010)

- National Ski Associations
 - Organisers of all Snowboard events listed in the FIS Calendar
 - Technical Delegates according to their assignment
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Precision's to the FIS International Snowboard Competition Rules (ICR) Cape Town (RSA) Edition 2008

2001.3.6 *Chief of Pipe/Slopestyle*

The Chief of Pipe/[Slopestyle](#) is responsible for the construction and preparation in accordance with the FIS Halfpipe/[Slopestyle](#) specifications of the Halfpipe site before and during the competition. He must be familiar with the local snow conditions and preferably be from the host resort.

In addition, the Chief of Pipe/[Slopestyle](#):

- Should be a member of the Organising Committee
- Is under the direction of the Jury and the FIS Race Director
- Must assure that the Halfpipe/[Slopestyle course](#) at all times during training and competition conforms with FIS Half–pipe/[Slopestyle](#) recommendations and specifications
- Oversees the building and construction of the Judges podium
- Provides for adequate accommodations (i.e. tables, chairs, partitions, heaters etc.) to fulfil the needed requirements on the Judges podium
- Supervise Halfpipe/[Slopestyle](#) training in the absence of the Head Judge and/or the TD
- Must attend all Halfpipe/[Slopestyle](#) Team Captains meetings
- Provide for sufficient food and refreshments etc. for the Judges as requested by the Head Judge.
- Must have experience in building and maintaining Halfpipe/[Slopestyle courses](#). FIS has the possibility to request the presence of a technical adviser appointed by FIS for the preparation and maintenance of the Halfpipe/[Slopestyle courses](#).

2004 The Jury

2004.1 The following members of the Jury, who are members of the organising committee, are responsible for technical matters within the closed competition areas (exception see WC- and CoC-rules):

2004.1.1 *Alpine events (PGS, PSL, SL, GS),*

- the Technical Delegate
- the Referee
- the Chief of Competition

- 2004.1.2 *Snowboard Cross*
- the Technical Delegate
 - the Chief of Finish
 - the Chief of Competition

- 2004.1.3 *Halfpipe, Slopestyle, Big Air and other judged events*
- the Technical Delegate
 - the Head Judge
 - the Chief of Competition or Chief of Pipe/[Slopestyle](#)

2004.1.4 *For Olympic Winter Games and FIS Snowboard World Championships in all events additional Jury members*

- [Start Referee](#)
- [Finish Referee](#)

For all Jury decisions the FIS professionals (FIS ~~Coordinator~~, Race Director) may act as an advisor (see also WC and CoC-rules).

2004.3 Appointment of the Jury for International Competitions (see also WC and CoC rules)

2004.4 Exclusions

- 2004.4.13.5 A competitor cannot be a member of the Jury.

2004.54 Tenure of the Jury

- 2004.5.41 The appointed Jury members gather for their first meeting prior to the first Team Captains meeting.

- 2004.5.42 The active duty of the Jury begins with its first meeting and ends, if no protest is submitted, at the expiration of the protest deadline, otherwise after dealing with all submitted protests.

2004.5 Voting and Franchise (see also FIS WC and CoC rules)

- 2004.5.1 The TD is chairman of the Jury. He conducts the meetings.

- 2004.5.2 Each of the following has one vote in the Jury
- the TD for all competitions
 - the chief of competition for all competitions
 - the chief of finish for Snowboard Cross events
 - the Head Judge for the Half pipe, Slopestyle and Big Air events
 - the Referee for all Alpine events
 - FIS Race Director for Snowboard Cross events

2004.5.2.1 *For Olympic Winter Games and FIS World Championships*
- *all Jury members*

2010.6 ~~Helmets: in all Snowboard Events – all competitors and forerunners must wear approved helmets manufactured for snowboarding/ or ski racing allowing clear vision during all inspections, training and competition sessions and participation.~~

The use of crash helmets is compulsory for all snowboard events. Helmets used in FIS Snowboard events shall be specifically designed and manufactured for the respective discipline and shall bear a CE mark and conform to recognized and appropriate standards such as CEE 1077 or US 2040, ASTM 2040.

