

## Nations Team Event Rules at the World Cup and FIS Alpine World Ski Championships

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 in the World Cup Alpine Team Event is 16. (See art. 9.2.3 of the Rules for the organization of the FIS World Championships)
  - 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 Nation Team Event (without names) must be done within 24 hours after the last scheduled World Cup race (Ladies 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 Nation Team event.
3. Seeding of the Teams
  - 16 Nations will form 8 heats as follows:
  - 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
  - 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 Nation Cup points, a calculation will be made by adding Slalom FIS points of the best lady and best man (or second best lady and man in case of tie) entered for the Nation Team Event. The lowest result will be ranked first.
  - Ladies 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 – 1228)
  - Each individual leg between two opponents consists of one run.
  - The start order will be as follow:

“Course red” Nation 1 L1 against “Course blue” Nation 16 L1  
 “Course red” Nation 16 M1 against “Course blue Nation 1 M1  
 “Course red” Nation 16 L2 against “Course blue Nation 1 L2  
 “Course red” Nation 1 M2 against “Course blue Nation 16 M2

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

#### 4.1 Starting order

For each individual leg of the heat the competitor, who is listed first or respectively on top of the pairing, will start on the red course for his first run. Following the order in the bracket, from top to bottom, all groups race in succession. For the second individual leg of the heat, the competitors change courses. All subsequent runs are conducted using this system.

Team captains must announce the names of the competitors for the first round 10 minutes prior 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 (2:2) the nation with the lowest combined time of the best individual lady 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.
- Reasons for disqualifications (immediate and without protest):
  - False start
  - Changing from one course to another
  - Interfering with the opponent, voluntary or not
  - Not passing through a gate correctly (ICR art. 661.4.2)
  - Complete stop and/or stepping back is not allowed
- If both competitors fail to finish, the competitor who successfully skied the furthest distance 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 and for World Cup see art. 6 World Cup Rules*)

- 1st ranked NSA 40%
- 2nd ranked NSA 30%
- 3rd ranked NSA 20%
- fastest run ladies 5%
- fastest run men 5%
- From the top 3 Nations
  - 20% goes to the NSA
  - 80% goes to the participating competitors

## 7. World Cup points

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

➤ Ladies (same for Men)

1 <sup>st</sup>	200
2 <sup>nd</sup>	160
3 <sup>rd</sup>	120
4 <sup>th</sup>	100
5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup>	60
9 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup>	30

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