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GENERAL RULES

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The ISMF rules and guidelines consist of a set of rules and guidelines applicable for the standardised organisation of the ISMF events. The purpose of the text of the ISMF rules and guidelines is to outline the obligations, behaviour and rights of all persons at any level involved in the events organised by the ISMF.

All ISMF rules and guidelines are in English. They may be subject to modification of the language used, in so much as the context and the content of these documents will remain unaltered but the English language used within said rules may be subject to improvement in terms of grammar and clarity.

In the documents for ISMF rules and guidelines, the masculine gender used in relation to any physical person (for example, names such as official, athlete, referee, coach or pronouns such as he, they or them) shall, unless there is a specific provision to the contrary, be understood as including the feminine gender.

All amounts stated in Euro (EUR) may be payable in the local currency where the event is taking place converted at the applicable exchange rate at the present date.

DEFINITIONS

Protester: A protester is an accredited individual entitled to file a protest according to the protestable matters.

- Appellant: An appellant is a party who files an appeal

Respondent: A respondent is the party against whom an appeal is made

3. REFERENCES

This chapter refers to the following rules:

- Event Registration Rules
- Organisation Event Guidelines
- Athletes Participation Rules
- Technical Race Guidelines
- Sporting Rules
- Race Equipment Rules
- Ranking Rules
- Rules for Youth World Cup
- Rules for Long Distance Team
- Rules for Olympic Games
- Transitory Rules for European Championships

4. ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations are used in the ISMF rules and guidelines.

4.1. ISMF events

ACH: Asian Championships

AR: Assistant Referee

CC: Continental Cup

CCH: Continental Championships

EDC: Event Director Coordinator

EUCH: European Championships

F: Female

H: Heat

IR: Individual race





JP: Jury President LD: Long Distance

LDI: Long Distance Individual LDT: Long Distance Team

LL: Lucky Loser M: Men / Male

MC: Marketing & Media Coordinator

MR: Mixed Relay race

M-WCH: Masters World Championships NACH: North American Championships

NR: National Referee

RJ: Race Jury

RM: Ranking Manager

RR: Relay race S: Senior

SR: Sprint race

TD: Technical Delegate

TDA: Technical Delegate Assistant

TR: Team race U18: Under 18 U20: Under 20 U23: Under 23

VAR: Video Assistant Refereeing

VR: Vertical race W: Women WC: World Cup

WCH: World Championships YWC: Youth World Cup

4.2. ISMF meetings

PA: Plenary Assembly TCM: Team Captain Meeting

4.3. International Federations/Associations/Bodies

CISM: Conseil International du Sport Militaire (International Military Sports Council)

EU: European Union

EYOF: European Youth Olympic Festival

FISU: Fédération Internationale du Sport Universitaire (International University Sports Federation)

IF: International Federation

IMGA: International Masters Games Association

IOC: International Olympic Committee

ISMF: International Ski Mountaineering Federation

LGC: La Grande Course OG: Olympic Games

TAS-CAS: Tribunal Arbitral Du Sport - Court of Arbitration for Sport

UIAA: Union Internationale des Associations d'Alpinisme (International Climbing and Mountaineering Federation)

WMWG: World Military Winter Games

WOG: Winter Olympic Games

WWMG: Winter World Masters Games WWUG: Winter World Universiade Games

YOG: Youth Olympic Games



National Federations

LOC: Local Organising Committee

NC: National Cup

NCH: National Championships N<mark>FM</mark>: National Federation Member NOC: National Olympic Committee

Ranking and results

DNF: Did not finish

DNS: Did not start

DQB: Disqualified for special behaviour

DSQ: Disqualified IRM: Invalid Result Mark NRL: Nation Result List

NWCR: Nation World Cup Ranking NYWCR: Nation Youth World Cup Ranking OMRRL: Olympic Mixed Relay Ranking List

OSRL: Olympic Sprint Ranking List

PP: Place Points TP: Time Points WRK: World Ranking

Anti-Doping

AD: Anti-Doping

APMU: Athlete Passport Management Units

BCO: Blood Collection Officer DCO: Doping Control Officer ITA: International Testing Agency NADO: National Anti-Doping Organisation

RTP: Registered Testing Pool TUE: Therapeutic Use Exemption WADA: World Anti-Doping Agency

4.7. Equipment

CE: Conformità Europea (Certificate of European Conformity)

DVA: Détecteur de Victimes d'Avalanche (Avalanche Victim Detector), also called: Avalanche Transceiver (ATR)

GPS: Global positioning system

TÜV: Technischer Überwachungsverein (Technical Inspection Association)

4.8. Commercial

MP: Manufacturers Pool

TV: Television

VAT: Value Added Tax VIP: Very Important Person



EVENT REGISTRATION RULES



This document provides information about <mark>applying to</mark> register<mark>ing an</mark> event<mark>s in for</mark> the ISMF international calendar.

All applications (refer to Aappendixes below for the official template) from the cocal Organising Committee LOC must be submitted to theirits national federation NM, who after consideration, will then be forward them to the ISMF office. Applications submitted directly to the ISMF office from the considered.

TYPES OF EVENTS

Applications are considered by the ISMF for the following events:

5.1. World Championships

A week-longseveral days event that must include Team, Individual, Vertical, Sprint and Relay races. For all senior and youth categories.

5.2. World Championships Long Distance Team (LDT)

A 1-4-one-to-four-day event for Senior and Master category only.

5.3. Masters World Championships

A 1-4-one-to-four-day event for Masters category only.

5.4. Continental Championships

A 2-5-three-to-five-day today event for Senior and Youth categories that must include Individual with at least one or two of the following Vertical and Sprint races. or Relay race is optional, while Team race is not possible. For all senior and youth categories.

5.5. World Cup

One A two or more days events with for Senior category that must include at least two or more of the following disciplines: Individual, Sprint, Vertical or Mixed Relay races, one or more different races according to the features of the ISME Sporting Rules for Senior category.

<mark>5.6.</mark> Continental Cup –

Two or more days events with at least two different races according to the features of the ISMF Sporting Rules. For Senior, U23 categories: Continental cups need at least 2 events. A continental cup can be World Cup at the same time.

5.6. Youth World Cup

Two A two or more days events for U20 and U18 categories with that must include at least two or more of the following disciplines: Individual, Sprint, Vertical or Mixed Relay races different races according to the features of the ISMF Sporting Rules and specific rules for the Youth World Cup. For U20, U18 and U16 (one event) categories: Continental cups need at least 3 events.

5.7. Continental Cup

A t wo or more days event<mark>s withfor Senior and Youth categories that must include</mark> at least two different races according to the features of the ISMF Sporting Rules. For Senior, U23 categories: Continental Cups need at least two events. A <mark>c</mark>ontinental <mark>c</mark>up can be a World Cup at the same time.

5.8. <mark>ISMF</mark> Series <mark>Events</mark> Race

A <mark>1-3-</mark> one to three days event with one or a combination of the following disciplines: Team, Individual, Vertical, Sprint or Relay races. The Local Organising CommitteeLOC may offer the event to particular categories or all

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Commented [VP2]: Moved from above



categories.

The organisational and sporting ISMF rules and guidelines and regulations which must be respected for hosting World Championships, Continental Championships and World Cup ISMF events races, which must be complied with are available on: www.ismfski.org (official texts) the ISMF website.

<u>Criteria</u> for hosting ISMF events (for exact deadlines please refer to appropriate schedule)

CRITERIA FOR HOSTING ISME EVENTS

6.1. World Championships

Applicants Mmust have previously held an ISMF World Cup event, a Continental Championships, a Youth World Cup, prother ISMF events or a technical visit and have received a favourable ISMF report after a technical homologation visit before applying forto host the World Championships. Application deadline: 2 years before proposed event.

6.2. World Championships Long Distance Team (LDT) -

Applicants M_must have the approval of two ISMF technical consultants assessing the event in the previous sthree years before applying to host a for the World Championships LDTLong Distance Team. Application deadline: 3 years before proposed event

6.3. Masters World Championships:

Applicants Mmust have received a favourable ISMF report after a technical homologation visit and be considered to have all the qualities required fulfil all requirements for hostingthe Masters World Championships event.

Application deadline: 1 year before proposed event.

6.4. Continental Championships (except Europe):

Applicants Mmust have previously held at least an ISMF series race event and received a favourable ISMF report and fulfil all requirements for pefore applying to hosting a Continental Championships. Application deadline: 1 year before proposed event. In Under special circumstances, and with the prior agreement of the ISMF, a race may award both Continental Championships may be organised in conjunction with a and World Cup titles for the same competition, subject to prior agreement with the ISMF Sport Department.

Continental Championships shall not take place during the same period of time as ISMF World Cup events.

5.5. European Championships:

Must have previously held an ISMF World Cup event, a Continental Championship, Youth World Cup or ISMF event or a technical visit and received a favourable ISMF report before applying to host a European Championship Application deadline: 1 year before proposed event.

6.5. World Cup

Applicants M_must have received a favourable ISMF race report and fulfil all requirements be considered to have all the qualities required for hosting a World Cup event. This report must be for an event held within the 2 years before making a World Cup application. Application deadline: 1 year before proposed event.

6.6. Youth World Cup

Applicants M_must have received a favourable ISMF report and fulfil all requirements be considered to have all the qualities required for hosting a Youth World Cup event. Application deadline: 1 year before proposed event.

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6.7 Continental Cur

Applicants must have previously held a Series event and received a favourable ISMF report before applying to host a Continental Cup.

6.8. ISMF Series Events Races:

Applicants Mmust be part of a regional or continental coup or be at least a high-level national race.

These are races that request to be officially assessed by the ISMF and appear in the ISMF international event calendar. They form a regional/continental circuit. Medals are awarded to the top three Senior, U23, U20 and U18 athletes with most ranking points from the circuit after the last race at the end of the season.

Races are ranked with the same type points system as used in the World Cup. Application deadline: by September of the calendar year of the season, i.e., 30th September 2022 for the season starting in December 2022. Race applying after the deadline will be considered at the discretion of the ISMF and will only be considered if arriving before the publication of the Series calendar at the start of the racing season. Applications are not

accepted after this. All applications must pass via the relevant national federation

ISMF Series Races will be reported by the ISMF technical representative present at the race. The report will outline the following and is applicable to previously unobserved races as well as those which have already received ISMF 'Certification'.

Races wishing to subsequently host a World Cup must comply with the ISMF standards before applying to host a World Cup. Those races interested in hosting a World Cup in the future should make this clear to the ISMF Technical Director, enabling the ISMF team to work closely with the Local Organising Committe in order to potentially prepare them to achieve their goals. If a Series race meets the ISMF standards, it is not automatically a race will be chosen to host a World Cup.

ISMF Technical Visit: The comments and criteria outlined for ISMF races are also applicable to those races who ask for an ISMF Technical Visit. Technical visits may be requested by any race which wishes to generally improve standards, consider appearing the following season in the ISMF Series Calendar, be considered in the future for holding a World Cup event. A technical visit does not give automatic entitlement to appearing in the ISMF calendar in future seasons. The race assessment report is carried out in the same way as for all other events. Fees for an ISMF Technical Visit are for the exact travel expenses and the daily allowance (150€ per day) for the number of days as mutually agreed.

The application form necessary for registering a race in the ISMF calendar is also available online, please make sure that the latest available version is used. www.ismf-ski.org (official texts).

Who may participate in ISMF races?

World Championships and Continental Championships: only athletes with ISMF licence "A" who are put forward by their national federation. Registration for these events is via the ISMF website.

Masters World Championships: only athletes with ISMF licence "A" or "B" can participate in this event. Registrations for this event is via the ISMF website.

World Cup: ISMF licence "A" holders put forward by their federation may participate in World Cup events and gain World Cup points, with registration taking place via the ISMF website.

World Cup – Open: Non-ISMF athletes, i.e., athletes only holding national licence – may participate but with separate race starts. Full details are in the ISMF Sporting rules and regulations. Registration for 'Open' athletes is possible via the ISMF official timekeeper.

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Youth World Cup: only athletes with ISMF licence "A" or "B" who are put forward by their national federation or ski club with the agreement of the national federation. National Licence (or special permit from the National federation without National Licence). Registration for this event is via the ISMF website.

ISMF Series – participating athletes must fulfil the criteria established by the hosting federation.

Responsibilities

Upon registering an event in the ISMF calendar the Local Organising Committee accept the responsibilities entailed and agree to collaborate with the ISMF and abide by ISMF rules and regulations as outlined.

World Championships, Continental Championships, World Cup, Youth World Cup, and events must abide by all SMF Rules and Regulations. Strict working schedules must be adhered to. Full financial responsibilities are made clear in the ISMF regulations. Note that all these events are subject to the ISMF anti-doping policy. Anti-doping tests will be carried out according to WADA guidelines in relation to World Championships, Continental Championships and World Cups. Testing may take place, before, after a race or at any other time even out of racing schedule. Full details are in the ISMF Guidelines for Organising international ski mountaineering competitions. Refer to Guidelines for Organising a race to find out more about ISMF collaboration and the presence of ISMF staff at events.

ISMF Series races/Technical Visit: a member of the ISMF technical team, who will liaise with the Local Organising Committee before the race, will arrive on site the day before (or as requested and in written agreement with the ISMF) the race to attend meetings and view the course, as well as to give advice. They will also be present to observe the race. The length of stay is usually between 1-3 nights.

Pay to the ISMF the registration fee corresponding to the type of competition requested.

Use the "ISMF logotype", provided by the ISMF complying with ISMF image rules in the brochures, the website and in all other means of publicity.

In general, the Local Organising Committee is responsible for:

- Sign the application form and in some cases the agreement with the ISMF and abide by all aspects laid out in said agreement.
- The ISMF staff and collaborators working on the event refer to Guidelines for Organising for full information on ISMF members present at races.
- The accommodation expenses (food and lodging) from two nights before the start of the first race until the morning following the end of the event (in certain cases the ISMF staff may need to arrive 3 nights before the event)
- For the ISMF Series/Technical Visit transport expenses continental travel 500 €, inter-continental = full cost; plus any costs incurred travelling between accommodation and race locations
 Daily allowance of 150,00 €/day for actual race day(s) and one day before
- Deliver race results to ISMF headquarters within 24 hrs. after the race, using the standardised format.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Application deadlines

All applications must passbe submitted and presented by via the relevant national federation NM.

Type of event	Sports Season*	ISMF Application Deadline Period	Approval Deadline	Calendar Announcement	
World Championships	n-1/n	1 May – 30 September n-3	31 December n-3	January n-2	

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2025 World		31 December 2023		lune 2024
Championships				,
Masters World	n-1/n	1 - 31 March n-1	30 April n-1	May n-1
Championships				
Continental	n-1/n	1 - 31 March n-1	30 April n-1	May n-1
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2024 European		31 December 2023		June 2023
Championships		Di December 2025		Jane 2023
2024 Continental		31 December 2023		lune 2023
Championships				Jane 2023
2023/2024 World Cups	n-1/n	31 January <mark>December – 31 March 2022</mark> n-1	30 April n-1	June 2023 <mark>May n-1</mark>
Youth World Cup	n-1/n	1 January – 31 March n-1	30 April n-1	May n-1
Continental Cup	n-1/n	1 - 31 March n-1	30 April n-1	May n-1
2024/2025 World Cups		31 December 2023		June 2024
<mark>2022/2023</mark> Series	n-1/n	30 September 2022 <mark>1 - 31</mark>	30 April n-1	15 October 2022May n-1
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2023/2024 Series and		30 September 2023		15 October 2023
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2024/2025 Series and		30 September 2024		15 October 2024
Cont. Cup		50 September 2024		13 October 2024
2022/2023 Youth World		30 June 2022		15 July 2022
<mark>Cup</mark>		50 June 2022		13 July 2022
2023/2024 Youth World		24 December 2022		luno 2022
Cup		31 December 2022		June 2023

*Every Local Organising Committee/national federation can present at most three applications that corresponc to three years of competitions.

*The ISMF sports season lasts from 1<mark>st</mark> July to 30<mark>th</mark> June of the following year.

In the case not sufficient event applications were received to establish an ISMF event calendar, the ISMF reserves the right to postpone the deadline accordingly.

The ISMF would prefers to establish long-term agreements. The LOC/NM can present eceive applications in advance for maximum three consecutive years. The application deadline is 31st December of every year. For example, pn from 1 January December 31st year to 31 March n-1 it is possible to present at most three application forms for the year sports season n-1/n, and/or year n/n+12 and/or year n+1/n+23. These applications may also consider different events, like Youth World Cups in n-1/n, World Cups in n/n+1 and World Championships in n+1/n+2.

The application form necessary for registering a race events in the ISMF calendar is also available online p. Please make sure that the latest available version is used. The interest available to find it on the ISMF website.

To complete the application form, the LOC should send the ISMF the supporting documentation referred to the tracks for all categories (maps with the official colours, profiles with the necessary details, etc.) at the latest one month after submitting the application form. Any change requested by the organiserLOC regarding track itineraries or schedules in the following regulation has to be presented in writing to and approved by the ISMF technical team sport Department in advance.

For registrations a certain rhythm for ISMF events shall be respected which is available upon request to the Sport Department.

ees for registering an event in the ISMF Calendar

Please refer to the Appendix 2 to find out the fees for registering an event in the ISMF Calendar

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APPROVAL PROCESS

Once all applications are received, the ISMF will coordinate dates and races with all applicants in order to finalise the calendar for the sports season. The ISMF reserves the right to reject applications in the case the proposed dates and races do not meet the requirements for the calendar. After this evaluation process, the ISMF will confirm the events and send a "letter of understanding" to be signed by the LOC and return the confirmed and signed application form (refer to appendixes below for the official template). Once signed the below mentioned calendar fees apply.

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CALENDAR FEES

CALENDAR FEES						
Type of event	Calendar fees season 2021/22	Calendar fees season 2022/23	Calendar fees season 2023/24	Calendar fees season 2024/25		
ISMFWorld Championships	5.000,00 €	5.000,00 EUR	7.500,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	7.500,00 EUR		
ISMEWorld Championships Long Distance Team		5.000,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	5.000,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	5.000,00 EUR		
ISMFMasters World Championships	1.500,00 €	1.500,00 €EUR	4.000,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	4.000,00 EUR		
ISMFContinental Championships (except Europe)		500,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	1.500,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	1.500,00 EUR		
ISMF Continental Championships	3.000,00 €	3.000,00€	5.000,00 €			
<mark>ISMF</mark> World Cup	2.500,00 €	2.500,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	5.000,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	5.000,00 EUR		
<mark>ISMF</mark> Youth World Cup		2.500,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	3.000,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	3.000,00 EUR		
ISMFContinental Cup (outside Europe)	500,00 €	500,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	1.000,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	1.000,00 EUR		
ISMFContinental Cup (Europe)			2.500,00 €	2.500,00 €		
ISMFSeries Events	200,00 €	200,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>	500,00 €EUR	500,00 EUR		

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No event is guaranteed the right to appear in the ISMF sporting calendar; all applications are evaluated by the ISMF before the calendar deadlines indicated above.

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Any event that is cancelled is required to pay a percentage of the Event Hosting fees, the sum of which will be indicated by the ISMF (See LOC agreement).



APPENDIXES

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Championships	;	Distance)									
World Cup		Individual (Classic Distance	2)								
Youth World Cu	ıp	Individual (Short Distance)									
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Indicative overall budget for the event



Main partners/sponsors	
Price of Accommodation per person/day (half/full board option)	
Athlete Registration fees: Senior categories –	
for CHs and WCs	<mark>€</mark>
Youth categories – for CHs and ISMF YWCs	<mark>€</mark>
Distance from accommodation to start/finish areas	km
Will the Local Organising Committee LOC be providing assistance	YES NO if athletes required to pay, price:
with transportation between event locations?	<mark>€EUR</mark>
History of the event	Year 1 st edition: Number of prev. editions:
Has it ever been National Championships or ISMF event?	
has it ever been National Championships of isivir event?	YES NO if yes, details
Name of the Local Organising Committee LOC media contact	
For ISMF Series, please indicate the prize money if there are some	Number of Senior Men/Women awarded:
(equity M/W is compulsory for the podium)	Total amount of prize money: EEUR
For SMF Series: Will aAnti-dDoping test be carried out?	YES NO if yes, how many tests?
Has your event been televised for local or national TV(s)?	YES NO if yes, details

The following documents must be attached to the application form. Incomplete applications will be rejected.

1	Map of the tracks (for all categories) on a 1:25,000 scale map. Official colours must be used (green, red, yellow)				
2	Profile of the tracks (for all categories) with distance, ascent/descent heights, parts on foot, crampons, ropes' parts				
	and check points				
3	List of supplementary equipment if there are some (see ISMF sporting rules)				

OTHER (any specificity or remark which could be important in the candidacy assessment (extra pages may be attached)

Please be aware that the <u>coal Organising CommitteeLOC</u> applying to hold an ISMF event (<u>ISMF sS</u>eries excluded) will also be obliged to sign a formal agreement which outlines requirements concerning ISMF sponsorship obligations and possible agreements concerning press and communication service.

As per ISMF regulations rules, aAnti-dDoping tests will be carried out according to WADA guidelines in relation to World Championships, Continental Championships and World Cups. Testing may take place, before, after a race or at any other period. Full details are in the ISMF rules and regulations.

By submitting this document, the Local Organising Committee LOC agrees to abide by ISMF rules and regulations.

At the/...../......

The President of the Local Organising Committee LOC President (name – signature)

Opinion of the National Federation<mark>NM</mark>

Favourable

Unfavourable

If unfavourable, the National Federation NM should explain why the candidacy has been rejected:

By accepting the candidacy, the National Federation NM agrees to send at its own expenses the National Referees from the evening of two days before the first race until the last race day. The National Referees will not be assigned as official Referees of the potential open race taking place at the same time and will be totally dedicated to the ISMF event. They will be coordinated on the race(s) by the ISMF Referees.





At, the / /
Legal representative of the National Federation NM (name – signature)
Decision taken by the ISMF
Favourable unfavourable date(s):
If unfavourable, the ISMF should explain why the candidacy has been rejected:
At, the / /
ISMF Event Director Coordinator (name – signature)



APPENDIX B: CALENDAR	APPLICATIO	N FORM F	OR REGISTERII	NG EVENTS T	TO THE ISMI
NAME OF THE EVENT LOCATION WEBSITE					
Please check the type World Championship	os Continenta	O Il Championships	O World Cup	Youth World Cup	Series
Please check the type O Individual	of race when applica O Vertical	able: Sprint	Mixed Relay	Team	Relay
Please check the categ O U16 M/W	gory when applicable O U18 M/W	U20 M/W	U23 M/W	SM/SW	Master M/W
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Please indicate on whi Mon	ch weekday the race Tue	es are schedules t Wed	he category when appli Thu Fri	<mark>cable:</mark> Sat	Sun
Please insert the appli	cant's details: Local Organisin	g Committee		National Membe	e <mark>r</mark>
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Please insert the contained NF Representative		<mark>ame</mark>	Phone		<mark>Email</mark>
LOC President					
LOC Race Director By submitting this doc	ument, the LOC and	the NM agree to	follow and respect ISM	F Rules in force at the	time of signing.

Signature



Date	Location	Signature	NM Representative name in block letters



The following parties hereby serve to formalize the understanding between them regarding the organisation and execution of the event specified in Section II.

Local Organising Committee ("LOC")	Name Name
	Street:
	ZIP/Post code:
	Town:
	Country:
National Member ("NM")	Name
	Street:
	ZIP/Post code:
	Town:
	Country:
International Federation ("ISMF")	International Ski Mountaineering Federation
	Street:
	ZIP/Post code:
	Town:
	Country:
	Street: ZIP/Post code: Town: Country: International Ski Mountaineering Federation Street: ZIP/Post code:

The ISMF confirms receipt of the application submitted by the LOC and the NM for the following event:

NAME OF THE EVENT		
LOCATION		
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Parties responsibilities
The LOC and NM shall provide the following:

Indicative overall budget for the event	EUR
Main partners/sponsors	
Accommodation per person/day	EUR half board EUR full board



	Name	Phone	<mark>Email</mark>
LOC Media			
Representative			

he following documents must be attached to the application form. Incomplete applications will be rejected.

- Map of the tracks (for all races and categories) on a 1:25,000 scale map, official colours must be used (green, red, yellow). Height profile of the tracks (for all categories) with distance, ascent/descent heights, parts on foot, transition areas and echnical information.

- The signing of Formal Agreement: The LOC organising the ISMF event (ISMF series excluded) will also be obliged to sign a formal agreement that outlines requirements concerning ISMF sponsorship obligations and possible agreements concerning press and communication services at least fifteen (15) days before the
- event. National Referees: The NM agrees to send at its own expense the National Referees from the evening of two (2) days before the first race until the last race day. The National Referees will not be assigned as official Referees but will be totally dedicated to the ISMF event. They will be coordinated by the ISMF Jury President.
- Commitment and Further Coordination: The Parties understand that this letter forms an integral part of the application submission and will be legally binding upon acceptance of the same. They shall be prepared to provide any additional information, documentation, or clarification required during the application process. The parties agree to sign the final agreements regarding organisation and media in due course. Further meetings and visits for further coordination of the event to be agreed between all parties.
- Under the Scope of the ISMF Rules: By signing this LOU the LOC and the NM agree to follow and respect ISMF Rules in force at the time of signing.
- Applicable calendar fee: BY signing this LOU the LOC confirms that the calendar fee as published in ISMF rules and guidelines will apply, that ISMF is entitled to invoice the applicable calendar fee upon publication of the ISMF calendar and that payment will be done as stipulated in the respective invoice.

Date	Place	Signature	LOC President name in block letters
Date	Location	Signature	NM Representative name in block letters
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Date	Location	Signaturo	ISMF Representative
Date	Location	Signature	name in block letters



APPENDIX 2: ISMF FEE SYSTEM 2022/23

Note: All amounts are expressed in EUR

MEMBERSHIP FEES					
Annual fees approved by Digital PA – 26/09/2020					
EUROPEAN FEDERA	EUROPEAN FEDERATIONS - FULL MEMBERS				
N° licences	Membership fee				
<mark>0-5</mark>	950,00 €				
<mark>6-10</mark>	1.800,00 €				
<mark>11-1</mark> 5	2.850,00 €				
+ 15	4.600,00 €				
NON-EUROPEAN FEDERATIONS – FULL MEMBERS					
Membership fee 750,00 €					
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Membership fee 1.050,00 €					
PROVISIONAL MEMBERS approved by Digital PA – 26/09/2020					
Membership fee 750,00 €					

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CALENDAR FEES

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ISMF Series

ISMF Youth World Cup

500,00 €

3.000,00 €



COMPETITORS FEES				
ltem	Amount			
	Maximum 50,00 €			
	(Relay race = maximum 30,00 € /			
Registration in an ISMF WCs/EUCH/WCH event	athlete for Youths and 50,00 € / athlete			
(fee/athlete/discipline)	for Seniors)			
	(Team race = maximum 50,00 € /			
	<mark>athlete)</mark>			
Master WCH	Between 40,00 € and 60,00 €			
ISMF-LGC WCH LDT	It depends on the event's duration			
Registration in an ISMF YEC event	Between 30,00 € and 40,00 €			
Late registration in an ISMF WC event (fee/athlete/discipline)	100,00 €			
Late registration in an ISMF EUCH/WCH event	To be indicated by the official ISMF			
(fee/athlete/discipline)	time-keeping company			
ISMF licence A	Senior/U23 = 100,00 € / athlete			
ISMF licence A	U20/U18 = 60,00 € / athlete			
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ISMF licence B	(U16 athlete free of charge)			
ISMF licence Master	30,00 €			
Claim	50,00 €			

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Registration in an ISMF WCs/EUCH/WCH event	athlete for Youths and 50,00 € / athlete		Commented [VP20]: Moved to Athletes Participation
(fee/athlete/discipline)	for Seniors)		Rules
	(Team race = maximum 50,00 € /		
	athlete)		
Master WCH	Between 40,00 € and 60,00 €		Commented [VP21]: Moved to Athletes Participation
ISMF-LGC WCH LDT	It depends on the event's duration		Rules
Registration in an ISMF YEC event	Between 30,00 € and 40,00 €		
Late registration in an ISMF WC event (fee/athlete/discipline)	100,00 €		
Late registration in an ISMF EUCH/WCH event	To be indicated by the official ISMF		Commented [VP22]: Moved to Athletes Participation
(fee/athlete/discipline)	time-keeping company		Rules
ISMF licence A	Senior/U23 = 100,00 € / athlete	,	Commented EVP221 Manager Addition Destination
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ISMF licence B	(U16 athlete free of charge)		Commented [VP24]: Moved to Athletes Participation Rules
ISMF licence Master	30,00 €		
Claim	50,00 €		Commented [VP25]: Moved to Athletes Participation Rules

ISMF REFEREE COURSES			
ltem	Amount		
Participation in an ISMF Referee Course (candidate/NF)	200,00 €		

ISMF REFEREE & TECHNICAL DELEGATE DAILY ALLOWANCES				
Item (transport cost excluded) Amount				
Work at an ISMF competitive event (each race	150,00 €			
day + rest day + 1 extra day)	150,00 €			
Work at an ISMF pre-visit (each day)	150,00 €			



ORGANISATION EVENT GUIDELINES

The ISMF rules and guidelines 2023/24 will be rolled out in three phases. Please note that until the final roll-out, the rules are considered as draft as some sections and/or chapters are marked with "work in progress". ISMF and its bodies take no responsibility or liability until the final roll-out. Please be aware of the ongoing changes.



10. GENERAL REMARKS

10.1. LOC, NEM and ISMF

10.1.1. LOC

The administrative and legal statutes of LOCs are under the responsibility of the New that registers the event. The ISMF headquarters must be informed of the internal structure of the LOC organisation and of the persons in charge of each of the areas mentioned in this document. The LOC is the group of persons or the entity which executes the right, duties and obligations related to the organisation of the ISMF events. The LOC shall make the necessary preparations and carries out the execution and funding of the race as a principle, the New ensures the proper organisation of the races/event and may delegate all or certain tasks, rights and obligations related to the organisation of the races to an affiliated club or another legal entity which then becomes the LOC and party to any agreements made with the ISMF.

10.1.1.1. Specification of requirements

All members of the LOC shall have the appropriate knowledge and experience necessary to carry out their assigned duties as follows:

- The LOC shall use the ISMF official language (English) in all official documents and meetings (official programme, TCMs, ISMF Event and Race Jury meetings, LOC meetings with international participation, etc.).
- The LOC should organise the event and the races in strict compliance with the applicable ISMF rules and Statutes in force.
- The LOC shall follow the reasonable instructions given by the ISMF.
- The LOC shall provide all necessary infrastructures, support and services (including power supply) necessary for the proper organisation of the entire event.
- The LOC shall carry out the tasks, rights and obligations defined in this agreement and in the ISMF rules.
- The establishment of the LOC shall not affect the liability of the LOC.

10.1.2. Relations between ISMF and LOC/NEW

The LOC must name a person who will act as the official liaison between the organisation and the ISMF. Relations between ISMF and the LOC/NeM will initially be carried out by the ISMF Event Director Coordinator and the ISMF Vice-President Sport and Events, and during the event also with the members of the ISMF Race Jury. The LOC must follow all ISMF rules maintaining close coordination with the ISMF offices and various responsible entities. The NeM appoints the LOC to carry out the duties and responsibilities connected with organising the event. The NeM has delegated the tasks, rights and obligations related to the organisation of the event to the LOC. All aspects defining the mutual obligations between ISMF/NeM and/or LOC will be defined in a specific contract with the ISMF.

During the months preceding each event, the LOC should always keep ISMF updated on general organisation, any particularities, and deadlines or obligations to be fulfilled.

10.1.3. Agreement between ISMF, NFM and/or LOC

An agreement will be signed between the ISMF, N<mark>FM</mark> and/or LOC. This agreement will specify:

- Definitions
- Appointment of the organiser
- General obligations of the LOC
- The LOC
- Further officials
- The races
- The event schedules
- Race venue
- Participants and teams personnel



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- Accreditation
- Equipment
- Timing and data
- Press and media
- Media and broadcast rights
- TV production
- Advertising rights
- Exploitation of advertising and commercial rights
- Services and considerations on advertising rights
- Intellectual property
- The event programme
- Representations and warranties
- Sustainability
- Medical services
- Insurance
- ISMF assistance
- Termination and consequences thereof
- Indemnity
- Waiver
- Assignment
- No joint venture
- Amendment
- Language
- Notices
- Severability
- Applicable law and arbitration
- Data privacy.

Any arrangements that are not provided for in the initial agreement will be settled by amendments between NEM, LOC and ISMF.

10.2. Race organisers – ISMF meetings

The organisers of events selected for the calendar of the upcoming season will be invited to attend a genera meeting with all LOCs grouped together (place and dates to be specified in due course, with at least one month's noticel.

The meeting takes place during the summer, with members of the ISMF Sport Department, media partners and marketing partners (new regulations - exchange views with ISMF members and other race organisers, training those responsible for the race route and volunteers).

SMF officials and race organisers will meet to discuss the race and decide certain key issues together.

The ISMF will arrange meetings with all appointed LOCs and their NMs in order to prepare for the events for the upcoming season and to share information with and among LOCs and NMs. The meetings will concern the general coordination of the calendar with dates and races and the general information about updates from ISMF regarding rules and guidelines, organisation and other general requirements and framework regarding the organisation of ISMF events. These meetings will be organised preferably online during the months from April to June n-1.

10.2.1. Pre-event preparation meetings

The ISMF Event Director shall organise at most 2 weeks before (or otherwise as agreed with the ISMF) any World and Continental Cup or World/Continental Championships ISMF events an Pre-event preparation meeting which will be composed by the LOC between the key persons of each main area and the ISMF staff and collaborators appointed for the event. The Pre-event preparation meeting is essential for good coordination and collaboration among the actors and for the control of the points listed in the ISMF.

For the organisation of each event ISMF will invite for pre-event meetings with the ISMF Sport & Events Manager,

For the organisation of each event ISMF will invite for pre-event meetings with the ISMF Sport & Events Manager, the ISMF Event Coordinator and the ISMF Marketing & Media Coordinator. Follow up meetings will take place in

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order to coordinate and agree the packages for hosting and media services. The LOC will be able to prepare for these meetings according to the organisational and media check-lists. These meetings will be organised preferably online, with new LOCs these meetings will take place on site (= pre-event visit), both taking place latest two months before the start of the season.

Following up on these meetings the LOC will stay in close contact with the ISMF Event Coordinator in order to update regularly on latest developments. Latest two weeks before any ISMF event an online pre-event meeting will be attended by the LOC key persons of each main area and ISMF staff and collaborators appointed for the event. This meeting is essential for a good coordination and cooperation among the various actors and to determine whether all items mentioned in the organisational and media check-lists in force have been analysed and were prepared accordingly by the LOC.

11. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

11.1. Administrative requirements

The LOC and the N<mark>EM</mark> must take all necessary and useful administrative measures to ensure that the event takes place in the best possible conditions (aid and rescue, environmental issues, etc.).

11.2. Insurance

The New and/or the LOC must have adequate insurance as required in the hosting nation to cover all civil liability risks and event cancellation. The coverage shall include all members of the LOC and of the SMF Race Jury, including the ISMF representatives. The minimum liability insurance amount shall be Euros 3.000.000 EUR (three million Euros EUR) or equivalent for each event. The insurance coverage shall apply from the first day of work of the LOC staff until (and including) the last day of the event. The LOC shall submit a copy of the relevant insurance policy to the ISMF Event Director Coordinator at the latest one week before the first day of work. The ISMF will take care of full insurance coverage of the civil liability of the officers and staff members attending the event on behalf of the ISMF who are not members of the LOC and of the ISMF Event and Race Jury.