2011 Age Limits

2011.1 Competition and Calendar Year Definitions

The FIS competition year is July 1st – June 30th of the following year. The Calendar year is January 1st – December 31st.

2011.2 Halfpipe and Slopestyle Age Limits

In order to compete in international Halfpipe and Slopestyle competitions, a competitor must have reached the 13th birthday before the end of the calendar year. To compete in Major competitions, a competitor must have reached the 15th birthday before the end of the calendar year.

2011.3 Parallel, Snowboard Cross and Big Air Age Limits

In order to compete in international and Major Parallel, Snowboard Cross and Big Air competitions, a competitor must have reached the 15th birthday before the end of the calendar year.

2011.4 Major Events

Major competitions are defined as: World Cup, World Championships and Olympic Winter Games.

In order to compete in all Major competitions, a competitor must have reached the 15th birthday before the end of the calendar year.

2011.5 Age for International Juniors

The minimum ages' for Halfpipe and Slopestyle are according to 2011.2 and for Parallel, Snowboard Cross and Big Air are according 2011.3. International junior competitions are restricted to those competitors whose 20th birthday falls in or after the calendar year in question. (see table for details)

2107 Competition Clothing

Slalom competition suits must be two piece – pants and separate top. Form fitting speed or downhill suits are not permitted. Non protruding body protection and padding is recommended. Protective equipment i.e. back protection must be worn on the body. No straps, fastening devices or other methods can be used to tighten the suit material closer to the body. Shin guards are excluded from this rule.

2207 Competition Clothing

Giant Slalom competition suits must be two piece – pants and separate top. Form fitting speed or downhill suits are not permitted. Non protruding body protection and padding is recommended. Protective equipment i.e. back protection must be worn on the body. No straps, fastening devices or other methods can be used to tighten the suit material closer to the body. Shin guards are excluded from this rule.

2504 The Courses

2504.3 — The first gate in each course must be placed no less than 8 m and no more than 10 m from the start.

2513 Competition Clothing

Parallel competition suits must be two piece – pants and separate top. Form fitting speed or downhill suits are not permitted. Non protruding body protection and padding is recommended. Protective equipment i.e. back protection must be worn on the body. No straps, fastening devices or other methods can be used to tighten the suit material closer to the body. Shin guards are excluded from this rule.

2514 Parallel Team Event

2515 Technical Data

The same rules apply for vertical drop, length/inclination, width and the use of gates as for a regular Parallel event (Rule 2502.1 – 2502.2)

2516 Courses

The same rules apply for general characteristics of the courses and course preparation as for a regular Parallel event (Rule 2502 – 2503)

2517 Course setting

The same rules apply for course setting as for a regular Parallel event (Rule 2504)

2518 Inspection

The same rules apply for course inspection as for a regular Parallel event (Rule 2509.3)

2519 Execution of a Parallel Team

2519.1 Qualification

The most current World Cup or COC Cup Standing List or FIS points list (whichever is higher) will be used to determine the participating nations teams. The list is cut off at the top 60 men and top 30 women in any case. The list is sorted by Nation and ranked highest to lowest within each nation. The points are combined for all nations pairs of athletes from top to bottom. The nations teams are ranked by points and teams are chosen for entry by moving down the list choosing the highest ranked team from each nation first, then starting at the top of the list again to choose the second (if any) ranked team from each nation, repeating as necessary, until 8 teams for women and 16 teams for men have been reached.

2519.2 Seeding

Teams will be ranked according to team points for purposes of seeding into standard World Cup Parallel brackets.

2519.3 Teams field

Once the nation teams qualification and seeding is determined, each nation can field any eligible athlete (*) into those teams, although each athlete is only eligible to compete on one team. Nations must declare which athletes will comprise each team at the seed meeting for the competition start. Nations determine by themselves which teammate will run 1st and 2nd. Similar to regular Parallel events the course is determined by each nation team seed. * Minimum requirements for WC are top 60 WC Standing List for men and top 30 WC Standing List for women. Furthermore all participants have to be entered as a part of their nations regular quota for Parallel.

