

Audi quattro
Winter Games^{NZ}



**JUNIOR FREESTYLE
SKI & SNOWBOARD**
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018

24th August - 8th September 2018

Invitation

Dear Freestyle Ski and Snowboard Nations,

We are delighted to invite all junior freeskiers, ski cross racers and snowboarders to the FIS Junior Freestyle Ski & Snowboard World Championships 2018. The Championships will commence on 24 August and conclude on 8 September 2018 in Wanaka, New Zealand. Both Junior World Championships form part of the Audi quattro Winter Games NZ which returns for its sixth edition and excitingly is an annual event from 2018.

It has been 8 years since New Zealand first hosted the Junior World Championships in 2010 and we are looking forward to once again welcoming the world's best junior athletes to New Zealand.

The 2018 programme is very full with freestyle ski and snowboard Big Air, Halfpipe and Slopestyle for both disciplines, Ski Cross, Snowboard Cross and Snowboard Parallel Slalom and Parallel Giant Slalom all included. All the events will be held at Cardrona Alpine Resort and we are expecting strong fields as many of the athletes who performed so impressively at the recent Olympic Winter Games in PyeongChang are still eligible for the FIS Junior Freestyle Ski & Snowboard World Championships 2018.

Some of your snowboarders and freeskiers may also be interested in entering the FIS Big Air World Cups from September 3 to September 9, also at Cardrona Alpine Resort.

Entries for the FIS Junior Freestyle Ski & Snowboard World Championships 2018 are now open on the FIS website at www.fis-ski.com.

Please contact Winter Games NZ Assistant Sports Manager Tim Coltman on tim@wintergamesnz.kiwi with any questions you may have. Our team is here to help.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Audi quattro Winter Games New Zealand.

Marty Toomey
Chief Executive





The **6th** edition of the **Audi quattro** Winter Games NZ will take place over a 16 day period from **24 August - 8 September 2018** and will feature elite **winter sports** competitions in Alpine Skiing, Cross Country Skiing, Curling, Ice Hockey, Freeride, **Freestyle Ski & Snowboarding.**

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Dates, Venues and Eligibility

Dates

Freeski & Snowboard Big Air:	22 – 26 August 2018
Ski Cross & Snowboard Cross:	24 – 28 August 2018
Freeski & Snowboard Slopestyle:	27 August – 1 September 2018
Freeski & Snowboard Halfpipe:	31 August – 4 September 2018
Snowboard Parallel GS & Parallel SL:	4 – 7 September 2018



Venue

Cardrona Alpine Resort will host the full FIS Junior Freestyle Ski & Snowboard World Championships 2018 programme of events and is home to a 22ft Olympic Halfpipe and World Cup quality Slopestyle and Big Air facilities. The course builders are John Melville (Halfpipe), Heath Richmond (Slopestyle), Shaw Butterworth (Big Air) and TBC (SX & SBX).

Provided the weather behaves itself, the park and pipe at Cardrona should be open by late July. Please note that as there is a lot of demand for training space at that time of year. For all pre and post event training information, please contact Graham Dunbar at events@cardrona.com

Eligibility

The FIS Junior Freestyle Ski & Snowboard World Championships 2018 are part of the 2017/18 season and the age limits (based on year of birth) are:

Snowboard:	HP/BA/SS: 2000-2004	Freeski:	HP/BA/SS: 2000-2004
	PAR/SBX: 1998-2002		SX: 1997-2001



Event Schedules

Freeski & Snowboard Big Air

Venue: Cardrona Alpine Resort
 Dates: 22 - 26 August 2018

Wednesday 22 August: Unofficial Training
 Thursday 23 August: Official Training
 Friday 24 August: Competition Day - Qualification
 Saturday 25 August: Competition Day - Finals
 Sunday 26 August: Weather Day

Ski Cross & Snowboard Cross

Venue: Cardrona Alpine Resort
 Dates: 24 - 28 August 2018

Friday 24 August: Official Training
 Saturday 25 August: Official Training
 Sunday 26 August: Competition Day - Qualification
 Monday 27 August: Competition Day - Individual Finals
 Tuesday 28 August: Competition Day - Team Finals

Freeski & Snowboard Slopestyle

Venue: Cardrona Alpine Resort
 Dates: 27 August - 1 September 2018

Mon 27 - Tue 28 August: Official Training Days
 Wed 29 - Thur 30 August: Competition Days - Qualification
 Friday 31 August: Competition Day - Finals
 Saturday 1 September: Weather Day

Freeski & Snowboard Halfpipe

Venue: Cardrona Alpine Resort
 Dates: 31 August - 4 September 2018

Friday 31 August: Official Training
 Saturday 1 September: Official Training
 Sunday 2 September: Competition Day - Qualification
 Monday 3 September: Competition Day - Qualification
 Tuesday 4 September: Competition Day - Finals