11.3. Budget

The budget is the sole responsibility of the New and/or the LOC assume the event's financial risk, being entirely responsible for any losses and/or deficit, whilst also retaining any surplus in the event of a budget benefit.

The NIM and/or the LOC must also abide by national legislation with respect to the payment of any local and/or national taxes that may apply to the event.

11.4. Responsibilities

Upon registering an event in the ISMF calendar, the LOC accepts the responsibilities entailed and agrees to collaborate with the ISMF and abide by ISMF rules as outlined:

- Strict working schedules must be adhered to.
- Full financial responsibilities are made clear in the ISMF rules.
- All events are subject to the ISMF Anti-Doping policy. Anti-Doping tests will be carried out according to WADA guidelines in relation to ISMF events. Testing may take place, before, after a race or at any other time even out of racing schedule.
- To find out more about ISMF collaboration and the presence of ISMF staff at events refer to the Organisation Event Guidelines.
- Pay to the ISMF the hosting and media fees corresponding to the type of event requested.
- Use the ISMF logo, provided by the ISMF complying with ISMF brand guidelines, on the LOC/event website and in all other means of communication.

In general, the LOC is responsible for:

 Signing the application form and, in some cases, the agreement with the ISMF and abide by all aspects laid out in said agreement.



 The full board accommodation from the arrival until the departure of the ISMF staff and collaborators/providers.

11.5. Costs beared by the LOC

11.5.1. ISMF event hosting fee and media fee

Please refer to the Annex A.1 in order to find out the chart with the split ISMF event hosting fee. Please refer to the Annex A.2 in order to find out the chart with the split ISMF media fee.

HOSTING FEE – DOWN PAYMENT			
2023/24 SEASON			
Amount valid for WCs/WCH	7.500,00 <mark>€EUR</mark>		
Amount valid for YWCs/CCHs	3.000,00 EEUR		

This amount will be required only in case of acceptance of the event into the ISMF calendar and upon signing the LOC agreement. Afterwards, it will be deducted from the total Hosting Fees. This amount is non-refundable.

11.5.2. Prize money and awards in charge to the LOC

The LOC guarantees the minimum gross prize money in connection with each race according to the ISMF rules. The LOC is however entitled to pay a higher than the minimum prize money.

The prize money has to be paid by the LOC within one week after the event. The ISMF office will send the athletes' bank account details to the LOC.

11.5.2.1. World Championships

Prize money to be applied for the season 2023/24:

SENIOR CATEGORY					
PRIZE MONEY*	WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS				
(minimum)	SPRINT	VERTICAL	INDIVIDUAL	TEAM	MIXED RELAY
1st SM/SW	1 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	2 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	2 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **
2 nd SM/SW	1 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	1 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **
3 rd SM/SW	700 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	700 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	700 <mark>,00 </mark> EUR	900 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	900 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **
4 th SM/SW	400 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	400 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	400 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	Gift***	Gift***
5 th SM/SW	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 </mark> EUR	Gift***	Gift***
1st U23M/W	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	-
2 nd U23M/W	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	-
3 rd U23M/W	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 <mark>€</mark>EUR</mark>	-	-
4 th U23M/W		Gift		-	-
5 th U23M/W		Gift		-	-
TOTAL per	4 <mark>.</mark> 800 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	4 <mark>.</mark> 800 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	4 <mark>.</mark> 800 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	4 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	4 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>
category	4.800,00 ELOK	4,800,00 ELUK	4.800,00 e LOK	4.200,00 e LOR	4.200,00 e LOR
TOTAL per race	9 <mark>.600,00 <mark>€</mark>EUR</mark>	9 <mark>.600,00 <mark>€</mark>EUR</mark>	9 <mark>.600,00 €EUR</mark>	8 <mark>.</mark> 400 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	4 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR
TOTAL all races	41 <mark>,</mark> 400 <mark>,00 <mark>€</mark>EUR</mark>				

^{*}The said amounts of prize money have to be considered gross which will be then deducted of any withholding tax in force in the LOC's nation.

^{**}The amount has to be considered per team. The LOC should pay exact half amount to one team member and the other exact half amount to the other team member.

^{***}The LOC shall provide both team members with a gift.



Prize money to be applied for the season 2023/24:

YOUTH CATEGORIES					
PRIZE MONEY*	WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS				
(minimum)	SPRINT	VERTICAL	INDIVIDUAL	MIXED RELAY	
1st U20M/W	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
2 nd U20M/W	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
3 rd U20M/W	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	100 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
4 th U20M/W	Gift			Gift***	
5 th U20M/W	Gift			Gift***	
1st U18M/W	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	
2 nd U18M/W	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	
3 rd U18M/W	100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	100 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	
4 th U18M/W		-			
5 th U18M/W	Gift -				
TOTAL per category	1 <mark>.</mark> 100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	
TOTAL per race	2 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	2 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	2 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	
TOTAL all races	7 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 <mark>€</mark>EUR</mark>				

^{*}The said amounts of prize money have to be considered gross which will be then deducted of any withholding tax in force in the LOC's nation.

Prize money to be applied for the season 2024/25:

SENIOR CATEGORY					
PRIZE MONEY* (minimum)	WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS				
	SPRINT	VERTICAL	INDIVIDUAL	TEAM	MIXED RELAY
1st SM/SW	2 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	2 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	2 <mark>.000,00 €EUR</mark>	2 <mark>.000,00 €EUR</mark> **	2 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **
2 nd SM/SW	1 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	1 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	1.300,00 E EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	1 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **
3 rd SM/SW	900 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	900 <mark>,00</mark> €EUR	900 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	900 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	900 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **
4 th SM/SW	600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	600 <mark>,00</mark> €EUR	600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	600 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	600 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **
5 th SM/SW	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00</mark>	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	400 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	400 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **
1st U23M/W	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00</mark> €EUR	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	-
2 nd U23M/W	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00</mark>	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	-
3 rd U23M/W	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	-
4 th U23M/W	Gift			-	-
5 th U23M/W	Gift			-	-
TOTAL per	6 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	6 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	6 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 EEUR</mark>	5 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	5 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>
category	0.300,00 EEUK	0,300,00 EEUK	0,300,00 E EUK	3,200,00 EEUR	3.200,00 EEUR
TOTAL per race	12 <mark>.</mark> 600 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	12 <mark>.</mark> 600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	12 <mark>.</mark> 600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	10 <mark>.400<mark>,00</mark> €EUR</mark>	5 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>
TOTAL all races	53 <mark>.400,00 <mark>€</mark>EUR</mark>				

^{*}The said amounts of prize money have to be considered gross which will be then deducted of any withholding tax in force in the LOC's nation.

^{**}The amount has to be considered per team. The LOC should pay exact half amount to one team member and the other exact half amount to the other team member.

^{***}The LOC shall provide both team members with a gift.

^{**}The amount has to be considered per team. The LOC should pay exact half amount to one team member and the other exact half amount to the other team member.



Prize money to be applied for the season 2024/25:

	YOUTH CATEGORIES										
PRIZE MONEY*		WORLD CHA	MPIONSHIPS								
(minimum)	SPRINT	SPRINT VERTICAL IN		MIXED RELAY							
1st U20M/W	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **							
2 nd U20M/W	200 <mark>,00 </mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **							
3rd U20M/W	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **							
4 th U20M/W		Gift									
5 th U20M/W		Gift		Gift***							
1st U18M/W	200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-							
2 nd U18M/W	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-							
3 rd U18M/W	100 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-							
4 th U18M/W		Gift		-							
5 th U18M/W		Gift		-							
TOTAL per	1 <mark>.</mark> 100 <mark>,00 <mark>€</mark>EUR</mark>	1.100,00 EEUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 100 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	1 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>							
category	I TOU, OU EEUR	I IOO,OO EEOR	1.100,00 EEUR	1.000,00 EEOR							
TOTAL per race	2 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	2 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	2 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR							
TOTAL all races		7 <mark>.</mark> 600 <mark>,0</mark>	00 <mark>€</mark> EUR								

^{*}The said amounts of prize money have to be considered gross which will be then deducted of any withholding tax in force in the LOC's nation.

11.5.2.2. Continental Championships

The prize money amounts for the Continental Championships have to be decided by the respective Continental Council and the ISMF has to be notified no later than six months before the event. If such a communication is not received by ISMF, World Cup's prize money amounts will be applied.

In the exceptional case where a Continental Championship is organised in conjunction with a World Cup, there will be two podiums awarding the two different titles, but only the World Cup prize money will be awarded.

11.5.2.3. World Cup

Prize money to be applied for the season 2023/24:

	SENIOR CATEGORY									
PRIZE MONEY*		wor	RLD CUP							
(minimum)	SPRINT	VERTICAL	INDIVIDUAL	MIXED RELAY						
1st SM/SW	1 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **						
2 nd SM/SW	1 <mark>.000,00 €EUR</mark>	1 <mark>.</mark> 000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.000,00 €EUR</mark>	1 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **						
3rd SM/SW	700 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	700 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	700 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	800 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **						
4 th SM/SW	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	Gift***						
5th SM/SW	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	Gift***						
TOTAL per	3 <mark>.</mark> 800 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	3 <mark>.</mark> 800 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	3 <mark>.</mark> 800 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	3 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>						
category	3,800,00 EEUR	3,800,00 EEUR	3.800,00 E EUR	3,500,00 EEUK						
TOTAL per race	7 <mark>.600<mark>,00</mark> €EUR</mark>	7 <mark>.</mark> 600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	7 <mark>.600<mark>,00</mark> €EUR</mark>	3 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR						
TOTAL all races		26 <mark>.</mark> 300	0,00 <mark>€</mark> EUR							

^{*}The said amounts of prize money have to be considered gross which will be then deducted of any withholding tax in force in the LOC's nation.

^{**}The amount has to be considered per team. The LOC should pay exact half amount to one team member and the other exact half amount to the other team member.

^{***}The LOC shall provide both team members with a gift.

^{**}The amount has to be considered per team. The LOC should pay exact half amount to one team member and the other exact half amount to the other team member.

^{***}The LOC shall provide both team members with a gift.



Prize money to be applied for the season 2024/25:

	SENIOR CATEGORY										
PRIZE MONEY* WORLD CUP											
(minimum)	SPRINT	VERTICAL	VERTICAL INDIVIDUAL								
1st SM/SW	1 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **							
2 nd SM/SW	1 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **							
3 rd SM/SW	800 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	800 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	800 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	800 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **							
4 th SM/SW	600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	600 <mark>,00</mark> €EUR	600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	600 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **							
5 th SM/SW	400 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	400 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	400 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	400 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **							
TOTAL per category	4 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>										
TOTAL per race	9 <mark>.000,00 €EUR</mark>	9 <mark>.000,00 €EUR</mark>	9 <mark>.000,00 €EUR</mark>	4 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR							
TOTAL all races		31,50	0 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR								

^{*}The said amounts of prize money have to be considered gross which will be then deducted of any withholding tax in force in the LOC's nation.

In the exceptional case where a Continental Championship is organised in conjunction with a World Cup, there will be two podiums awarding the two different titles, but only the World Cup prize money will be awarded.

11.5.3. Event cancellation policy

In the case of cancellation of the event before the first day of work the downpayment will not be refunded and used to cover the calendar fee, costs for pre-event visit and other administrative and organisational costs. In the case of cancellation of either the entire event or single races from the first day of work onwards the LOC will be responsible for all costs already occurred by ISMF or its providers/suppliers. The downpayment will not be refunded and the calendar fee will be withheld to cover mentioned costs accordingly. The hosting fee has to be agreed mutually between LOC/NEM and ISMF.

11.6. Technical visit

Technical visits may be requested by any event which wishes to consider appearing the following season in the ISMF calendar. A technical visit does not give automatic entitlement to appearing in the ISMF calendar in future seasons. Fees for an ISMF technical visit are for the exact travel expenses and the daily allowance for the number of days of permanence of the ISMF staff on the race venue. Previous agreements have to be made between the ISMF and the LOC.

11.7. Pre-event visit

Once the candidacy of a LOC hosting a World Cup or a World/Continental Championships is accepted, the ISMF Sport Department may decide to make a pre-event visit on the venue of the ISMF event to be checked from both the organisational and technical sides in accordance with the ISMF organisational check-list in force from July to November (in any case before the ISMF event). Two assessors at maximum (usually the ISMF Event Director Coordinator and the ISMF Technical Delegate) may participate in pre-event visits which will be completely in charge to the LOC.

12. ORGANISATION

Athletes, coaches and teams' staff members cannot be members of the organisation (LOC and ISMF).

^{**}The amount has to be considered per team. The LOC should pay exact half amount to one team member and the other exact half amount to the other team member.



12.1. LOC

12.1.1. LOC Staff

All persons involved in the organisation of a race are named "members of the organisation". A list of names will be drawn up, communicated to the ISMF and displayed on the LOC/event website.

A typical LOC is composed of:

- LOC Race Director;
- LOC Tracks Directors;
- Treasurer:
- Administrative Officer (accreditations, ski passes, etc.);
- Press Officer (press and media relations, communication);
- Sustainability Officer;
- Person liaising with the ISMF;
- Person in charge of results;
- Person in charge of catering and accommodation;
- Person in charge of the Flower and Award Ceremonies;
- Person in charge of site management and equipment;
- Doctor and rescue team.

12.1.2. LOC Officials

LOC Officials are:

- NFM President or his/her representative;
- LOC President;
- NFM Official Representatives.

12.1.3. Roles and responsibilities

12.1.3.1. The LOC President

The LOC President is in charge of the event for the N<mark>FM</mark> and is the main contact person for the ISMF.

12.1.3.2. The LOC Race Director

- Is in charge of all issues relating to the ISMF event;
- Organises the ISMF event according to the ISMF rules;
- Is responsible for ensuring that the races meet all requirements of the ISMF rules;
- Decides whether the event takes place depending on conditions prior to the event (trails, weather, other environmental impacts, etc.);
- Is in contact with the staff on site from the LOC and the ISMF;
- Can request the assistance of the ISMF staff in agreement with the ISMF Event Director Coordinator;
- Validates where transition areas should be positioned and which track and equipment to be used for safety reasons (foot part, crampons, etc.). All these decisions should be made together with the LOC Track Director. The ISMF Race Jury advises the LOC Race and LOC Track Director in these matters.;
- Is responsible for stopping the race in the case of accident, danger, safety, weather conditions, etc.;
- Is responsible for evacuating all participants from the race venue: athletes, staff and also spectators.

12.1.3.3. The LOC Sustainability Officer

- Is appointed by the LOC and validated by the NFM hosting the event;
- Is familiar with sustainability concepts and any special rules in force in the hosting nation / is also familiar with ISMF sustainability policy and any related documentation;
- Is familiar with the environment of and requirements for ski mountaineering events;



- Is in charge of making a sustainable plan for the event in accordance with the ISMF sustainability guidelines (ISMF sustainability Handbook);
- Is involved in the organisation and execution of preparing and running the event;
- Cooperates with the LOC Race Director and the ISMF Event Director Coordinator to deal with any important issue concerning sustainability;
- Will write a final sustainability report in accordance with the ISMF sustainability rules (ISMF sustainability Handbook) and communicate it to ISMF by the end of the event.

12.2. ISM

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The ISMF Staff is composed of (maximum of roles):

- ISMF Event Coordinator;
- ISMF Technical Delegate;
- ISMF Jury President;
- ISMF Referees;
- ISMF VAR Operator;
- ISMF Assistant Referee;
- ISMF Assistant Technical Delegate;
- ISMF Ranking Manager;
- ISMF Marketing & Media Coordinator;
 - National Referees.

12.2.2. ISMF Officia

The ISMF Officials are:

- ISMF Official Representative;
- Possible ISMF Bureau Members
 - Possible ISMF Council Members

12.2.3. Roles and responsibilities

12.2.3.1. The ISME Official Rei

- Is an ISMF Council Member;
 - Is the representative of the ISMF in front of the NM representatives, nation and local authorities, the LOC
- President and other authorities that are attending to the event;
- Should foster political relations with the nation and local authorities, the NM and the LOC;
- Is the representative of the ISMF in all ceremonies and official institutional meetings;
- Is present in TCMs;
- Is informed about the schedule and protocol of all ceremonies before the event;
- Supervises the correct organisation of the ceremonies according to the ISMF rules and guidelines;
- Is informed about the general status of the event, including state of the signed contracts, approved insurances and other relevant information last update: before the event;
- Is invited to the internal ISMF pre-event meetings and debriefings of the event;
- Is invited to the on-line or presential meetings with the NM/LOC previous, during or after the event (technical & media calls, briefings, debriefing, etc.).

12.2.3.2. The ISMF Event Director Coordinato

- Is aAppointed by the Vice-President of sport and eventISMF Sport & Events Manager;
- Is the highest ISMF official during the race;
- Is on all ISMF sporting calendar events;

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- Must verify and monitor the compliance by the LOC of the ISMF Rules regarding the organisation of the event. The LOC must comply with all provisions of the ISMF Event Director;
- Once appointed, contacts the LOC, follows the organisation of the event and rep
- Coordinates the relation between the ISMF and the LOC;
- Ensures<mark>, together with the LOC and the <mark>environmental protection o</mark>S<mark>ustainability O</mark>fficer that the event</mark> environment thus complying with ISMF resolutions in compliance with ISMI
- Coordinates <mark>work carried out by other ISMF Delegates</mark>the preparation and organisation of the event vithin the ISMF and its staff, especially the ISMF Jury President and the ISMF Technical Delegate;
- Responsible for approving<mark>ls informed of</mark> the protocol drawn up by the LOC;
 - arries out responsibilities as outlined in the ISMF and L responsibilities as outlined in the ISMF and LOC agreement;
- Coordinates relation between ISMF Technical Delegate and the ISMF President of the Technical Jury, Ensures that <mark>Olympic regulations</mark> I<mark>SMF rules</mark> concerning Anti-Doping are followed;
- Once appointed, contacts the LOC, follows the organisation of the event and replies to any requests from
- <mark>Is rR</mark>esponsible for liaising with <mark>organisers/national federations</mark>LOCs/NMs, ISMF Technical Delegates and appointed <mark>ISMF r</mark>Referees concerning the general management of the event both prior and during the
- <mark>ls Responsible</mark>accountable for relations with the person in charge of the National FederationNM;
 - ls in charge together with the ISMF Official Representative of relations with the National Officials of the
- Is not a member of the Technical Jury but can attend the meetings of the Technical Jury, without right to
- Can act as representative of the ISMF President:
- Responsible for providing the person in charge of the protocol with any ISMF cups, trophies or medals;
- Assures that ceremon<mark>y protocol is</mark>ies are carried out according to ISMF rules and guidelines;
- Acts as ISMF liaison to help ensure the correct organisation of doping controls protocol;
 - Responsible for the relations with the representative of the organisation of the sport event
- Coordinates relation between ISMF, LOC and implementation team;
 - Supervises with the Technical Delegate the environmental protection officer, that the event is run in
- respect of the environment thus complying with the ISMF resolutions and specific local regulations;
- Must accept to attend safety committee meetings, if invited;
- Is coordinator of the decisional group, in the event of important decisions related to the organisation of the event;
 - Has the responsibility to call the Jury Consulting Group, if necessary.
- Writes an official report, incorporating the report of the ISMF Jury President and the online feedback form within three days after the last race day addressed to the ISMF Sport & Events Manager and the ISMF Office.

12.2.3.3. The SMF Technical Delegate

- Is a technical consultant appointed by the ISMF vice President of Sport and Events Sport & Events Manager for the technical organisation of the event access working in close collaboration and coordination with the LOC Race Director, the LOC Track Director, the ISMF Jury President of ISMF Event DirectorCoordinator.;
- Advises the ISMF staff<mark>, and</mark> the LOC Race Director and LOC Track Director on technical issues;
- Is the responsible member fromin the ISMF staff on the technical issues in the preparation of the races;
 - Can advise the Race Director and track director about technical issues:
 - Has to go through (or make his/her assistants go through) the complete circuit of the competition to

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- Once appointed, contacts the LOC follows and advises the organisation of the eventraces and replies to any technical requests from the LOC;
- ls <mark>R</mark>responsible for approving the technical protocol<mark>data drawn up by</mark>received from the LOC;
- Coordinates the work of the ISMF technical staff throughout the duration of the event except during the race;
- Can advise the Technical Jury about the ISMF regulations in relation to registrations, licences, equipment and others;
- Must attend all meetings pertaining to the event, including Team Captain Meetings, pre-event meetings Technical Jury meetings);
- Is the ISMF responsible member for the Team Captain Meeting presentation together with the LOC Race Director:
- Can advise the ISMF President of the Technical Jury on decisions concerning any controversial points or issues that are not provided in the ISMF "Sporting Rules & Regulations";
- Collaborates with the President of Jury, the ISMF Event Director and the appointed person of the LOC in charge of the anti-doping, acting in coordination with the administrator of the ISMF anti-doping Commission.
- Must attend allthe meetings of the LOC's Safety ccommittee meetings, if invited;
 - Is in constant contact with the LOC Race Director and LOC Track Director during the event;
- Is not a member of the Technical Jury but can attend the meetings of the Technical Jury, without right to vote:
- Collaborates with the LOC to coordinate the work of volunteers or can delegate this task to an ISMF Referee;
- Is accountable for technical sector of the race;
- Coordinates the ISMF Technical Team (ISMF Technical Delegate, ISMF Jury President and ISMF Referees)
 before the event and during the preparation of the race;
- Controls and verifies the race tracks and the transitions to meet the requirements of ISMF rules and guidelines;
- Is responsible for the set up of the finish area and finish corridor (skating or on skins) to be in compliance with ISMF rules and guidelines and coordinates this work with the LOC Track Director;
- Is responsible for the set up of the finish lines in coordination with the time-keeping company (Photo Finish).

12.2.3.4. The SMF Jury President of the Technical Jury

- Is appointed by the ISMF Referee Manager;
- ls an <mark>international</mark>ISMF <mark>rR</mark>eferee;
- Is the responsible of the Technical Jury;
 - Ensures that ISMF regulations are followed and resolves any registration issues (categories, etc.
 - Is in charge of relations with the Technical representatives of the national federation;
 - Carries out the tasks assigned by the Technical Delegate before the race;
- Will be an assistant for the Technical Delegate before the race to go through the complete circuit of the competition so that drawing, organisation of control points and passages are in accordance with the current ISMF regulation.
- Must accept to attend all Ssafety Ccommittee meetings, if invited;
- Attends race meetings;
- Ensures compliance with ISMF rules and guidelines, and sporting fairness;
- Leads the ISMF Race Jury and cCalls for Juryits meetings and organise the Jury's work and revise ISMF regulations before the event;
- Together with the ISMF Technical Delegate coordinates the work of the ISMF Race Jury;
- Coordinates Referees throughout the duration of before the event, appoints their position the day before the race and coordinates their work during the race;
- Makes the decisions concerning any disputed points or issues that are not provided in the ISMF "Sporting and Ranking rules and guidelines";

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- Is in constant contact with the LOC Race Director during the race or his/her representative;
- Supervises provisional ranking and performs an initial verification with the international referees once ne/she has received the provisional results are available;
- Applies the penalties and signs the unofficial results, and request provisional results as soon as possible.
- Receives claimsprotests submitted within the correct deadline as specified in "International Ski Mountaineering Sporting Rules" the ISMF rules and guidelines;
- Signs official rankings, gives copy to the ISMF Event Director, the ISMF Technical Delegate, the LOC for official posting and to the speaker;
- If the IT-ranking manager is not present at the event, then the President of the Technical Jury in coordination with the Timekeeping Company must rapidly send the competition results by e-mail to the IT-ranking manager and ISMF secretary office;
- Writes an official report, within 48 hours incorporating the feedback of the ISMF Technical Delegate and all ISMF Referees within three days after the last race day addressed to the ISMF Technical Delegate, the Event Director, the Referee Manager, the ISMF Office Secretary;
 - Can advise the ISMF Technical Delegate on technical issues/requirements.
- Is the ISMF accountable for the TCM and its content with the LOC Race Director;
- Is responsible for the arrival to the finish during the race with material control and coordinates the LOC staff accordingly (he/she can delegate this task to a designed Referee);
- Is responsible for the results with penalties to be published on the bulletin board;
 - Carries out tasks of the ISMF Event Coordinator in case he/she is not present at the event;
- Assigns the positions/tasks to the ISMF and National Referees latest the day before the race

12.2.3.5. The SMF Race Referees (First ISMF Referee and Second ISMF Referee

- Are appointed by the ISMF Referee Manager;
- Are international ISMF rReferees; the ISMF Referee Manager will inform the LOC of appointment
- Carriesy out the tasks assigned by the ISMF Jury President of the technical Jury during the race;
- Carr<mark>iesy</mark> out the tasks assigned by the ISMF Technical Delegate before the race;
- Will be an assistant for the Technical Delegate before the race to go through the complete circuit of the competition so that drawing, organisation of control points and passages are in accordance with the current ISMF regulation;
- Ensure that the event is run according to the ISMF regulations rules and guidelines;
- Attends Team Captain Meeting, Technical meetingsTCMs;
- Can advise the LOC on technical issues/requirements through the Technical Delegate or the President of the Technical Jury.
- Can execute and coordinate the set up of the start/finish area, transition area, track marking to be in compliance with the ISMF rules and guidelines following the instructions of the ISMF Technical Delegate;
- Can execute and coordinate the set up of the start line and starting gate in coordination with timekeeping company;
- Can be the responsible for the starting procedure during the race with material control (including bibs, chips and GPS), starting position, starting signal and coordinates the LOC staff accordingly following the instructions of the ISMF Technical Delegate and/or of the ISMF Jury President;
- Can execute and coordinate the set up of the track (including elements like diamonds in uphill or gates
 in downhill) and transition areas (including entry and exit line) to be in compliance with ISMF rules and
 coordinates this work with the ISMF Jury President and the ISMF Technical Delegate;
- Can be responsible for the track and transition areas during the race and coordinates the LOC staff accordingly.

12.2.3.6 The ISME VAR Operato

- Is appointed by the ISMF Referee Manager;
- Is an ISMF Referee;
- Is responsible for the set up of the VAR system in transition and handover areas, the VAR tent next to the finish area and coordinates this work with the ISMF Jury President and the LOC Track Director;

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- Attends TCMs;
- Is accountable for the VAR system during the race, provides the relevant information to the ISMF Jury President and coordinates the ISMF staff accordingly; Carries out the tasks assigned by the ISMF Jury President during the race;
- Should have two VAR Referee Assistants at the World Championships.

- Is appointed by the ISMF Referee Manager;
- Is an ISMF Referee in training;
- Attends TCMs;
- Carries out the tasks assigned by the ISMF Jury President during the race.

- Is appointed by the ISMF Sport & Events Manager;
- Is an ISMF Technical Delegate in training;
- Attends TCMs;
- Carries out the tasks assigned by the ISMF Jury President or ISMF Technical Delegate during the race.

The ISMF IT-Ranking Manager (only in World / European Championships and in the last race of the World Cup (Senior))

The ISMF Ranking Manager coordinates all information concerning the rankings and results system.

rior to the season, the ISMF Ranking Manager:

- Participates in the Rules Commission to understand, follow and propose evolutions concerning rankings and results (and close topics as categories, Athletes Participation Rules, etc.);
- Prepares the ISMF website to have an operative ranking system for the season (WC rankings, YWC rankings, WR, CC rankings, etc.);
- Prepares, updates the ISMF time-keeping rules and contact each ISMF event's time-keeping company to receive the races results in time and with the proper formats;
- Helps the ISMF Office to complete the ISMF calendar;
- Is accountable for Ranking Rules and coordinate the work on Ranking Rules.

uring the season, the ISMF Ranking Manager:

- rovides the LOC with the list of competitors with licences from each national federation a week before the competition, and then again 24 hrs before the competition;
- Updates computerized data on the competitors taking part in the event;
- Updates official ISMF rankings;
 - Requests for help from the LOC to set up and coordinate the computerized system by which he/she can immediately receive data from the finish line;
- Ensures that ISMF rules and guidelines are followed and resolves any registration issues (categories, etc.);
- Prepares the start lists for the necessary ISMF events;
- Receives the results from the time-keeping companies where the official ISMF company is not involved;
- Inputs the results in the ISMF ranking system to produce updated rankings;
 - Produces computerized event rankings
- Posts<mark>Publishes</mark> results on the <mark>officialISMF</mark> website <mark>and sends them to the referee manager and ISMF</mark> <mark>eadquarters</mark>as soon as possible after each concerned race;
- Ensures that each person in charge of a nation
- <mark>lf possible will be</mark>ls present at <mark>the World Cc</mark>hampionships and <mark>the World Cc</mark>up finals <mark>to produce and</mark> oublish the necessary rankings<mark>.</mark>;
- Updates the ISMF licences and follow the licence system;
 - Provides the licence list to ISMF Office.

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12.2.3.10. The National Referees

The ISMF certified referees from the National Federation who will organise the race will have the priority to attend the event as a 1st and 2nd National Referees and will be appointed for the national federation.

I<mark>sAre</mark> appointed by the <mark>national federation</mark>NM;

If the national federation NM that host a WC event don't does not have National Referees, the 2 extra
referees will be ISMF referees from the other countries and will be appointed by the ISMF Referee
Manager will appoint two ISMF Referees from other NMs;

Carr<mark>iesy</mark> out the tasks assigned by the ISMF Technical Delegate before the race;

Carri<mark>esy</mark> out the tasks assigned by the ISMF Jury President of the Technical Juryduring the race.

Can advise the LOC on technical issues/requirements through the Technical Delegate or the President of

the Technical Jury.

12.2.4. ISMF licence and registration

The ISMF licence is only for ISMF members (staff and officials) who will work on the ISMF events at least once

To obtain the ISMF licence, applicants should create their own profile online on the ISMF website in order to generate the respective ISMF licence in time before the first event of the season on which they will work. There will be two options to choose from:

 Option 1: it will be for Event Coordinators, Marketing & Media Coordinators, Official Representatives, Office Members, Legal Consultant, Press Officer, etc.;

 Option 2: it will be for Jury Presidents, Technical Delegates, all ISMF Referees appointed for the season, VAR Operators, Assistant Referees, Assistant Technical Delegates, etc.

The ISMF Office will validate the ISMF licence as a final step.

Applicants agree to accept and abide by all ISMF rules mentioned in the ISMF licence.

For the first year, the ISMF licence will be free of charge.

The ISMF staff and officials are obliged to register for free for the ISMF events on which they will work before the registration deadline previously specified.

12.3. National Officials

12.3.1. National Officials licence and registration

The National Officials licence is only for members of national teams who want to be present at the ISMF events as accompaniment and support to the athletes.

To obtain the National Officials licence, users applicants should create their own profile online on the ISMF website in order to generate the respective licence.

There will be three levels to choose from:

- Level 1: it will be for head coaches;
- Level 2: it will be for national coaches, technical and medical staff, etc.;
- Level 3: it will be for self-coaches. If an athlete already holds an ISMF Elite or Youth licence, they are not obliged to apply for the National Officials licence.

Each N<mark>EW</mark> must validate the licence in time before the first event of the season on which coaches and national staff (National Officials) members will work.

Users Applicants agree to accept and abide by all ISMF rules mentioned in the licence.

UsersApplicants or the respective N<mark>FM</mark>s will have to pay for the National Officials licence by credit card directly during the licence application process. If the payment is not successful, the licence will not be validated by the ISMF and therefore will not be active. For the first year, the National Officials licence will be free of charge.

All coaches and national staff (National Officials) members are obliged to register for free for the ISMF events at which they will be present before the registration deadline previously specified.

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13. LOC DOCUMENTATION

13.1. Prior to the competition even

The LOC has to:

- establish a website for the event providing all necessary general information in English language before 15
 On the website before 15th
 November October of the current season.
 A translation of the information into English is mandatory.
 The LOC must has to publish documentation giving general publish specific information about the event for athletes, the national federation NMs, ISMF and the press no later than one month prior to the event.
 This documentThe website should contain the following elements:
 - the detailed programme: schedule and respective locations s, registration location, Team Captain Meetings, routes, meals, etc.; for each day of the event including training sessions, TCMs, bibs distribution, race days with split times, ceremonies (Opening & Closing, Top5, Flower, Award and Overall, if present), race office opening hours with the specification of times for accreditation, any side events that the LOC organises (e.g., in the evening), etc.
 - coursestracks: types of coursestracks and differences in height with profiles;

any supplementary equipment required (see Sporting Rules)

- LOC contact information (phone, email, fax of the main contact person/central office/race office);
- information on how to reach the race venue (by car or public transport);
- accommodation and/or meals rates and how to book it/them with the respective deadline; etc.
- any other important information that athletes and NMs should know.
- Registrations are carried out directly via internet on the ISMF website (access to ISMF registration will be supplied to every Local Organising Committee). Registrations usually close a minimum of 5 days before the race
- To prepare a location and have the necessary means for taking samples for sAnti-dDoping controls, as provided in the texts of the WADA-AMA and the National Agency.
- The LOC sets a deadline for race and accommodation registration
- It is mandatory to issue official passes accreditation to athletes, race personnel and members of the press (please refer to appendixes for the ISMF official template).
- In the event of an adjournment due to bad weather conditions, the national federations, in consultation with the ISMF, should do everything within their power to ensure participation on the day scheduled for the adjournment, if this was an inherent part of the event programme (as agreed in advance with the ISMF).
 - The LOC is required to pay in advance the event hosting fee, exact details provided to each event individually.
- In the event of cancellation, the LOC has to refund a portion of the hosting fees, exact details provided to each event individually.
 - In the event of race cancellation, the LOC is required to refund 50% of any race registration fees paid by national federations.

13.2. During the competition even

At the welcome and registration area race office, the LOC must provide...:

For competitors:

- the eEvent programme;
- Accreditation;
- Ski passes.
- a course map and profile (scale 1:25 000 or to nearest possible) showing the route, starting and finishing areas, checkpoints, difficult passages and first-aid posts)

For officials, team managers and members of the press

official passes for permanent or temporary access to certain competition areas; the event programme, course maps and profiles;

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a list giving contact details (phone numbers) of LOC members, brochures and press releases; the provisional world cup ranking, as well as the permanent world ranking; ski passes, if necessary.

Free or reduced ski passes are required according to the LOC availabilities and to the event programme. When the race venue or training slope can only be reached by means of ski or chair lift or gondola all athletes and two coaches per NM should receive free or reduces ski passes for each training, track inspection and race day.

For the event programme and official passes (accreditation plan), refer to see (respectively) Aappendixes 1 and

14. MAIN ON-SITE LOCATIONS

The LOC must structure the event around the following locations:

14.1. Race office

Race office should be centrally located and clearly signed upon entering the resort. At least one English speaking person must be present at the race office.

14.2. Media areas

14.2.1. Media office

The media office should be located close to the race office and the LOC mmedia coordinator is responsible for the distribution and collection of accreditation and armbands, event programme and ski passes for media representatives during the event.

14.2.2. Mixed zone

An area reserved for members of the press should be set up inside the finish area. Only people with a press accreditation will be able to access this area. The LOC is advised to set up a board showing partners/sponsors logos, in front of which interviews may be conducted.