2519.4 Competition

In a Parallel Team event the first competitor from each team wears a transponder on their front leg below the knee and above the ankle. The first competitors from each team will start with the traditional Parallel start cadence is given with both gates opening at the same time. As soon as these competitors leave the start the gates are closed and their teammates line up again. The courses will be switched for the 2nd teammate. (1st athlete goes on red, 2nd athlete has to go on blue) When the first competitor from a team crosses the finish line the transponder sends a signal to the start gate that opens just the individual start gate for their teammate. The first team who's 2nd teammate crosses the finish line will advance to the next round.

2519.5 Gate Judges

The same rules apply for the use of gate judges as like in a regular Parallel event (Rule 2705.5)

2519.6 **Competition Clothing**

The same rules apply for competition clothing as like in a regular Parallel event (Rule 2705.6)

2520 **Start**

The same rules apply for start ramp, start gates and start lanes as like in a regular Parallel event (Rule 2707.1-2707.2) as well as for start command, false start or malfunction of the start gate (Rule 2707.4-2707.5)

2521 **Protest**

The same rules apply for Protests as like in a regular Parallel event (Rule 2709-2709.2)

2522 **Did not start (DNS) in Parallel Finals**

If a competitor does not start in the eighth or quarter final, they will be automatically ranked in the 16th (eighth final) or 8th (quarter final) position. If two or more competitors do not start, the (DNS) competitors will be ranked on (15/16th) and (7th/8th) place according to their qualification times (and so on with three (3) or more DNS competitors). If a competitor does not start in the first run in the small or big final the other competitor must start only once.

2523 **Inspection of the courses**

The competitors are allowed a minimum of 10 minutes to inspect the parallel courses (qualification and finals). The method of inspection is determined by the Jury.

Competitors are not allowed to touch (hold) the gates during inspection.

First offense will be a warning sanction, second offense may result in a disqualification sanction from the competition.

2524 **Control of the Races**

The gate Judges are situated on both exterior sides of the courses. Each

gate judge may be supplied with a flag which corresponds to the color of

the course they are controlling (either blue or red). This flag is to be used

immediately to notify the Jury of a potential disqualification / sanction in his

section of the course. An official (judge) appointed by the Jury may be located approximately half way down the course with a yellow flag

where immediate judging of a gate judge's sanction / disqualification is done by

raising the yellow flag in the direction of the course where the disqualification has been indicated. The raising of the yellow flag

confirms the disqualification of the competitor.

2525 Disqualifications / Sanctions

2525.1 Causes for disqualifications are the following:

- false start (art. 2505.3)
- disturbing opponent, voluntarily or not
- incorrect gate passage
- turn not executed on the outside of a gate
- not finishing the run with at least one foot fixed to the board.

2525.1.1 The team which is disqualified or does not finish / abandons in the second run is eliminated.

2525.1.2 In case both teams do not finish, the competitor that passes the most gates:
first run: wins the first run, the gates will open for the second run according penalty time rule 2512
second run: advance to the next round

2526 Final Ranking according Parallel Events ranking 2509.2

Two run Parallel Final

2526.1 DNS, DSQ, DNF in SBX Team Finals

If a team does not start in the round of 16 or 8 they will be automatically be ranked in the 16th or 8th position. If two or more teams do not start, the DNS teams will be ranked 16/15th or 8/7th according to their seeding position and so on with 3 or more DNS teams. Order of placing DNF/DSQ (sports disqualification/sanctions) to be ranked first, DSQ (intentional contact, etc) to

2600 Halfpipe

2604.3.5 Number of Runs for Qualification and Finals

In special circumstances the jury can decide to execute qualification, semi-finals and / or finals in one run.

