



Team Invitation

Sunny Valley February 21, 2016

Welcome to the **FIS Snowboard World Cup in Snowboard Cross**, which will be held on for the first time ever in Russia, on the **21**st **February 2016** at the "Sunny Valley" resort in Chelyabinsk region in the beautiful South Urals.

Russian Snowboard Federation will host the event in accordance with the FIS International Competition Rules (ICR). All athletes who are qualified according to the FIS Rules for the Snowboard World Cup are invited to take part in the competition.

1. PASSPORT and VISA

A foreign visitor traveling to Russia must have a passport valid for at least next 6 months after the date of departure from Russia.

Russian Foreign Ministry in Moscow will send special directions to the Russian Consulates throughout the world about a facilitated visa procedure for participants and guests of the FIS Snowboard World Cup in Snowboard Cross. According to it, the participants have to complete the attached visa template with personal passport information and e-mail to Miss. Daria Lesnaya: info@russnowboard.com no later than February 5th, 2016.

In compliance with the personal data, a scanned formal invitation letter will be issued and e-mailed back to the participant. It is to be taken to the nearest Russian Consulate along with the corresponding personal documents such as a passport, the necessary number of photographs, completed application form, etc. We strongly recommend calling the Consulate if you have any questions and studying its website before taking the documents to the Consulate.

Please be advised that you need to deal with the Consulate directly without applying to any intermediate visa companies. The documents can be submitted by your representative, no personal presence is required.

As the above visa procedure is exceptional, please make sure you mention that you are applying for the Russian visa to attend the **FIS Snowboard World Cup in Snowboard Cross**.

Please be advised that with the formal invitation letter for the **FIS Snowboard World Cup in Snowboard Cross** you can submit your personal documents to any Russian Consulate in the world regardless of your citizenship.

Please note: Russian embassy requires that any foreign visitor traveling to Russia has valid travel insurance.

2. Entries and important forms

Entries will be accepted from National Ski and Snowboard Associations in accordance with the FIS quotas and rules for the World Cup.

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This information must be received by the Organizing Committee (OC) not later than January 11st 2016 (provisional entries)

Definitive registration by name not later than February 10th, 2016 (final entries)

IMPORTANT: All entries must be done using the FIS Online Registration System, through the FIS Homepage http://www.fis-ski.com "Member Section". Entries by mail or fax are no longer accepted.

Please note: The organizing committee will need a photo of each participant for the accreditations which will be issued upon registration at the race office starting on Thursday, February 18th, 2016. Please send a portrait photo to Ms. Daria Lesnaya (lesnaya@russnowboard.com) with caption "Photo for accreditation WC SBX" **no later than February 10th, 2016.**

3. Participation Fee

According to the World Cup Rules a mandatory Participation Fee of **CHF 30** per each competitor, official training day and competition days has to be paid to the organizing committee. The total amount is CHF 90 per competitor.

The Participation Fee has to be paid per nation and during the registration at the race office starting on February 18th, 2016.

4. Radio Frequencies and Communication

Due to the Russian law regarding the radio-communication during big events such as the World Cup, all radio frequencies (RF) used by the participating teams must undergo an electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) test. Based on those results, some frequencies would be classified as free others would be available under a certain price. In order to avoid complications with radio communications on the days of the event, all the teams will be provided, free of charge, with walkie-talkies that work on permitted radio frequencies.

5. Registration

Team registration will take place daily starting Thursday, February 18th, 2016 at the race office. The race office is located in a separate building near the hotel.

6. Accommodation

As per the FIS Rule on accommodation and half-board, each participant will pay **CHF 80** day/person directly to the Organizing Committee FIS World Cup "Sunny Valley".

The sum is payable upon registration at the race office.

Please forward the applications for accommodation to Ms. Elena Vetoshkina: skired@mail.ru (Cc Daria Lesnaya@russnowboard.com)

Accommodation at FIS rate will be provided from arriving on **February 17th, 2016**, until departure on **February 22nd, 2016**.

The official hotel of the event is the "Sunny Valley" apart-hotel, located directly at the venue. The Hotel contact information is:

Hotel address: Ski resort "Sunny Valley", Syrostan, Miass, Russia, 456300

Phone: + 7 3513 284226 E-mail : <u>skired@mail.ru</u> Website : <u>www.dolina.su</u>





^{*} Each team will be held responsible for any damage incurred during the stay.

The second hotel is the "Golden Beach" Club-Hotel located 30km from the resort. Will only be used if necessary

Hotel contact information:

Hotel address: Club-Hotel "Golden Beach", Turgoyak, Miass, Russia, 456300

Phone: +7 3513 298091 E-mail: <u>info@goldenbeach.ru</u> Сайт www.goldenbeach.ru

Please note: there will be 2 official Hotels for this World Cup event. The reservations are made on a first come, first serve basis, and so please make sure you apply for accommodation early.

* The OC will provide accommodation guidance for those who arrive before February 17th, 2016.

7. Transportation

The Organizing Committee will organize transport from the "Balandino" airport in Chelyabinsk, which is the official airport for the World Cup, to the hotels and back. If you arrive at a different airport, notify the Organization Committee (info@russnowboard.com) for a possible transport arrangement. Also transportation from the hotel to the venue will be organized by the Organizing Committee if required.

8. Meals

Breakfast and dinner will be provided, starting with dinner on Wednesday, **February 17th, 2016**, and finishing with breakfast on Sunday, **February 22nd, 2016**.

Breakfast and dinner will be organized at the restaurant just outside hotel. During the event the Organizing Committee will provide competitors and coaches with drinking water, tea and sandwiches at the venue.

9. Bibs

All competitors must wear bibs during all official trainings, competitions and award ceremonies.

10. Accident insurance

Each competitor must have his/her own medical insurance. The Organizing Committee, Russian Snowboard Federation, sponsors, suppliers, their agents and the FIS decline any responsibility for accidents, damaged or lost equipment and second and third party claims during the event.

11. Liability

All athletes, officials and members of the National Association who attend and participate in the event shall do so at their own risk. The Organizing Committee, "Sunny Valley" resort, Russian Snowboard Federation, sponsors, suppliers, their agents, employees and volunteers shall not be responsible for any losses or injuries incurred or suffered by any athletes, officials or other person in conjunction with the organizing or staging of the event.

12. Official notice board

The official notice board will be located at the race office as well as at the event welcome desk at the hotel.

13. Training

Trainings are to take place according to the schedule of the event.





14. Prize fund

The prize-winner receives the net prize money.

15. Announcements

An English-speaking announcer will be provided by the OC for the event.

16. Medical and Anti-Doping

Anti-doping control may be conducted for each event and gender.