Snowboard Parallel Giant Slalom & Parallel Slalom

Venue: Cardrona Alpine Resort
 Dates: 4 September - 7 September 2018

Tuesday 4 September: Preparation
 Wednesday 5 September: Parallel Giant Slalom
 Thursday 6 September: Parallel Slalom
 Friday 7 September: Weather Day



Team Captain's Meetings

All Team Captain's Meetings (TCM) will take place in the **Armstrong Room at the Lake Wanaka Centre, 89 Ardmore Street**. Additional downtime or on course meetings may be arranged, this information will be shared at the first Team Captain's Meeting for each event.

Freeski & Snowboard Big Air

Wed 22 Aug - 5.30pm	TCM and Coaches Welcome Drinks
Thur 23 Aug - 5.30pm	TCM
Fri 24 Aug - 4.00pm	TCM

Freeski & Snowboard Slopestyle

Sun 26 Aug - 5.30pm	TCM
Mon 27 Aug - 5.30pm	TCM
Tue 28 Aug - 5.30pm	TCM
Wed 29 Aug - 5.30pm	TCM
Thur 30 Aug - 5.30pm	TCM

Freeski & Snowboard Halfpipe

Thur 30 Aug - 6.30pm	TCM
Fri 31 Aug - 6.30pm	TCM
Sat 1 Sept - 6.30pm	TCM
Sun 2 Sept - 6.30pm	TCM
Mon 3 Sept - 6.30pm	TCM

Ski Cross & Snowboard Cross

Thur 23 Aug - 6.30pm	TCM and Coaches Welcome Drinks
Fri 24 Aug - 7.30pm	TCM
Sat 25 Aug - 6.30pm	TCM
Sun 26 Aug - 6.30pm	TCM
Mon 27 Aug - 6.30pm	TCM

Snowboard Parallel Giant Slalom & Parallel Slalom

Mon 3 Sept - 7.30pm	TCM
Tue 4 Sept - 6.30pm	TCM
Wed 5 Sept - 6.30pm	TCM



Entry Process & Fees

Entry Criteria

Entries for the FIS Junior Freestyle Ski & Snowboard World Championships 2018 will be accepted in accordance with the FIS quotas and rules and must be processed by the national snow sports association through the FIS Online Registration and Entry System at www.fis-ski.com

If you have any questions please contact Winter Games NZ Assistant Sports Manager Tim Coltman, on tim@wintergamesnz.kiwi

Entry Fees

There is no entry fee to compete in the FIS Junior Freestyle Ski & Snowboard World Championships 2018.

Deadlines for Entries

Preliminary entries:	14 July 2018
Final entries:	11 August 2018

Lift Passes

Lift passes will be provided to all competitors and team officials for official training and competition days and will be distributed at the team captain's meetings. The number of free passes given out to team officials will be relative to team size.

Outside of official training and competition days athletes and team officials will need to purchase lift passes directly from Cardrona Alpine Resort. We recommend that athletes purchase a Youth (U17) season pass or a Pro Pass at www.cardrona.com

Competitors Bibs

Training and competition bibs will be allocated at the Team Captain's Meetings. A bib deposit of \$100 per team or \$20 per individual will be required in cash at the first Team Captain's Meeting. It is mandatory that all competitors wear their bibs during all official training and competition days.



Sanctioning, Ceremonies & Awards

Sanctioning

All Junior Freestyle Ski and Snowboard events are sanctioned at FIS Junior World Championship level. Athletes must have a valid FIS license to compete.

Ceremonies

The opening ceremony for both the FIS Junior Freestyle Ski and Snowboard World Championships 2018 and the Audi quattro Winter Games NZ will be held together in downtown Wanaka on the 24th of August. The proceedings will start with the junior athletes representing their countries in a parade of nations which will leave from the Lake Wanaka Centre (89 Ardmore Street) at 5pm. Please arrive in your team uniform with your country's flag at 4.45pm. The parade will make its way through the main streets of Wanaka and finish at Pembroke Park where the official ceremony will be held.

Once the formalities are over the party really starts. We are bringing a truck load of snow down to the Wanaka Skate Park and running a skate and snow rail jam where some local athletes will be throwing down and showcasing their skills. There will be several tasty food trucks, P Digsss will have the tunes pumping and to cap the evening off local Wanaka act Civilian Sol will be performing.

The closing ceremony will be held up at Cardrona Alpine Resort at the conclusion of the Big Air World Cup on the 8th of September.