2604.4. Double-up Format (For FIS and COC level competitions – only for Qualification)

The Judges will be divided into two (2) different judging panels with one (1) Head Judge. Each of the two (2) panels will consist of 3 Judges. The Judges will judge the competition based upon an Overall Impression basis. The competition Format is the Heat System like described in 2604.7.

Competitors of all Heats are training and competing at the same time. Judge Panel one scores both runs from Heat 1/3, Judge Panel 2 scores both runs from Heat 2/4.

Qualifications: The starting field will be divided and grouped into two (2) heat sections for seeding.

~~Seeding will be done in the following manner: Competitors will be ranked according to their highest ranking on the current FIS Points List. Ties will be will be decided based upon a draw. Competitors will be ranked into two (2) heats, with even and odd ranking: Heat 1: Competitors ranked 1, 3, 5, 7 etc. Heat 2: Competitors ranked 2, 4, 6, 8 etc. Competitors will receive two (2) runs and each Judging panel will judge all competitors once. The combined score from each Judges panel will determine a competitors' total score. This total score will be used to rank all competitors in the qualification round.~~

~~Example: Scores for Competitor – Bib #1~~

<u>Run #1</u>	<u>Run #2</u>
Judges Panel 1.	Judges Panel 2.
Judge A – score – 7.0	Judge D – score – 5.0
Judge B – score – 6.5	Judge E – score – 5.5
Judge C – score – 7.0	Judge F – score – 6.0
1 st Run Score: 20.5	2 nd Run Score: 16.5
Total Qualifying Round Score for Bib #1 = 36.5	

Top ranked twenty (20) men and ten (10) ladies will advance to the final round.

2614 Halfpipe Judging

2614.8 Five Judges shall independently evaluate the competitor's performance based upon the Judges criteria. The high and low scores shall be discarded and the remaining three scores added together.

2617 Judging Criteria

2617.2 Deductions for falls will be as follows:

- ~~0.1–0.4~~1.0 Small mistakes including as: flat landings, deck landings, sliding, unstable body during landings, snow brakes and possible small/light hand touches and other instabilities.
- ~~0.5–0.9~~ Using hands for stability, hand drags.
- ~~1.0–1.5~~ Hard touchdowns and Minor falls, body contact with snow.
- ~~1.6–1.9~~ Complete falls without stop or interruption.
- ~~2.0~~ Any complete stop
- ~~1.1–2.0~~ Medium mistakes including stop full, extended hand drags, heavy hand touches, light butt checks and reverts.
- ~~2.1–3.0~~ Major mistakes including heavy butt checks, body checks and complete bails.

2705.2 Finals

2705.2.1 Finals are based on 48 men / 24 ladies / 6 riders per heat or 32 men / 16 ladies / 4 competitors per heat or such other numbers as determined

by the Jury. In special circumstances 64 men and/or 32 ladies are allowed.

2705.2.4 The competitors who do not advance in 1/8 finals heats will be grouped according to their placing in the heat and then ranked within that group according to their qualifying time.~~finished the heat 3rd and 4th will be ranked according to their qualification times in the respective group.~~ In any case a competitor who~~ich~~ has qualified for a certain group (1/8 final, 1/4 final, etc.) will remain in this group and be ranked there. For example: Once a competitor is qualified for top 16 they will remain for scoring purposes in the top 16 group.

2710 Final Ranking

2710.1 Six Person Format

Competitors 1 to 6 are ranked according to their place of finish in the final heat. Competitors 7-12 are ranked according to their place of finish in the consolation round. All remaining competitors' are ranked according to the round they go out in (e.g. quarter finals) ~~and their qualification times within that round (example: riders ranked 13 to 24 in the quarter final would be ranked according to their qualification times).~~ Within the round they are ranked first by their placing (4th, 5th, 6th) and then by their qualification times within that group (example: all 4th place finishers in the quarter final would be ranked, according to their qualification times, ahead of all 5th places finishers; and all 5th place finishers would similarly be ranked ahead of all 6th place finishers)