14.3. TCM room

The TCM room has to have a capacity for up to 30 National Officials, 10 LOC Officials and 5 ISMF staff with chairs, screen, projector, speaking system and a table for the board (presentation desk) for approx. 8 persons with name tags.

The TCM room requires a table next to a power outlet for the scale on which the weight of the equipment can be checked.

14.4. ISMF meeting room

The LOC has to provide a meeting room either during World Cups for ISMF staff and/or during Championships also for ISMF institutional meetings.

14.5. Commercial village

The commercial village is an area set up near the finish and start area, which is reserved for LOC to host the LOC sponsors as well as other activities organised by the LOC and/or the ISMF, offices for press and various services for athletes (e.g., recovery zone, Wi-Fi, etc.). The commercial village is not covered by the TV camera range.

14.6. Spectators area

The spectators area should be set up both at the start and finish area, but also along the track where spectators can watch the race. This area is to be marked under the LOC responsibility. The LOC must ensure the safety of the spectators (rescue teams, radio links, etc.).



15. ON-SITE ORGANISATIONAL ITEMS

15.1. Meals and accommodation

The LOC must organise and be financially responsible for catering and accommodation for the duration of the event for the ISMF personnel.

The LOC may organise all accommodation and meals to teams with a set rate ONLY in the event it can offer equal conditions to all delegations.

The LOC must present provide delegations with a list of accommodations facilities (hotels, apartments, guest houses, etc.) as close as possible to the competition race location with negotiated accommodation with a negotiated price of maximum 100 Euros EUR/person (full board) and maximum 80 Euros EUR/person (half board). Standard Accommodation facilities must include bathroom and toilet in room for 2-3 people and have access to WI-FI.

'Higher standard" accommodation.

The organisation of the meals is highly recommended and is on charge of the NMs. The meals have to fulfil the following standards:

at least two warm served main courses, additionally with choice for vegetarian / vegan food

- sport and carbohydrates-oriented meals with a fresh and healthy way of preparation
- consumption at the place of accommodation or nearby in a short walking distance.

Information on the tourist board or assistance with regards to accommodation should be included in the general information document (§3.3.1).

15.2. On-site transportation

Shuttles services or Aany planned transport to reach the race venue for competitors and accompanying persons officials, guests and members of the press, should be coordinated by the LOC and be preferably free of charge (I there is a charge this should be clearly indicated).

Road access to the start or arrival area of the race should always be correctly cleared of snow. In case of icy roads and requiring the use of special automobile equipment (winter tire chains), it must be indicated on the competition venue the days prior to the competition.

A big enough car park near the start area of the race has to be reserved for racersathletes, coaches and organisation members.

The LOC should consider organising provide information about the possible connections from transport between the closest airport and the race location, event venue. In which case, the cost of transport should be indicated on the registration form.

15.3. Race bibs

Numbers for each category must always start in multiples of 100 (for example 101, 201, 301, 401).

15.3.1. Race bibs for World/Continental Championships

For World/Continental Championships with different categories, the bib numbers for the highest category (Senior) for each gender will start with the number "1" and the bib numbers for other categories for each gender will start with the numbers "101" (e.g., U20), "201" (e.g., U18).

The <mark>ISMF/time-keeping company will provide the following</mark> bibs for the World <mark>Cup</mark> and <mark>Continental</mark> Championships have to follow the guidelines below:

For the World Championships:

- Blue for <mark>sS</mark>enior/U23 <mark>m</mark>Men**;
- Green for sSenior/U23 wWomen** and U20 mMen;
- · Yellow for U18 Men and <mark>Women –</mark> U20 <mark>wW</mark>omen<mark>.;</mark>
- Pink for U18 Women.

**Specific mark/distinctive or colour on the bib to identify U23 athletes.

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World Cup events, the bib numbers for each gender will start with the number "1".

he bibs f<mark>F</mark>or the World Cup<mark>s have to follow the guidelines below:</mark>

- Blue for <mark>sS</mark>enior <mark>mM</mark>en;
- Green for sSenior wWomen;
- White for the Open rRace (if present).

The size of the bib cannot exceed 16x16 cm on the backpack, and 13x18cm on the leg <mark>for the individual ra</mark> sprint race, team race, relay race. The bibs must be placed on the backpack and on the front part of both thighs. If a backpack is not needed for Vertical race the <mark>biggest</mark>bigger bib is reserved for the back of the athlete.

The ISMF/time-keeping team will liaise with the LOC concerning registration team will assign the number series for the categories.

Individual, Sprint and Vertical races:

A <mark>REDred</mark> number <mark>"1"</mark> will be assigned to the <mark>competitor</mark>athlete (<mark>s</mark>Senior <mark>mM</mark>an and <mark>sS</mark>enior <mark>wW</mark>oman) who is <mark>sionally</mark>currently leading the <mark>Specialty</mark> World Cup on the day of the <mark>competition</mark>race. The following numbers will be assigned according to the temporary classification of the current ranking of the Specialty World Cup. This applies for World Cup and Continental/World Championships.

- st World Cup = Bib Number 1
- 2nd World Cup = Bib Number 2
- 3rd World Cup = Bib Number 3
- 4th World Cup =.... Etc.

Relay <mark>race:</mark>

- The numbers "X" are assigned according to the ranking at the previous race for the same title (for a Wworld C<mark>c</mark>hampionships n° N, <mark>competitorsathletes numbers are determined by their ranking at the <mark>Ww</mark>orld Cchampionships n° N-1). If a previous ranking is not available for number assignment in a category, then</mark> numbers will be drawn <mark>at random</mark>.
- For relay: for each team competitor: 2, 3 or 4 competitors 1st relay<mark>athlete = X-1, 2st relay</mark>athlete = X-2, 3st relayathlete = X-3 and 4st <mark>relay</mark>athlete = X-4.

- the numbers "X" are ass<u>igned according to</u> the ranking at the previous race for the same title (for a <mark>Ww</mark>orld C<mark>c</mark>hampionship<mark>s</mark> n° N, <mark>competitorsathletes</mark> numbers are determined by their ranking at the a <mark>Ww</mark>orld Cchampionships n° N-1). If a previous ranking is not available for number assignment in a category, then numbers will be drawn at random.
- competitors (one man & one woman)
- bibs assignment: X.1 to the Wwoman and X.2 to the Mman.
- The colour of the bibs will be blue for both Senior Men and Women at World Cups and Championships. At World Championships the colour of the bibs for the Youth category will be green.

The number will be assigned according to the <mark>temporarycurrent o</mark>Overall <mark>Ww</mark>orld Ctup ranking of the best of the

When a race comprises various stages, an athlete who is the leader of the World Cup whilst also leader of the <mark>competitionrace</mark>, may wear a bib that indicates the position as <mark>competitionrace</mark> leader (if there is a bib for this

The categories will be differentiated from each other through their sport numbers, which will have different numerical series.



Team Captain Meeting TCM

the eve of the c<mark>ompetition</mark>Latest on the day before the race, the LOC, organises <mark>a public meeting</mark>the TCM chaired by the ISMF <mark>Event Director</mark>lury President. All <mark>teams</mark>NMs <mark>attend</mark>participating in the race have to attend the eam Captain MeetingTCM, either Competitors should at least berepresented by their head-coach or by self-<mark>oached</mark> athletes.

A <mark>specific</mark> template of the Team Captain MeetingTCM for each race type is provided by the ISMF to every LOC.

he Team Captain Meeting will follow the ISMF template standard presentation and must respect the following pecifications:

- ocation: Large room with chairs, a table of who holds the Team Captain Meeting, screen and projector.
- Present in the room: ISMF referees, ISMF staff, LOC with managers of the various areas and the ISMF med
- Topics to be addressed: Roll call of the national Coaches present;
- resent at the Team Captain Meeting table with names plates of the participants:

The Team Captain Meeting TCM must respect the following specifications:

- Members of the board at the TCM:
 - OC President of the LOC
 - LOC Race Director <mark>/ track director</mark>
 - ISMF Official <mark>Delegate</mark>Representative
 - ISMF Event Director Coordinator
 - ISMF <mark>Jury</mark> President <mark>of Technical the Jun</mark>
 - ISMF Technical Delegate
- Present at the **Team Captain MeetingTCM**:
 - Speaker

 - Media partner
 - irst and second international referee
 - SMF Referees
 - OC Track Director
 - Roll call of the NMs (National Representatives) attending.
 Iments always available printed at the Team Captain Meeting

Countries:

- ist of hotels where the teams are accommodated. Weather forecast
- Form for obtaining bank details of the winners (not necessary if the prizes are paid in cash)
- Programme of the event.
- At the Team Captain Meeting TCM the following information is provided:
 - Presentation of the name of the eventrace officials; particularly the Jury and ISMF representatives
 - Weather forecasts and snow conditions: snow quantity and quality, forecast temperatures, wind speed, avalanche risks using the European scale, etc.
 - It is advisable that a meteorologist is present in the meeting (or in direct communication with the race) to predict the weather <mark>forecasts</mark> or snow conditions.
 - A course description using visual aids (video-projector), track map and height profile specifying distance and ascent and descent for each section, transition areas, change and danger areas, charge and danger areas, checkpoints and waypoints, technical features <mark>of the course, and track </mark>refreshment <mark>points</mark>areas, technical areas and additional informati<mark>on required</mark> for each race type.
 - Equipment specifically required for the competition race.
 - Race procedures:

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- the start (competitor's Team Captain Meeting pre-race TCM, inspection of avalanche transceivers and safety equipment, warm-up area and procedures, start of the race, check of DVA and safety equipment, control of BIB and timing chip, warm-up area, starting times, etc.);
- procedure to follow for competitors athletes who do not finish the race;
- o information on medical assistance procedures;
- o cut-off times (if any) and race stoppages;
- o short notice cancellation procedures;
- finish (equipment inspection);
- o claims protests procedures.
- Daily eEvent schedule with times and places: preakfast, public transport to and from the competition race, car parksing, Aanti-Dopoing controls, team leader and Jury meetings, results service with groupings and postings, formal ceremonies awards and prizes, press conferences and other meetings and meals and closing ceremony (if any). Specific information slide with the scheduled ceremonies.
- Race services: place to eave deposit and collect clothing, changing rooms, showers, catering facilities, communication services and all other necessary information.
- Information about good environmental practices to be respected during warm-up and races
- Team Captain Meeting must be available online after the race meeting.

All this information will be displayed on a board before, during and after the race Team Captain Meeting the screen. Team Captain Meeting will be held 30 minutes before the start of the race. The PDF file of the TCM must be available online latest within 30 minutes after the TCM. A pre-start TCM will be held 30 minutes before the start of the first race of the day to update the NMs on the latest available information.

the first race of the day to update the NMs on the latest available information.
The LOC Race Director reserves has the right to change the schedule, if necessary, at any time, as long as if the changes remain within the pounds timeframe defined by the race organisation rules and is agreed by the ISMF Race Jury. It He/She can decide to implement cut-off times at any moment of the race. It He/She reserves the right to change the event for safety reasons.

- A sample (in power point) of the content of the Team Captain Meeting will be provided by the ISMF to every organisation.
- Any appeals, by coaches or athletes regarding decisions taken by the Event Jury, will be entrusted to the International Disciplinary Commission of the ISMF.
- It should be noted that there is the possibility of unannounced anti-doping controls. In events lasting several days, this could occur every day (at the finish line). All competitors should be aware that once crossing the finishing line, he/she may be required to undergo a doping control.

If a competitor has to pass an anti-doping test, he/she must behave respectfully towards the Delegate, the escort the doctor, etc.

15.5. Radios connection

The LOC must provide radios (at least <mark>8</mark>12 devices), for the ISMF Event DirectorCoordinator, the ISMF Technical Delegate, the ISMF Jury President of the Technical Jury, ISMF and National Referees and ISMF Marketing Washedia Coordinator. Radio links between the various race areas are compulsory and under the responsibility of the LOC. The LOC has to inform to the coaches about free channels and the laws of the nation to avoid interference to others (Rescue services, ski mountaineering clubs, etc.).

16. PRIZE MONEY

16.1. World Cup and World/Continental Championships

A minimum prize money should respect the following requirements:

Gender equality in prizes for podiums is compulsory.

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- If there are less than 10 athletes classified in one category only the top three athletes will be awarded with prize money.
- In the case of a tie, the prize money will be shared at equal parts between the tie ranked athletes.

16.2. Overall and Specialty World Cup

General information:

- The Overall and Specialty World Cup prize money and cups/trophies are paid by the ISMF.
- Gender equality in prizes for podiums is compulsory.
- The Overall and Specialty World Cup prize money and cups/trophies are awarded at the final World Cup event
- If a ranked athlete, who should attend the Overall World Cup ceremony, cannot participate in the final World Cup event because of health problems, the athlete must present a medical certificate to the ISMF Event Director Coordinator at least two days prior to the Overall World Cup ceremony in order to receive the prize money and cup/trophy.

	0	VERALL WORLD C	UP							
Senior category										
Ger	Gender		Cup/Trophy	Prize money						
W	M	1	YES	3 <mark>.000,00 <mark>€</mark>EUR</mark>						
W	М	2	YES	2 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 </mark>						
W	М	3	YES	1 <mark>.</mark> 500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR						
W	М	4	-	1 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR						
W	М	5	-	1 <mark>.000,00 €EUR</mark>						
W	М	6	-	800 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>						
W	M	7	-	600 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>						
W	М	8	-	500 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>						
W	М	9	-	400 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR						
W	М	10	-	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>						
TOTAL for both ge	nders (W & M)		6	23 <mark>.000,00 EEUR</mark>						
	0	VERALL WORLD C	UP							
		U23 category								
Ger	der	Rank	Cup/Trophy	Prize Money						
W	М	1	YES	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>						
W	М	2	YES	-						
W	М	3	YES	-						
TOTAL for both ge	nders (W & M)		6	600 <mark>,00 E</mark> EUR						

SPECIALTY WORLD CUP										
Discipline	Gen	der	Rank	Cup/Trophy	Prize money					
Conint ()/outine) /	W	М	1	YES	400 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR					
Sprint / Vertical /	W	М	2	YES	-					
Individual	W	М	3	YES	-					
Mixed Relay	Nation		1 - 3	YES	-					
TOTAL for both gend	ers (W & M)			21	2 <mark>.400,00 €EUR</mark>					

NATIONS WORLD CUP RANKING								
Nation	Rank	Cup/Trophy	Prize Money					
	1	YES	-					
	2	YES	-					
	3	YES	-					
TOTAL	•	3	-					



17. OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

17.1. Organisation

The LOC is responsible for organising all official ceremonies according to the rules and protocol of the ISMF under the guidance of and agreed with the ISMF Event Director Coordinator. The programme of the ceremonies has to be agreed between both parties latest one month before the event. In the case of a delay or postponement of the ceremonies the LOC President and the ISMF Event Director Coordinator will agree on the new schedule.

17.2. Event Ceremonies

Event Ceremonies are Opening and Closing Ceremonies. They are compulsory for Championships. They are optional for World Cups when there are spectators expected.

The following general instructions have to be respected:

- Date and time with attending personalities must be sent to the ISMF office one month prior to the event.
- Flags must be provided for each nation, have the same size and be equal for every nation.
- Maximum speech duration is 3 minutes in only one language; translation is done by the speaker or on a big screen in the background.
- Musical or cultural performances are optional between the different protocol items.
- Hospitality like buffet is recommended in order to facilitate conversations etc.

The exemplary sequence for the Opening Ceremony protocol is:

- entry of delegations with nations parade (optional, with flags, 5-10 minutes)
- speech of the LOC President
- presentation of ISMF officials and handover of the ISMF flag to the LOC
- speech of one local/regional Representative
- speech of NFM President or his/her Representative
- official declaration of the integrity of the ISMF referees
- oath of the athletes and ISMF rReferees
- speech and opening declaration of ISMF President or his/her Representative

The exemplary sequence for the Closing Ceremony protocol is:

- official Award Ceremony of the last race
- speech of the LOC President
- speech of one local/regional Representative
- speech of the NFM President or his/her Representative
- podium for Combined ranking and Nations ranking
- speech and closing declaration of ISMF President or his/her Representative
- handover of ISMF present to the LOC
- return of the ISMF flag from the LOC to the ISMF

17.3. Athletes Ceremonies

Athletes Ceremonies are ceremonies where athletes are directly involved and are performed in connection with races. They are compulsory for all ISMF events.

The following general instructions have to be respected:

- Date and time must be provided to the ISMF office one month prior to the event, attending personalities must be coordinated latest the day before the ceremony.
- Ceremonies begin with the youngest category and end with the highest ranked category.
- Both genders are awarded separately.



- Athletes are called in an ascending order finishing with the highest ranked athlete.
- Prizes are awarded by the highest authorities present in coordination between the LOC President and the ISMF Event Director Coordinator. The assignment of authorities for the awarding is:
- 1st place: ISMF Official Representative
- 2nd place: Authority of the hosting nation
- 3rd place: N<mark>FM</mark> Representative
- 4th and 5th place: to be chosen by the LOC

17.3.1. Bib Presentation

The Bib Presentation is optional for any event of the season when there are spectators expected. It is recommended to be combined with another ceremony like Opening Ceremony or Award Ceremony.

17.3.2. Top3 Presentation

The Top3 Presentation is optionally to be done immediately after the arrival of the Top3 athletes in the finish area depending on local and media requirements. For Individual and Vertical races this presentation shall not obstruct the arrival of the finishing athletes. For Sprint and Relay races, this presentation shall be done next to the finish line. The podium sign has to be used, but no ceremony backdrop will be used. The athletes are allowed to present their race equipment.

17.3.3. Flower Ceremony

For Sprint and Relay races the Flower Ceremony will be done right after the finals. For Individual and Vertical races, the Flower Ceremony is done preferably after all athletes have finished the race, optionally after the arrival of all categories. The ISMF Event Director Coordinator will decide about the final timing of the Flower Ceremony. Top3 athletes have to be present in the waiting area at least 5 min before the beginning of the Flower Ceremony. Both genders have to receive the same presents, e.g., flowers or local products (equipment excluded). Anti-Doping tests can only take place after the Flower Ceremony in accordance with the applicable rules.

17.3.4. Award Ceremony

Award Ceremonies take place earliest 20 min after the end of the race (after the arrival of all categories) either at the finish area or a different location depending on local and media requirements. Optionally it can be done later that day when there are more spectators expected. Award Ceremonies can be combined together.

In case of specific conditions (bad weather, accidents, safety etc.) the ISMF Event Director Coordinator has the right to decide about changes for time and location of the Award Ceremony. In the case of a protest the Award Ceremony can be delayed. The ISMF Event Director Coordinator must ensure that the information on such changes is communicated to all team captains.

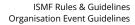
Top5 athletes have to be present in the waiting area at least 5 min before the beginning of the Award Ceremony. The winners' national anthem has to be played (use official ISMF playlist) and the flags of the Top3 New have to be shown. Only medals or trophies have to be presented, optionally gifts can be handed over. Cheques/envelopes for prize money cannot be presented.

A photo with the best female and male athlete of the day has to be arranged. The LOC has the possibility to honour these athletes with a separate trophy.

17.3.5. Overall World Cup Ceremony

This ceremony has to be done as a separate event at WC finals. Prize money and trophies will be supplied by ISMF. The winners' national anthem has to be played (use official ISMF playlist) and the flags of the Top3 NEM have to be shown.

The order of presentation is as follows:





- Top3 of Specialty World Cups
- Top3 of U23 Overall World Cup
- Top10 of Senior Overall World Cup
- Top3 of Nations World Cup Ranking

18. SUSTAINABILITY

The LOC acknowledges and agrees that sustainability is an important prerequisite in the organisation of the event. The LOC shall carry out its tasks under this agreement in a manner which duly considers the concept of sustainable development in compliance with the applicable environmental legislation and, whenever and wherever possible, serving to promote the protection of the environment.

The LOC must take all necessary measures to be in compliance with IOC rules.

In particular, the LOC should:

- Avoid designing tracks that cross areas with sensitive ecosystems.
- Discourage spectators from entering areas with sensitive ecosystems.
- Cause no deforestation or harm to reforestation areas.
- Protect ecologically sensitive areas.
- If necessary, restrict areas open to spectators and the media.
- Prepare the event in collaboration with (and not to the detriment of) any other activities organised in the mountain range when both organizations benefit the sustainable development goals.
- Minimise acoustic impact.
- Minimise the use of modes of transport (helicopters, groomers, snow mobiles, etc.).
- Not use explosives to trigger avalanches outside of ski resorts unless the LOC is authorised to do so.
- Provide sufficient amenities for the number of spectators and participants expected: toilets, specific public transport (buses) to and from start and finish areas, information about existing public transport (trains, buses, etc.).
- Rapidly remove race markings at the end of the race.
- Rapidly remove all waste material discarded by spectators and participants.
- Continue monitoring waste material even once the event is finished. Depending on the location and weather conditions, inspections and extra waste material, removal might be necessary during the summer season.
- Not use sound systems or billboards outside of the start and finish areas.
- Confine billboards and other means of advertising to the start and finish areas and to ski resort trails.
- Inform members of press and spectators on the importance of environmental protection.
- Ensure protection of ecologically sensitive areas by quality trail design and proper track marking.
- Use only natural biodegradable products for marking on snow.
- Protect flora. Zones that are not or only partially covered by snow must be prepared. If there is insufficient snow coverage, then the event should be cancelled or take place in another location.
- Ensure that athletes, supporters, spectators and the press remain on or close to the race track.

19. RACE SAFETY

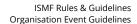
Athlete safety must be guaranteed in every part of the race.

The LOC is responsible for the provision of medical services to provide maximum assistance to athletes involved in races. Such medical services must be available for athletes, officials, spectators and any other person attending, or being affected by, the races (being onsite at least an hour before the start of the race). The LOC must ensure compliance with the recommendations of the ISMF rules.

19.1. Rescue and emergencies

The LOC must provide a rescue service according to directives of the hosting nation including:

A rescue plan (medical organisation planned for the event, relations with emergency services and hospital
admissions). The rescue plan has to be sent to the ISMF office two weeks before the start of the event. It
has to be signed by the Event Director Coordinator.





- Agreements involving specialised services.
- Agreements with the services of nearby ski resorts.

The LOC must forbid spectators to access dangerous areas.

The LOC Race Director must communicate to the other ISMF EventRace Jury members all injuries and incidents happened during the event.

19.2. Medical Organisation

The LOC must organise together with the race doctor (specialized in sports and mountain medicine) appropriate medical facilities for the race:

- First-aid at start/finish area;
- Medical equipment (with instructions) handed out to LOC rescue team positioned along the tracks;
- Facilities for Anti-Doping tests (see related chapter);
- A medical assistance area with ambulance (helicopter on site);
- Relations with the emergency services of the nearest hospital;
- Medical staff must be on the race venue at least two hours before the start of the race.

19.3. Safety Committee

The LOC Race Director is responsible for the race safety during the event, takes all the decisions about safety and is supported by a Safety Committee, according to the national and international legislation, which may be composed of:

- LOC Race Director;
- LOC President;
- LOC Track Director;
- Local authorities;
- Head of the LOC rescue team;
- Officials from state rescue services;
- Director of the local ski resort;
- LOC race doctor;
- NM Official Representative;
- National Technical Delegate.

The ISMF Officials/Staff may be invited to participate in Safety Committee meetings, without the right to vote or any legal responsibility:

- ISMF Official Representative;
- ISMF Event Coordinator;
- ISMF Jury President;
- ISMF Technical Delegate.

This Committee operates under the responsibility of the LOC, the NF organising the event and the local authorities of the host country.

<mark>The role of this Committee involves:</mark>The LOC Race Director will decide about:

- Approving the different routestracks;
- Approving the general organisation of the event in terms of safety: protection of competitors athletes, spectators and organisers, etc.;
- Approving planned organisation of rescues and emergencies;
- Deciding if an event should be cancelled or modified Modification or cancellation of a race for safety reasons, and deciding approving alternative routes tracks in liaison with the ISMF Technical Delegate;
- Ensureing that there is no or minimum risk of avalanche slopes on the coursetracks showing obvious risk
 of avalanches are avoided or made secure.

Regularly informing ISMF of any actions taken such as police controls, safety, evacuation plans, etc
 The Safety Committee is composed of:



A local authority repr

LOC President;

LOC Track Director;

Head of the LOC rescue team;

Officials from state rescue servi-

LOC Race Director;

Director of the local ski resor LOC race doctor;

A Delegate from the National Federation

A national Technical Delegate.

he Safety Committee should also invite the Event Director, cal Jury to attend the meetings as observers

The LOC has to provide a room for the meetings of the Safety Committee. The <mark>minutes of</mark> Safety Committee <mark>must</mark> ake minutes of its meetings to be signed by the LOC Race Director <mark>must be written up, filed by the LOC</mark> and <mark>sent</mark> o the ISMF Event Coordinator.

20. Media & TV

The rules for media and television coverage for ISMF event are established and formalised within the Media & TV Agreement. This comprehensive document covers various aspects crucial for the seamless execution of the event and effective collaboration between the ISMF, LOCs, NFMs and other third parties.

Key Components Covered Under the Media & TV Agreement:

Media and TV Rights:

Definition and Allocation: The agreement clearly defines the allocation of media and TV rights for the event, encompassing broadcasting, streaming, and other relevant rights.

Advertising and Commercial Rights:

Clear Delineation: To prevent conflicts, the agreement specifies the advertising and commercial rights of both ISMF sponsors and LOC sponsors.

Intellectual Property:

Usage Guidelines: Guidelines are provided for the usage and protection of intellectual property associated with the event, including logos, branding, and event-related content.

Advertising Implementation Rules:

Specific Guidelines: Detailed rules are outlined for the implementation of advertising during the event, ensuring a standardized visual representation.

Workforce & Logistics Requirements:

Collaborative Implementation: The agreement addresses the workforce and logistics needed or required by ISMF to the LOCs to seamlessly implement and manage media, TV and sponsor-related activities during the event.

Event Publications Guidelines:

Usage Specifications: Clear specifications are provided on the usage of race names, titles, logos, images, and videos on printable documents, social media, and other promotional platforms.

Press and Media Needs:

Detailed Requirements: The agreement specifies the requirements from ISMF for press and media engagements during the event, including press conferences, interviews, and other media-related activities.

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• Minimal Services:

Essential Services: Minimal services that LOCs are expected to contract and obtain from ISMF to ensure a standardized and high-quality experience for all participants, sponsors, and spectators.

For detailed information, please refer to the complete Media & TV Agreement document provided separately. It is imperative that all involved parties familiarize themselves with the terms and guidelines laid out in this agreement to ensure a successful and harmonious event.

21. ANTI-DOPING POLICY

The ISMF supports Anti-Doping policy via several programmes, in compliance with WADA and IOC guidelines. The ISMF successfully applies an Anti-Doping policy.

The Anti-Doping policy is a top priority of the ISMF together with New Market and In place a programme of controls of selected athletes that may be in or out-of-competition during the year. The LOCs must contribute to the payment of costs for control (included in the hosting fee).

21.1. Anti-Doping Control Programme

This programme is managed, under the authority of ISMF, through an agreement with an external supplier specialised in Anti-Doping control.

The programme includes:

- RTP management and whereabouts information follow-up;
- Management and organisation of in and out-of-competition testing;
- The cost of testing (sample collections, Anti-Doping kits, shipment, analysis by a WADA-accredited laboratory), DCOs remuneration fees and travel expenses;
- The implementation and follow-up of Biological Passports;
- Education;
- APMU costs;
- TUE Management;
- Results Management;
- Long Term Storage;
- External supplier administrative costs.

In addition, for the in-competition tests, the LOCs are requested to appoint a person in charge of Anti-Doping, to arrange for the necessary location (doping control station) and equipment, as well as for a team of chaperons, as described below, and to cover for any related costs (except for the DCOs costs which are already covered in the framework of the ISMF/external supplier agreement). The LOCs have to provide the DCOs with meals and accommodation. The ISMF, in coordination with the external supplier, is available for any question from the LOC with regards to these requirements.

21.2. Doping Control Station

The location for carrying out doping tests must respect the recommendations and the technical characteristics set out by WADA in its International Standard for Testing in force, available on the WADA website www.wada-ama.org and above all show respect to the athletes subjected to the tests.

21.2.1. Test area

The area must be specific for the tests. It must respect the athletes' privacy and sense of modesty, confidentiality, and gender. These are particularly important when dealing with minors (under 18).

It includes a waiting room (see below), a processing room equipped with a large table and chairs, with an adjacent toilet.



21.2.2. The waiting room/area

The chaperons accompany the identified athletes to the waiting area and wait for the DCOs to proceed with the sample collection.

This area must:

- Be spacious;
- Have as many chairs as athletes and chaperons;
- Be heated:
- Be equipped with drinks for each athlete: individually sealed, non-caffeinated and non-alcoholic beverages, which includes a mix of natural mineral water and soft drinks (e.g., Gatorade, 7-Up, Fanta, Sprite, etc.);
- Have a storage area for the athletes' equipment (skis, boots, etc). This area must be sheltered and secure.

21.3. Anti-Doping staff

21.3.1. The DCOs

The DCOs are appointed and remunerated in the framework of the agreement with the external supplier. They contact the LOC and the ISMF Event Director Coordinator before the event.

21.3.2. The Chaperones

It is mandatory that, as of the time of their notification for doping control and until the completion of the doping control procedure. Athletes selected for doping control must stay under the chaperone's observation at all times after the conclusion of the race.

Chaperones who accompany the athletes must be:

- A man for each male athlete to be tested;
- A woman for each female athlete to be tested;
- There must be as many chaperons as athletes to be tested;
- They must be major of age and, wherever possible, have a good command of English language.

Training of the chaperones: training of the chaperones is as stipulated in the WADA standards and guidelines by the rules of the hosting nation's ruling body. In the case of lack of training the DCO in charge may organise an intensive training course, so as to ensure that the doping tests are carried out under the best possible conditions.

The chaperons have to agree that in the exercise of their duties on behalf of the LOC, they shall avoid any undue influence or other factors which may give rise to an actual or perceived conflict between their own personal interests or the interests of any other person and those of the LOC.

21.3.3. The person in charge of Anti-Doping from the LOC

He/she is appointed by the LOC and holds the following role:

- Reception of the whole staff: DCOs, chaperones.
- Ensuring the necessary means to carry out smooth doping control operations.
- Diligently planning of location, drinks, chairs, offices, etc.

The person in charge of Anti-Doping from the LOC must display discretion, efficiency and availability. This person should have a good knowledge of the English language.

The quality of the relationship between the athletes and those others involved, depends upon the good handling by the LOC Anti-Doping official prior to the tests.

21.4. Number of tests and selection of athletes to be tested

The number and the nature of tests, as well as the selection of athletes to be tested, is established by the external supplier, in the framework of its agreement with and under the authority of ISMF.

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22. POLICY ON THE USE OF ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO

22.1. Prohibition of alcohol and tobacco

The consumption, marketing and advertisement of alcohol and tobacco products are strictly prohibited at all ISMF races ad events, including all kinds of ceremonies where athletes are present.

22.2. Restrictions on advertising

The prohibition on the advertising of alcohol or tobacco products extends to, but is not limited to, the following accessories worn by athletes, officials and other accredited persons at ISMF events: clothing, footwear, headwear, sports equipment, sports apparel, bib numbers and similar items.

22.3. Prohibition of gifting alcohol or tobacco products

The gifting of alcohol or tobacco products to athletes is strictly prohibited.

22.4. Duty to good conduct

At team-organised festive events, whether organised by the LOCs or not, News and athletes are reminded of their responsibility to prioritise the best interests of the sport and maintain duty of good conduct. As such, News are strongly advised to discourage and/or supervise the consumption of alcoholic beverages to prevent excessive or irresponsible behaviours.

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APPENDIXES

APPENDIX AD: ACCREDITATION PLAN FOR AN ISMF EVENT

The accreditation card must adhere to the established requirements consistent with other event publications and promotional materials. Commercial sponsors of the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) should not be competitors or in contradiction with ISMF sponsors. The logos of the National **Federation Member** (NFM) and ISMF are mandatory on the accreditation card. Approval from ISMF is required for the accreditation card design. An example accreditation card illustrates the required information, sponsors' placement, and their percentage of exposure. ISMF should be informed and give approval for the final design to ensure proper execution.

CATEGORY - FUNCTION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
ISMF Official Representative	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
ISMF Manufacturers Pool Member	Χ	Χ				Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
ISMF Marketing & Media Coordinator	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
ISMF Sponsor(s)	Χ	Χ		Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
ISMF Time-keeping Company	Χ	Χ			Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
ISMF <mark>s</mark> Social <mark>mM</mark> edia Partner	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
ISMF Press Coordinator	Х	Х	Х	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	Х	Χ	Х
ISMF Photographer Agency or single	Χ	Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
Media Host Broadcaster	Χ	Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
Media TV/Radio editorial staff	Χ	Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
Media TV Technician	Χ	Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
Media Rights Holders	Х	Х		Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	Х		Χ
ISMF Partner and Guest	Χ	Χ		Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
N <mark>FM</mark> Council member / N <mark>FM</mark> President	Х	Х		Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	Х	Χ	Χ
N <mark>FM</mark> /LOC Official Representative	Χ	Χ		Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
N <mark>FM</mark> /LOC Sponsor and Guest	Χ	Χ		Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
N <mark>FM</mark> Ski Mountaineering Director	Χ	Χ				Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
N <mark>FM</mark> Ski Mountaineering Coach / Trainer	Χ	Χ				Χ	Χ	Χ		Χ
N <mark>-M</mark> /LOC Team Doctor	Х	Х				Χ	Х	Х		Χ
NEM/LOC Medical support / physiotherapist	Х	Х				Χ	Х	Х		Χ
N <mark>FM</mark> /LOC Team Press Coordinator	Χ	Х	Х	Χ		Χ	Х	Х	Χ	Χ
NFM/LOC Team Serviceman	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	Χ	Χ	Χ

- 1 Team area
- 2 Media area
- 3 Coaching area
- 4 Media centre
- **5** Timing area
- **6** Start area
- **7** Finish area
- **8** Lift area **9** VIP area
- 9 VIP area
- **10** Awards area



APPENDIX B: ACCREDITATION PLAN – EXAMPLE OF ACCREDITATION CARD FOR AN ISMF EVENT







APPENDIX C: SCHEDULE FOR ISMF EVENTS

For ISMF events a certain event schedule is obligatory and the following elements have to be respected. Any changes in the mentioned schedules have to be presented and approved by the ISMF Event Director Coordinator. TCMs can be combined in one, BIB distribution always has to take place the day before the respective race.

For Championships the Sprint race for Senior and Youth athletes shall take place on two different days. Starting with season 2024/25 the Championships shall take place separately, either at different locations or on consecutive days at the same location.

Single disciplines, such as Individual and Sprint races, shall always take place before the team races, such as Team and Relay races, as they are commonly qualification races for the respective team races.

Races with similar physiological effort, like Vertical, Individual and Team races or Sprint and Relay races, should take place on consecutive days as this helps the N<mark>FM</mark> to plan the travels more efficiently.