Awards

Flower and medal ceremonies will take place on mountain at the end of each competition final. Podium placing athletes are obligated to attend these ceremonies and should be available for media interviews and athlete signings immediately after the awards.

On top of the gold, silver and bronze medals for the athletes who finish on the podium in each event, the FIS Junior Freestyle Ski & Snowboard World Championships also includes the following awards:

The Marc Hodler Trophy - Awarded to the first nation overall



Accreditation

Athletes

This year athletes can save time by pre-registering for their accreditation online and every athlete who pre-registers online before August 1st goes into the draw to win a [Wildwire Wanaka](#) waterfall climbing experience.

For online athlete accreditation pre-registration, click [here](#).

All athletes, coaches and officials should collect their accreditation card at the first Team Captain's Meeting for each respective event. This card allows athletes, coaches and officials to unlock a range of benefits and discounts with local restaurants, cafés, bars and shops.

Media

If you are planning to bring a media team with you or know of someone wishing to cover the events, please note that they need to be accredited by the Winter Games NZ Media team. Media accreditation will open in July on the website but feel free to put them in touch with Sophie Luther, Media Manager prior to this for more information on the event.

We are stoked you are part of the Audi quattro Winter Games NZ 2018 and look forward to sharing the excitement and action from the Games.

Other Freeski and Snowboard Events

FIS NZ Freestyle Open

The [FIS NZ Freestyle Open](#) is for Freeski & Snowboard Halfpipe and Slopestyle competitors who want to earn FIS points and qualify for the FIS World Cup events and the Winter Olympics. Scheduled for the 14-17 August, the FIS NZ Freestyle Open are sanctioned at Australia New Zealand Continental Cup level and provide the perfect opportunity to prepare for the FIS Junior Freestyle Ski and Snowboard World Championships 2018.

For entry info please email Snow Sports NZ Park and Pipe Manager Luke Hetzel at luke@snowsports.co.nz



Media & Social Media

Welcome to the sixth edition of the [Audi quattro Winter Games NZ](#) and our first annual event! We are stoked to have you part of the Games and look forward to welcoming you all to our beautiful country Aotearoa, New Zealand and hosting you in Queenstown, Wanaka and Naseby this winter.

We are planning an even bigger and better Audi quattro Winter Games NZ, with the inclusion your event the FIS Junior Freestyle Ski and Snowboard World Championships 2018, a prestigious competition within our Games framework. This event will allow you showcase your talent at a world class event and we want to help make you shine.

The Winter Games NZ media team's focus is on you, our athletes. You are an integral part of everything we do and we are keen to work with everyone on media opportunities and sharing the content from the Games. Our social media channels will be where you find the latest news, results, images and video from our media team across every venue. We are focusing on getting the news and content out as quick as possible and being the number one spot for the most up to date information on the event. We will be utilising Facebook Live and Instagram Live to distribute blow by blow live daily updates. Our [Facebook](#) page will be the best place to find all the latest news and content. While our [Instagram](#) will feature the best images of the day and will also host an epic Instagram story. [Twitter](#) will post short sharp news to keep you up to date.

We would love to spread your content as well, so please do tag us in and use our hashtag on all social media channels so we can find it! #WGNZ and @WinterGamesNZ

We are planning to have an Athlete Image Portal this year for you to download images and share with the world. All we ask is for you to use our hashtag and our social handle to tag us in, easy as! We will be sending more info out for this in the coming months.

Our Media Manager, Sophie Luther would love to hear from you if you are keen on working together on content, so please do get in touch with her on sophie@wintergamesnz.kiwi

The Wanaka App

While in Wanaka live like a local! Download the [Wanaka App](#) for up to date local news and sport, road conditions and things to do while in town.



Travel & Logistics

Visas

New Zealand has a special policy for athletes, coaches, administrators, officials and support staff visiting the country to participate in sporting events. Please check with NZ Immigration to find out if visitors from your country require a visitor visa to enter New Zealand. Information and application forms for visitor visas are available on www.immigration.govt.nz or from New Zealand and Australian Consulates, Embassies or High commissions.

Liability & Insurance

All athletes, officials and members of the National Associations who attend and participate in the event shall do so at their own risk. Winter Games NZ, sponsors and suppliers, their agents, employees and volunteers shall not be responsible for any losses or injuries incurred or suffered by the athletes, official or other person in conjunction with the organising or staging of the event. Public Liability Insurance (CHF) 3 million, for the period of the event, is in place.

If you are injured in New Zealand (including whilst competing in a competition), you may need the assistance of the Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC), New Zealand's accident compensation scheme. ACC helps pay for your care – and that means paying towards the cost of your treatment and helping your recovery while you remain in New Zealand. ACC will not cover any medical or related costs arising from the accident after you leave New Zealand. You will accordingly still need to arrange your own travel and medical insurance. New Zealand's medical facilities are not free to visitors except as a result of an accident but even in the case of an accident, surcharges in private facilities will apply.