2710.2 Four Person Format

Competitors 1 to 4 are ranked according to their place of finish in the final heat. Competitors 5 to ~~7~~8 are ranked according to their place of finish in the consolation round. ~~All remaining competitors' are ranked according to the round they go out in (e.g. quarter finals) and their qualification times within that round. (example: competitors ranked 8 to 16 in the quarter final would be ranked according to their qualification times).~~ Within the round they are ranked first by their placing (3rd, 4th) and then by their qualification times within that group (example: all 3rd place finishers in the quarter final would be ranked, according to their qualification times, ahead of all 4th place finishers).

2710.3 DNS, DSQ, DNF in SBX Finals

If a competitor does not start in the round of 32 or the round of 16 they will be automatically ranked in the 32nd or 16th position. If two or more competitors do not start, the DNS competitors only will be ranked on 31/32nd (15/16th) place according to their qualification times and so on with 3 or more DNS competitors. Order of placing – DNF/DSQ (sports disqualification/~~sanctions~~) to be ranked 4th firstplace in the heat according the qualification time., If two competitors are DNF/DSQ, they will be ranked in the heat on 3rd/4th position according to the qualification time. DSQ (intentional contact, etc.) to be ranked second at the end of the 4th ranked athletes and DNS to be ranked last., ~~and DNS to be ranked third.~~

2711 Snowboard Cross Team (SBX Team)

2712 Technical Data

The same rules apply for vertical drop, length/inclination, width and the use of gates as for a regular SBX event (Rule 2701.1 – 2701.4.4)

2713 Courses

The same rules apply for general characteristics of the courses and course preparation as for a regular SBX event (Rule 2702.1-2702.2)

2714 Course setting

The same rules apply for course setting as for a regular SBX event (Rule 2703.1-2703.2)

2715 Inspection/Training

the competitors are allowed to inspect the course by slowly sliding down through or alongside the course. Inspection times are at the discretion of the Competition Jury but should be a minimum of 15 minutes. Competitors must visibly wear their start numbers and their helmets. At least one training run prior to the actual competition is mandatory but if possible warm up should last at least 30 minutes.

2716 Execution of a SBX Team

2716.1 Qualification

The most current World Cup Standing List or FIS points list (whichever is higher) will be used to determine the participating nations teams. The list is cut off at the top 60 men and top 30 women in any case. The list is sorted by Nation and ranked highest to lowest within each nation. The points are combined for all nation pairs of athletes from top to bottom.

The nations teams are ranked by points and teams are chosen for entry by moving down the list choosing the highest ranked team from each nation first, then starting at the top of the list again to choose the second (if any) ranked team from each nation, repeating as necessary, until 8 teams for women and 16 teams for men have been reached.

2716.2 Seeding

Teams will be ranked according to team points for purposes of seeding into standard World Cup SBX brackets.

2716.3 Teams field

Once the nation teams qualification and seeding is determined, each nation can field any eligible athlete (*) into those teams, although each athlete is only eligible to compete on one team. Nations must declare which athletes will comprise each team at the seed meeting for the competition start. Nations determine by themselves which teammate will run 1st and 2nd. Similar to regular SBX, lane choice is determined by each nation team seed, within each heat. Teams will declare which teammate will run 1st after the teams have declared lane choice. Lane choice will be declared in the following order; seed 1, seed 2, seed 3,

seed 4, and then teammate running order will be declared in the following order; seed 4, seed 3, seed 2, seed 1.

* Minimum requirements are top 60 WC Standing List for men and top 30 WC Standing List for women. Furthermore all participants have to be entered as a part of their nation's regular quota for SBX.