World Cup with two races

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
Arrival	Track inspection	Race 1	Race 2
Accreditation	TCM	Ceremonies	Ceremonies
	BIB distribution	TCM	Departure
		BIB distribution	

World Cup with three races, one rest day - Option A

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
Arrival	Track inspection	Race 1	Race 2	Rest Day	Race 3
Accreditation	TCM	Ceremonies	Ceremonies	Track inspection	Ceremonies
	BIB distribution	TCM		TCM	Departure
		BIB distribution		BIB distribution	

World Cup with three races, one rest day – Option B

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Arrival	Race 1	Race 2	Rest Day	Race 3
Accreditation	Ceremonies	Ceremonies	Track inspection	Ceremonies
TCM Race 1 + 2			TCM	Departure
BIB distribution			BIB distribution	

Continental Championships

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
Arrival	Track inspection	Race 1	Race 2	Senior Sprint race	Rest Day = Youth Sprint race	Race 4
Accreditation	TCM Race 1 + 2	Ceremonies	Ceremonies	Ceremonies	TCM	Ceremonies
Opening	BIB	BIB	TCM		BIB	Closing
Ceremony	distribution	distribution			distribution	Ceremony
·			BIB			Departure
			distribution			



World Championships

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8
Arrival	Track	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Rest Day	Race 4	Race 5
	inspection						
Accreditation	TCM	Ceremonies	Ceremonies	Ceremonies	TCM	Ceremonies	Ceremonies
	BIB	TCM Race 2	BIB		BIB	TCM	Closing
	distribution	+ 3	distribution		distribution		Ceremony
	Opening	BIB				BIB	Departure
	Ceremony	distribution				distribution	



APPENDIX DC: FOOTAGE ON OFFICIAL WEBSITE OF THE LOC

SPECIFICATION TO PUBLISH FOOTAGE OF THE HOSTED EVENT ON THE OFFICIAL CHANNELS OF THE LOC

ISMF and/or LOC is/are entitled to publish on its/their official internet website(s) and/or its/their official YouTube channel(s) footage of the hosted events, according to the following specifications:

- During Race Video Clips:
 - LOCs are entitled to embed and use Clips with a maximum duration of ninety (90) seconds of footage during a race with no time embargo.
- After Race Video Clips:
 - LOCs shall be entitled to embed and use Clips solely on their Dedicated ISMF Platforms after conclusion of the accordant race and no longer than ninety (90) seconds per race.
- After Event Day Video Clips:
 - LOCs shall be entitled to embed and use after the conclusion of the relevant Event on their Dedicated ISMF Platforms a compilation of Clips of each Event Day's races which may include up to three (3) minutes in aggregate of footage of the relevant Event Day's races. No such Clip shall contain more than thirty (30) seconds of consecutive race footage.
- Transmission limited to the official ISMF's and LOC's websites and/or official YouTube channels and social media pages (including but not limited to Facebook, Twitter, etc.) accessible on URL addresses to be communicated to the ISMF media partner in advance.
- International transmission, with no need to geo-block.
- Not downloadable audio-video material.
- For LOCs hosting events every season: transmission until the event of the next season.
- For LOCs not hosting events every season: transmission until December 15th. The transmission can be resumed on December 15th of the season in which the LOC will host the event again, until the event date.
- Audio-video material not to be licenced, distributed or otherwise shared with any other party, including, but not limited to, sponsors and tourist offices, which will be addressed to the ISMF media partner if interested to obtain footage. Any NEM or LOC different from the event host will also be addressed to the ISMF media partner for any footage needs.







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ORGANISATIONAL CHECK-LIST WORLD CUP 2023/24

		Date:			Date:	
	Information/item	Pre-event		Post-event		
		Deadline	tick off	Notes	Evaluation	Notes
	CONTRACT between ISMF/NF/LOC					
	INSURANCE for EVENT					
General Points	MEETINGS: - ISMF homologation visit (on site) - ISMF pre-event meeting (two weeks before the event, online) - IOC technical meeting (on site - Race Jury) - IOC pre-event meeting (two days before the first race, on site) - ISMF de briefing (one week after the event, online)					
	WEBSITE: - domain - presence of official logo					
	- programme of the event - race tracks - info about accommodation/accreditation/main places					
Marketing Points	MEETINGS: - ISMF media meeting - LOC media meeting - ISMF media meeting - ISMF media meeting					
	Social Media (Promotion) - Co-content plan with LOCs - Visual ocntent from LOCs					
	COMMERCIAL VILLAGE					
	RACES to be streamed: discipline and respective day					
	DEFINITION OF THE TIMELINE: starting time for each category/streamed race - to be					
	coordinated among ISMF and LOC INTERMEDIATE TIME for races (if required, where implemented etc.)					
	TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS from TV production to the LOC					
	CAMERAS (fixed/mobile): total number					
	HIGHLIGHT of the single races (if possible) and of the whole event: when and where is it available?					
	LOCAL TVs: to be coordinated					
	NATIONAL TVs: to be coordinated					
	TV production NEEDS about the work on-site: - cable channel to be coordinated					
	LOC'S NEEDS about the media coverage					
	RACE AREA: location of cameras on the track and definition of spaces reserved for					
	TV production EVENT PROMOTION & VISIBILITY (advertising, specators etc.)					
	SPONSOR: names, logos and graphics					N /
	BIG SCREEN to show the streaming on-site					
	SNOWCAT for transport (if necessary)					
	INTERNET CONNECTION: 4G/5G WIFI (necessary in the finish area for streaming,					
	social media, time-keeper, etc.)					
	JOURNALISTS/PHOTOGRAPHERS: 7 official (ISMF/Skimo Stats/LOC) with blue strip / others not official with pink strip = different access to the photo area (priority to					



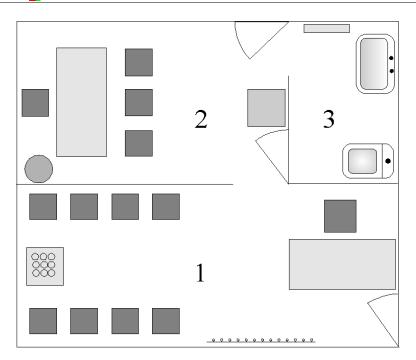
	LIST of MAIN ROLES of LOC (with phone number and email address):				0
	- general coordinator and secretary				
	- race and/or track director - ceremonies				
	- accommodation and meals				
	- press, media and website				
	- volunteers: check material, scale etc. - sustainability				
	LOGISTICS and MAIN PLACES (with WIFI access):				
	- race office				
	- Team Captain Meeting room - press room				
	- general office room - Accreditation				
	- ski room for producers				
	- ski tent for teams near Finish area / reserved parking for teams and ISMF staff				
	EVENT PROGRAMME (with time and location): - opening and Closing Ceremonies (only when specators)				
	- top5 bib distribution (only when specators)				
	- flower and award ceremonies - parties (if required)				
	RACE PROGRAMME (with time and location):				
	- starting times of each category				
	- TCM and pre-event TCM		-		
	ACCREDITATION PLAN: to be plasticized or with a small plastic case and nominative				
	(everyone including press must have an accreditation)				
	REGISTRATION: closing day CHECK MATERIAL (8-9 persons needed):				
	- start area: 2x for timing chip, 1-2x for DVA, 1x for bib				
	- finish area: 4x for control of backpack and weight equipment				
	AWARDS and PRIZES: coordinatio for ceremonies, authorities, procedure (coordinated with TV production)				
	SAFETY PLAN (signed by the ISMF Event Coordinator) to provide rescue also for the				
	rest day (if present) and training day MEDICAL PLAN (signed by the ISMF Event Coordinator)				
	ANTI-DOPING CONTROL:				
	- relevant location/room - LOC staff needed (chaperons)				
Points	TEAM CAPTAIN MEETING:				
al P	- ISMF template (single template per each race type)				
ation	- dedicated room with a big screen and sound system - presentation shared on WA group and on website				
Organisational	TENTS or ROOMS for ATHLETES: to change clothes (heated)				
Org	VIDEO CHECK - VAR (ONLY SPRINT and RELAY): - closed tent 3mx2m minimum of dark color, 1xtable 2m, 2x chairs				
	- Electricity plug 3kW , 1 electricity cable of 50m at the tent / cable channel to be				
	coordinated - 8 wood poles of 1.5 meter hight (dimension approx. 3 cm x 2 cm x 150) / 10 wood				
	poles of 1 meter hight (dimension approx. 3 cm x 2 cm x 100) / Electricity plug on				
	each plateform				
	RADIOS for ISMF STAFF: with separate channel, also for national referees and TV production (WC 12 pcs., YWC 6 pcs.)				
	CABELING PLAN:				
	- electricity - channels (MSO, TV, LOC, Implemetation, Organisation)				
	TRAINING and COURSE INSPECTION: when (day and time) and where (which slopes),				
	to be communicated before arrival via WA group SKI PASS:				
	- for NF (coaches and athletes) and ISMF				
	- to provide also for rest/training days				
	- possibility that for use of chair lift the accreditation is sufficient OFFICIAL TIME-KEEPER:				
	- transport of material (snow cat for timing container - size/weight?)				
	- implementation of intermediate times (loops) and/or GPS trackers - cable channel to be coordinated				
	SPEAKER:				
	 sound system with 2 radio-microphones (spare batteries included) DJ and music 				
	- local and ISMF speaker (vertical with start and finish)				
	VOLUNTEERS:				
	- for official results at finish area - for check material / scale				
	- for control of accreditation and entry into the various race areas				
	- meeting information ISMF - LOC - teamleader - volunteers		-		
	ON SITE TRANSPORTATION (if necessary): clothes transport for vertical race				
	ACCOMMODATION for teams and ISMF staff:				
	- ski preparation for NF - late check out on last day				
	MEALS: in hotel (early breakfast) or togehter	, ,			
	SUSTAINA BILITY ISMF RACE JURY				
	NATIONAL REFERES				
				-	*



ACE VENUE and FELD OF PLAY:	TRACKS: -Inyout (including transition, technical and refreshement area) with height profile -through transition transition transitions and refreshement area) with height profile -plan B and C technical & organisational) -options for sprint race and mixed relay race DATA: provide track data to time keeping and TV production (height profile, length		
	distance etc.		
LAYOUT for START and FINISH AREA: finish area following ISME proposals depending on the location including flower ceremony and check material including relevant access to areas	depending on the location including flower ceremony and check material including		



APPENDIX : DOPING CONTROL STATION LAYOUT (EXAMPLE)



1. Waiting Room

- Refrigerator or Cool Box with sealed non-alcoholic drinks,
- Desk, Chairs, Hangers, etc.

2. Administration / Processing Room

- Desk, Chairs...
- Waste Bin, Paper Towels, Disposable gloves, etc.
- Refrigerator (Sampling storage), etc.
- Telephone or other Communication Device, Scissors, writing material, etc.

3. Sampling Room (Toilet)

- Water Closet, Wash Basin,
- Paper Towels, Hygienic Toilet Paper, Hooks.



ATHLETES PARTICIPATION RULES

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23. PARTICIPATION

23.1. Categories

Category	Age range	Year of birth	Notes
U12	11-12 years	2012-2013	
U14	13-14 years	2010-2011	
U16	15-16 years	2008-2009	
U18	17-18 years	2006-2007	
U20	19-20 years	2004-2005	
Senior	19+ years	2005 or before	
U23 Subcategory	19-23 years	2005-2004-2003-2002- 2001	Categories applicable for
Pre Master	35-39 years	1989-1985	ISMF events
O40	40-44 years	1984-1980	
O45	45-49 years	1979-1975	
O50	50-54 years	1974-1970	
O55	55-59 years	1969-1965	
O60	60+ years	1964 or before	

For the sports season n-1/n, the age taken into account is the age on 31 December of year n.

23.2. Team composition

For team composition the following guidelines have to be respected:

- The Mixed Relay race team is composed of one female and one male athlete.
- The Relay race team is composed of four athletes of the same gender.
- The Youth Relay race team is composed of one female and two male athletes.
- The Team race team is composed of two or three athletes of the same gender.
- The members of the team must have the same nationality and belong to the same N
- An athlete holding an ISMF licence who teams up with an athlete who does not have an ISMF licence cannot receive place points.

23.3. Quotas per nation

If a Championship takes place together with a World Cup, no quota shall be applied for the registration in the race and the start lists will follow the World Cup ranking.

The title of a World or Continental Champion grants a bonus place (except for Relay Race) for the following Championship.

If for any reason the race does not take place, or if there is no ranking, this bonus is applied in the following Championship.

23.3.1. World Championships quotas

Individual, Sprint and Vertical races:

Senior: 4 M and 4 W

U23: 3 M and 3 W (total of 7 Senior M and 7 Senior W)

U20: 4 M and 4 WU18: 4 M and 4 W

Team race:

Senior: 4 teams M + 4 teams W





Relay race:

Senior: 1 team M + 1 team W

Youth: 1 team

Mixed Relay race:

Senior: 3 teamsYouth: 2 teams

23.3.2. Continental Championships quotas

Continental Championships quotas have to be decided by the respective Continental Council and the ISMF has to be notified no later than six months before the event. If such a communication is not received by the ISMF, World Championships quotas will be applied.

23.3.3. World Cup and Series quotas

There are no quotas.

24. ISMF LICENCES AND DOCUMENTS

Athletes must hold an ISMF licence to participate in ISMF events.

The process to apply for any ISMF licence will be completely online via the ISMF website. There are no paper documents to be completed, signed and sent to the ISMF Office. Completion and various signatures will only be available electronically.

For each ISMF licence level there will be the possibility to upgrade to higher grades, only paying the extra cost from the lower grade. The upgrade process will be managed by the ISMF directly, without any intervention by the respective NEM.

To obtain any ISMF licence, athletes should create their own profile online on the ISMF website in time to meet the race registration deadline for the first event of the season in which each athlete wants to participate.

All NEMs and athletes agree to accept and abide by all ISMF rules mentioned in the ISMF licences.

24.1. ISMF Elite licence

The ISMF Elite licence is only for athletes belonging to national teams, who want to participate in ISMF World Championships and ISMF World Cups.

Following the creation of their own profile, athletes should contact their N<mark>EM</mark> to obtain the validation of the ISMF licence

The ISMF Office will invoice each NEM for all ISMF Elite licences applied for during the season at the end of the season itself. The ISMF Elite licence for Seniors and U23s is 100,00 EEUR per athlete, while for U20s and U18s is 60,00 EEUR per athlete.

With the ISMF Elite licence, athletes can participate in all the events since the ISMF Elite licence is a top grade to all other minor ones.

24.2. ISMF Youth licence

The ISMF Youth licence is only for athletes belonging to national teams, who want to participate in ISMF Youth World Cups. Following the creation of athletes' profile, each NIM must validate the ISMF licence.

The ski mountaineering club of reference of a selected athlete must contact the NeM of the own nation to proceed to obtain the ISMF Youth licence, since only the NeM has the power to ultimately validate the ISMF licence. In the event that such NeM does not have a national licence, it must provide the athlete with an official document validate as a pass

Athletes or the respective New will have to pay for the ISMF Youth licence by credit card directly during the ISMF licence application process. If the payment is not successful, the ISMF licence will not be validated by the ISMF and therefore will not be active. The ISMF Youth licence is 30,00 per athlete.



24.3. ISMF Competition licence

The ISMF Competition licence is only for athletes who want to participate in ISMF Masters World Championships, ISMF Series and Continental Cups/Championships.

Athletes will have to pay for the ISMF Competition licence by credit card directly during the ISMF licence application process. If the payment is not successful, the ISMF licence will not be validated by the ISMF and therefore will not be active. The ISMF Competition licence is 30,00 **EUR** per athlete.

NEMs may have an overview with a blocking option on the application process for this type of ISMF licence.

24.4. ISMF Open licence

The ISMF Open licence is only for athletes who want to participate in Open races and National/Continental Series. For the first year, the ISMF Open licence will be free of charge.

NEMs may have an overview with a blocking option on the application process for this type of ISMF licence.

24.5. Further specifications

Each NFM must ensure that its athletes enrolled in ISMF events are:

- holders of a public liability insurance and a repatriation assistance policy covering any accidents involving athletes that may arise during journeys to and from the event and during the race;
- holders, if necessary, of an individual accident insurance;
- physically fit to take part in ski mountaineering races and holders, and if necessary, of a medical certificate in compliance with the national rules;
- authorised to take part in races. A letter from parents or the legal guardian for young athletes (minors) with respect to the legislation of each nation is requested.

25. REGISTRATION

25.1. General information

25.1.1. Nationality

NEMs can only register athletes of the nation they represent (no foreigners). Athletes with dual nationality must choose which nationality they wish to use at the beginning of each season and then maintain it until the end of the concerned season.

25.1.2. Participation of ISMF and LOC staff

LOC staff members and ISMF officials cannot participate in an ISMF event in which they are officially involved.

25.2. World Cup and Youth World Cup

All athletes must be registered for the World Cups by the respective N<mark>FM</mark>s via the ISMF website (by a specified deadline).

For the Youth World Cups, instead, athletes have the possibility to register directly, but with a final confirmation from the respective NEM.

25.2.1. Registration fees

25.2.1.1. World Cup

The athlete registration fee at World Cups can amount to a maximum of 50,00 **CEUR** per athlete/discipline.

25.2.1.2. Youth World Cup

The athlete registration fee at Youth World Cups has to be fixed between 30,00 CEUR and 40,00 CEUR per athlete/discipline at the discretion of the LOC.



25.2.2. Late athlete registration

Late athlete registration for World Cups and Youth World Cups is not allowed.

25.2.3. Team composition

The composition of the teams for the Mixed Relay race has to be communicated to the ISMF office via email or other means of communication by a specified deadline. Further changes after this deadline will not be accepted.

25.3. World and Continental Championships

All athletes must be registered for the World Championships by the respective N<mark>EM</mark>s via the ISMF website (by a specified deadline).

Continental Championships registration process has to be decided by the respective Continental Council and the ISMF has to be notified no later than six months before the event. If such a communication is not received by the ISMF, World Championships process will be applied.

At World/Continental Championships, U20 athletes will be able to choose for each single race the category in which they want to participate.

25.3.1. Registration fees for World Championships

25.3.1.1. Senior athletes

The athlete registration fee at World Championships can amount to a maximum of 50,00 **EEUR** per athlete/discipline.

25.3.1.2. Youth athletes

The athlete registration fee at World Championships can amount to a maximum of 50,00 **EEUR** per athlete/discipline, but for Relay races it can amount to a maximum of 30,00 **EEUR** per athlete.

25.3.2. Registration fees for Continental Championships

The athlete registration fee at Continental Championships has to be decided by the respective Continental Council and the ISMF has to be notified no later than six months before the event. If such a communication is not received by the ISMF, World Championships' athlete registration fee will be applied.

25.3.3. Late athlete registration

On the day before the concerned race (by a new specified deadline), coaches have the possibility to register additional athletes with a penalty of 100% of the athlete registration fee in addition to the latter (amount to be paid in cash on-site) at a location previously specified by the ISMF.

Further changes after the deadline set for athlete registration modifications will not be considered as the final start list will be generated and bib numbers assigned to the corresponding athletes.

25.3.4. Substitution and team composition

On the day before the concerned race (by a specified deadline), coaches have the possibility to substitute athletes for free at a location previously specified by the ISMF or via email or other means of communication.

The composition of the teams for the Mixed Relay and Team races has to be communicated to the ISMF office via email or other means of communication by a specified deadline. Further changes after this deadline will not be accepted.

25.4. Masters World Championships

Athlete registration for Masters World Championships has to be done directly by the interested athletes via the ISMF website by a specified deadline.

The athlete registration fee for Masters World Championships has to be fixed between 40,00 **EEUR** and 60,00 **EEUR** per athlete/discipline at the discretion of the LOC.



25.5. Series, Continental Cups and other events

Athlete registration for Series, Continental Cups and any possible other event has to be done directly by the interested athletes via the event or LOC website. The LOC should implement the registration system by allowing athlete registration only and exclusively if the athlete has first applied for the necessary ISMF licence. The athlete registration fees for Series and other events are at the discretion of the LOC.



TECHNICAL RACE GUIDELINES

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26. SPORT AND TECHNICAL ISSUES

26.1. The SMF EventRace Jury

26.1.1. Composition

The ISMF EventRace Jury is composed of:

ISMF Event Directo

- LOC Race Director
- ISMF Technical Delegate
- President of the Technical ISMF Jury President
- ISMF Referees
- ISMF VAR Operator.

26.1.2. Role of the Event Jury Competence

The role of this group is to: The ISMF Race Jury has the competence to:

- Mmake decisions in respect of the requirements of the ISMF rules and guidelines; not included among the technical competences of the Technical Jury.
- make decisions concerning any issues for which the ISMF rules and guidelines might seem incomplete or unclear.

26.1.3. Event Jury decisions

Decisions are taken by the majority of members of the group. In the eventsituation of a draw the decision vote taken by the coordinator of the Group ISMF Jury President prevails.

EVENTISMF RACE JURY	DECISIONS
ISMF Event Director – as Coordinator of the Event Jury	Right to vote
LOC Race Director/Track Director	Right to vote
ISMF Technical Delegate	Right to vote
President of the Technical ISMF Jury President (head of Jury)	Right to vote
ISMF Referees	Right to vote
ISMF VAR Operator	Right to vote

Restricted rights are applied to decisions on behaviour and protest (according the related section in the Sporting Rules) when only the following circumstances apply:

- make decisions concerning any issues ISMF Sporting Rules and guidelines;
- assess protests and decide on their outcome;
- ensure that Ranking Rules are respected;
- guarantee sporting fairness.

ISMF RACE JURY	DECISIONS
LOC Race Director	Member with NO right to vote
ISMF Technical Delegate	Member with NO right to vote
ISMF Jury President	Right to vote
ISMF Referees	Right to vote
ISMF VAR Operator	Member with NO right to vote



Decisions are taken by the majority of the ISMF Race Jury members having the right to vote. For decisions about offences and penalties in the situation of a tie, the vote taken by the ISMF Jury President prevails. For decisions on protests the vote of all three members with the right to vote is required.

26.2. The Technical Jury

26.2.1. Composition

For all ISMF competitions, World Championships, Continental Championships and World Cup races, a Technica<mark>l</mark> Jury is formed. The Technical Jury is only meets convened at the request of the ISMF President of Technical Jury.

The Technical Jury is composed of:

- President of the Technical Jury appointed by the ISMF
- First international referee
- Second international referee

The meeting of the Technical Jury can be attended without the right of vote also by

- ISMF Event Director
 - Technical Delegate
- 1 OC Davis Discrete

26.2.2. Role of the Technical Jury

The role of the Technical Jury is to:

make decisions concerning any issues for which the ISMF rules "Sporting Rules & Regulations" and "Guidelines for organising ski mountaineering competitions" might seem incomplete or unclear;

assess claims and decide on their outcome (only the President of the Technical Jury may register a claim)

ensure that races and ranking rules are respected;

guarantee sporting fairness;.

attend race meetings.

26.2.3. Technical Jury decisions

Decisions are taken by the majority of the Technical Jury members having the right to vote. In the event of a draw, the decision taken by the President of the Technical Jury prevails in case of decisions about Offences and Penalties. If necessary, a Technical Jury meeting with all three voters is compulsory for decisions on claims.

JURY DECISIONS	A)OFFENCES AND PENALTIES AND DDECISIONS
President of the Technical Jury	Right to vote
LOC Race Director	No vote
1 st ISMF referee	Right to vote
2nd referee	Right to vote
ISMF Event Director	No vote
Technical Delegate	No vote

26.2. SWF Jury Consulting Group

The role of the SMF Jury Consulting Group is to assess assist the Event SMF Race Jury in specific situation and topic which may affect the development of the race, only after a request of the ISMF Event Director. The decision of the Jury Consulting Group is not binding for the decisions of the Event Jury.

The ISMF Jury Consulting Group can be called by any member of the ISMF Jury Consulting Group.

The ISMF Jury Consulting Group is composed by:

ISMF Event Director Coordinator



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ISMF Jury PresidentLOC Race Director

- Two Coaches Representatives (if his/her team their NEM is not involved)
- Men aAthlete's representative (If he is not involved)
- Women athletes representative (if she is not involved)

The LOC Race Director

The decision of the ISMF Jury Consulting Group is not binding for the decisions of the EventISMF Race Jury.

26.3. The Start and Finish areas

The start and finish areas contain technical installations necessary for the proper organisation and execution of the race. Both areas are of fundamental importance for the management aspects and advertising rights of the ISMF and the LOC. The start and the finish areas must be at the same location, have restricted access and must be fenced by nets or metal barriers.

Start and finish areas must comply with the following:

- Accreditation compulsory for access (for the athletes BIB is acceptable);
- Fences to separate it from other areas (at least 15m long);
- Toilets;
- Medical assistance area;
- Spectators zone and visitors outside of the start and finish areas;
- 8 athletes at the starting line;
- Not have and arch or narrow place the first 300m after the start.

The start area consists of:

- An area for controlling DVA (minimum one entrance/line);
- An area for controlling chips;
- A race BIB control area;
- Start list controllers (they take note of all numbers minimum one entrance/line);
- People in charge of collecting athlete's personal effects at the start and handing them back at the finish;
- A start line and two finish lines marked on the ground;
- A warm-up area on the snow and big enough to allow the athletes go up and down:
- For Sprint and Relay races with a minimum exact length of the Sprint race.
- For Individual, Vertical and Team races is recommended a positive ascent of 300m.
- NEM zone: a place for the tents of the NEMs (coaches, staff members who prepare the athletes' race equipment, etc.) closed by nets.

The finish area consists of:

- Two finish lines marked on the ground;
- System for timing, photo finish and video check;
- An area for controlling DVA (at the exit);
- An area for taking off chips;
- Equipment control area (for DVA and other compulsory safety equipment). This area for inspecting equipment, must be situated 15 to 30 meters after the finish line. This area is closed, athletes should have access to a recovery zone immediately after equipment control;
- A bulletin board for displaying provisional results (including penalties).

The start and finish areas must be set up in coordination with the:

- ISMF Event Director Coordinator
- ISMF Technical Delegate;
- ISMF Marketing & Media Coordinator;
- Implementation team responsible;



TV Production Team responsible.

The typical start and finish areas for every race are presented in appendixes below. The appendix defines the typical organisation of the start and finish area, with particular attention to the aspects relating to the management of advertising rights.

26.4. Race Organisation

26.4.1. Track change

Changes of the track are the responsibility of the LOC Track Director and the LOC Race Director. The ISMF Event Director Coordinator and the ISMF Technical Delegate must be informed immediately about such changes. Any changes to the tracks must be announced at least 45 minutes before the start to the New M.

26.4.2. Race delay or cancellation

Races may be delayed or cancelled due to extreme weather conditions, safety concerns or unforeseen technical problems. The decision to delay or cancel a race is taken by the ISMF Event Director Coordinator after consultation with the ISMF Event Race Jury.

Prior to athletes arriving at the start area, it may be necessary to delay the start due to above mentioned reasons. The new start time must be provided to all New with adequate time in advance to the new start time not to have set off for the event. The start time may be delayed for up to a maximum of 2 hours after the scheduled time once the athletes are in the start area. The delay is confirmed by the ISMF in coordination with the LOC. A delay is called only when it is presumed that the condition causing the delay is likely to be resolved within the time limit as stated. During the maximum delay of 2 hours, athletes must have access to a warm waiting area, nutrition and toilets. Athletes are expected to be able to prepare immediately for the start during the maximum waiting period once they are called. No protests are accepted during the maximum waiting time of 2 hours. If the race does not start within the 2-hour time frame, the ISME EventRace Jury will officially cancel the race.

26.4.3. Event or race reschedule

The possibility to reschedule an event or a race at a later date is entirely at the discretion of the ISMF. Such a decision will only be considered if it meets certain conditions, the LOC is in full agreement, the new date will not cause problems with the ISMF calendar and is not at one of the dates agreed at the ISMF Plenary Assembly for hosting national events and is considered appropriate by the ISMF media partners. Even when these conditions are met, rescheduling is not guaranteed.

In this case, the NEMs, in consultation with the ISMF, should do everything within their power to ensure participation on the day scheduled for the rescheduling, if this was an inherent part of the event programme (as agreed in advance with the ISMF).

26.5. Results

Results are to be produced according to the procedure described in the ISMF rules.

The LOC must make arrangements so that:

- results (provided by the timing company) can be posted at the finish and in the welcome area;
- posting of results is to be announced;
- the place and time of results posting is stated;
- the provisional results must be posted within 15 mins of the first athlete or when 10 athletes have crossed the finish line and passed the control equipment. This is so any protests can be made. After this moment, new provisional results with the rest of the athletes will be posted approximately every 20min.

Timekeeping must send the final raking immediately once approved by the ISMF Jury President to the ISMF Ranking Manager and ISMF office.



27. RACES SPECIFICATIONS

27.1. General features of ISMF races

	DESCRIPTION	CATEGORIES	POSITIVE ASCENT	DURATION	TEAM COMPOSITION
SPRINT	Short track with ascent, descent, and a part on foot with skis attached to	SM/SW	70m maximum	Between 2min30-	
	backpack, which will take place in	U23M/W	- maximum	3min30s for	
	qualifying phases, heats, semifinals and final. Race held by heats of 6 athletes from	U20M/W		the best SM/SW	
	heats to final. Track inspection time: 15min	U18M/W***			
VERTICAL	A single ascent on skis. No part takes	SM/SW	500 to		
	place on foot with skis on backpack.	U23M/W	700m		
	Vertical race is possible off-piste but only	U20M			
	along a sheltered track with a minimum width of 2 meters. The average gradient	U20W	400 to		
	should be at least 15%.		500m		
	The area after the finish line must be	U18M***			
	completely flat or with a gentle slope, and at least 6m wide.	U18W***			
INDIVIDUAL	Minimum three (3) ascents/descents on	SM	1300 to	1h 15min to	
	mountain	U23M	1600 m	1h 30min	
	slopes.	SW	1150 to		
	The longest ascent must not exceed 50%	U23W	1400m		
	of the total	U20M			
	positive difference in height. In the	U20 W	900 to		
	longest ascent, if possible, it is		1200 m		
	recommended to include a part on foot	U18M***	800 to		
	(except for the first uphill). Out of the total difference in height	U18W***	1000 m		
TEAM*	(positive + negative):	SM	2100m to	3 h max for	2 athletes**
	- at least 85% must be raced with skis on	CIA	2400m	1 st team	0 111 111
	feet; - at the most 10% should be raced on foot (footpaths, forest tracks, etc.), depending on the peculiarities of the race venue; - at the most 10% should be technical sections raced carrying skis on the backpack (ridges, couloirs, etc.). U20M race on the same track as senior women. A fixed rope, where use of lanyards is compulsory, it is not recommended for individual race.	SW	1800m to 2100m		2 athletes**
RELAY*	4 loops with 2 distinct ascents and	SM	120 to	7-10min	4 athletes****
	descents each raced by each team	SW	150m		4 athletes****
	member once, with a part on foot in the 2 nd ascent. The first uphill should be at least 60m.	YOUTH			3 athletes**** 1 U18M
	Each relay leg must include 2 distinct ascents and descents.				1 U18W or U20W 1 U18M or
	There is no qualification phase.				U20W or U18W
	A part of the second ascent requires a				or U20M
	portion to be climbed on foot with skis				Start:



	strapped on the backpack. Each relay leg is run by a member of the relay team. Each athlete can participate in only one relay. (That is to say that if a U20 athlete participates in a senior relay, he / she cannot participate in the youth relay - ditto for senior women). For safety reasons it is compulsory to include a short uphill (with skins on) before the handover, except for the last athlete of the Relay, who must proceed directly to the finish line. Track inspection time: 20min				U18W or U20W starting necessarily in 1st lap
MIXED RELAY	Qualification phase followed by a final A and a final B (optional decided by the SMF EventRace Jury). The Mixed Relay race covers 4 loops, each with 2 ascents and 2 descents. Each athlete has to cover the loop twice alternately with the teammate. The loop contains a part on foot in the 2 nd ascent and the first uphill should be at least 60m. The order of the final can be either W-M-W-M or M-W-M-W. The SMF EventRace Jury will decide the best option (according to the track) to be communicated during the TCM of the previous day. In the case a team retires from the start that place cannot be taken by another team. Track inspection time: 20min	Senior U20 U18	120 to 150m	7-10 min	2 athletes Order W-M-W-M The composition of the team cannot change from the qualification phase to the final.

^{*} Athletes holding valid ISMF licences are not allowed to take part in team races that count towards the ISMF Championships with team members of different nationalities.

- $\ensuremath{^{**}}$ Can be 3 athletes on Continental cups, World cups, and ISMF series.
- *** U18 categories cannot participate or be ranked on World Cup races.
- **** The teams will be composed of athletes belonging to the same nation.

27.1.1. Special features for Sprint races

SPRINT RACE DESCRIPTION (SEE APPENDIXES)

1st PART: ON SKIS

Approximately 30 to 50m of elevation.

- After the start, approximately 200 m of moderate slope.
- The slope then becomes steeper but has to be easily skiable (not too steep).
- This part should be wide enough to allow athletes to overtake easily.
- The track must not be plotted along slopes with a highly angled diagonal gradient across the transverse of the slope if such a situation is naturally found on the terrain, then it must be modified to create a more regular slope.
- If the slope is steep enough, the circuit should be a figure of '8' designed with diamonds and athletes can choose the most advantageous track.

2nd PART: ON FOOT

- Approximately 10 to 15m of elevation.
- This part must have <u>at least three (3) parallel tracks</u>. <u>Must be possible change from one track to the others.</u>
- The ascent is made with skis attached to the backpack.

3rd PART: ON SKIS

After foot part approximately 10 m maximum of elevation.

4th PART: THE DESCENT

The slope should be wide, with an even packed surface.



- The descent must be fitted out with turns. The use of blue and red flags (as used for snowboard gates), or other safe and visible elements, is permitted.
- The athlete must pass through each gate.

5th PART: THE FINISH

- The circuit must finish on a flat area or with a slight ascent, so that athletes must use the skating technique until the finish line. Depending on the terrain, upon decision of the ISMF Technical Delegate, the last part of the finish area can be done with skins on.
- The last 20 m of the track will be set up with a minimum of three wide lanes with a width approximately 3 m each.

When the athletes enter to the finish area skating corridors have to yield the track to the athlete that arrived first and respect the corridor. To overtake the athlete must change the corridor.

The track is a loop: the finish line is very close to the start line.

MANAGEMENT OF THE TRACK

- A preferably heated tent/room (with seats) must be set up close to the start area. Pre-start room.
- The track should be completely closed off by netting. Only athletes and accredited press officials are allowed access.
- The start and finish lanes are marked on the ground.
- For the athletes and coaches, a path must be set up to facilitate access from the finish area to the start

TRANSITION AREAS

- The Transition areas will be wide and fitted out in order to permit all 6 athletes to make transition with ease.

27.2. Race Organisation

27.2.1. The Start set up

27.2.1.1. Start Area, Race Schedules and Start Times

The ISMF events starting/finish area must be compulsory set up in coordination with the:

- ISMF Event Director Coordinator
- ISMF Technical Delegate
- ISMF Marketing & Media Coordinator
- TV Production Team responsible
- Implementation team responsible (for sponsorship requirements)

The starting area is one of the main points of attention and interest of the race. In the starting area are the concentrated technical installations necessary for the proper organisation and conduct of the race. The starting area is of fundamental importance for the management aspects of the advertising rights of the ISMF and of the LOC. The start and the finish area must be at the same place. It is not allowed to use a handmade gate, only the ISMF official system.

The starting and the finish areas are restricted and surrounded by barriers and / or nets. They consist of:

- Nets to separate it from other areas (at least 15m long)
- Start area An area for controlling DVA (minimum one entrance/line)
- Area for controlling chips
- Starting/finish line marked on the ground (as provided in the Sporting Rules)
- Toilets
- Starting list controllers, who take note of all numbers, minimum one entrance/line
- A starter
- People in charge of collecting athletes' personal effects at the start and handing them back at the finish
- Warm-up area
- Race number control area
- Medical assistance area
- System for photo finish and video check
- Bulletin board for displaying provisional results (including penalties) as and when athletes come in.