Air travel

We recommend that you book your flights as early as possible and fly into Queenstown or Christchurch depending on your travel plans. Air New Zealand, Jetstar, Qantas and Virgin Australia are the only airlines flying directly into Queenstown. However many others come into Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch.

Visitors
from certain
countries must
have a **visitor**
visa to enter
New Zealand



Car/Van Transport

We highly recommend that teams organise their own transport to ensure full control over movement to and from the resort. There are a number of rental companies close to the Queenstown International Airport that have a range of car and van options to suit everyone's budget.

JUCY www.jucy.co.nz
GO Rentals www.gorentals.co.nz

Accommodation

Due to the number of athletes competing in the Audi quattro Winter Games NZ, we are not able to guarantee Team Accommodation bookings (as per FIS rules) after **30th June 2018**. A 50% deposit per person is required prior to this deadline to secure your booking. Accommodation will be offered at 80 CHF per day per person as per FIS World Cup rules (5.6). For all entry and accommodation enquiries please contact Jane Todd on jane@wintergamesnz.kiwi. We strongly recommend the teams identify and book their own accommodation.

Wanaka

Oakridge Resort www.oakridge.co.nz
Wyndham Resort www.wyndhamap.com
Wanaka Hotel www.wanakahotel.co.nz
Lake Hawea Hotel www.lakehawe.co.nz
For more listings please visit: www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/accommodation

Cardrona

Benbrae Lodge www.benbrae.co.nz
Cardrona Villas www.cardronavillas.co.nz
Cardrona Hotel www.cardronahotel.co.nz

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**Queenstown
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accommodation
options for all
budgets



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Accor Hotels www.accorhotels.com
 Rydges Queenstown www.rydges.com
 QT Hotels www.qthotelsandresorts.com
 For more listings please visit: www.queenstownnz.co.nz/accommodation/

For more accommodation information visit
<https://www.wintergamesnz.kiwi/get-here/accommodation>

Rental houses or apartments

It's possible to rent houses or apartments on short or long term basis in all townships. Most teams book houses as it is the most available and cost effective option. Most of the houses would be a minimum rental of 5-7 days.

Holiday Houses NZ www.holidayhouses.co.nz
 Bookabach www.bookabach.co.nz

Additional services

Fitness Gyms

[Proactive24:](#) Wanaka
[The Fit Collective:](#) Wanaka
[Alpine Health & Fitness:](#) Queenstown
[Queenstown Gym:](#) Queenstown

Physiotherapists

[Wanaka Physiotherapy:](#) Wanaka
[The Physio Room:](#) Wanaka
[Queenstown Physiotherapy:](#) Queenstown
[Remarkable Physios:](#) Queenstown

Massage

[Body Workshop:](#) Wanaka
[Wanaka Sports Massage:](#) Wanaka
[Remedial Massage:](#) Queenstown
[Massage Clinic QT:](#) Queenstown

Ski & Board Tuning

[Racer's Edge:](#) Wanaka
[The Wax Room:](#) Wanaka
[Snowboard Workshop:](#) Queenstown
[Browns Ski Shop:](#) Queenstown

Snow Report/Weather

[Cardrona Alpine Resort:](#) Wanaka
[Treble Cone:](#) Wanaka
[Snow Farm:](#) Wanaka
[The Remarkables:](#) Queenstown

[Coronet Peak:](#) Queenstown
[Metservice:](#) National



Wanaka and Queenstown

Located in the stunning alps of the South Island, New Zealand, visitors from around the world are drawn to the region by its outstanding beauty. Hot dry summers, cool autumns, lush spring and crisp cold winters make it a year-round destination and the ultimate base for outdoor activities.

Wanaka is home to two world-class ski areas Cardrona and Treble Cone, New Zealand's only cross country ski field Snow Farm, the private ski area of Soho Basin, and boasts access to the largest heli-ski terrain in the Southern Hemisphere.

Nestled alongside the pristine waters of Lake Wakatipu and surrounded by majestic, snowcapped mountains, Queenstown is a ski and winter destination offering a wide range of terrain for all abilities across The Remarkables and Coronet Peak ski areas.

You'll also discover a huge range of off mountain activities including adrenalin-pumping adventure, lake cruises, excellent cafes & restaurants, craft breweries and award-winning wineries. The Southern Lakes region is literally paradise for those passionate about winter sports.

Visit [Lake Wanaka Tourism](#) and [Destination Queenstown](#) for further information.