2716.43 Competition

In a SBX Team event the first competitor from each team wears a transponder on their front leg below the knee and above the ankle. All of the first competitors from each team line up in the start and the traditional SBX start cadence is given with all gates opening at the same time. As soon as these competitors leave the start the gates are closed and their teammates line up again. When the first competitor from a team crosses the finish line the transponder sends a signal to the start gate that opens just the individual start gate for their teammate. In the case that the 1st teammate does not finish (DNF) the 2nd teammates gate will not open. The first two teams who's 2nd teammate crosses the finish line will advance to the next round.

2716.5 Bibs / Competitors identification

2716.5.1 Numbered bibs with numbers on front, back and sleeves for better visibility by the course judges should be utilized.

2716.5.2 To aid in competitor identification different coloured bibs have to be used. Nation outfits are allowed but these outfits clearly need to distinguish the various riders/teams. If coloured bibs will be utilized the following colours have to be used: red – blue – yellow – black.

2716.6 Gate Judges

The same rules apply for the use of gate judges as like in a regular SBX event (Rule 2705.5)

2716.7 Competition Clothing

The same rules apply for competition clothing as like in a regular SBX event (Rule 2705.6)

2717 Start

The same rules apply for start ramp, start gates and start lanes as like in a regular SBX event (Rule 2707.1-2707.2) as well as for start command, false start or malfunction of the start gate (Rule 2707.4-2707.5)

2717.1 Choice of start lane

The choice of the start lane, during each heat is based upon the seeding position. Higher seeded teams can choose their lane first. A missed start is considered a disqualification / sanction. It is the competitors responsibility to arrive at the start in time to compete (see rule 2022)

2717.2 Start Stop

In the case of a crash while the 1st teammates are on the course, where the crashed competitor(s) remain in an unsafe position on course, it may be necessary to stop a heat before the gates of the 2nd teammates open. In this instance the results of only the 1st teammates will stand for that heat. In the case where there is only one finisher, then the one team who's 1st teammate finished advances. Once the course has been safely cleared the other 3 teams 2nd teammates will race with all gates opening at the same time to see which team advances 2nd. A team which has been disqualified can not continue to participate. A start stop during a SBX team event can only be given by the Race Director who should therefore have clear visibility of the whole course.

2718 Contact

The same rules apply for contact as like in a regular SBX event (Rule 2708)

2719 Protest

The same rules apply for Protests as like in a regular SBX event (Rule 2709-2709.2)

2720 Final Ranking

2720.1 Four person format

Teams 1-4 are ranked according to their place of finish in the final heat. Teams 5-8 are ranked according to their place of finish in the consolation round. All remaining teams are ranked according to their seeding position.

2720.2 DNS, DSQ, DNF in SBX Team Finals

If a team does not start in the round of 16 or 8 they will be automatically be ranked in the 16th or 8th position. If two or more teams do not start, the DNS teams will be ranked 16/15th or 8/7th according to their seeding position and so on with 3 or more DNS teams. Order of placing DNF/DSQ (sports disqualification/sanctions) to be ranked first, DSQ (intentional contact, etc) to be ranked 2nd, and DNS to be ranked third.

3000 SLOPESTYLE

3001 The Slopestyle

The competition will be held on a course with a variety of hits, jumps, rails, tables, big-air, etc. with two or more lines that the competitors may choose ~~from.~~ to perform.

3002.1 General characteristics of the course

The average slope inclination should be approximately 12 degrees. The slope should have ~~some what a~~ regular pitch, without marked variations while offering various degrees of ~~of~~ the inclination.

The Slopestyle course must be a minimum of 30 meters wide. The course must be a minimum of 100 and a maximum of 200 meters in vertical drop.

3002.2 Slopestyle course description

The Slopestyle course shall contain a variety of type of features (table top jumps, fun boxes, quarter pipes, waves/jumps, rails and ridges, or other features types). The course should have a minimum of three (3) different features types and a minimum of ~~sixfour~~ (64) featuresjudged hits in total. The course should not favouring regular or goofy foot competitors while providing the competitors the opportunity to display their freestyle skills and talents. The distance between the features should allow a smooth transition and performance. The course should be designed to require a minimum run time of 20+ seconds. The features and the overall course should be designed in such a manner so as to allow usage by both men and ladies competitors.

