

Invitation

On behalf of the United States Ski & Snowboard Association and the Telluride Ski Resort, we cordially invite your nation, as a member of Federation Internationale De Ski (FIS), to participate in the:



Audi FIS Ski Cross
World Cup



**FREESTYLE SKI
WORLD CUP**



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ENTRIES

Announcement of Team Size and Registration

Entries will be accepted from National Ski Associations following FIS quotas and rules. Please submit the anticipated number of your competition team (including competitors and officials) by November 1, 2012.

The final number of your competition team (including competitors and officials) and the names of participants must be submitted to the organizing committee no later than December 3, 2012. Access to the online registration system is accessed through the FIS Homepage <http://www.fis-ski.com/> / Member Section".

FIS has established nation Quotas for World Cups. National Ski Teams can only enter World Cup Ski Competitors according to the Quota limitations. The Quotas can be downloaded: <http://www.fis-ski.com/data/document/quotas-1213.pdf>

ACCOMMODATIONS

Please use the online registration system for lodging accommodations.

Accommodations at the FIS rate are available for the dates of the program only. Please see the attached schedule for those dates. The official arrival date for SX is Monday, December 10, 2012. The FIS rate will be offered beginning on that date. Early arrivals are subject to availability and are not available at the FIS rate. The hotel rate for early arrival is \$99 USD per person. Please contact, Chief of Lodging, Kelly Sheedy at ksheedy@telski.com to request late departure rates. Note that the organizers will not be responsible for nations securing their own lodging arrangements.

Payment will be required prior to arrival. A credit card must be held on file during the duration of your team's stay, both for incidental purchases and any damage incurred. The organizers request that one team credit card be used for this purpose.



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Travel Information

AIRPORT SERVICE

At 9,078 feet above sea level, the Telluride Regional Airport is the world's second highest commercial airport. The following airports provide the best access to Telluride and Mountain Village.

Telluride Regional Airport (TEX)

Telluride Regional Airport is located five miles west of town. At an elevation of 9,080 feet above sea level, it is the second highest commercial airport in the world. Localizer/DME, VOR/DME, and GPS approaches. Serviced by Great Lakes. Upon arrival at Telluride Regional Airport you can take a shuttle to Telluride or Mountain Town.

Please click on the link below to book your discounted airport transfer from TEX. Please make sure that you put World Cup 2012 as the group name in the box following the question "Name of pre-arranged group, wedding, function, ski club or conference group?"

http://tellurideexpress.com/res_form.htm

Montrose Regional Airport (MTJ)

A short and beautiful 1.5 hour drive from Telluride. Getting here is easier than ever now, with year round access from Denver, and Houston. From December through March, there are also direct jet flights from Newark, Atlanta and Dallas/Ft. Worth. The Montrose Airport is 65 miles from Telluride and is serviced by Continental, United Express, and Delta and American Airlines.

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Durango - La Plata County Airport (DRO)

Located approximately 3 hours southwest of Telluride, La Plata County Airport provides the major air access point for the Four Corners Region and attractions such as the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, Durango Mountain-Purgatory, Wolf Creek and Telluride ski areas, and Mesa Verde National Park. With a 9,200' runway, modern secure terminal, service from four air carriers, serving four hubs, including scheduled jet service from Phoenix, and, during ski season, Houston, the facility is truly a regional airport.



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Grand Junction - Walker Field Airport (GJT)

A 2.5 hour drive from Telluride. Commercial carrier service with over 20 daily departures to Denver, Phoenix and Salt Lake City and over 500 one-stop connections to cities in the United States, Canada, Europe and Central America. Easy access to major ski areas including Vail, Aspen, Telluride and Steamboat.

BY CAR

From Denver by Way of Grand Junction

Take Interstate 70 West to Grand Junction, go South on Route 50 to Montrose. Continue South on Route 550 to Ridgway then turn right onto Route 62. Follow this to Route 145 and turn left. Follow the signs into Telluride. Travel time - 7 hours.

From Colorado Springs

Take Route U.S. 24 West. Turn south on U.S. 285/24 and proceed to Route 50. Turn right on Route 50. Proceed over Monarch Pass onto Gunnison and finally Montrose. Turn left and go South on Route 550 to Ridgway then turn right onto Route 62. Follow this to Route 145 and turn left. Follow the signs into Telluride. Travel time - 6 hours.

From Durango

Follow Route 160 from Durango to Mancos. Turn right onto Route 184 towards Dolores. Turn Right onto Route 145 just south of Dolores. Follow 145 into Telluride. About 3 miles out of town, Route 145 will turn right. Telluride is three more miles. Travel time - 2.5 hours.

From Montrose

Follow N Townsend Avenue/US-50 through Montrose. N Townsend turns into US-550 S. In Ridgway, turn right onto CO-62. Turn left on CO-145, there is a sign showing a left turn to Telluride. Follow CO-145 for about 16 miles all the way straight into Telluride. The total distance is about 65 miles – travel time – 1.5 hours.