Any changes to tracks must be announced 45 minutes before the start. If the start is delayed, announcements must be made every fifteen minutes.



A typical start area is presented in appendixes below.

(The World Cup start area must be set up also in coordination with the ISMF communications team responsible for sponsorship requirements).

Start order and timings will be decided in conjunction between the ISMF Technical Delegate and the LOC. World Cup races, it is strongly recommended to start before 09.00 or after 17.00, except for Sprint races which can be held as a nocturnal event, upon request.

For all World Cup races and Continental/World Championships, the ISMF Jury President is responsible to manage all the start procedure, including the position of the athletes on the start line and the final countdown.

27.2.1.2. Individual, Team or Vertical races start set up

- The starter positions himself/herself in the starting area in a manner in which all athletes can easily hear his/her announcements.
- Use of a sound system is compulsory. All communications must be made in English.
- The starting area and the trail should be groomed for 300m or 100 m difference in height after the starting line must be wide.
- Race starts and tracks must be planned so one category cannot be overtaken by the other category.
- Race starts and tracks must be planned so that open athletes cannot be overtaken by ISMF categories during the race.
- The start schedule has to be approved on the eve of the race by the ISMF Technical Delegate.
- A combined categories mass start will ONLY be allowed if approved by the ISMF Technical Delegate.

Tracks must be designed and set up by LOC trail setters. If another race takes place at the same time as an ISMF race:

*Open race at the same moment of individual world cup race is not allowed, except special agreement with ISMF, and cannot interfere with the ISMF athletes.

27.2.1.3. Relay races start set up

- Starting positions must be separated by 1.5m (to be adjusted depending on the terrain) with a maximum
 of 6 athletes in each line. Separation between lines of 2,5m each line;
- On uneven ground, the starting line should be positioned in a fair way for all athletes;
- Start order: athletes for the first relay take position on the starting line. Number 1 is positioned in the centre of the track, n° 2 to his/her right, n°3 to his/her left, and so on;
- Athletes must remain in the handover waiting zone until relay handover.

27.2.1.4. Mixed Relay race set up

A - Design of the track

One run consists of two different loops with ascents and descents. The total elevation of one run is 120-150 meters with at least 60m ascent on the first ascent and a foot part in the second ascent. The arrival to the finish area can be with or without skins subject to the decision of the ISMF Technical Delegate. One run shall be completed within 7-10 minutes for the best athlete (30-40 minutes for the best team).

B - Starting Area

A separate starting area will be set up, giving space for 6 teams starting next to each other in the front line, the second starting line is 2,5 m behind. If the race venue does not allow a separate starting area, the latter can be positioned between the transition area and the handover area. The distance between starting line and entry handover area must be at least 5m.



C - <u>Handover Area</u>

The handover area is at least 6-10m wide and 15-20m long marked by an entry and exit line. Along the first half of the handover area there is free entrance from the waiting area for the following athlete to enter. After the exit line there is an exit area for the predecessor to exit the track. The handover area shall be slightly upwards and close to start and finish area. The entry line shall be approximately 20m after the transition area. The athletes shall distribute evenly along the width of the handover area waiting for their predecessor.

D - Waiting Area

Only athletes have access, ideally some seats and tents shall be arranged.

E - Track Inspection

The entry gate for track inspection is open 10min, the track is closed for athletes after 20min from the start of track inspection. The track inspection has to be finished 20min before the first qualification.

F - Qualification

The qualification is done by each athlete alone against the time (individual start without handover). First all female athletes, afterwards all male athletes start their qualification with single start every 30 seconds. The team leading in the World Cup will start last in qualification per gender. Inside a team the best ranked athlete in the specialty World Cup is taken into consideration for bib distribution. The total qualification time is calculated by addition of the single time of the female and male athlete per team.

G - Equipment control

Equipment control for the qualification run is done randomly. Equipment control for the finals is done for each single athlete.

H - Timekeeping

Electronic chip timing is compulsory. The intermediate time of each loop is published (1st loop up to entry line of handover area), if such a timekeeping is available.

I - Ranking

The ranking is done by the order of crossing the finish line. World Cup points for the Overall World Cup Ranking for national teams are assigned according to the position in the final of each best team per nation. For other information please refer to the ISMF Ranking Rules.

27.2.1.5. Sprint races start set up

- Lanes are marked for the first 10 m of the track which will be at least 1,2m wide. Athletes must stay in their lane until leaving the designated area.
- For every category, the start will be the inverse order of the classification of the Sprint World Cup ranking, on the day of the race (N-1 ranking for the first race of the season). The non-classified athletes will start first with a randomly established start time.
- The start area is prepared with a start line and a pre-start line that are 1m apart.
- Behind, in the qualifications every 2m there will be another small waiting line/place where the athletes will be waiting in order to the schedule of the start list.
- During the heats: Athletes are called to the pre-start room (warm tent) from 10 to 5 minutes before the start. The pre-start room should be warm and must contain chairs for at least 6 athletes. Athletes are organised on the pre-start line where instructions are given and start lanes designated.
- In case of false start, athletes are not stopped. The penalty will be directly applied to the athletes after crossing the finish line. False start penalty applies only if ISMF starting procedure is respected and if there is a camera video on the start line. The penalty applies for the first athlete who commits the false start.
- During the heats sessions, a member of the ISMF Race Jury may check the start video.
- Heats will start consecutively approximately every 5 minutes. Following instructions from the timekeeping company.





- Every category between the end of their qualifications and the beginning of the final phases, there should have a 15-minute gap for recovery.
- For the finals, the speaker will call the athletes one by one, with a presentation of the athlete and nation of the athlete.
- For the sprint, the SMF EventRace Jury, in order to make the race shorter and safer in the case of bad weather conditions, can take the decision to go directly to the final after the qualification stage with the best six places from the qualification. The SMF EventRace Jury should take this decision before the start of the race and communicate it to the coaches and athletes, except in the case of sudden reasons that can suggest taking this decision later.

27.2.2. Other important features for the track set up

For a clear picture of how to set up a kick turn please refer to the document called "ISMF instructions for a race track", section "Official texts", "Sport Rules".

If the track crosses or follows a marked ski trail, then the portion used by athletes must be separated from that used by others, by means of nets (or any other means making it impossible to cross the track by accident) both during ascents and descents. As far as possible these trails should be closed to the general public for the duration of the race.

- Important to avoid crosses in the track inside the same category and between different categories competing at the same time
- Junctions for different categories must be located where athletes arrive at low speed;
- Separations for different categories must be located at checkpoints or waypoints after transition area or in uphill where athletes arrive at low speed, never in downhill; marked with arrows showing which direction should be followed by a given category;
- The tracks in corridors and in ridges will be used for ascents during the second half of the race;
- The parts where the use of the lanyard is necessary must be minimized. On the tracks in a corridor or on a ridge where there is one single lane, overtaking can only take place in the clearly marked zones. It is strongly recommended not to use any of those very technical parts on a world cup or continental/world championship and ever must be validated for the ISMF Technical Delegate according that there is no other option.
- In the event of a risk due to high speed, then LOC tracers should set up chicanes with signs in order to make athletes reduce their speed;
- LOC is responsible for adapting the speed of the athletes in function of:
 - the ground (forest narrow trail risk of dangerous fall obstacles ski trail);
 - the quality of the snow (hard, wet or crusty);
 - weather conditions (bad visibility snow).

The LOC has an obligation to slow the athletes, by using appropriate means (track drawn in big curves), when:

- a dangerous speed may be reached;
- exceedingly steep slope;
- mass start in descent is not allowed.

The track is marked with flags of at least 150 cm² (300 cm² rigid round fluorescent flags highly recommended)

Rectangular 15 x 20 cm
 Triangular 15 x 20 cm
 Round 15 cm of diameter

- Green (fluorescent flags): Moving with on skis with skins on;
- Red (fluorescent flags): Moving on skis without skins;
- Yellow (fluorescent flags): on the parts on foot;
- Large flags must be used during difficult conditions to reinforce marking (minimal height: 1.5m);
- Danger signs mark technically difficult or dangerous areas;



Specific Danger Flag: to mark specific dangerous elements.



Respect the environment

27.2.3. Transition area and check point

- The transition areas are all the designated locations where the athletes must change from one mode of travel to another
- A transition area is a closed area (with nets, ropes, flags), reserved for the athletes and the qualified track staffers.
- The flags used to delimit the transition area will be of the colour of the next section (e.g., yellow if it is before a foot part, red if it is before a descent, etc.).
- A narrow gate (2m minimum for Individual/Team races and 3m minimum for Sprint/Relay races) controls the exit. An image sign will indicate the operation to be carried out.
- The entrance and the exit gates of the area should be clearly marked with a blue line in the snow with environmentally friendly marking material
- Controllers must be equipped with radios and be able to communicate with race headquarters.
- Controllers also check safety issues.
- Controllers ensure that ISMF rules are followed and immediately report any offenses committed by athletes to race headquarters.
- Under instruction from race headquarters, the transition area chief must have enough authority to give
 instructions to athletes (for example: giving instructions to put on an extra layer of clothing, stopping the
 race under the authority of the LOC Race dDirector, etc.).
- Transition area will be positioned so that athletes reduce speed upon arrival and should be big enough to avoid problems according to the possible number of athletes making the transition manipulation at the same time (for example near the start needs to be so big). The design of the Transition Area should be done without giving more advantage to one place than other to avoid that all athletes will made the transition manipulation in just one small part of the area and not using all of it.
- At all times, the transition area chief must be able to inform the speaker at the finish on the advancement of the race – athlete racing order – times between athletes – etc.
- Athletes must pass through all transition areas or check points on the race.

27.2.4. Check Point

A check point is an area where the athletes bibs are noted. Check points may be located at transition areas. Controllers take note when athletes pass through their check point and record their arrival order + times + ranking if the race is neutralized or stopped.

27.2.5. Refreshment Area and Technical Point set up

For Individual and Team races, the LOC must set up a refreshment area (recommended fresh/warm water/tea, cereal bars, cakes) at the most appropriate location on the track. It must be approved by the ISMF Technical Delegate and, generally, it is placed at the beginning of an ascent, but separated of the transition area/technical point (with a line is enough), near the middle of the race. The refreshment area is also to be used by coaches who are not allowed to supply food and beverages at any other location. Garbage or trash bags must be present in the area and near the exit. The recommended length of the area is from 15 to 30 m.

The refreshment area must be limited by lines (entry/exit) on the ground, and a pictogram at the entry inform the athletes is recommended.



For Individual and Team races, the ISMF EventRace Jury will decide one or, if it is necessary, more transition areas where it is possible to change the skis+bindings. In this case, the transition area will also be a technical point. The transition area close to the refreshment area will always be a technical point.

27.2.6. Relay handover area set up

The LOC <mark>r</mark>Race dDirector appoints a person in charge of the relay handover area, and the ISMF Race Jury appoints an ISMF Referee in charge of the relay.

The handover area should be at least 6-10m wide and 15-20m long marked by an entry and exit line.

For safety reasons the relay will include a short uphill (Skins on) few meters before the handover. The arrival to the finish area can be with or without skins subject to the decision of the ISMF Technical Delegate.

Regarding the handover area for the Mixed Relay race, please refer to the dedicated paragraph.

27.2.7. The Finish set up

The WC starting/finish area must be compulsory set up following the ISMF design in coordination with the:

- ISMF Event Director Coordinator
- ISMF Technical Delegate
- TV Production Team responsible
- Implementation team responsible (for sponsorship requirements)
- A finish line marked on the ground, at least 10 cm wide, preferably situated in a skiable area. Steep downhill slopes must be avoided.
 - If the arrival is in skating, there will be at least 3 corridors the last 20m with a minimum 3m wide. At the beginning of the corridor's area there will be a discontinuous line.
 - It is strongly recommended finish with skins on after a short uphill near the arrival.
- A second line, 10 cm wide minimum, will be marked 3 m after the official finish. Upon arriving in the finish area, athletes must pass over the second line before stopping (timings are taking at the first/official finish line).
- A restricted finish area surrounded by barriers and / or nets.
- Timing to 1/100 of second to decide between "hand in hand" arrivals and photo finish or video check.
- A person in charge of taking note of all the numbers of the athletes who cross the line (in the arrival order).
 In the sprint race, during the qualification time this person should note down also the arrival time of the athletes to have an extra document in case of technical problems.
- An area for inspecting equipment, designated "Equipment Control", situated 15 to 30 m after the finish line.
 This area is closed off. In this area, a controller inspects the equipment of the selected athlete according to the instructions issued by the ISMF Jury President.
- A podium for the first three athletes/teams.
- A bulletin board for displaying provisional results (including penalties) as and when competitors come in.
- A medical assistance area.
- In case of a doping test, a person of the LOC shall escort the athlete to the medical control area (the person must be of the same sex as the athlete)
- Toilets.
- A rReferee from the ISMF Race Jury in charge of finish procedures.
- Compulsory equipment controllers, with control sheets (see appendixes below).
- People in charge of handing back the athlete's personal effects that were left at the start.
- A press area with a spot for conducting interviews, near to the equipment control area and located inside the restricted finish area.
- A person from the LOC in charge of press relations will be present in the finish <u>area to supervise interviews</u>.
- The placement of the ISMF flags will be decided together with the ISMF Event Director Coordinator or ISMF Marketing & Media Coordinator.





In case of a doping test, a person of the LOC shall escort the athlete to the medical control area following the provisions reported in the Organisation Event Guidelines.

The finish area must have people in charge of handing back the athlete's personal effects left at the start. The finish area must also have a press area with spot for conducting interviews, near to the equipment control area and located inside the restricted finish area.

A typical finish area is presented in appendixes below.

27.2.8. Tracks and markings

The rules which govern the track design and marking are as follows:

27.2.8.1. Extreme weather or altitude

If the weather forecast predicts that the temperature could be extreme, the organiser must take in account when planning the race track (normally track B or C) according the following recommendations:

- the race is held on a more sheltered track (forest);
- the departure time is postponed until temperature raise to an acceptable level;
- the total positive difference in height of the race may be reduced;
- to avoid areas which are known to be very windy (exposed ridges, certain passes, top of mountains).

ISMF will provide to the LOC 3 devices to measure the wind chilly temperature in start/arrival and highest point / coldest point.

The measurement will be done 40min before the start (before the pre-start TCM).

According to Wind Chill Temperature Chart in the appendixes.

If the Wind Chill temperature is in the minus 10°C to -20°C range (the moderate risk, orange in the chart) recommendations regarding cold weather protection should be made available to the athletes. Under such conditions it is responsibility of the athletes to seek the information and to follow the recommendations given by the organiser:

- a fourth compulsory layer for the descent can be imposed;
- if it is reasonably expected that the temperature will drop during the day, then further measurements will be done every 30 minutes and, if necessary, the race will be stopped.

If the Wind Chill temperature is colder than -20°C at any of the measurement points, the race must not start.

- The race can be delayed (if it is reasonably expected that the temperature will rise during the day)
- The race must be cancelled if the weather forecast does not expect the temperatures to rise significantly or wind to die down

For special events where it is expected that the Wind Chill Temperature will be colder than -20°C (for example because the race profile imposes a particular high wind-exposed high point, or because it is a night event), ISMF sport performed will send the proposal to the ISMF medical commission in order to find a tailored solution to be applied by the LOC.

27.2.8.2. Rules for racing in altitude

The Instruction from ISMF Medical Commission (in coordination with EXALT Centre expertise sur l'Altitude) feels that to minimise the risk linked to altitude:

- Athletes should not spend more than 4 hours above 3500m
- No more than 2 hours above 4000m
- No racing higher than 4500m

Special information/warning must be sent out to coaches/athletes/ISMF officials if the residence/sleeping area is >2500m in order to prevent altitude-related illness.



For a special event that requires going higher than 4500m, ISMF soport Department will send the proposal to the ISMF medical commission in order to come up with a tailored specific solution for the race.

27.2.8.3. Further details

- First medical assistance has to arrive to any point of the track as soon as possible;
- Unless there are critical weather conditions or important safety issues, the tracks for individual/team
 race must be ready in the morning on the day before the race (10h00 maximum) or the eve of the first
 race during a World Cup event. There should be at least one track, with a few flags to give the main
 direction:
- For Individual, Vertical and Team races: at least 30% of the race duration must be visible from one or two close points easily accessible by spectators. The original track (A option) should include inside the track for bad weather conditions (B option) and the emergency track (C option). To guarantee the safety during the race, a track with some laps and transit zone is the most recommended option;
- For Sprint and Relay races: 100% of the race duration is strongly recommended to be visible from one point (start/finish area recommended);
- For Vertical races: it is necessary to indicate every 100m of elevation from the start to the arrival with a plastic sign, banner or similar. A line on the floor is also recommended;
- It is recommended that wide transition areas should be placed just before technical portions and that special care should be taken to avoid "traffic jams";
- Slow down athletes and mark areas with little snow which might present a risk for athlete safety;
- Make sure that coaches, team managers, press members and spectators cannot place objects along the side of the track (except for rescue teams) and cannot invade the track;
- If skis are to be removed, then several wide flat areas should be prepared for this purpose supervised by a sufficient number of controllers;
- Platforms must be able to host comfortably a minimum of 10 athletes together during the race. Any
 platform reached by the athlete within the first 30min of the race must host comfortably 30 athletes at
 the same time. They can be organised in three platforms of 10 athletes;
- All transition areas are closed with nets, ropes or flags and must have a wide exit (2m minimum for individual/team races and 3m minimum for Sprint/relay race). They are reserved for the athletes and controllers only. Minimum of two controllers/check point;
- Transition areas are announced at the race TCM and are indicated on the track by an official pictogram, with the recommended size of 297 mm x 420 mm DinA3 indicating the action to be carried out will be put in the entrance of every transition areas (available full size on the ISMF website); Also recommended is a panel with the number of the platform according to the race TCM indications.















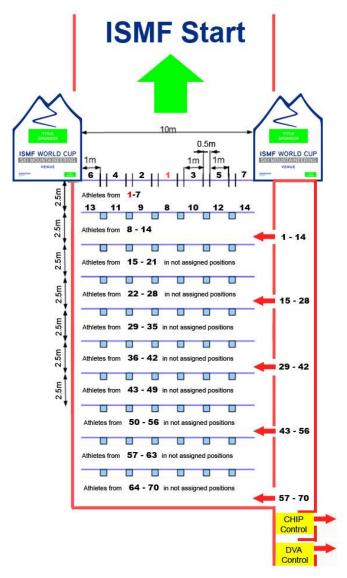




APPENDIXES

APPENDIX G: TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS START AREA

Schematic example of the organisation of the start lines into the Start Area. The implementation team of ISMF will adapt the start area to the needs and the terrain.





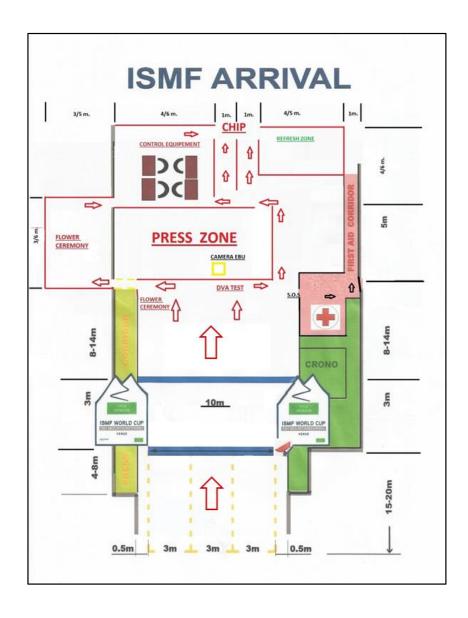


APPENDIX HK: TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FINISH AREA

N° 3 schematic example of the organisation of the start lines into the Finish Area. The implementation team of ISMF will adapt the Finish area to the needs and the terrain. Athletes will have to arrive by skating.





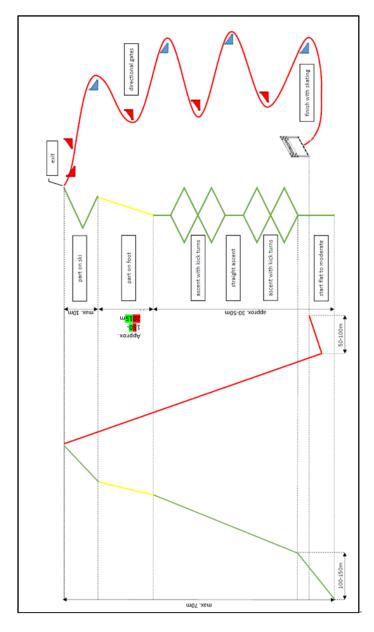






APPENDIX : ALTIMETRIC PROFILE AND DESIGN OF THE SPRINT

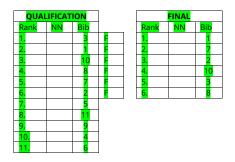
After foot part: approximately 10 m maximum of elevation with skins on.





APPENDIX JM: SPRINT RACE QUALIFICATION BOARD BRACKETS

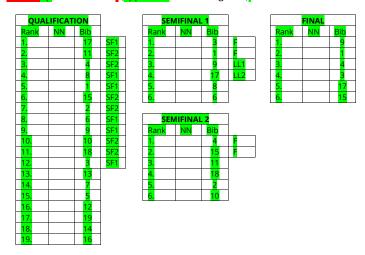
A. If less than 12 athletes (applicable for all categories):



Ranking:

- From 1st <mark>to-</mark> 6th place; follow<mark>ing</mark> the position <mark>from</mark> of the final. From 7th and more to last athlete: <mark>Rr</mark>ank<mark>inged</mark> by the qualification time.

B. If 12 or more than 12up to 23 athletes (applicable for all categories)



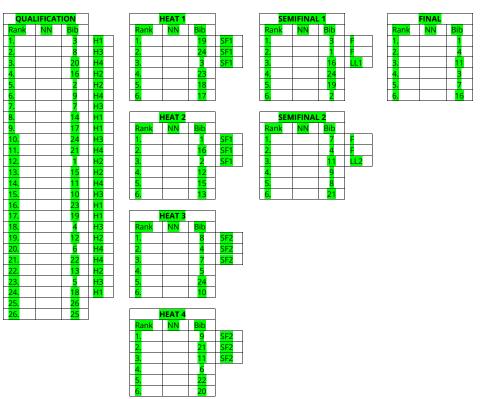
Ranking:

- From 1st <mark>to-</mark> 6th place<mark>. following</mark> the position <mark>fromof</mark> the final.

 From 7th to
 12th place: Semi-finalists not n-qualified for the final, round. The ranking order is established.
 - the order of arrival of each semifinal;
 - the best time of equal positions reached in semifinals with the equal position reached. Example: 7th position = the best time between the two athletes who arrived fourth in each semifinal.
- From 13th to 23 last athlete: Rrankinged by qualification time.



C. If 24 or more than 24up to 29 athletes (applicable for all categories except U18 category):



Ranking:

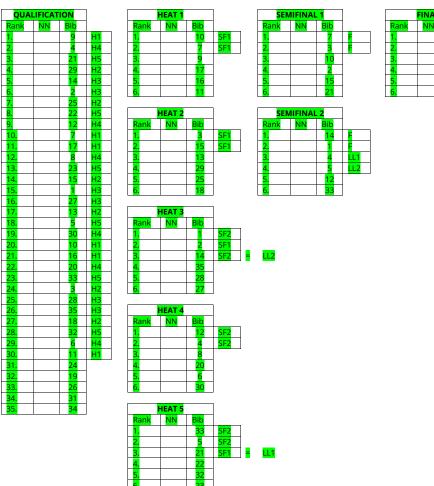
- From 1st <mark>to-</mark>6th place<mark>, following</mark> the position <mark>fromof</mark> the final.

 From 1st to-12th place: Seemi finalists not no qualified for the final round. The ranking order is established as follow<mark>sing</mark>:
 - the order of arrival of each semifinal;
 - the best time of equal positions reached in semifinals with the equal position reached. Example: 7th position = the best time between the two athletes who arrived fourth in each semifinal.
- From 13th to 24th place: <mark>H</mark>heat finalists not qualified for <mark>the</mark> semifinal<mark>s, round. The</mark> ranking <mark>order is</mark> lished<mark>as</mark> follow<mark>sing</mark>:
 - the order of arrival of each heat
 - the best time of equal positions reaches in heats with the equal position reached. Example: 13th position = the best time between the four athletes who arrived fourth in each heat.
- 25th to last athlete 29th place: Rrankinged by qualification time.

If there is no timekeeping for heats, semifinals and finals, the ranking times will be taken from the qualification.

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D. If 30 or more athletes (Eapplicable for all categories except U18 category):



Ranking:

- rom 1st <mark>to-</mark> 6th place, follow<mark>ing</mark> the position <mark>fromof</mark> the final. From <mark>-</mark>7th to- 12th place: <mark>S</mark>semi finalists no<mark>t n-</mark>qualified for the final, <mark>round. The</mark> ranking <mark>order is established as</mark> followsing
 - the order of arrival of each semifinal
 - the best time of equal positions reached in semifinals with the equal position reached. Example: 7th position = the best time between the two athletes who arrived fourth in each semifinal.
- rom 13th <mark>to-</mark> 30th place: <mark>Hh</mark>eats finalists no<mark>th-</mark> qualified for <mark>the</mark> semifinal<mark>, round</mark> The ranking order is <mark>lished</mark>as follow<mark>sing</mark>:
 - the order of arrival of each heat;
 - the best time of equal positions reached in heats with the equal n reached. Example: 13th position = the best time between the four athletes who arrived third in each heat.

- From 31st to last athlete and more: Trankinged by qualification time.

If there is no timekeeping for heats, semifinals and finals, the ranking times will be taken from the qualification.



APPENDIX KN: EXAMPLE OF SPRINT RACE SCHEDULE (TO BE ADAPTED WITH

THE NUMBER OF ATHLETES)

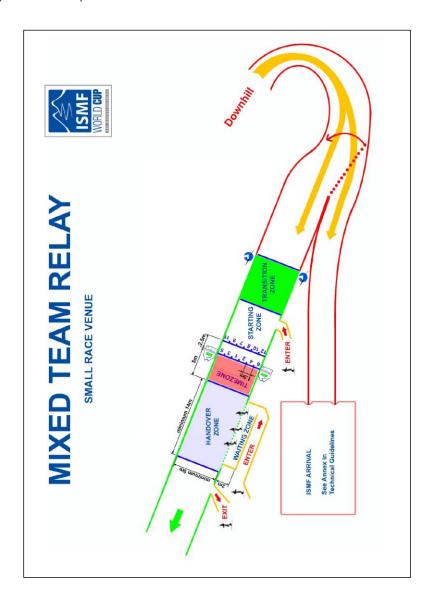
The Sprint race schedule is defined established with between the LOC Race Director, the ISMF Event coordinator and the ISMF Marketing and Media Coordinator SMF official media partner on an event-by-event basis according to different needs.

Number of <u>fe</u>	male athletes:			3
Number of fe	male quaterfina	als:		
Number of m	ale athletes:			9
Number of m	ale quarterfinal	s:		
slowest race t	time			00:0
qualification :	start intervall			00:00:2
Start time for	Flower Ceremo	ony:		11:4
Start		Finish		
07:42			pre-start TCM	
08:12		08:27	Senior Training	
1st athlete	last athlete			
08:42:00	08:52:40	08:56:40	Qualification Senior Women	า
08:59:00	09:16:40	09:20:40	Qualification Senior Men	
09:30		TBC	Start of Live-Streaming	
09:33		09:37	1st 1/4 Final Senior Women	
09:38		09:42	2nd 1/4 Final Senior Womer	n e
09:43		09:47	3rd 1/4 Final Senior Women	
09:48		09:52	4th 1/4 Final Senior Women	
09:53		09:57	5th 1/4 Final Senior Women	
10:00		10:04	1st 1/4 Final Senior Men	
10:05		10:09	2nd 1/4 Final Senior Men	
10:10		10:14	3rd 1/4 Final Senior Men	
10:15		10:19	4th 1/4 Final Senior Men	
10:20		10:24	5th 1/4 Final Senior Men	
10:32		TBC	Start of Live-TV	
10:45		10:49	1st 1/2 Final Senior Women	
10:53		10:57	2nd 1/2 Final Senior Womer	n
11:04		11:08	1st 1/2 Final Senior Men	
11:12		11:16	2nd 1/2 Final Senior Men	
11:23		11:27	Final Senior Women	
11:36		11:40	Final Senior Men	
11:45		11:51	Flower Ceremony Senior W	omen / Men

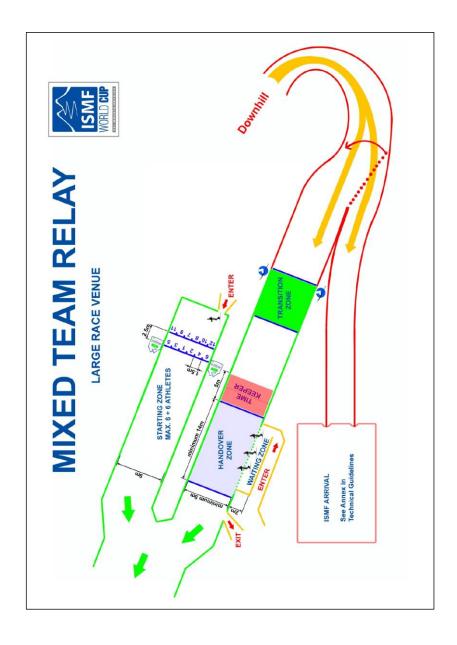




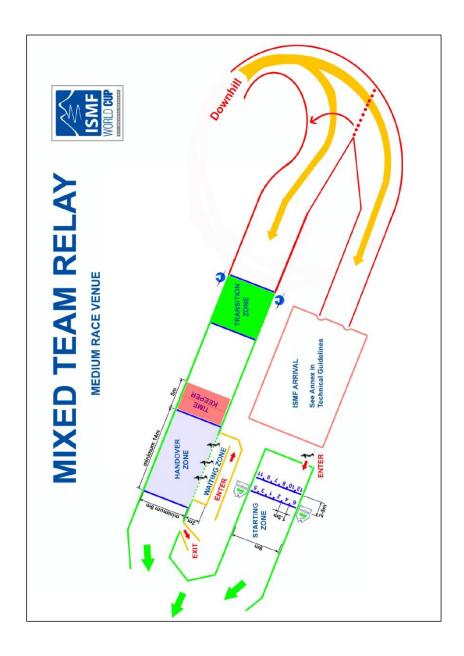
The Relay handover area may be subject to change depending on the characteristics of the field of play. The drawings below are examples.







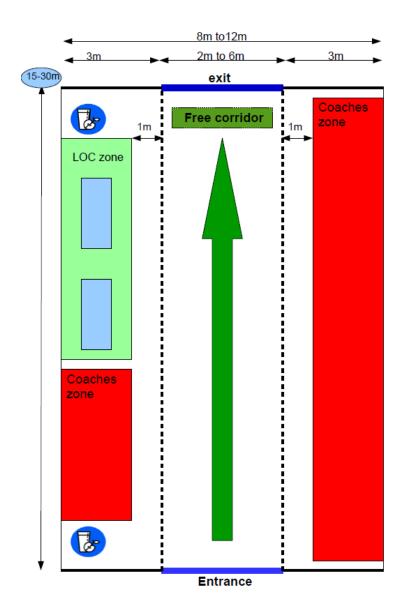






APPENDIX ME: TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS REFRESHMENT AREA

Schematic example of the organisation of the start lines into the refreshment area. The implementation team of ISMF will adapt the Refreshment area to the needs and the terrain.







Name/number of checkpoint or waypoint:	Track:
Point chief:	
Referees:	

Rank	Hours	Minutes	Athlete		Rank	Hours	Minutes	Athlete	
			Num.	Comments				Num.	Comments
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2					18				
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4					30				
5					31				
16					32				



APPENDIX OR: FINISH CONTROL SHEET

FOR EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION	N: RE	FER	TO RA	ACE	EQU	IΡN	/IEN	T RU	LES.									
Numbers																		
COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT																		
DVA <u>test</u>																		
Passport or ID card (or copy) in the backpack																		
Skis																		<u> </u>
Bindings																		<u> </u>
Boots																		l
Ski poles																		
Skins (one pair min.)																		
Helmet																		
Gloves																		
Backpack																		
3 layers up																		
2 layers down																		
Snow shovel																		
Snow probe																		
Survival blanket																		
Eyewear																		
Whistle																		L
SUPPLEMENTARY																		
EQUIPMENT			1							1	1		1					
4 th layer																		
Ski cap or head band																		
2 nd pair of gloves																		<u> </u>
Head lamp																		
2 nd pair of eyewear																		
Crampons																		
Dynamic rope (one/team)																		
Harness																		
Via Ferrata kit																		
2 connectors																		
REMARKS																		



APPENDIX PS: WIND CHILL CHART

									AIR TE	MPERATUI	RE (°C)							
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	6	-2	-3	-4	-5	-7	-8	-14	-19	-25	-31	-37	-42	-58	-54	-60	-65	-71
	8	-3	-4	-5	-6	-7	-9	-14	-20	-26	-32	-38	-44	-50	-56	-61	-67	-73
	10	-3	-5	-6	-7	-8	-9	-15	-21	-27	-33	-39	-45	-51	-57	-63	-69	-75
	15	-4	-6	-7	-8	-9	-11	-17	-23	-29	-35	-41	-48	-54	-60	-66	-72	-78
	20	-5	-7	-8	-9	-10	-12	-18	-24	-30	-37	-43	-49	-56	-62	-68	-75	-81
	25	-6	-7	-8	-10	-11	-12	-19	-25	-32	-38	-44	-51	-57	-64	-70	-77	-83
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WIND SPEED (KM/H)	50	-8	-10	-11	-12	-14	-15	-22	-29	-35	-42	-49	-56	-63	-69	-76	-83	-90
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	90	-10	-12	-13	-15	-16	-17	-25	-32	-39	-46	-53	-61	-68	-75	-82	-89	-96
	95	-10	-12	-13	-15	-16	-18	-25	-32	-39	-47	-54	-61	-68	-75	-83	-90	-97
	100	-11	-12	-14	-15	-16	-18	-25	-32	-40	-47	-54	-61	-69	-76	-83	-90	-98
	105	-11	-12	-14	-15	-17	-18	-25	-33	-40	-47	-55	-62	-69	-76	-84	-91	-98
	110	-11	-12	-14	-15	-17	-18	-26	-33	-40	-48	-55	-62	-70	-77	-84	-91	-99



SPORTING RULES

The ISMF rules and guidelines 2023/24 will be rolled out in three phases. Please note that until the final roll-out, the rules are considered as draft as some sections and/or chapters are marked with "work in progress". ISMF and its bodies take no responsibility or liability until the final roll-out. Please be aware of the ongoing changes.



28. EQUIPMENT

Please refer to the document named "Race Equipment Rules" to get specific information regarding equipment.

The ISMF Race Jury reserves the right to reject any equipment judged to be defective or inadequate. Infringement of these rules will be sanctioned by penalties, as described in below.

COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT	TEAM	INDIVIDUAL	SPRINT	RELAY	VERTICAL
Passport/National ID card or a copy (in the backpack or race suit)	Х	Х	х	х	Х
Skis	X	Х	X	Х	Х
Bindings	X	x	X	X	X
Boots	X	x	X	X	X
Ski poles	X	x	X	X	X
Skins (one pair min.)	X	X	X	X	X
Helmet	X	x	X	X	X*
Gloves	X	X	X	X	X*
Backpack	X	x	X	X	X*
Three layers up	X	x	χ*	χ*	X*
Two layers down	X	X	χ*	χ*	X*
DVA	X	X	χ*	χ*	X*
Snow shovel	X	X	χ*	χ*	X*
Snow probe	X	X	χ*	χ*	X*
Survival blanket	X	X	χ*	χ*	X*
Eyewear	X	X	χ*	χ*	X*
Whistle	X	X	χ*	χ*	X*
SUPPLEMENTARY EQUIPMENT					
Fourth layer					
Ski cap or head band			1		
Second pair of gloves			1		
Head lamp			1		
Second pair of eyewear			1		
Crampons			1		
Second pair of skins			1		
Dynamic rope (one per team)			-		
Harness		1			
Via Ferrata kit		1			

The athlete must bring all obligatory and supplementary equipment to the event.

During the race TCM, the LOC will display the list of all the required equipment for the race.

For Vertical, Sprint and Relay races, if the entire race is on a secured ski slope and the weather conditions are favourable, the ISMF EventRace Jury can decide to remove some elements of the compulsory equipment marked with yellow asterisk (X*).

28.1. Items provided by the time-keeping company

In the World Cups and World Championships the ISMF official time-keeping company will provide the 'athletes with:

- race bibs, which must not be folded or cut;
- timing chips, which must be placed in the appropriate box once the athlete has crossed the finish line or returned if the athlete decides not to start the race after the bib distribution;
- Chips not returned during the season will be invoiced to the Nem of the respective athlete who did not return the chip with an amount of 110,00 EUR per chip.

Two connectors



28.2. Equipment inspection

Equipment may be inspected at the finish line or at any other point on the track during the race (without stopping the athlete, the controller takes note as the athlete goes past).

The athlete is totally responsible for his/her equipment.

If an athlete has doubts about his/her equipment, he/she can have it checked by the ISMF Race Jury at the end of the race TCM the day before the race.

ISMF and LOC designates a reserved area for the inspection of compulsory equipment for the athletes. Equipment inspection is presided by a member of the ISMF staff or a person designated by the ISMF Jury President.

The equipment and other devices inspection on the race day will be conducted as follows:

- At the start:
 - Individual inspection to control the good working order of avalanche transceivers for all athletes.
 - Taking note of all the numbers of the athletes.
 - Control of the chips
- During the race:

The organisers will control DVA/transceivers.

- At the finish:
 - Athlete's equipment is inspected (systematic or random inspections according to the instructions issued by the ISMF Jury President). DVA control after finish line is compulsory for all athletes.
 - ISMF Referees will use calibrated scales and weights for equipment checks.

The ISMF referees will check the functioning of the ski brakes during the material control.

29. RACE ORGANISATION

29.1. The start

Any changes from the previous day's TCM must be announced 30 minutes before the start of the race during the pre-start TCM.

If the start is delayed, announcements must be made every 15 minutes in English at the start and pre-start / warm-up area.

29.1.1. Starting procedure

For the track inspection of the Sprint and (Mixed) Relay races, the track opening will be available for 20 minutes in total

If the ski brake is broken in the track inspection, the qualification, or any heat, the athlete cannot start the next phase of the Sprint/Relay race without both ski brakes working properly.

INDIVIDUAL – TEAM – VERTICAL – RELAY	TIME BEFORE OFFICIAL START	SPRINT
Avalanche transceivers and equipment are inspected.	10-20 minutes	
Athletes are called to the start line.	5 minutes	Athletes are called to the start line
Athletes are placed in starting position at the start line.	3min	Athletes are organised on the Pre- Start. After this moment the entrance to the pre-start tent will be closed.
The speaker will call "2 minutes until the start" in accordance with the ISMF Jury President.	2 minutes	



The speaker will ask for silence. The ISMF Referees must verify that all of the athletes have placed the front part of the skis totally behind the start line.	20 seconds	The speaker will ask for silence. The athletes will move from Pre- Start line to the Start line and are asked to stay stationary in place. The ISMF Referees must verify that the front part of the skis are totally behind the start line.
The ISMF Jury President calls: "Take your marks," Athletes must stay stationary and in position. The ISMF Referees will check that all skis are totally behind the start line.	About 10 seconds	The ISMF Jury President calls: "Take your marks."
The ISMF Jury President will call: "Set." After this command is given, all athletes must remain motionless and in their set position.	1-2 seconds	The ISMF Jury President will call: "Set." After this command is given, all athletes must remain motionless and in their set position.
Start signal pistol or whistle.	0 seconds	Start signal pistol or whistle.

29.1.1.1. False start

In the case of a false start, athletes are not stopped; the penalty will be directly applied to the athletes after he/she crosses the finish line. False start penalty applies only if the ISMF starting procedure is respected and if there is a camera video on the start line. The penalty applies for the first who commits the false start.

29.1.1.2. Specifications for Individual, Team, Relay or Vertical races

A pole position starting system is compulsory for the top World Cup athletes, according to the current World Cup ranking. If it is the first race of the season, the Specialty World Cup Ranking of the previous season will be adopted. In case there is not a ranking to be adopted, a random system will be used.

The Team and Relay race starting positions are decided by adding together the WC ranking of each of the two teammates.

Race Schedule for Relay

- Track inspection time for Youth teams (20min)
- 15min rest
- Youth Race
- Track inspection time for Senior Women teams (20min)
- 15min rest
- Senior Women Race
- Track inspection time for Senior Men teams (20min).
- 15min rest
- Senior Men Race.

Race Schedule for Mixed Relay (In the WCH and CCH with youth mixed team, schedule will include first the youth race)

Only the best 12 teams qualify for the final, the quota per Nome is one team. If the number of teams is less than 12 teams, there will also be a qualification in order to determine the starting order. The time between the last qualification and the final is 25min. Depending on the number of teams in the qualification (at least more than 24 teams) the SMF EventRace Jury shall be able to decide to introduce a final B (also depending on weather conditions) with the second best 12 teams of the qualification. The quota per Nem for the final B is two teams.

- Track inspection for the mixed teams (20min)
- 15 min rest
- Qualification
- 25min rest time after the arrival of the last athlete of the qualification



Mixed Relay top 12 final.

Qualifications. The start time and order will be displayed and cannot be modified. It will be done according to the number of athletes registered. An athlete will start every 30seconds, with all women going first, followed by all men. For the qualification the athletes will make just one lap, from the start to the finish line.

The order of the start will be according to the ranking of the Nation relay WC for the WC and WCH and CCH. The highest ranked teams will begin qualifications in descending order and the non-classified teams will start after and randomly.

The ranking of the qualification will be the summatory of the time of the women and man of each team.

29.1.1.3. Specifications for Sprint races (heats)

- For the heats, the athlete with the best qualification time chooses a start lane, then the second placed athlete, then the third placed athlete.
- For the semifinals and finals, the athlete with the best time in the previous heat chooses the start line position, then the second, etc.
- During the qualification stage a single athlete starts every 20 seconds, timed against the clock.
- Semifinals composition: In the case of five heats, for the composition of the semifinals there will be two Lucky Losers. The Lucky Losers will be the two best times of the heats among athletes not qualified for the semifinals. It means that the two lucky losers can come from the same heat.
- Exception: If the timekeeper is not available to take times during the heats, the lucky loser from the heats will be the fastest two third-place athletes using the time from the qualification stage.
- Final composition: the two first athletes from each semifinal and two lucky losers with the two best times from both semifinals.
- Athletes during the heats must be present in the pre-start tent 3 minutes before their start time. If an athlete does not arrive, that racer is not allowed to access to the start line and is prohibited from starting the heat
- If an athlete, during the qualification does not arrives at least 1min before their starting time to the start line, that athlete is not allowed to start.
- In order to preserve the quality of the track, athletes cannot make direct descent race lines during prerace reconnaissance. During this reconnaissance phase, the LOC will place slalom poles or nets across the 2 m close to the race gate, so athletes must go around them.
- For the sprint, in case of bad weather conditions, the ISME EventRace Jury, in order to make the race shorter and safer, can take the decision to go directly to the final after the qualification stage with the 6 best places from the qualification. The ISME EventRace Jury should take this decision before the start of the race and communicate it to the coaches and athletes in the TCM 30min before the start., except in the case of sudden conditions that may suggest taking this decision later. If the decision is done before the start the ranking points of the race will be included in the overall ranking.

YOUTH (U18 & U20) SPRINT SCHEDULE in WCH and CCH:

The entire youth race takes place before the senior race.

- 15min track inspection
- 15min rest
- Just after the track inspection, forerunners are recommended
- Qualifications: the start time and order will be displayed and cannot be modified. Will be done according
 to the number of athletes registered in each category to permit as most recovery time as possible with
 a minimum of 15min after the arrival of each category before the heats (usual schedule according to the
 registration of previous seasons).
 - U20 Men
 - U20 Women



- U18 Men
- U18 Women

**If there is a category of U20 Men or Women with less than 24 athletes, this category will start the qualification after the category that will compete in the heats scheduled to permit a longer recovery time. The ISMF will prepare the final schedule according to permit as longer recovery time as possible for all categories.

- Heats (only for U20):
 - Five or four heats with six athletes.
 - If there are from 12 to 23 athletes registered for each category, the heats do not take place and the best 12 athletes go directly into semifinals.
 - If there are from 24 to 29 athletes registered, there will be 4 heats; if there are 30 or more than 30 athletes, there will be 5 heats.
 - There is an in-line start (see placement on the start line), a photo finish or a video check is set up.
 - If there are 4 heats the first 3 athletes of each heat will go on to the semifinals. If there are 5 heats, the first two athletes of each heat, as well as the two "lucky losers" go on to semifinals.
 - Lucky loser designation: (if 30 and more than 30 athletes registered) the two best times of the
 heats among racers not qualified for the semifinals. If the timekeeping is not able to take exact
 times during the heats, then the times for the lucky loser designation will be taken from the
 qualification.
 - Heats U20 Men
 - Heats U20 women
- Semifinals (6 athletes every semifinal) for U18 & U20 Sprint Races will not take place if there are less than
 12 athletes registered 3 best athletes of every semifinal will go on the final.
 - Semifinal U18 Men
 - Semifinal U18 Women
 - Semifinal U20 Men
 - Semifinal U20 Women
- Without semifinals, the starting order is as follows:
 - Final U18 men (6 best times of the qualification)
 - Final U18 women (6 best times of the qualification)
 - Final U20 men (6 best times of the qualification)
 - Final U20 women (6 best times of the qualification)
- During the qualifications, there will be a 2-minute break between each youth category (female/male U18 and female/male U20).
- The track will be open 15 min prior to the senior/U23 (for recognition) directly after the arrival of the last youth final and will be closed 15 minutes before the beginning of qualifications.

SENIOR SPRINT SCHEDULE in WCH and CCH:

- 15 min: track inspection.
- Qualifications: The start time and order will be displayed and cannot be modified.
 - Senior Women
 - Senior Men



**If there is a category of Senior Men or Women with less than 24 athletes, this category will start the qualification after the category that will compete in the heats scheduled to permit a longer recovery time. The ISMF will prepare the final schedule according to permit as longer recovery time as possible for all categories.

Heats:

- Five or four heats with 6 athletes.
- If there are from 12 to 23 athletes for each category, the heats do not take place and the best 12 athletes go directly into semifinals.
- If there are from 24 to 29 athletes for each category, there will be 4 heats; if there are 30 or more than 30 athletes, there will be 5 heats.
- There is an in-line start (see placement on the start line), a photo finish or a video check is set up.
- If there are 4 heats the first 3 athletes of each heat will go on to the semifinals. If there are 5 heats, the first two athletes of each heat, as well as the two "lucky losers" go on to semifinals.
- Lucky loser designation: (if 30 and more than 30 athletes on the start) the two best times of the
 heats among athletes not qualified for the semifinals. If the timekeeping is not able to take exact
 times during the heats, then the times for the lucky loser designation will be taken from the
 qualification.

Semifinals:

**If there are less than 12 athletes for each category the semifinals will not take place and the best 6 athletes go directly to the finals.

- There is an in-line start (see placement on the start line), a photo finish or a video check is set up.
- The first three athletes of every semifinal go on to the final.
 - Semifinal A Women
 - Semifinal B Women
 - o Semifinal A Men
 - o Semifinal B Men

Final:

- There is an in-line start (see placement on the start line), a photo finish or a video check is set up.
- The starting order is as follows:
 - Final A Senior Women
 - o Final A Senior Men

29.2. The finish

29.2.1. Finish procedure

The finish shall proceed as follows:

- times and finishing orders are established by the electronic timing system. In case of a photo-finish, the finishing order is established when the athlete's front foot crosses the finish line;
- when the difference of time between two athletes is under 1/10 of a second, the finish order is established when the front part of the athlete's foot crosses the finish line (as indicated by photo finish, film, etc.);
- if a competitor falls while crossing the finish line, all of his/her body must cross the line without any outside help (except for teammates in team races) in order to declare a finish;
- The athlete should cross the second line in the arrival before stopping;
- for team races, teammates must finish together (less than 5 seconds between them) and the team's finishing time is that of the second teammate;



- a Flower Ceremony podium with the first three athletes will take place shortly after their arrival for press coverage. After the Flower Ceremony the 3top athletes will pass to the equipment control done by LOC staff under the responsibility of the ISMF Race Jury.
- the athletes are allowed to have their race equipment on this podium;
- in the event of Anti-Doping controls, athletes must submit to tests or be liable to sanctions;
- every athlete must present an official Passport/ID card or a copy, if required during the equipment control.

(For technical specifications of the finish area, refer to the Technical Race Guidelines.

29.3. Transition area and check point

- The transition areas are all the designated locations where the athletes must change from one mode of travel to another.
- A transition area is a closed area (with nets, ropes, flags), reserved for the athletes and the qualified track staffers.
- The flags used to mark the transition area will be of the colour of the next section (e.g., yellow if it is before a foot part, red if it is before a descent, etc.).
- A narrow gate (2m minimum for individual/team races and 3m minimum for Sprint/relay race) controls the exit. An image sign will indicate the operation to be carried out.
- The entrance and the exit gates of the area should be clearly marked, preferably with blue line in the snow with environmentally friendly marking material.
- Under instruction from race headquarters, the transition area chief must have enough authority to give instructions to athletes (for example: giving instructions to put on an extra layer of clothing, stopping the race under the authority of the LOC Race Director, etc.).

Athletes must pass through all the transition areas or check points present on the race track.

29.4. Mixed Relay and Relay race

A - Team presentation at the start area

All members of the team must be present in the pre-start tent 3 minutes before the start for the media presentation of the team.

B – <u>Handover</u>

Handover must take place inside the entry and exit line of the handover area. Handover is done by touching with the hand of the predecessor any part the body including the backpack (not the poles) of the successor. At the moment of the contact the skis of both athletes must be within the handover area. The athletes shall only enter the handover area when they see their partner entering the previous transition area. The predecessor must leave the track via the exit area within 10 seconds.

The relay is exchanged when the finishing athlete touches with his/her hand any part of the following athlete's body including the backpack.

Relay exchanging must take place inside the handover zone. This zone is defined between a preferably entry blue line and a preferably exit blue line. At the moment of the body/hand contact, both skis of each athlete must be inside the lines of the (touching the line is not allowed) handover area.

For safety reasons, it is compulsory to include a short uphill (with skins on) before the handover. The last athlete of the Relay can arrive either directly to the finish line (by skating) or with skins on (short uphill) depending on the conditions of the race venue.

If a team's athlete is overlapped, that athlete will be stopped in the following transition area. If there is/are other athlete(s) in the relevant team, he/she/they will not be allowed to start their own lap.

C – <u>Final heat</u>

Starting position is chosen according to the qualification time. The best team will be able to choose its start line position first. If there is a final B it will take place before the final A.





Final A composition with a maximum of 12 teams (quota of one team per N<mark>EM</mark> in the WC and quota of one team per NEM in WCH and CCH).

Depending on the number of teams in the qualification the SMF EventRace Jury shall be able to decide to introduce a final B (also depending on weather conditions). Final B with a minimum of 6 teams (quota of two teams per NEM in the WC and quota of one team in WCH and CCH).

Without a final B, the ranking is defined by the qualification time.

If there is a final B it will take place before the final A.

D - Overlapping

An athlete is considered as overlapped in a Relay race, when between this athlete and the leader of the race (first athlete) there is not any unused transition area between them. In this case the overlapped athlete will be stopped when entering the next transition are. From this moment the athlete will leave the track and move safely to the finish area without interfering the race. The overlapped team will be ranked with the position of the team at the moment when entering the transition area where the athlete was stopped (the IRM will be LAP).

29.5. Conduct of athletes during the race

29.5.1. Flag colour

The sections marked with green flags must be carried out on skis with skins affixed to the underside of the skis and with bindings secured to the boots in uphill mode.

The sections marked with yellow flags must be carried out on foot with skis on the backpack or in the hands if allowed by the ISMF EventRace Jury.

The sections marked with red flags must be carried out on skis without skins affixed to the bases of the skis, and with bindings secured to the boots in downhill mode.

The boots must be locked during all the downhill parts marked with red flags except in the case of broken equipment. In the case of broken equipment, athletes have to show it to the equipment control.

29.5.2. Follow the markings

Athletes must follow the track markings closely in ascent and descent.

In ascent, the athletes must go in the direction of the next flag. In case of a kick turn you should follow the marked tracks; it is not allowed to cut.

In downhill the athletes must go in the direction of the flags.

All dangerous and/or unsportsmanlike behaviour will be sanctioned.

29.5.3. Overtake

An athlete who is about to be overtaken must, without fail, immediately leave the tracks and allow the athlete who shouts "TRACK" to pass, except in the event of presence of a ridge.

29.5.4. Through by the gates or waypoint

If there is a gate (two sets of two poles with a panel of the same colour) along the tracks (uphill and downhill), the athletes have to go through them.

29.5.5. Foot part

Skis must be carried on the backpack using two (2) fastening straps designed for this purpose (skis cannot be carried in shoulder straps and must remain fastened to the backpack of the athlete). In the event that the skis detach from the backpack, the athlete must stop to reattach the skis.

29.5.5.1. Foot part with crampons

If crampons are mandatory in the foot part and a crampon detaches from the boot, then the athlete must stop to reattach the crampon immediately.



29.5.6. Transition area

- A Transition area is marked by an entry and an exit line, preferably in blue paint. If another type of limit is used, it must be defined at the TCM. It is compulsory to use the same colour for the lines of the entire race track.
- B Athletes must carry out all transition manipulations required. Only removal or attachment of pole connections and engagement of the rear part of the binding can be done outside of the transition area.
- C The entry and exit lines are inside the transition area. While doing a transition manipulation, it is a penalty if a ski or any part of the athlete touches the snow at any location outside of the transition zone.
- D The athlete must stay in the same place from the beginning to the end of the transition manipulations.
- E Prior to starting transition manipulations, ski poles must be placed on the snow or ground, next to the athlete. The athlete can start his/her transition manipulation when his/her hands are free of poles. It is not allowed throw the poles before stopping. The ski poles may not be picked up while the athlete is performing the transition manipulations and stay inside the transition area until the end of the manipulation. The athlete must pick up the ski poles before leaving the transition area. The athlete is considered outside the transition area when his/her skis are completely outside the exit line. If the athlete must move the poles during the manipulations (ex. bringing them closer) he/she must stop the manipulation and move the poles. Stop manipulation means do not have anything in the hand(s) except the pole. The athlete may not continue the manipulation until the poles are again resting on the ground. This applies to when the athlete takes off/puts on skins or crampons, packs/unpacks skins or crampons, unfastens/fastens skis to the backpack, including the part of the transition manipulation where the athlete zips/unzips the suit.
- F The athlete must pick up his/her both poles at the end of the transition manipulation. If, unfortunately, another athlete interferes with his/her pole(s), or if one/both pole(s) is/are broken, the athlete can continue without one/both pole(s).
- G Special situation: due to the speed in the manipulations, it is possible for the athletes to make an error like not correctly fixing the front part of the binding, not locking one boot, losing a skin, etc. The athlete has to correct his/her personal error and finish correctly the manipulation to continue the race. If this error is detected for the athlete still inside of the transition zone, the athlete has to put his/her poles one the ground before starting his/her new part of the manipulation.

29.5.7. Skins

Athletes may have skins outside of race suit or backpack only during transition manipulations; at all other times they must pack their skins either inside their ski suit or place them in their backpack. The exception is for one pair of skins to be applied to the ski bases during appropriate times.

29.5.8. Skins storage

While skins are not in use on skis, they must be packed inside the athlete's race suit or backpack. If during a transition manipulation a athlete packs their skins into their race suit, they must zip their race suit closed at least until the armpit (a measuring point of the armpit will be used) prior to the end of manipulation. The skins may still be visible but cannot be dangling to any extent outside of the race suit or backpack.

It is strictly forbidden to change equipment during a race with the exception of one or more broken ski poles along all race track and/or skis and/or bindings unless otherwise decided by the ISMF Race Jury.

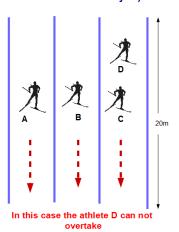
Refer to appendixes for the pictures of the correct skin storage.

29 5 9 Arrival in skating

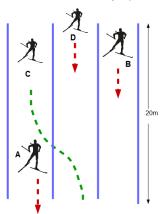
When the athletes enter to the finish area, skating corridors have to yield the track to the athlete that arrived first and respect the corridor. To overtake, the athlete must change the corridor.



Arrival in the corridors (compulsory change the corridor to overtake and not disturb the athlete in front of you)



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In this case the athlete C can overtake

29.5.10. DVA

Athletes have to ensure that their device is functioning properly throughout the entire race.

Athletes must keep their DVA in emission until they have passed through equipment control at the finish line.

If a DVA is not working properly, the athlete will be stopped and immediately disqualified.

29.5.11. Earphones

Earphones are forbidden during any ISMF races. They are allowed during the warm-up.

29.5.12. Via Ferrata kit

On stretches using a fixed rope, where use of lanyards is compulsory, athletes must not at any time detach themselves from the fixed rope. When passing a point anchoring the fixed rope, the athlete must clip the second karabiner onto the following part of the rope before removing the first karabiner. Any breaches to these safety rules will be penalised.

29.5.13. Wear all layers

The LOC Race Director or a checkpoint/waypoint chief may compel athletes, at any point on the track, to wear their windbreakers, caps or any other item of compulsory equipment.

29.5.14. Outside assistance

No outside assistance is allowed.

Exceptions:

- changing a broken pole. He/she may change a broken pole anywhere and with anyone.
- changing a broken ski and/or binding. He/she may change a broken ski and/or binding only in the technical zone close to the refreshment area and/or a technical zone authorised by the ISMF Race Jury.
- refreshments only in the areas authorised by the ISMF Race Jury.
- athletes must render assistance to fellow athletes in distress or any kind of danger. The ISMF Race Jury will
 take into account the ranking of the previous transition zone or the intermediate time if it is more favourable
 than the final position.



Abandon:

- An athlete having difficulties may give up on his/her own initiative or be forced to give-up by decision of the LOC Race Director or one of the doctor's present.
- Giving up (by own initiative or forced) must take place at a checkpoint or waypoint according to the procedure described during race TCM except under extreme circumstances. For team races, if one team member gives up then the other will be told to give up and must follow instructions given by the controllers. Every athlete having withdrawn MUST inform the ISMF Jury President (or his representative) upon arrival at the finish area. The athletes having withdrawn may also be subject to doping control.

29.5.15. Respect the environment

Athletes must respect the environment. Athletes must leave any rubbish in only the dedicated trash bag between the two lines marking the entrance and the exit of the refreshment areas. Penalties will be applied to athletes seen littering or abandoning equipment on the track (including in the transition area) or for any other poor environmental conduct.

29.5.16. For team races

- Team members must leave the transition area together (i.e., before crossing the line which marks the exit
 of the transition area). This means that both members have finished transition manipulation when the first
 teammate crosses the exit line.
- Each athlete must carry his/her own backpack throughout the entire duration of the race with all the required equipment (except skis).
- In team races, a athletes may only carry his/her teammate's skis if there are two separate sets of two
 fastening straps for carrying skis on his/her backpack that comply with the rules.
- Assistance is only allowed between team members. It is forbidden to use a rope or an elastic to tow his/her teammate during the first 15 minutes of the race during descents and in the parts defined by the EventRace Jury and announced in the TCM. If the use of ropes is not mandatory during a downhill, as in the traverse of a glacier for example, the rope (or elastic) must be put in the backpack or in the race suit during descents.
- The members of a team must not be separated by more than 30 seconds in ascents and more than 10 seconds in descents. All teams will be subject to surprise inspections throughout the track. The two teammates cannot have an interval of more than 5 seconds between them on the finishing line.

29.5.17. Offences to the LOC, ISMF officials or ISMF image

29.5.17.1. Behaviour of athletes and coache

Athletes and coaches must respect the LOC, the officials and the image of the ski mountaineering during the race and during all events. These behaviours will be analysed by the ISMF Race Jury. In case of need, the International Disciplinary Commission of the ISMF will decide the sanction in less than a month.

29.5.17.2. Non presence at ceremonie

Athletes not present at any kind of official ceremonies related to ISMF events, except for medical reasons or proof of flight time with authorisation of the ISMF Jury President before the ceremony, will be penalised.

The following official ISMF ceremonies are concerned:

- Bib presentation (Top five if foreseen by the LOC)
 - Top3 presentation (Top three if foreseen by the LOC)
 - Flower Ceremony (Top three)
 - Award Ceremony (Top five)
 - Overall World Cup Ceremony:
 - Specialty World Cup Ceremony (Top three)
 - U23 Overall World Cup Ceremony (Top three)
 - Senior Overall World Cup Ceremony (Top ten)



Nation World Cup Ceremony (Top three nations, at least one representative person per nation).

The athlete concerned or his/her coach must inform the ISMF Jury President in good time (at least before starting the ceremony) if the athlete will not be present at one or more ceremonies listed above, even if the athlete is not present in person at the event in question.

In the case the excuse is not accepted, the ISMF Jury President will apply the penalty.

Prize money will be still awarded in the case of medical justified absence or cases of force majeure and if the ceremony takes place much later than scheduled.

In the case that the ISMF Jury President decides that the prize money will not be paid to the athlete, for any given reason, the LOC can keep the corresponding amount until final confirmation by ISMF Sport Department.

29.6. Safety/Event stoppage

The LOC Race Director, after having informed the ISMF Jury President or/and the ISMF Event Director Coordinator, can stop the race for safety reasons or sporting fairness. A report of the decision will be drawn up immediately.

30. ESTABLISHMENT OF RESULTS

The results, approved by the ISMF Jury President and displayed as, and when, athletes finish, with full results available immediately after the last athlete crosses the finish line and passed the equipment control. The ranking is carried out by adding the finishing time to any penalties incurred by the SMF Race Jury. At World Cups and World Championships, the timings/results are produced by the ISMF timings provider. Provisional results are displayed after the first athletes cross the finish line.

If there are no means to decide between athletes, then a tie is declared.

Championships, Cups and World ranking are treated as described in the Ranking Rules.

30.1. Offences and penalties

A. General – for infringements not specifically cited			
For the infringements not cited in the following tabs (B, C, D, E, F), the ISMF Referee uses scale A			
		Penalties	
#	Offences	Team and	Vertical, Sprint
		Individual races	and Relay races
A.1	Cheating, unsportsmanlike or important safety fault	disqualification	disqualification
A.2	Behaviour that may intentionally hinder	3 minutes	1 minute
A.3	Minor technical error, involuntary negligence,	1 minute	15 seconds

B. EQUIPMENT

Any compulsory equipment required by the SMF Race Jury replaced during the race or lacking at a checkpoint or at the finish (except for broken ski poles/ski and/or bindings). Cumulative penalties are given for each piece of missing equipment.

		Penalties	
#	Offences	Team and	Vertical, Sprint
		Individual races	and Relay races
B.1	Skis, binding or boot not in compliance with the rules	disqualification	disqualification
B.2	Ski and bindings or boot weight: between 1 and 20 grams missing	3 minutes	1 minute
B.3	Ski and bindings or boot weight: 21 or more grams missing	disqualification	disqualification



B.4	Missing equipment or equipment not in compliance with the rules for these items: DVA; DVA without battery or switched off during the race or in backpack; Snow shovel, probe; Helmet, included but not correctly worn; Ski brakes If required: harness, lanyard, karabiners – Via Ferrata kit head lamp, rope, crampon not in compliance with rules or missing at the start line; No penalty for equipment broken during the race. Athletes have to prove	disqualification	disqualification
B.5	equipment is broken. Missing equipment or equipment not in compliance with the rules, for these items: Clothes (for each item missing), long sleeves in the first layer (except Vertical race if accepted by the SMF EventRace Jury), survival blanket, gloves (included not worn correctly during the race), eyewear (excepted if not required by the SMF EventRace Jury), backpack, ski cap or headband, whistle, skins, passport/ National ID card or a copy. Pole(s) and Ski(s) missing (only for team and Individual races) one or both crampons. No penalty for equipment broken during the race. Athletes have to prove equipment is broken. Any pole abandoned on the track must either be 1) broken or 2) obstructed by an outside influence.	1 minute (for each item missing)	15 seconds
B.6	DVA out of order at the finish line Dead battery during the race DVA switched off after the passage of the finish line, before the equipment control.	3 minutes	1 minute
B.7	Crampon or crampons missing in a foot part with crampons	disqualification	disqualification
B.8	Head lamp not switched on	3 minutes	1 minute
B.9	Chip or electronic system missing at the start line	No start	No start
B.10	Chip or electronic system missing at the finish line	1 minutes	15 seconds

C. BEHAVIOUR

Ignoring correct racing technique required for a given section of the track, disrespect of marking and of track itinerary, any actions considered to be dangerous or jeopardising race safety or the proper running of the race, unsportsmanlike conduct.

		Penalties	
#	Offences	Team and Individual races	Vertical, Sprint and Relay races
C.1	False start	1minute	15 seconds
C.2	Missing checkpoint – Voluntary or involuntary	disqualification	disqualification
C.3	Not following the correct track on a ridge	disqualification	disqualification
C.4	Missing a Gate (Downhill section) - Voluntary or involuntary -	1 minute	15 seconds
C.5	Having dangerous and/or unsportsmanlike behaviour by not closely following the track markings in ascent/ descent	disqualification	disqualification
C.6	Disregarding instructions given by an official on the track (at the start, at checkpoints or waypoints, at the finish).	3 minutes	1 minute



C.7	Not respecting the indicated mode of locomotion (e.g., skiing down a section indication as being on foot etc.). According to the point 4.6 (Conduct of athletes during the race – 1. Flags colours) In the case of broken equipment, the athlete will not be penalized if he/she does everything possible to avoid destroying the trail.	3 minutes	1 minute
C.8	Walking without crampons on a section where crampons are compulsory (except broken equipment checked by the controller).	Disqualification or 3min if crampons broken	Disqualification or 1min if crampons broken
C.9	Incorrect fastening of skis on the backpack (less than two fastening points).	1 minute	15 seconds
C.10	Removable anti-slipping skins not kept inside the ski suit or backpack.	1minute	15 seconds
C.11	Crampons without straps clipped on the ankles.	3 minutes	1 minute
C.12	Crampons outside the backpack.	3 minutes	1 minute
C.13	Ski poles not placed flat on the ground in a transition area.	1 minute	15 secs
C.14	Not clipping the karabiner to a compulsory rope.	3 minutes	DNA
C.15	Not yielding the track or disrespecting finish area skating corridor rules.	1 minute	15 secs
C.16	Pushing, shoving, or making another athlete fall.	Voluntarily: disqualification Not voluntarily: 1 minute	Voluntarily: disqualification Involuntary: 15 seconds
C.17	Not rendering assistance to a person in distress or in danger.	3 minutes	1 minute
C.18	Receiving outside help: except for changing broken ski in the technical zone <i>and</i> /or poles (everywhere on the track).	3 minutes	1 minute
C.19	Disrespecting the environment.	3 minutes	1 minute
C.20	Disrespecting or insulting anyone participating in the event (ISMF Jury, officials, athletes, organisers, spectators, etc.) or any behaviour that can damage ISMF and ski mountaineering during the race	Disqualification and the second the success to the International Disciplinary Commission of the ISMF	ISMF
C.21	Disrespecting or insulting anyone participating in the event (SMF Jury, officials, athletes, organisers, spectators, etc.) or any behaviour that can damage ISMF and ski mountaineering during the event except during the race	The R sends the success to the International Disciplinary Commission of the ISMF	The R sends the success to the International Disciplinary Commission of the ISMF
C.22	Non presence at ceremonies	No prize money	No prize money
C.23	Incorrect manoeuvre in the transition area	1 minute	15 seconds
C.24	In case of abandon or DNS the athletes who does not inform the organisation will start in the rear part in the following race.	The athlete will start in the rear part in the following race (100,00 CEUR)	-

D. SPECIFIC PENALTIES FOR TEAM RACE		
#	Offences	Penalties
D.1	Team members not together when leaving a check point or transition area.	1 minute for each transition area.



D.2	Team member not carrying own compulsory equipment of the ISMF list in own backpack throughout the duration of the race or at the finish line (exception for skis). The ISMF EVENT RACE Jury will decide and inform in the TCM about the supplementary equipment of the ISMF list.	Disqualification
D.3	Athlete carrying a teammate's skis without fastening them correctly to backpack.	1 minute
D.4	The members of a team must not be separated by: - more than 30 seconds in ascents; - more than 10 seconds in descents. All teams will be subject to surprise inspections throughout the track.	1 minute (for each control point)
D.5	Interval of more than 5 seconds between the members of a team on the finishing line	In the event of intervals exceeding 5 seconds between team members, each additional second will incur a penalty adding the same number of seconds. E.g.: 15 second interval = 10 excess seconds. Penalty = 10 excess sec + 10 penalty sec = 20 sec. Interval of 1 min 5 sec = + 1 min. Penalty = 1 excess min + 1 penalty min = 2 min.
D.6	Using a rope (or elastic) on a part of the track where it is strictly forbidden	3 minutes
D.7	The rope/elastic not put away securely in backpack or inside the race suit.	1 minute

E. SPECIFIC PENALTIES FOR RELAY RACE		
#	Offences	Penalties
E.1	Incorrect relay hand-over (as defined in the rules).	1 minute
E.2	The same athlete races two legs.	Disqualification

F. SP	F. SPECIFIC OFFENCES & PENALTIES for COACHES BEHAVIOUR			
#	Offences	Penalties		
F.1	Not respecting designated areas for coaches, or areas with limited access.	The ISMF eventRace Jury prepares a report for the International Disciplinary Commission of the ISMF, who will decide a possible sanction		
F.2	Not rendering assistance to a person in distress or in danger.	The ISMF eventRace Jury prepares a report for the International Disciplinary Commission of the ISMF, who will decide a possible sanction		
F.3	Assisting own athletes (with the exception of changing broken ski and/or poles).	The ISMF EventRace Jury prepares a report for the International Disciplinary Commission of the ISMF, who will decide a possible sanction		
F.4	Disrespecting or insulting anyone participating in the event (ISMF Jury, officials, athletes, organisers, spectators, etc.) and/or disrespecting a decision of the ISMF Jury.	The ISMF eventRace Jury prepares a report for the International Disciplinary Commission of the ISMF, who will decide a possible sanction		



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30.2. Results in the event of race stoppage

Ranking will be established according to times and orders at the last checkpoint passed by the first athletes. Athletes who have not yet reached this checkpoint will be ranked according to their times and order at preceding checkpoints.