The ideal Slopestyle course should be technically challenging, with a wide variety and balance of features in diverse combinations.

3002.3 Start and finish area

The start area must be flat and wide enough for competitors to prepare for the competition and for coaches, staff and media teams to work. The finish area ~~should be designed both as to must be~~ width enough and depth so as to provide the competitors a secure termination ~~forof~~ their performance. The entire course should be visible from the finish area.judging stand(s).

3002.4 Exceptions

Exceptions ~~to venue standards may be approved by the FIS and or the Competition Jury i.e. can be done for~~ indoor or in-city competitionevents, course configurations.(indoor style or in-city style).

3002.5 Security considerations

Other features can be built but security consideration must always be a priority. There should be ~~as determined by the Jury a minimum of two~~ rescue / first aid personnel at the start area at all times during practice and competition.

~~The Competition Jury is tasked with the obligation to inspect the venue and the security elements utilized.~~

3004 Execution of the Slopestyle

The qualification run(s) is/are part of the slopestyle competition.

The official results of the qualification run shall determine the qualified competitors for the finals. The number of competitors to qualify for the finals (maximum 24 men / 12 ladies) must be announced at the Team Captains Meeting held before competition commences.

Only the finals shall determine the final ranking for the qualified competitors

The official results will include:

- the ranking list from the qualification run(s)
- the final ranking of the qualified competitors from the finals.

The competition format can be alter between the heat format and the single format. The decision is taken by the Jury and must be announced at the Team Captains meeting.

If a competitor leaves the start (after the Head Judge has signified that the Judges are ready and the Starter gives the competitor a signal to start) the run will count and be Judges as such (even if the competitor stops before the first hit – no rerun or restart will be allowed.

A competitor who does not start (DNS) or who is disqualified (DSQ) in qualification round 1 is not allowed and has no right to start in qualification round 2.

3004.1 Inspection / Training

The competitors are allowed to inspect the course by sliding down the course (without riding the features). Inspection times are at the discretion of the competition Jury. Competitors must wear their start numbers and helmets at all times during inspection, training and competition.

~~At least one (1) training run is mandatory prior to the actual competition (minimum one (1) hour, is recommended allowing all competitors to ride through the course a minimum of two (2) times). Time permitting the competitors may be afforded the opportunity for additional training runs. The Training, if possible, should be held the day before the actual competition event takes place (under certain circumstances the Competition Jury may decide on other possibilites adjust the various program elements and times).~~

3004.2 Qualifications Competition Formats

3004.2.2 Execution of the qualification Single Format (Finals: one out of two and all for 2nd qualification)

See Rule 2604.1 and Rule 26.04.1.1

~~All competitors can take two (2) official scored runs. In both runs the start order will be determined by a competitors bib number. Only the~~

~~higher score of the two (2) runs will count toward the final ranking of the qualification. The first ten (10) men and the first six (6) ladies will advance to the finals. In the event that there is a tie such tie will be broken by looking to the results of the other scored run (if necessary followed by the single overall impression scores given by the Judges, starting from the highest). If two or more competitors are still tied each will be awarded the same ranking and in the competition that such unbroken tie(s) are for places — Men 10th or Ladies 6th place the final qualification field will be expanded. At the discretion of the Competition Jury the number of scored qualification run can be reduced to one (1) run.~~

3004.2.3 Heat Format
See Rule 2604.3

3004.2.4 Double-up format
See Rule 2604.4

3004.2.5 Semi-Final Format
See Rule 2604.6

3004.2.6 Heat Competition Format with Semi Final
See Rule 2604.7

3004.3 **Finals: One out of Two Final (if not any of above formats are used for Finals)**