Mileage:

- * Cortez: 71
- * Denver: 330
- * Durango: 125
- * Grand Junction: 127
- * Montrose: 65
- * Phoenix: 475



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RENTAL CARS

<p>Alamo - Telluride 1500 Last Dollar Road, Telluride, CO 81435 Tel:970.728.9380</p>	<p>Avis - Montrose 2100 Airport Rd., Montrose, CO 81401 Tel:970.240.4802</p>
<p>Budget - Montrose 2100 Airport Road, Montrose, CO 81401 Tel:970.249.6083</p>	<p>Go Green - Telluride P.O. Box 96, Placerville, CO 81430 Tel:970.708.4023</p>
<p>Hertz - Montrose 2100 Airport Road, Montrose, CO 81401 Tel:970.240.8464</p>	<p>National - Montrose 2100 Airport Road, Montrose, CO 81401 Tel:970.252.8898</p>

ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Liability/Insurance/License: The organizers cannot be held liable for any damage or accidents. All participants must be sufficiently insured against accidents and illness by themselves or their National Federation. All athletes are required to have a valid FIS license.

Anit-Doping Control: Anit-Doping control testing will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations set forth by FIS.

Registration/Check In/Accreditation: Registration and Accreditation will be at The Telluride Conference Center, Mountain Village, CO 81435. Please see the attached schedule for registration times. All Team Leaders must report to the Competition Office prior to accommodation check in.

Competition Office: The Competition Office will be located at The Telluride Conference Center in the Mountain Village. Please see the schedule for office hours.

Team Captains Meetings: All Team Captains meetings will be held at the Telluride Conference Center. Please see attached schedule for meeting times.

Press Center: The Press Center will be located at The Peaks Resort. Please see the schedule for press center hours.

Ceremonies: Awards Ceremonies will immediately follow each competition in the event finish area.



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Please find the schedule of events attached to this email.

We look forward to seeing you in Telluride!

Warmest Regards,

Elizabeth Howe

Director, Organizing Committee
Telluride World Cup

Vice President, Resort Operations
Telluride Ski & Golf Resort



SX

**Schedule AUDI FIS Ski Cross World Cup
Telluride USA**

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Monday, December 10, 2012					
	Start	Finish	Duration	Event	Location
SX	20:00	- 20:45	0:45	Ski Cross Team Captains Meeting	0

Tuesday, December 11, 2012					
	Start	Finish	Duration	Event	Location
SX	8:00	- 8:30	0:30	Ski Cross Inspection Group 1	
	8:30	- 8:45	0:15	Course Preparation	
	8:45	- 9:45	1:00	Ski Cross Training Session #1	
	9:45	- 10:00	0:15	Ski Cross - Course Preparation	
	10:00	- 10:30	0:30	Ski Cross Inspection Group 2	
	10:30	- 10:45	0:15	Course Preparation	
	10:45	- 11:45	1:00	Ski Cross Training Session #2	
	16:30	- 17:00	0:30	Ski Cross Team Captains Meeting Draw	0

Wednesday, December 12, 2012					
	Start	Finish	Duration	Event	Location
SX Qual	8:00	- 8:30	0:30	Ladies' Ski Cross Inspection	
	8:30	- 8:45	0:15	Ladies' Ski Cross - Course Preparation	
	8:45	- 9:15	0:30	Ladies' Ski Cross - Training	
	9:15	- 9:30	0:15	Ladies' Ski Cross - Course Preparation and Forerunner	
	9:30	- 10:00	0:30	Ladies' Ski Cross - Qualification	
	10:00	- 10:15	0:15	Course Preparation	
	10:15	- 10:45	0:30	Men's Ski Cross Inspection	
	10:45	- 11:00	0:15	Men's Ski Cross - Course Preparation	
	11:00	- 11:30	0:30	Men's Ski Cross - Training	
	11:30	- 11:45	0:15	Men's Ski Cross - Course Preparation and Forerunners	
	11:45	- 12:45	1:00	Men's Ski Cross - Qualification	
	16:30	- 17:00	0:30	Ski Cross TCM	0

Thursday, December 13, 2012					
	Start	Finish	Duration	Event	Location
SX Final	8:15	- 8:45	0:30	Ladies' and Men Finalist Ski Cross Inspection	
	8:45	- 9:00	0:15	Course Preparation	
	9:00	- 9:30	0:30	Ladies' and Men Finalist Ski Cross Training (16 ladies / 32 men)	
	9:30	- 9:50	0:20	Course Preparation	
	9:50	- 9:55	0:05	Forerunners	
	9:55	- 10:00	0:05	Break	
	10:00	- 10:22	0:22	Men's Ski Cross- (R32)	
	10:22	- 10:34	0:12	Ladies' Ski Cross -Quarter Final (QF)	
	10:34	- 10:46	0:12	Men's Ski Cross -Quarter Final (QF)	
	10:46	- 10:48	0:02	Break	
	10:48	- 10:54	0:06	Ladies' Ski Cross - Semi-Final (SF)	
	10:54	- 11:00	0:06	Men's Ski Cross - Semi-Final (SF)	
	11:00	- 11:03	0:02	Break	
	11:03	- 11:11	0:08	Ladies' Ski Cross- Final (F)	
	11:11	- 11:19	0:08	Men's Ski Cross- Final (F)	
	11:19	- 11:24	0:05	Finish Area Awards Preparation	Finish Area
	11:24	- 11:29	0:05	Ladies' Ski Cross Awards	Finish Area
11:29	- 11:34	0:05	Men's Ski Cross Awards	Finish Area	
11:34	- 11:44	0:10	FIS Podium Interviews	Finish Area	

Departure Friday, December 14, 2012