The ISMF EventRace Jury decides if the results are fair-play and could be used for World Cup ranking and World ranking.

30.3. Protests

Any offences committed by competitors or coaches have to be transmitted to the Race Director and by the referees to the President of Technical Jury as soon as they are seen. Penalties must be applied in a maximum delay of 5 min after the concerned athlete did the control equipment. Any offence coming after this delay will be rejected. The official form for claims must be used (See Appendix 1 in sporting rules).

When the top five athletes of each category have arrived, the results are signed, timed and posted. Protest have to be done within 15 minutes. The speaker must announce that the provisional results are attached

Penalties are imposed by the President of Technical Jury after consulting with the Technical Jury, according to the tables listed hereafter. For team competitions, penalties imposed on one competitor apply for the entire team.

All claims must be submitted in writing:

by the team head captain (or the competitor if he/she registered directly through the Local Organizing Committee –ISMF Series s);

- submitted to the President of Technical Jury;
- at the latest 15 minutes after race results are posted;

accompanied by an amount equivalent to 50 €, payable to the ISMF. This sum is not refunded if the outcome is to the competitor's disadvantage.

The President of Technical Jury will present a detailed and motivated written response within 1 hour of the claim. Competitors may appeal according to the disciplinary procedures indicated by the International Disciplinary Commission of the ISMF.

After the race, any appeals by coaches or athletes regarding decisions will be taken by the Technical Jury, following indication from the Ranking Rules point 8. Rankings claims.

MPORTANT NOTE FOR SPRINT RACE:

Claims are not possible during Sprint races. Any infringement observed by an official controller will automatically lead to the relevant penalty. Any protest will be rejected.

During the quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals, any penalty infringement of the regulation (unless those leading to disqualification – see table below), causes the athlete to be automatically ranked last in the heat. When two or more racers of the same heat have a penalty, they are then ranked last in the heat according to their position in the finish line. There are no "time penalties" during the heats. For the final ranking of the

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If the Technical Jury does not post the results within the 5 min after the end of the heat, no penalties will be applied to the heat in question.

A protest is a formal complaint filed in a competition by eligible individuals within a specific time period and under the predefined requirements as outlined below:

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Protestable Matters

Protests may be filed against the following:

- Penalties according to the Offenses and Penalties section (except those referred to in C. 20, C.21 and F.);
- The unofficial or provisional results;
- Conduct of an athlete or/and a coach concerned offenses A.1 and A.2;
 - A technical error in the competition's official results.

Non-Protestable Matters

Protests cannot be filed during the heats and semifinals of sprint races due to the established schedule and timing constraints. Any infringement observed by an ISMF Referee or ISMF Jury President will result in a penalty after validation, and no protests will be accepted.

Eligibility to File Protests

Protests may be filed by accredited individuals at the event, referred to as the protester, as follows:

- Any National Official representing an ISMF National Member;
 - The athlete (in the absence of the first).

<u>Requirements</u>

Protest filed for consideration must meet, without excuse, the following formal requirements, otherwise, it must not be considered for review:

- The protest form, as outlined in the ISMF Rules and Guidelines (see related appendix), must be duly completed and filed to the ISMF Race Jury within the designated time limit.
- The protest must include a payment of 50,00 EUR payable in cash. The payment will only be refunded if the protest is accepted.

Time Limit

Protests must be filed within the following time limit after the unofficial or provisional results are displayed on the designated bulletin board:

Ī	EVENT	TIME LIMIT
Ī	World Cup / World Championships / Continental	<mark>5 minutes</mark>
ı	Championships / Youth World Cup	
L	(Sprint and Relay races)	
Ī	Vertical races, Individual races and Team races	15 minutes

In any other situation not previously mentioned, the eligible individual for filing a protest shall have a maximum of 15 minutes from the moment when the decision or situation, as described in Article 1, occurs, to file the protest.

Resolution

Upon the consideration of a protest, the ISMF Race Jury should respond in writing within 1 hour of the protest filing, unless otherwise specified.

The ISMF Race Jury will decide to either:

- Accept the protest, by revoking the penalty, or other applicable.
- Reject the protest and confirm the original decision.

The protest may be appealed if meets the specified requirements.

30.3.1. Appea

An appeal is a formal procedure to request the Jury of Appeal to review the decision upon the protest made by the ISMF Race Jury provided it meets the following requirements:

Requirements

Formal: No specific format, however, the document must include each and every one of the following points:



- Clear identification of the party(ies).
- Inclusion of the protest filed and the corresponding reply, with a clear indication of the date and time
 of its receipt.
- A thorough and reasoned description of the relevant facts, substantiated by appropriate evidence.
- A comprehensive explanation of the ISMF rules and guidelines that have been affected.
- A concise conclusion or plea summarising the appellant's position and the reasons for seeking a reconsideration of the decision.
- The appeal must be duly signed by the President (or their representative) of the respective ISMF National Member.
- Fee: Appeals must be accompanied by proof of a 100,00 EUR fee payment to ISMF. This fee will not be refunded if the appeal is rejected.
- Time limit: Appeals must be filed within 10 hours for Championships/World Cup finals and 48 hours for World Cup events from the exact time of receiving the reply to the protest delivery.
- Filing: Only appeals that comply with all the previous requirements must be filed to the email address <u>uryplappeal@ismf-ski.org</u>. If an appeal does not comply with each and every one of the requirements it will be dismissed without exception.

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Purpose

The Jury of Appeal is established to provide fair and impartial authority or resolving appeals arising from decisions made upon protest.

Composition:

- The Jury of Appeal shall be composed of an odd number of members, with a minimum of three and a maximum of seven persons holding voting rights and up to two members without voting rights. These members will be officially appointed by the ISMF Council at the beginning of each season, upon the nomination of the ISMF Referee Manager and/or other ISMF Officials. The ISMF Council reserves the right to appoint additional members during the season if deemed necessary. Appointed members shall perform their duties throughout the official season calendar, preparing their availability and the roles assigned among their members for each competition to fulfil the following functions:
- Members with right to vote:
 - o Chair of the Jury: This individual will preside over the Jury of Appeal.
 - Vice-Chair of the Jury of Appeal: An expert in the ISMF rules and guidelines, preferably member of the Rule Commission.
 - Other Jury Members: These individuals are expected to offer valuable insights and contribute to the decision-making process.
- Members with no right to vote:
 - Secretary of the Jury of Appeal: shall facilitate the proceedings and ensure that relevant documentation and information are properly maintained.
 - Expert / Advisor: provide their expertise in specific areas, relevant inputs and support but do not have the right to vote on decisions.

Restrictions:

To ensure impartiality and fairness, the following conditions shall apply to the members of the Jury of Appeal:

- None of the members can also be part of the ISMF technical staff or be part of the LOC during the same event.
- Members of the Jury of Appeal shall not be present during any deliberations of the Jury concerning any Appeal that affects, directly or indirectly, an athlete of their own nation. However, in cases where a substitute for a member from a different nation cannot be found, that member must confirm his/her impartiality.



- Only one member per nation is allowed to participate. Members of the same nationality cannot
 participate simultaneously.
- All members shall disclose any potential or actual conflict of interest that may affect their ability to remain impartial during the proceedings. If a member reveals such a conflict, they will be replaced by another member.

The Chair of the Jury of Appeal shall request the withdrawal of any member implicated by the situations mentioned above if the Jury member has not already withdrawn.

Initial review on the Appeal

The Secretary of the Jury of Appeal shall review received appeals to ensure compliance with formal requirements and shall take one of the following actions:

a) Admits the Appeal: If the appeal satisfies all prescribed formal requirements

b) Dismiss the Appeal: In the event that the appeal fails to meet the stipulated requirements, the Secretary shall dismiss the appeal and inform the concerned parties, <u>thereby establishing the final decision (not subject to review by any other authority)</u>.

Scheduling the Hearing

If the appeal is admitted, the Jury of Appeal shall convene within 24 hours of receipt of the appeal to schedule the date of the hearing as promptly as possible. The parties concerned shall be duly notified of the chosen date through email.

If witness testimony is required, the parties shall bear the sole responsibility for communicating their witnesses to provide such testimony on the selected day and time for the hearing.

Meeting Format

The meeting format (in-person, virtual, or hybrid) is determined by the Chair.

Hearing Procedure

- Attendance and Representation: The appellant and respondent ("parties") are entitled to attend the hearing. Failure to attend the hearing may result in the Jury of Appeal rendering a decision in their absence. Only under exceptional circumstances, and subject to the Chair's approval, may the parties be substituted by an accredited representative. In the case of the attendance of witnesses, their presence is likewise subject to the Chair's approval, and they may be present solely to deliver their testimony.
- Privacy of the Hearing: The hearing will be conducted privately and will not be open to the public unless otherwise stated by the Chair.
- Explanation of Hearing Process and Rights: The Chair of the Jury of Appeal will explain the hearing process and the rights of all parties involved.
- Assessment of Appeal: The Secretary of the Jury will assess the appeal admissibility based on the formal ISMF requirements received within the relevant timeline. At the Chair's discretion, the Secretary of the Jury may be instructed to read the appeal.
- Presentation of Evidence, Parties Statements and Expert Opinions: The Vice-President of the Jury will present the submitted evidence to the rest of the attendees. The Jury of Appeal will hear from each party, allowing adequate time for the parties to provide their arguments. Then with permission from the Chair, the witness may speak briefly. After hearing all parties, the Jury of Appeal may elaborate questions as deemed necessary.
- Decision Making: The Jury of Appeal will consider all evidence and expert opinions and make a decision by a simple majority vote. Following deliberation, the possible outcomes include:
 - Appeal Accepted: The original decision is revoked.
 - Appeal Rejected: The original decision is confirmed.
 - Partial Acceptance: Aspects of the original decision may be modified while others are upheld.



<u>Communication</u>

The decision will be communicated immediately to the parties present and provided in writing upon request. The decision of the Jury of Appeal is final and binding on all parties concerned and may not be challenged in any other forum according to article 37.4 of the ISMF Statutes.

30.4. Podiums

The winners of each category receive awards (refer to Organisation Event Guidelines). Team heads must make sure that award-winners wear the official uniforms of their nation and are present at the Award Ceremony. Podiums for ISMF races will take place before any other podiums.

The last day of the event, the Award Ceremony should take place before 2 pm.

30.5. Doping

Doping is strictly prohibited (Refer to the Anti-Doping section in the Organisation Event Guidelines).



APPENDIXES

APPENDIX **QT**: PROTEST FORM

- Only written protests on official ISMF form submitted before the appropriate deadline will be accepted by members of the ISMF Race Jury.
- All protests must be accompanied by the sum of 50,00 €EUR (in cash).
- A separate protest form must be completed for each incident and each form accompanied by the sum stated in the rules
- The person that submits a complaint must support his/her arguments by quoting specific points of the rules.

ORGANISATION						
EXACT NAME OF THE RACE:						
EXACT DATE OF THE RACE:						
LOC / N <mark>EM</mark> :						
CLUB OR ASSOCIATION:						
RACE						
TYPE OF RACE	TYPE OF EVE	NT	С	ATEGORY		
Individual race	World Ch	nampionships		Men		
Team race	World Cu	ıp .		Women		
Vertical race	Continer	ital Championships		Senior		
Sprint race	ISMF Ser	ies		U23		
Relay race	Other ev	ent		U18- U20		
PROTEST				II.		
Person in charge of filing the protest:						
N <mark>EM</mark> :						
Phone number:						
Name(s) of athlete(s) involved:						
Bib number of athlete(s) involved:						
DETAIL OF THE EVENTS						
, the / / (DD/	MM/YY)	S	igna	ature		
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act time : HH:MM						
DECISION OF THE ISME RACE JURY						

ISMF Rules & Guidelines Sporting Rules

At, the / (DD/MM/YY)	The ISMF Jury President
Exact time : HH:MM	



APPENDIX RU: SKINS STORAGE PICTURES















RACE EQUIPMENT RULES

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31. EQUIPMENT

The equipment listed hereafter is required for all ISMF events.

All equipment used by athletes taking part in ISMF events must be produced by a supplier that:

- Is registered in a chamber of commerce and industry.
- Is registered for VAT in the nation of origin (Intra community number for the EU or similar manufacturers).
- Has a product liability insurance, which covers the use of the equipment in ski mountaineering.

The labelled safety equipment must be CE and/or UIAA marked or comply with the requirements of a European rule in force (except for the helmets, see chart in 4.1) without any modifications, except by those authorised by the manufacturer in the written information supplied with the equipment.

No other compulsory equipment may be modified.

The athlete is responsible of his/her own equipment.

31.1. Equipment description for all ISMF events

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	CE or UIAA
A passport or a national ID card or copy	Required to be stowed away in the backpack or race suit. Every athlete must present an official ID document (passport or national ID card) or a copy if required.	
A pair of skis	 with metallic edges covering at least 90% of their length; minimal width of at least 80 mm in the front, 60 mm under the boot and 70 mm in the rear part; ski length must be of at least 160cm for men and 150cm for women. The skis will be measured according to the method «Rolling».	
	Minimal weight for skis and bindings: – Men: 780 grams per ski. – Women: 730 grams per ski.	
Bindings	 which allow heel movement during ascents and are blocked for descents; they may or may not be equipped with security straps; the binding system must have both a lateral and a forward complete release system (the boot is allowed to completely separate from the ski). The lateral release (front part) has to be lockable manually (without the use of any tool). If a binding is TÜV certified, the locking mechanism is not necessary. 	
	The use of ski brakes is compulsory. Athletes without ski brakes cannot participate in the race. Ski brakes: Retention device for ISMF events which is designed to slow down a ski after a ski binding release or ski loss. - Uphill position: Arrangement of the ski brake during the ascent phase - Downhill position: Arrangement of the ski brake during the descent phase. - Braking position: Arrangement of the ski brake when set in Downhill position and the boot is released from the binding. Mixed bindings (front part from one manufacturer and rear part from another one) are not allowed.	
	Boots and bindings must be set according to the manufacturer's instructions in order to guarantee optimum function of the release systems and the best protection of bindings and ski structure.	



Boots	Minimal weight for boots (shell and dry inner):	
DOOLS	Men and U20 Men: 500 grams	
	All Women categories & U18 Men: 450 grams	
	7 Mil Women categories & 0 to Men. 450 grams	
	In case of bikini liners, only the shell must cover the ankles.	
	Each boot must have at least two (2) independent closing systems.	
	Boots must be designed to be used with metallic crampons.	
	Cross-country ski boots and bindings or equivalents are strictly forbidden.	
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	Sole:	
	Notched rubber soles.	
	- The notched soles have to cover the 100% of the boot surfacesole.	
	- The minimum notch depth is 4 mm.	
	- The minimum surface area of 1 cm ² per notch.	
	There must be at least 8 notches under the heel and 15 under the front part of the	
	sole.	
	Solc.	
	Modified boots by a second manufacturer are allowed only if there is a formal agreement	
	between the two manufacturers, which is specified in the written information supplied	
	with the modified part.	
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	Athletes in the U18 and lower category are not allowed to wear/use full carbon structured	
	boots (including carbon composites or similar: Kevlar, aramite, etc.).	
A pair of ski	Carbon or other material	
poles	Maximum diameter of 25 mm	
F	With non-metallic baskets.	
A pair of	Skins originating from wild animals are strictly forbidden.	
removable	The skins have to cover at least 40% of the snow contact length of the ski.	
anti-slipping	Use of adhesive tape is forbidden on the skins for environmental reasons.	
skins	•	
Upper body	Three layers that fit the athlete well:	
clothing	1 long or short sleeves or sleeveless, body-hugging layer (no bustier). ISMF EventRace Jury	
J	decides if compulsory.	
	1 ski suit with long-sleeves or a second layer with long-sleeves covering the whole arms.	
	1 long-sleeved wind breaker jacket. ISMF EventRace Jury decides if it is compulsory to put	
	it in the backpack or worn. The jacket must be sized appropriately to fit the athlete.	
Lower body	Two long-legged layers that fit the athlete well:	
clothing	1 ski suit or ski pants covering the whole legs (no underpants)	
	1 breathable wind breaker trousers. ISMF EventRace Jury decides if it is compulsory to put	
	it in the backpack or worn.	
An avalanche	Also called DVA or ARVA, that conforms to standard EN 300718 457 kHz frequency.	YES
detector	The DVA has to be equipped with a 3 antennas receiving system.	
	The DVA has to be worn in a closed pocket (zipper only) inside of the race suit at the belly	
	level or as defined by the manufacturer.	
A helmet	Conforming to:	YES
	- UIAA 106 and EN 1077 class B standards.	
	- EN 12492 and EN 1077 class B standards.	
	Helmets must be used (chin-strap has to be fastened) during the whole race (from the	
	start to the finish line).	
A snow shovel	Conforming to ISMF standards (refer to appendixes).	
A snow probe	Conforming to ISMF standards (refer to appendixes).	
A survival	The minimum surface area of 1.80 m ² .	
blanket	Modifications subsequent to manufacture are not allowed.	
	The term "survival blanket" is as defined by the manufacturer.	
	That covers the entire hand up to the wrist - to be worn throughout the duration of the	
A pair of gloves	race.	



A pair UV-	Recommended for the athletes (refer to appendixes).	
protection		
eyewear	Mark CC in the control of the contro	
A backpack	With sufficient carrying capacity to hold all the equipment required by the rules, with two rear and/or lateral fastening straps for carrying skis. In the event of cooperation between teammates, the carrier's backpack must have two independent sets of fastening straps for skis. If the backpack has an independent crampons pouch, the pouch must be securely fastened to the back of the backpack (using Velcro straps, etc.). Crampons must be secured in the appropriate compartment of the backpack worn on the	
	back.	
A whistle		
	SUPPLEMENTARY EQUIPMENT THAT MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE ISMF RACE JURY	
A pair of metallic crampons	That conforms to UIAA standard 153, with at least 10 spikes. The two front spikes must adjust to fit the athlete's boots. They must have the original safety straps that should be properly fastened to all crampons during the on-foot portion of the race. When crampons are not worn on boots, they must be packed in the backpack or in the independent pouch carried on the back, with spikes facing each other.	YES
A harness	Conforming to UIAA standard 105	YES
Via Ferrata kit	With energy absorbing system for use in Via Ferrata Kit conforming to UIAA standard 128.	YES
Two (2) connectors - Via Ferrata kit connectors	That conform to UIAA standard 121. When the lanyard and the 2 connectors are not in use, they must be put away in the backpack or wrapped around the waist.	YES
An additional upper body thermal fleece layer of clothing	(Fourth layer with long sleeves) The sleeves must fit the athlete well. The fourth layer is comprised of thermal clothing which must have a minimum weight of 300 grams.	
A ski cap or headband		
A second pair of gloves	that must be thermal and wind-proof.	
A Head lamp in full working order;		
A second pair of UV-protection eyewear	Recommended for the athletes (refer to appendixes).	
A dynamic rope	That conforms to UIAA standard 101, with a minimum diameter of 8,5 mm and a length of 30 m.	YES
Skins	The ISMF EventRace Jury has the right to request additional skins.	
Wax	Use of fluorinated wax or tuning products containing fluorine is prohibited for all ISMF events (disciplines and levels).	



APPENDIXES

APPENDIX SV: ISMF SNOW PROBE STANDARD

The manufacturer has to define the probe as a "rescue snow probe" and make a self-certification confirming that it meets this ISMF standard:

Minimum external diameter: 10 mm Minimum total length: 240 cm

shall still fit one inside of the other.

When loaded without shock with a mass of 3 kg as in figure 1, the probe should not break or leave permanent deformations and should not go out of the supports or hooks the supports (with certain models, the locking system or the metallic point are prominent, and they prevent the exit of the supports).

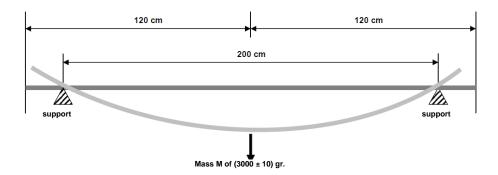
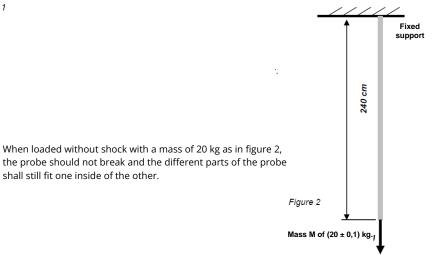


Figure 1





APPENDIX Tw: ISMF SHOVEL STANDARD

- A snow shovel in compliance with the ISMF standard here stated, defined by the manufacturer as a "rescue snow shovel".
- The equipment concerned directly with safety cannot be modified; except for modifications performed or authorized by the manufacturer.
- The manufacturer has to define the shovel as a "rescue snow shovel" and make a self-certification confirming that it complies with the ISMF standard:
- Minimum shovel surface including a square of 20 cm x 20 cm.
- Test method: place a piece of 20 X 20 cm cardboard under the shovel: no part of the cardboard must be visible
- Minimal total length of the shovel in working configuration: 50 cm.
- The shaft has to end in a T or L shape, so the athlete is able to push down / leverage the handle.
- The test sample for the strength test shall be conditioned for at least 1 h at (-20 ± 3) °C. The test shall be carried out at (23 ± 5) °C. The test shall begin within 2 min from removal of conditioning.
- Strength test: When loaded with a speed of (100 \pm 10) mm/min as in figure 1, the shovel shall be capable of withstanding a static force of at (100 $^{+2}_{0}$ daN over a period of (60 \pm 5) s.
- The test sample shall not break, nor go out of the supports, and no permanent deformations are admitted on any part of the shovel.

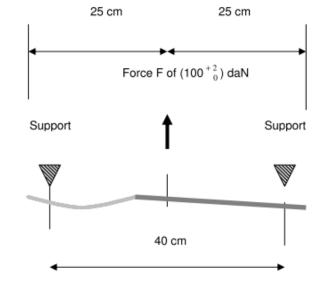


Figure 1



APPENDIX UX: RECOMMENDED EYEWEAR PROTECTION CHART

protection	VISIDIC	Transmission UVB	Race
	80% a 100%	Max. 8% à 10%	Night race
	43% à 80%	Max. 4,3% à 8%	Scandinavian
	10% d 43%		race
Catégorie 3		Max. 0,8% à 1,8%	Davidaht ross
Catégorie 4	3% à 8%	Max. 0,3% à 0,8%	Daylight race



RANKING RULES

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32. DEFINITIONS

Result: it applies to a race, list of the athletes based on the time of race or place order following the Sporting Rules, all categories merged

Category results: result for one category (including its subcategories) - e.g.: Senior Results

Ranking: list of athletes based on the ranking score

Ranking score: accumulation of points obtained by one athlete during the ranking's period with all the races taken in account

Rank: athlete's position in a ranking

Place: athlete's position in the Category Results of a race

WRK points: points attributed to an athlete following his/her place and the race level for the WRK

<u>Time Points</u>: depend on the ratio of an athlete's finish time and that of the winner given as a percentage for each race, used to decide between dead heats.

<u>Place Points</u>: attributed to athletes depending on their results in a given race irrespective of the race coefficient. <u>Race coefficient</u>: attributed to the race depending on the previous ranking of the best athletes to finish.

<u>Ranking points</u>: attributed to individual athletes, teams or countries and used to establish their position in race ranking.

33. APPROVED EVENTS

Only events that meet the following requirements will be taken into account for ISMF rankings:

- events announced in the ISMF calendar;
- with the participation of at least 3 athletes with ISMF licence;
- general compliance with ISMF rules;
- Transmission of results according to the ISMF results protocol.

34. MEANS OF RANKING

34.1. Place Points

The following points are awarded to athletes and teams depending on their results for each race in which they participate.

	PLACE POINTS								
Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points
1	100	11	45	21	30	31	20	41	10
2	90	12	43	22	29	32	19	42	9
3	81	13	41	23	28	33	18	43	8
4	73	14	39	24	27	34	17	44	7
5	66	15	37	25	26	35	16	45	6
6	60	16	35	26	25	36	15	46	5
7	57	17	34	27	24	37	14	47	4
8	54	18	33	28	23	38	13	48	3
9	51	19	32	29	22	39	12	49	2
10	48	20	31	30	21	40	11	50	1

After 50th place, each athlete will be awarded one place point.

34.2. Time Points

In order to decide between athletes or teams that have the same final ranking points (same final number of place points), race times will be taken into account. In the event of a tie, the final ranking will be determined by the





addition of time points. Time Points depend on the ratio between the athlete's time and the winner's time (percentage).

If the athletes' time points are identical, then the tie will not be broken.

Time Points are calculated as follows:

Px =T1/Tx*100

Tx = time of the athlete or team X, in seconds

T1 = time of the winner (individual or team), in seconds

Px = Time Points of athlete or team X

Times are to the second, and percentages to the nearest hundredth.

For example: Athlete A wins the race in 2 hrs 00'00", athlete B finishes second in 2 hrs 03'30" and athlete X is 30th in 2 hrs 15'45". The results of the race are:

A: place points = 100; time points = 100.00

B: place points = 95; time points = 7200 / 7410 * 100 = 97.16

X: place points = 51; time points = 7200 / 8145 * 100 = 88.39

35. RANKINGS

35.1. Continental and World Championships rankings

35.1.1. Country ranking

The country ranking is calculated by summing the Place Points of athletes who count for country ranking. The number of athletes taken into account for country ranking and the coefficients allocated for each event are detailed in the table below.

For the U23 category, only PPs awarded in U23 ranking are taken into account.

For example, if during an individual event, an U23 finishes 1^{st} in the U23 ranking and 3^{rd} in the Senior ranking and is 1^{st} for his/her country in both U23 and Senior categories, then his/her Place Points from the U23 ranking count with a coefficient of 1, whereas the place points of the Senior athletes from the same country who finished 2^{nd} count with a coefficient of 1.

	Indiv	/idual	Team	Ver	tical	Re	lay	Mixe	d Relay	Sp	rint
Type of event	Senior Men & Women	U23, U20, U18 Men & Women	Senior Men & Women	Senior Men & Women	U23, U20, U18 Men & Women	Senior Men & Women	Youth Relay event	Senior Men & Women	Youth Mixed Relay event	Senior Men & Women	U23, U20, U18 Men & Women
Coefficient	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Number of athletes /teams that count towards country ranking, Men and Women	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Country ranking points

- = (sum of Place Points of the country's first individual male Senior athlete)
- + (sum of Place Points of the country's first individual female Senior athlete)
- + (sum of Place Points of the country's first individual male U23 athlete)
- + (sum of Place Points of the country's first individual female U23 athlete)



- + (sum of Place Points of the country's first individual male U20 athlete)
- +... etc. -

Countries can tie.

The country ranking will be considered to award the trophies for the World and Continental Championships.

35.1.2. Medal Table

A Medal Table is made for each World and Continental Championships.

The ranking will be determined by:

- The Gold medal number
- Then Silver medal number
- Then Bronze medal number.

35.1.3. Combined Senior Championship ranking

Combined Senior Championship rankings are calculated by adding the Place Points obtained by Senior athletes (both for men and women) from the three best results out of the following races: Team, Individual, Vertical, and Sprint Race.

Senior men combined ranking points = PPs for Individual races + PPs for Team races + PPs for Sprint races + PPs for Vertical races - PPs of the worst result out of the 4 races. In the event of a tie, the final ranking is determined using time points.

If one or more of the following races: Team, Individual, Vertical, and Sprint race cannot be held during the Continental or World Championships, then the combined ranking will be calculated by adding the place points obtained during all the remaining races.

35.2. Continental Cups rankings

The Continental Cups follow the same rules as the World Cups (see sections 34.1, 34.2 and 35.3), the only difference being that:

- Athletes from other continents can participate and be ranked on the race results.
- If the athlete and/or team are from the continent hosting the Cup, then their place points count towards the Continental Cup ranking and WRK.
- If the athlete and/or team are not from the continent hosting the Cup and if the event is open, their place points count towards the WRK.
- In order to be ranked in a Continental Cup, athletes/teams must:
 - have participated in at least one of the races that count for ranking.

35.3. World Cup and Youth World Cup rankings

35.3.1. General principles

The ISMF Sport Department organises each season the World Cup's and Youth World Cup's calendars (Number of events, number and type of races, locations...). The World Cup concerns the Senior category and his sub-category (U23) as defined by the Athletes Participation Rules. The Youth World Cup concerns the categories U20 and U18.

35.3.2. Rankings per athlete and per nation

The World Cup circuits gives rise to different rankings Each ranking done per athlete for men and for women, except Mixed Relay World Cup ranking done per nation.

35.3.3. Scoring

The score is the accumulation of the Place Points earned during the World Cup season for an athlete or a nation.

35.3.3.1. Scoring for Mixed Relay races

For each Mixed Relay World Cup race, a Nation Ranking List (NRL) is produced. The NRL is based on the race result list but keep only the best team of each N<mark>eM</mark> (adjusted result).



The score of the Mixed Relay World Cup is per nation and calculated from the NRL Place Points at each race.

35.3.4. Tie

In case of Tie in any ranking, Time Points will be used to rank the athletes or nations.

35.3.5. World Cup Overall ranking

This ranking is based on the athlete's score for the Individual races, Vertical races, Team races and Sprint races of the World Cup season.

35.3.6. Specialty World Cup ranking

It is only for the World Cup circuit (Senior category).

The ranking is based on the athlete's score (or Nation for Mixed Relay Specialty) for the considered specialty of the World Cup season.

A Specialty World Cup ranking is made only if there is a minimum of three specialty races scheduled for the season. A Specialty World Cup Final ranking is awarded only if there is a minimum of three specialty races with Official Results during the whole season.

Disciplines concerned and produced rankings:

- Sprint race World Cup
- Vertical race World Cup
- Team race World Cup
- Individual race World Cup
- Mixed Relay race World Cup (by nation)

35.3.7. Youth World Cup

The Youth World Cup circuit consists of the following rankings:

- U20 Overall ranking for women and for men
- U18 Overall ranking for women and for men
- Nation Youth World Cup ranking

35.3.8. U23 Ranking

The U23 Overall ranking is an extraction of the Senior ranking. The Place Points used are the Senior's PPs.

35.3.9. Nation World Cup Ranking (NWCR and NYWCR)

The NWCR is calculated by summing the PPS of the Senior ranking for the best athlete male and the best athlete female from Senior and U23 categories (this means four athletes could be taken into account for each race), or the best team of a nation for each World Cup race of the concerned circuit.

For the World Cup circuit, the NWCR is based only on Senior results.

For the Youth World Cup circuit, the NYWCR is based on U20 results and U18 results.

35.4. Specific rules for Sprint races

35.4.1. Result management for Sprint races

- 1st 6th place: Position from the final
- 7th 12th place: Semi-finalists not qualified for the final round. The ranking order is established following:
 - the order of arrival of each semifinal
 - the best time of semifinals with the equal position reached.

Example: 7th position = the best time between the two athletes who arrived fourth in each semifinal. If there are 30 or more athletes:

 13th - 30th place: Quarter-Heat finalists not qualified for semi-final round. The ranking order is established following:



- the order of arrival of each heat
- the best time of heats with the equal position reached.

Example: 13th position = the best time between the four athletes who arrived third in each heat.

- 31st and more: Ranked by qualification time.

If there are 24 - 29 athletes:

- 13th 24th place: Heat finalists not qualified for semifinal round. The ranking order is established following:
 - the order of arrival of each heat
 - the best time of heats with the equal position reached.

Example: 13th position = the best time between the four athletes who arrived fourth in each heat.

25th – 29th place: Ranked by qualification time.

If there is no timekeeping for heats, semifinals, finals, the ranking times will be taken from the qualification.

35.4.2. Ranking of IRM athletes for a Sprint race

	IRM						
	DNS	DNF	DSQ	DQB			
Qualification	Not ranked (DNS)	Not ranked (DNF)	Not ranked DSQ	Not ranked			
Heats	- latest place of the heats Tie: by qualification time (e.g.: 29 th and 30 th)	(but before DNS)	Not ranked DSQ (each athlete gains 1 place)	Not ranked DQB (each athlete gain 1 place)			
Semifinal	- latest place of the heats Tie: by heat position and time (in 2 nd) (e.g.: 11 th and 12 th)	- latest place of the heats Tie: by heat position and time (in 2 nd) (e.g.: 9 th and 10 th)	Not ranked DSQ	Not ranked DQB			
Final	- latest place of the heats Tie: by semifinal position and after semifinal time (e.g.: 5 th and 6 th)	Tie: by qualification time	Not ranked DSQ	Not ranked DQB			

35.5. World Ranking (WRK)

35.5.1. General principles

The World Ranking represent sporting excellence with the larger number of ski mountaineering athletes and races. To reach this goal and reflect the sport values, races will be organized by level. The place obtained in a race result following the level the race will awarded some WR points accumulated for the World Ranking.

35.5.2. WRK period

The World Ranking accumulated the results for a period of 2 years. The WRK points of a race will be removed from the athlete WRK score the day after the second anniversary the considered race's date.

35.5.3. WRK score

The WRK score does the accumulation of the WRK Points earned during the WRK period.

35.5.4. WRK points

Each race witch the results provide to the ISMF Ranking Manager following the WRK results protocol will be take in account in the WRK.

The WRK points awarded from a race depend on the race's WRK Level.



WRK Level	WRK points for the winner	1 st proposal	Other
1	1300	OG	
2	1200	WCH	
3	1000	WC	
4	800	CCH + YWC	
5	600	CC + World Series	
6	400	Continental Series	
7	200	NCH	The 5 best results maximum (=1000 pts)
8	100	NC	The 5 best results maximum (=500 pts)
9	50	Regional race	The 7 best results maximum (=350 pts)

There is a limit from the WRK points awarded in the level races 7, 8 and 9. Only the 5 best results will be taken in account for the level races 7 and 8, and the 7 best results for the level races 9.

35.5.5. List of World Rankings produced

The following WRKs will be produced for Men and for Women:

	Senior	U23	U20	U18
Overall (with all races)	Х	Х	Х	Х
Individual	Х	Х	X	Х
Sprint	Х	Х	Х	Х
Vertical Race	Х	Х	Х	Х
Team race	Х			
Long Distance race	Х			

35.6. ISMF Series Ranking

The WRK will rank the athletes participating in ISMF Series.

36. RESULTS AND RANKING MANAGEMENT

The ISMF Ranking Manager is responsible for establishing World Cup, World and Continental Championships, Series and other ISMF events results and rankings.

The ISMF Ranking Manager will be in charge of updating the World Rankings.

Further specification for events where there is not the official ISMF time-keeping company:

Deliver race results to ISMF headquarters wWithin 24 ors.hours after the race termination of the event, the LOC has to provide the ISMF Ranking Manager using the standardised formatthe official results of each race held during the event using the official format that the ISMF Office will send in due course.

37. RANKING PROTEST

A Ranking Protest contests an athlete's rank and/or ranking score from an ISMF ranking (final or provisional). This is not a process to claim against a result.

This protest must be submitted in writing by the National Team Captain during an event or by the N<mark>EM</mark> President after the event, to the ISMF Office and the ISMF Ranking Manager as soon as possible from the publishment of the ranking and within one month of publication.