~~In the finals the ten (10) men and the six (6) ladies, unless the field is expanded due to unbroken ties will have the opportunity to take two (2) runs. The start order for the first run will be based on the reversing of the results of the qualifications, i.e place ten (10) of the men's qualifications and place six (6) of the ladies qualifications will start first, the start order for the second run will be based on reversing the results of the first run (best score starts last). The highest score of the two runs will determine the winner. In the competition that there is a tie, such tie(s) will be broken by looking to the results of the other scored run (if necessary followed by the single overall impression scores given by the Judges, starting from the highest). If two or more competitors are still tied each will be awarded the same final ranking.~~

3004.43.1 **Finals: Open Session**

The finals can be At lower level FIS competitions the finals may use an open session format with a random running start order. –All competitors have a time limit (recommended 1 hour) to use the course as many times as they want within that time limit. All runs will be scored during the open session. Only the highest score of each competitor will count toward the final ranking. Ties will be broken by the next highest score of the competitor. Utilization and duration of the open session format will be determined by the competition Jury and will be announced during the Team Captains meeting.

3005 Public address system

Music will be used at Slopestyle events. The sound system to be used must be powerful and depending on the length of the course it should be possible ~~enough~~ for the competitors to ~~have the opportunity to~~ hear the music clearly and without distortion while on any part of the course.

The Chief of Sound is responsible for adequate music.

3006 Judges Stand

The minimum size of the scaffolding area must be ~~The recommended specification of the judging stand~~ 5–10 meters by 2.5–3 meters. The Judges viewing area should be constructed so as to provide ample room for the appropriate number of officials and to provide room for viewing and all necessary amenities for the operation of the competition. The Judges stand needs to be elevated to give the best possible view of the complete Slopestyle course. If this is not possible, then a second two (2) judging stand will need to be constructed and the judging crew will need to be increased so as to view the entire course. ~~divided between the two (2) judging stands with the head judges assuming the role of a scoring judge. In upper level FIS competitions (OWG, WSC, WC) where two (2) judging stands are required the number of scoring judges will increased so as to provide a minimum of three (3) scoring judges at each location excluding the Head Judge.~~

3007.1 Number of Judges

For each Slopestyle event, five (5) Judges will be present during the entire competition event, plus the Head Judge. In the case where a second judging crew ~~two (2) judging stands are required~~, due to course length and viewing, will need to utilize, the number of judges should be extended ~~will be increase~~ to six (6) ~~(three (3) on each judging section stand)~~ plus the Head Judge. The addition of the scores of each section will be utilized in arriving at the final score. See Section 3006. The total of the scores from each judging panel will be utilized in arriving at the final score per competitor. At lower level FIS competitions four (4) Judges including the Head Judge may be used. In upper level FIS events (OWG, WSC, WC) judging will be done on one position. Can be done by one judges stand with full visibility on the slopestyle course or by TV production with judges placed in a judges stand with a minimum of two large TV screens.

3007.2 Judging Method

Only Overall Impression “IO” judging format will be utilized in Slopestyle. The key consideration is the overall composition of the run, including the ~~chosen~~ line attempted, and the use of the features.

3007.3 Judging Elements

There are four ~~three~~ (4) main elements utilized in ~~the~~ Slopestyle ~~IO~~ judging ~~format~~

Trick difficulty
Trick execution (including take off and landing)
Amplitude of the trick

Deduction

Falls are considered as a part of the trick execution and will be taken into consideration when scoring a trick.

3007.4 **Deductions**

0.1 – 1.0 Small mistakes including flat landings, deck landings, sliding, light hand touches and other instabilities.

1.1 – 2.0 Medium mistakes including Full Stop, Extended hand drags, heavy hand touches, light butt checks and reverts.

2.1 – 3.0 Major mistakes including Heavy butt checks, body checks and complete bails.

3007.45 **General Criteria**

Discussions by the Judges concerning competitor scores should be minimal in nature unless initiated by the Head Judge.

- No competitor, team representative or spectator may approach the judge's stand or speak with the Judges during the entire competition.
- Any protest or problem arising from the judging will be dealt with by the Head Judge and the competition Jury.