In case of calculation error, the ISMF Ranking Manager is allowed to fix it and inform the ISMF Sport Department and the protester.

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If the error concerned the athletes awarded during the End of Season ceremony, the SMF Sport Department will take the appropriate action to fix it.

If the Ranking Protest is not accepted, the ISMF Ranking Manager will answer by writing to the author of the Protest. The protester could appeal to the ISMF Ranking Jury (composed by SMF Event Director Coordinator, SMF Referee Manager, SMF Ranking Manager) until two weeks after the rejected protest notification.

In order to submit a Ranking Protest, the protester must use the form in the Appendixes of the Sporting Rules.



RULES FOR YOUTH WORLD CUP

The ISMF rules and guidelines 2023/24 will be rolled out in three phases. Please note that until the final roll-out, the rules are considered as draft as some sections and/or chapters are marked with "work in progress". ISMF and its bodies take no responsibility or liability until the final roll-out. Please be aware of the ongoing changes.



Any rule not cited below obeys by the rest of ISMF rules.

38. REQUIREMENTS FOR HOSTING AN ISMF YOUTH WORLD CUP

All applications from the LOCs must be submitted to their Nem, who after consideration, will then forward to the ISMF office. Applications submitted directly to the ISMF office from the LOCs will not be considered.

ISMF Youth World Cup events are reserved to U18 and U20 categories only.

There will be between 3 and 4 ISMF Youth World Cup events per season.

It is strongly recommended to stage the event during the weekend (two consecutive days) with a rest day only in the case of three or four races.

The LOC has the possibility to organise an Open Race alongside the ISMF Youth World Cup event. This race has to be entirely managed by the LOC, without interfering with the ISMF races, this having different starting times, different ceremonies (both Flower and Award Ceremonies), etc. The Open Race is only allowed for Senior athletes and for the Vertical and Individual disciplines, while not for the Sprint.

An agreement between the ISMF, the NEM and the LOC has to be signed.

On the communication side, the title "ISMF Youth World Cup" and the ISMF logo must appear in any kind of advertising material or mean of communication of the LOC and on its official website as well.

The LOC, for its part, must publicise the event as much as possible in the weeks leading up to it in order to increase its media visibility.

39. ATHLETES PARTICIPATION

ISMF Youth World Cup events are reserved to U18, U20 categories only.

This circuit is reserved to athletes of NEMs and ski mountaineering clubs authorised by the NEM.

Only ISMF licence holders with ISMF Elite or Youth licence can participate and be ranked in the ISMF Youth World Cup. The national licence* or the authorisation** from the NEM is compulsory for the athletes of all categories participating in this circuit.

- *Only for the NEMs which have national licence.
- ** The News (which do not have national licence) have to provide the respective athletes with an official document valid as a pass to allow them to apply for the ISMF licence.

The fee for the registration in the races is at the discretion of the LOC. The ISMF recommends the amount of between 30,00 FEUR to 40,00 FEUR for each race. Athletes' registration is done through the ISMF website using the intranet system, as per the other ISMF events. All athletes (of both the national team and the ski mountaineering clubs) can be registered in the races only by the NEM of belonging. There is no possibility of late registrations.

Accommodation is managed directly by the athletes or News. The ISMF will provide the relative information and the pertaining email address in due course.

40. ISMF STAFF AND SERVICES

Costs borne by the Local Organising Committee LOC (Event hosting fee with ISMF staff & services needed):

SERVICES RELATED TO EACH EVENT				
ISMF Calendar fee	2.000,00 €			
Anti-dDoping service	Compulsory – through the respective NADO (National Anti-Doping Organisation)			
Time-keeping service	With a local company validated by the respective National			
Time-keeping service	Federation <mark>NM</mark>			
Starting numbers/bibs	To be coordinated with the selected time-keeping			
Starting numbers/bibs	company			
Awards	Please refer below			
Official speaker	To be validated by the respective National Federation NM			
ISMF Ranking Manager supervision	In coordination with the ISMF			



Support about sustaina Ski pass (if the race tak	es place in a ski resort)		
	nt check and preparation		
(optional – at the discre	•		
ISMF PRESENCE	TDANICDODT	NCIAL DAILY ALLOWANCES ¹	ACCOMMODATION EXPENSES ²
ISMF Official Representative	Included -		Full board accommodation
Event Coordinator	Included		Full board accommodation
1 ISMF Referee (acting as President of the Technical Jury ISMF Jury President	previous quotation (rest	00 € per day of competitior day included) + 1 day (the day) re the competition) <mark>included</mark>	
ISMF Technical Delegate	previous quotation (rest	00 € per day of competitior day included) + 1 day (the day re the competition) <mark>Included</mark>	l Full hoard
Start Referee <mark>lSMF</mark> Assistant Referee	Included Inclu	uded	Full board accommodation
Track Referee (present at events with more than 2 races only)	Included Inclu	ided	Full board accommodation
1-2 National Referee* (Priority to ISMF Referee <mark>s</mark>)	To be coordinated wi	th the respective <mark>Nationa</mark>	Full board accommodation
s are paid by the LOC direct SMF certified Referees fro e of pertinence. If the Nat e from other countries.	tty to the ISMF. The exact amou om the National Federation NM ional Federation NM hosting the ectly to the ISMF. The exact amo	hosting the event will have the prevent does not have <mark>nN</mark> ational R	riority to attend the event as <mark>n</mark> eferees, the extra R eferee will
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ollowing costs are not inclu	uded in the <mark>chart above</mark> Event ho	ecifications included in the table ab sting fee but must be covered by the two nights before the start of the	ne LOC:
end of the event		mmunicated in due advance). Mi	<u> </u>

41. ON SITE LOGISTICAL ORGANISATION FOR ATHLETES

41.1. TCM

The TCM must take place on the eve of the race and is only open to the coaches of the NEMs and representative person of the ski mountaineering clubs.



41.2. BIBs

The race numbers (bibs) must have a specific numbering system and if possible, a different colour on the basis of the category of belonging.

Bib numbers are attributed to the athletes or teams according to the current individual ranking.

A bib list is provided by the ISMF Ranking Manager according to the timelines as agreed between the ISMF and the LOC.

42. RACE SPECIFICATIONS

For the general features of ISMF Youth World Cup events refer to the Technical Race Guidelines as the information can be applied to this circuit as well.

The Mixed Relay is organised for each category if there are at least 6 teams per category. The ISMF Event DirectorCoordinator will decide with the LOC whether to organise a final A and final B according to the registrations.

Please refer to the ISMF Sporting Rules in order to set correctly up the various areas of the race track, to follow the guidelines regarding penalties and offences, etc.

43. EQUIPMENT

As a supplementary equipment, only crampons, an additional upper body thermal fleece layer of clothing and a head lamp for a dark race can be required.

Please refer to the Race Equipment Rules in order to find out the equipment that athletes have to hold to compete in the ISMF Youth World Cup events.

The use of ski brakes is compulsory for all athletes participating in the ISMF Youth World Cup events.

44. RANKING

A specific ranking dedicated to the ISMF Youth World Cup events will be introduced on the ISMF website.

The awarding of race points will be carried out according to the ISMF Ranking Rules and the same will be done for the determination of the Overall ranking.

45. CEREMONIES, PRIZE MONEY AND AWARDS

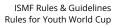
Ceremonies, prize money and awards for ISMF Youth World Cup events:

PRIZE MONEY* (minimum)	ISMF YOUTH WORLD CUP				
(IIIIIIIIIIIII)	SPRINT	VERTICAL	INDIVIDUAL	MIXED RELAY	
1st U20W/U20M	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
2 nd U20W/U20M	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 </mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
3 rd U20W/U20M	100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	100 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
1st U18W/U18M	Equipment	Equipment	Equipment	Equipment***	
2 nd U18W/U18M	Equipment	Equipment	Equipment	Equipment***	
3 rd U18W/U18M	Equipment	Equipment	Equipment	Equipment***	
TOTAL	600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	
TOTAL/category	1 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>	1 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 </mark>	1 <mark>.</mark> 200,00 E EUR	1 <mark>.</mark> 200 <mark>,00 EEUR</mark>	

^{*} The said amounts of prize money have to be considered gross which will be then deducted of any withholding tax in force in the LOC's nation. Subject to prior coordination with the ISMF, it is possible to reward U20 athletes with equipment (amount equal to the prize money in CEUR included in the table above).

^{**} The amount has to be considered per team. The LOC should pay exact half amount to one team member and the other exact half amount to the other team member.

^{***} The LOC shall provide both team members with an equipment item.





Any changes to prize money must be arranged in advance between the ISMF and the LOC.

(If possible) all Award Ceremonies have to be arranged in advance with the ISMF.

The Award Ceremony will take place immediately after the Flower Ceremony of each single category. Podiums are compulsory for:

- the Top3 athletes of each category for each scheduled race (both for Flower and Award Ceremonies)
- the Top3 athletes of each category winning the Overall ranking.

There will be no Specialty Youth World Cup rankings.

The ISMF will provide the LOC of the final Youth World Cup stage with necessary trophies for the Overall Youth World Cup Ceremony.



RULES FOR LONG DISTANCE TEAM



ISMF Rules & Guidelines Rules for Long Distance Team

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ABBREVIATIONS

WC: World Cup

WCH: World Championships LDT: Long Distance Team

LDI: Long Distance Individual

LD: Long Distance

DR: ISMF Rules for organizing an International Ski mountaineering competition

SR: ISMF Sporting and Ranking rules: Sporting rules

RR: ISMF Sporting and Ranking rules: Ranking rules

Mixed team: Team with teammates of different nationalities Nation team: Team with teammates of the same nationality

LOC: Local Organising Committee

Any rule not cited below obeys by the rest of ISMF regulation rules.

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46. REQUIREMENTS FOR HOSTING AN ISMF LONG DISTANCE EVENT

100 – ISMF Rules for registering events in the ISMF calendar

All applications from race organizers must be submitted to their national federation, who after consideration, will then forward to the ISMF office. Applications submitted directly to the ISMF office from race organisers will not be considered.

ISMF Long Distance Competitions Races are for Senior and Master categoryies only.

Except for open competitions, Senior and Master category cannot be together in the same events

ISMF Long Distance Individual or Long Distance Team World or Continental Championships: Aa long distance race individual or team, can be a one day race or more than one.

ISMF can decide to organise the LDI WCH and the LDT WCH every year.

A Series assessed by an ISMF Referee must be organised at most a season before hosting a LDI or LDT WCH.

47. ATHLETES PARTICIPATION

Only ISMF Elite licence holders can participate and be ranked in the ISMF LD competition event.

In Team events only the following may participate as teams:

The team<mark>s</mark> are composed <mark>byof</mark> 2 or 3 <mark>racers</mark>athletes of the same nationality and the same gender.

The 2 (or 3) members of the team must hold a valid ISMF licence, have the same nationality and belong to the same National Federation. If an athlete holding an ISMF licence is racing with one or two teammate(s) not holding on ISMF licence, the team will not be ranked in the ISMF Ranking.

Composition Senior Team = any athlete 18 years old (during the year of the race) or over. (the team is automatically ranked in the senior category, no matter the age of the 2 or 3 teammates). For safety reason in LD competitions events, the LOC can request to ISMF that athletes must be 20 years old or over.

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48. REGISTRATION FEES

The registration fee is at the decision of the LOC. The fee should include the race fee and full board accommodation. When possible, the LOC should also propose a registration fee including only the race fee. Accommodation is then managed directly be National Federations NMs.

The athletes and Titeams registration is done either through the LOC website (English compulsory) or through the ISME website according to prior agreement between the LOC and the ISME

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Costs assumed by the LOC

Prize Money for LD competitions

Prize-money of any LD competition must be agreed between the LOC and the ISMF defined in a dedicated agreement with the LOC.

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The awards shall be provided in accordance with point OR 2.4.2..

9 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS AND OPEN BACK

If there is an <mark>20</mark>pen <mark>r</mark>Race in parallel of the ISMF LD <mark>competition</mark>event, the Open <mark>rR</mark>ace must be managed so that LD <mark>competitionevent</mark> athletes are not jeopardized by Open <mark>rR</mark>ace athletes:

- For stage with multiple race days: For the first day, the start of the Open race must be at least fifteen (15) minutes after the LD competition start. The time lapse between the start of the Open racestart of the and the LD competition event race will be decided on the eve of the race by the SMF EventRace Jury and the LOC Race Director. The start protocol of the following day(s) will be determined during the race application process of the previous years and will be subject to an agreement between the LOC and the ISMF.
- For single day race day: the start of the Open race must be at least fifteen (15) min after the LD competition start. The time lapse between the start of the Open racestart of the and the LD competition event race will be decided on the eve of the race by the SMF EventRace Jury and the LOC Race Director.

Open race and ISMF LD competition event race must have separated and distinctive rankings. When the two races are the same (same track, same day), it is possible to create an "overall ranking" including athletes from the LD competition and from the Open race. Only LD competition event results will have the mention of "World Championships".

The Open Race must have a different prize-giving CAward Ceremony. The LD World Championships competition event Flower Ceremony and prize-giving CAward Ceremony must be always before the Open Race ones.

The SMF LD competition Team Captain Meeting must take place before 18:30 on the eve of the race and is only open to the coaches of the National Federations.

LD competition race numbers (bibs) must have a specific numbering system and if possible, a different colour (e.g., bibs from 1 to 99 for men, 200 to 299 for women)

The first top 5 athletes or teams men and women must be present during the opening ceremony or bibs distribution.

bib numbers are attributed to the athletes or teams according to: current individual world cup ranking, for teams of the sum of the teammates. A bib list is provided by the ISMF Ranking Manager to the LOC according to the timelines as agreed between the LOC and the ISMF.

50. ISMF STAFF AND SERVICE

SMF staff & services on LD competition

Legend:

- YES: the relevant service cost is included in the Event hosting fee
- NO: the relevant service cost is not included in the Event hosting fee
- NOB: the relevant service cost is not included in the Event hosting fee but the LOC must provide/supply it
- PRESENT: the relevant staff is present at the event & it is included in the Event hosting fee
- NOT PRESENT: the relevant staff is not present at the event

SERVICES	LD
SERVICES	COMPETITION EVENT
Calendar fee	YES
Anti- <mark>dD</mark> oping service	YES
Time-keeping service	NOB
Awards	YES
Online registration through ISMF web site	NOB
Starting numbers/bibs	NOB
Official speaker	NOB
ISMF Ranking Manager supervision	YES
Support about sustainability	YES
Pre-visit for the event check and preparation	YES
Ski pass if the race takes place in a ski resort	NOB

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2 ski passes for each na day before the competit 1 ski pass for each ISMF	t <mark>ion),</mark> official per <mark>race</mark>	- 1		
before the competition) 1 ski pass for each person	on of TV Team, In			
Team per race day of co	mpetition + 1 <mark>ex</mark>	<mark>tra </mark> day <mark>(the day be</mark>	fore the competition)	
ISMF PRESENCE	TRANSPORT EXPENSES	FINANCIAL ALLOWANCES	ACCOMMODATION EXPENSES	WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
ISMF referee President of Technical JuryJury President	Included ¹	Included ¹	Full board accommodation ²	PRESENT
ISMF - rReferee 1	Included ¹	Included ¹	Full board accommodation ²	PRESENT
ISMF – referee 2 ISMF Official Representative	Included ¹	Included ¹	Full board accommodation ²	PRESENT
National <mark>rR</mark> eferee 1 st (If possible ISMF Ref)	-	-	Full board accommodation ²	NECESSARY
National Referee 2 rd (lf possible ISMF <mark>rR</mark> ef)	-	-	Full board accommodation ²	NECESSARY
SMF Event Director	Included ¹	Included ¹	Full board accommodation ²	PRESENT
ISMF Technical Delegate	Included ¹	Included ¹	Full board accommodation ²	PRESENT
ISMF Media staff (2 persons)	I	I	Full board accommodation ²	PRESENT
Anti- <mark>dD</mark> oping doctors (2 persons)	included ¹	included ¹	Full board accommodation	PRESENT
PRE-VISIT:				
Assessors (2 persons - The ISMF Event Director Coordinator and the ISMF Technical Delegate)	included ¹	included ¹	Full board accommodation	YES

All fees are paid by the LOC directly to the ISMF. The exact amount will be established annually and officially announced during the autum

The following costs are included in the Event hosting fees:

1 All transport expenses from home to the competition event venue except extra costs of extra-continental travel, plus daily allowance for duration of event

The following costs are not included in the chart above and have to be covered by the LOC:

2 Accommodation expenses (food and lodging) from two nights before the start of the first race until the morning following the end of the event, details to be communicated in due advance. Minimum 3 stars (three-star) hotel with complimentary Internet connection (single and double rooms)

Accommodation expenses (food and lodging) from one night before the start of the first race until the morning following the end of the event, details to be communicated in due advance. Minimum 3 stars (three-star) hotel with complimentary Internet connection (single room)

The ISMF official speaker and time-keeping company are recommended

51. ON SITE LOGISTICAL ORGANISATION FOR ATHLETES

1.1. TCM

The ISMF LD competitionevent Team Captain MeetingTCM must take place before 18:30 on the eve of the race and is only open to the coaches of the National Federations NMs.

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51.2. BIE

LD competition event race numbers (bibs) must have a specific numbering system and, if possible, a different colour e.g., bibs from 1 to 99 for men, 200 to 299 for women. It is necessary to follow gender equality rules and use the same numbering for both Men and Women.

The first top 5 athletes or teams men and women must be present during the opening cceremony or bibs BIBs distribution.

for teams of the sum of the teammates. A bib list is provided by the ISMF Ranking Manager to the LOC according to the timelines as agreed between the LOC and the ISMF.

52 RACE SPECIFICATIONS

52.1. Technical details of the race track

Recommended race track following the next rules below:

- At least 85% of the elevation must be raced with skis on feet;
- At the most 15% should be raced on foot footpaths, forest tracks, etc.
- At the most 15% should be technical sections raced carrying skis on the rucksack -ridges, couloirs, etc.

The snow conditions, weather and the terrain define the final option.

The track can be the same for mMen and wWomen.

Positive ascent:

- <u>For single <mark>day's</mark> race <mark>day:</mark> recommended</mark> from 3000m to 5500m</u>
- For stage race with several multiple race days stages; recommended 3500 m/ maximum a day.

Unless there are critical weather conditions or important safety issues (and except for Long Distance races), the tracks for individual/team race must be ready in the morning on the day before the race (10h00 maximum), or the eve of the first race during a World Cup event There should be at least one track, with a few flags to give the main direction.

2.2. Starting order

Start<mark>ing</mark> order and timings will be decided in conjunction between the ISMF Sport Dep<mark>artment,</mark> and the LOC. World Cup races, it is strongly recommended to not start before 09.00 or after 17.00, except for Sprint races which can be held as a nocturnal event, upon request.

For ISMF LD competitions events the start time will be according to the duration of the race, snow conditions and weather, some special competitions races can be at night.

Unless there are critical weather conditions or important safety issues (and except for Long Distance races), the tracks for individual/team race must be ready in the morning on the day before the race (10h00 maximum) or the eve of the first race during a World Cup event There should be at least one track, with a few flags to give the main direction.

Podiums are compulsory for

- o The events of the Cups
- o The Final of the Cups, right after the podium of the Cup.
- o The Continental Championships,
- o The World Championship
- the 5 first individual competitors and the 3 first teams of each category must be awarded in all categories;
- For the cup finals, when all the categories are together, it's recommended to call up the athletes from the 15th place onwards for the prize giving.

If there are several podiums (open race, world cup, special awards), the world cup podium always takes place first. Precise information with the date, time and attending personalities must be sent to the ISMF Administrative office one month prior to the event. The award ceremonies program must be compulsorily agreed with the ISMF Event Director.

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ISMF Event Director

Is the highest ISMF official during the race;

Is the Event Director of all ISMF sporting calendar events;

Must verify and monitor the compliance by the LOC of the ISMF Rules regarding the organisation of the event. The LOC must comply with all provisions of the ISMF Event Director;

 Once appointed, contacts the LOC, follows the organisation of the event and replies to any requests from the LOC.

Ensures, together with the LOC and the environmental protection officer, that the event is run in respect of

the environment thus complying with ISMF resolutions;

Coordinates work carried out by other ISMF delegates;

Responsible for approving the protocol drawn up by the LOC;

Appointed by the Vice-President of Sport & Events;

Carries out responsibilities as outlined in the ISMF and LOC agreement;

Coordinates relation between ISMF and the LOC;

Coordinates relation between ISMF Technical Delegate and the ISMF President of the Technical Jury;

Ensures that Olympic regulations concerning Anti-doping are followed.

Once appointed, contacts the LOC, follows the organisation of the event and replies to any requests from the LOC:

Responsible for liaising with organisers/national federations, technical delegates and appointed referees concerning the general management of the event both prior and during the event,

Responsible for relations with the person in charge of the National Federation;

Is not a member of the Technical Jury but can attend the meetings of the Technical Jury, without right to vote

Can act as representative of the ISMF president;

Responsible for providing the person in charge of the protocol with any ISMF cups, trophies or medals;

Assures that prize giving ceremony protocol is carried out;

Acts as ISMF liaison to help ensure the correct organisation of doping controls protocol;

Responsible for the relations with the representative of the organisation of the sport event;

Coordinates relation between ISMF, LOC and implementation team.

Supervises with the Technical Delegate the environmental protection officer, that the event is run in respect

of the environment thus complying with the ISMF resolutions and specific local regulations;

- Must accept to attend safety committee meetings if invited;

Is coordinator of the decisional group, in the event of important decisions related to the organisation of the event.

Has the responsibility to call the Jury Consulting Group, if necessary

The President of the Technical Jury

He/she is appointed by the ISMF Referee Manager;

He/she is an international ISMF referee;

He/She is the responsible of the Technical Jury

He/she ensures that ISMF regulations are followed and resolves any registration issues (categories, etc.

He/she is in charge of relations with the technical representatives of the national federation;

He/she attends race meetings;

He/she ensures sporting fairness;

He/she calls for technical jury meetings to set up and organise the j jury's work and revise ISMF regulations before the event.

He/she coordinates referees throughout the duration of the race

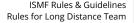
He/she is in constant contact with the LOC (LOC Race Director) during the race

He/she supervises provisional ranking, and performs an initial verification with the international referee

once he/she has received the provisional results;

He/she applies the penalties and sign the results, and request provisional results as soon as possible

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- He/she receives claims submitted within Mountaineering Sporting Rules";
- He/she signs official rankings, gives copy to the official posting;
- If the IT-Ranking Manager is not present at the event, he/she must rap e-mail to the IT-Ranking Manager and ISMF secretary office;
- He/she writes an official report, within 48 hours, addressed to the of the referees, the ISMF Council and the LOC;
- He/she can advise the LOC on technical issues/requirements

he ISMF Technical Delegate

s a technical consultant appointed by the ISMF Vice President of Sport and Events for the technical organisation of the event, working in close collaboration and coordination with the LOC Race Director, the ISMF President o echnical Jury and the ISMF Event Director.

- Advises the ISMF staff and the LOC Race Director on technical issues;
 - Is the responsible from ISMF staff on the technical issues. Can advise the Race Director and track director about technical issues.
- Has to go through (or make his/her assistants go through) the complete circuit of the competition to draw and organise the transition areas and passages in accordance with the current ISMF regulations; except fo ong Distance Competitions, where it is only possible to make a general view. The LOC safety and the track.
- Once appointed, contacts the LOC, follows the organisation of the event and replies to any technical requests from the LOC;
- Is Responsible for approving the technical protocol drawn up by the LOC
 - Coordinates the work of the ISMF technical staff throughout the duration of the race.
- Can advise the technical jury about the ISMF regulations in relation to registrations, licences, equipment and others;
- Must attend all meetings pertaining to the event, including Team Captain Meetings, pre-event meetings Technical Jury meetings);
- Is the ISMF responsible for the Team Captain Meeting presentation together with the LOC Race Director Can advise the ISMF President of the Technical Jury on decisions concerning any issues that are not provided in the ISMF "Sporting Rules & Regulations";
 - Collaborates with the President of Jury the ISMF Event Director; and the appointed person of the LOC in harge of the anti-doping, acting in coordination with the administrator of the ISMF anti-doping Commission.
- Must attend the meetings of the LOC safety committee if invited;
- Is in constant contact with the LOC race director during the event.
 - Is not a member of the technical ury but can attend the meetings of the Technical Jury, without right to vote;
- Is a member of the Technical Jury, without right to vote;
 - Collaborates with the local organisers to coordinate the work of volunteers.

he Event Jury

Composition

he Event jury is composed of:

- **ISMF Event Director**
- **LOC** Director
- Technical Delegate
- President of the Technical Jury

Role of the Event Jury

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Make decisions not included among the technical competences of the Technical Jury.

Event lury decisions

Decisions are taken by the majority of members of the Group. In the event of a draw, the decision taken by the coordinator of the Group prevails.

EVENT JURY	DECISIONS
ISMF Event Director - Coordinator	Right to vote
LOC Director/ Track Director	Right to vote
Technical Delegate	Right to vote
ISMF President of the Technical Jury	Right to vote

The Technical Jun

make decisions concerning any issues for which the ISMF "Sporting Rules & Regulations" and "Rules for

organising ski mountaineering competitions" might seem incomplete or unclear;

assess claims and decide on their outcome (only the chairman of the Jury may register a claim); ensure that races and ranking rules are respected

guarantee sporting fairness;

attend race meetings

Event Jury decisions

Decisions are taken by the majority of Technical Jury members having the right to vote. In the event of a draw, the decision taken by the chairman of the technical jury prevails in case of decisions about Offences and Penalties. It necessary, a Technical Jury meeting with at least three voters is compulsory for decisions on claims.

TECHNICAL JURY DECISIONS	OFFENCES AND PENALTIES AND DECISIONS.	
ISMF President of the Technical Jury	Right to vote	
LOC Race Director	Not vote	
1 st ISMF referee	Right to vote	
2 nd ISMF referee	Right to vote	
ISMF Event Director	No vote	
ISMF Technical Delegate	No vote	

Jury Consulting group

The role of the Jury Consulting group is to assess the Event Jury only after a request of the Event Director

The Jury Consulting Group is composed by:

- ISMF Event Director
- Two Coaches Representatives (if his/her team is not involved)
- Men athletes representative (If he is not involved)
 - Women athletes representative (if she is not involved)
- the LOC track Director.

The decision of the Jury Consulting Group is not binding for the decisions of the Event Jury.

800 – ISME Sporting rules & regulation

Only SMF licence holders can participate and be ranked in the ISMF LD competition.

In Team events only the following may participate as teams:

The team are composed by 2 or 3 racers of the same nationality and the same gender.

The 2 (or 3) members of the team must hold a valid ISMF licence, have the same nationality and belong to the same National Federation. If an athlete holding an ISMF is racing with one or two teammates not holding an ISMF licence, the team will not be ranked in the ISMF Ranking.

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On stretches using a fixed rope, where use of lanyards is compulsory, competitors athletes must not at any time detach themselves from the fixed rope. When passing a point anchoring the fixed rope, the competitor athlete must clip the second karabiner onto the following part of the rope before removing the first karabiner. Any breaches to these safety rules will be penalizsed. Penalty for not clipping the carabineer to a compulsory rope (Penalty for each anchoring when the competitorathlete is not correctly attached): 1 minute Disqualification

In addition to all the compulsory and supplementary equipment required in the ISMF Sporting Race Equipment Rules section 4.1., LD competitionevent organizers LOC might request the following supplementary equipment:

EQUIPMENT	DESCRIPTION
Lower body clothing: 3 rd layer	Soft shell double with fleece that fits the competitor athlete well. The 3rd layer is thermal clothing. See the race specific rules.
Dynamic rope	Specificity: Rope (UIAA standard 101) with a minimum diameter of 8,5mm
Ice axe	Minimum length 50cm, UIAA standard 152
Crampons	Crampons (UIAA standard 153) with steel spikes might be asked by the LOC
Others	Any other equipment requests for safety reasons

400 – ISMF Ranking rules & Regulations. Long Distance <mark>CountryNation</mark> Ranking for Continental and World <mark>cC</mark>hampionships

	LDI	LDT
Type of event	Seniors Men & Women	Seniors Men & Women
Coefficient	1	1
Number of competitors/teams that count towards country ranking, men and women	1	1

Only when a LD competition event is valid as World Championships, the quotas per nation are the following:

- Race with teams of 2 athletes: 4 SM teams + 4 SW teams
- Race with teams of 3 athletes: 3 SM teams + 3 SW teams

The LD competition ranking will only be valid if there is a minimum of 10 SM teams and 5 SW teams starting the

500 – ISMF Regulation Regarding Registration and Participation in ISMF Competitions

Composition Senior Team = any athlete 18 years old (during the year of the race) or over, (the team is automatically ranked in the senior category, no matter the age of the 2 or 3 teammates). For safety reason in LD competitions the LOC can request to ISMF that athletes must be 20 years old or over

The registration fee is at the decision of the LOC. The fee should include the race fee and full board accommodation. When possible, the LOC should also propose a registration fee including only the race fee. Accommodation is then managed directly be National Federations.

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The athletes and Teams registration is done either through the LOC website (English compulsory) or through the ISMF website according to prior agreement between the LOC and the ISMF.

55. PODIUMS <mark>AND AWARDS</mark>

Podiums are compulsory for

o The events of the Cups

o The Final of the Cups, right after the podium of the Cup.

o The Continental Championships,

o The World Championship

the 5 first individual competitors athletes and or the 3 first teams of each category must be awarded in al

categories. Medals for the podiums of the World Championships will be provided by the ISMF.

For the cup finals, when all the categories are together, it's recommended to call up the athletes from the 15th

place onwards for the prize giving

If there are several podiums (pOpen Race, world cup, special awards<mark>, etc.</mark>), the wWorld cupChampionships

podium always takes place first.

Precise information with the date, time and attending personalities must be sent to the ISMF Administrative office one month prior to the event. The Award Ceremones, programme must be compulsorily agreed with the ISMF

Event Director Coordinator.

56. PRIZE MONE

Costs assumed by the LOC

Prize Money for LD competitions

Prize-money of any LD competition event must be agreed between the LOC and the ISMF defined in a dedicate agreement with the LOC prior to the event.

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RULES FOR OLYMPIC GAMES

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57. GENERAL INFORMATION

These rules apply for Olympic Games events. Any rules not mentioned or specified below are subject to the other ISMF rules and guidelines.

58. QUALIFICATION SYSTEM – OLYMPIC RANKING LISTS

Only athletes with a valid ISMF Elite licence and from a Full Member National Federation Member (NeM) will be considered for the Olympic Ranking Lists.

58.1. Olympic Mixed Relay Ranking List (OMRRL)

The OMRRL ranks the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) based on the results achieved in Mixed Relay races during the qualification period. For the OMRRL all Mixed Relay races in the ISMF World Cup (WC) circuit during the qualification period and the Mixed Relay Senior race of the World Championships 2025 are taken into account.

58.1.1. Scoring

Place Points for each NOC are accumulated from the Nation Result List (NRL) of Mixed Relay races during the qualification period. The NRL only includes the best result in a race of each NOC (adjusted ranking) and assigns Place Points according to the World Cup Place Points table. Only the 4 (four) best results (Place Points) are taken into account for the OMRRL score. The final number of best results taken into account for OMRRL will be confirmed in October 2024.

58.1.2. Tie

In case of a tie, the following criteria will be used to break the tie:

- 1. The first 5 (five) best results;
- 2. The sum of Time Points of the considered place point (5 results);
- 3. The best ranking per NOC from OMRRL results (World Cup and World Championships at the same level);
- The second best ranking per NOC from OMRRL results (World Cup and World Championships at the same level);
- 5. Etc.

58.1.3. Change of athlete's nationality

In case an athlete changes the nationality during the qualification period, the points gained for the NOC the athlete was competing for before changing the nationality remain with that NOC.

58.2. Olympic Sprint Ranking List (OSRL)

The OSRL ranks the athletes (and their NOCs) per gender based on the results get in Sprint races during the qualification period. For the OSRL all Sprint races in the ISMF World Cup (WC) circuit during the qualification period and the Sprint Senior race of the World Championships 2025 are taken into account.

58.2.1. Scoring

Place Points for each athlete are accumulated from the official results of Sprint races during the qualification period. The OSRL assigns Place Points according to the World Cup Place Points table. Only the 4 (four) best results (Place Points) are taken into account for the OSRL score. The final number of best results taken into account for OSRL will be confirmed in October 2024.

58.2.2. Tie

In case of a tie, the following criteria will be used to break the tie:

- 1. The first 5 (five) best results;
- 2. The sum of Time Points;
- 3. The best ranking per athlete from OSRL results (World Cup and World Championships at the same level);





- 4. The second best ranking per athlete from OSRL results (World Cup and World Championships at the same level);
- Etc.

58.2.3. Change of athlete's nationality

In case an athlete changes the nationality during the qualification period, the athlete will only be ranked with the NOC he/she was competing for at the beginning of the qualification period.

59. ORGANISATION

59.1. Bib numbers

Bib numbers will be assigned according to the OSRL and OMRRL. The best athlete/NOC in the OSRL/OMRRL will have the bib number 1 etc. In case of a tie, the International Federation (IF) Delegate will flip a coin to break the tie.

59.2. Team Captain Meeting (TCM)

It is compulsory for a representative from each NOC to be present at the TCM, confirming the presence during the roll call. During the TCM, all data from NOCs and athletes will be checked, verified and signed by the NOC representative.

59.3. Substitution

If an entered athlete cannot start due to force majeure (medical certificate required), another athlete already registered in the Olympic Winter Games may take his/her place. The substitution must take place no later than 60 (sixty) minutes before the start of the track inspection.

59.4. Starting procedure

Athletes must be present in the pre-start area 5 (five) minutes before the start of the race. If not present, the SMF Race Jury could disqualify the athlete/team (Did not start - DNS).

59.5. Timekeeping

All races must be timed with a precision of 1/100th of a second. For the Sprint race, timing will be displayed with a precision of 1/100th of a second (one hundredth). For the Mixed Relay race, timing will be displayed with a precision of 1/10th of a second (one tenth). The result for each athlete will be determined and displayed with a precision of 1/10th of a second (one tenth) by truncating the calculated net time (e.g., 38:24.38 becomes 38:24.3.).

59.5.1. Photo finish

The photo finish will be watched when the timing between 2 (two) athletes on the finish line is less than 2 tens of second (<0.2"). The photo finish result has the priority on the timing. During the final, if the photo finish cannot break the tie, the teams/athletes concerned will be ranked ex-aequo. For the heats and semifinals, refer to chapter 4.6.

59.6. Protest

The Protest Period starts:

- Either after the athlete has crossed the finish line, if the penalty was displayed during the race;
- Or immediately when the penalty is displayed on the scoreboard, if the penalty was displayed after the finish.

The NOC representative must announce to the ISMF Jury President or his representative the intention to protest within 3 (three) minutes of the start of the Protest Period and must submit the protest in writing (protest protocol duly filled out) within 5 (five) minutes of the start of the Protest Period.

The ISMF Race Jury has up to 5 minutes before the official start of the Award Ceremony to respond.



Protest is only possible during:

- Sprint heats;
- Sprint final;
- Mixed Relay final.

Due to the pressure of the timeline, protest is not possible during Sprint Semifinals.

59.7 Annes

The submission time is reduced to 3 hours (Appeal Deadline).

60. SPRINT RACE

60.1. Phases

Olympic Sprint race is composed of 3 (three) phases:

#	Name	Number	Athletes	Qualification
Phase 1	Heats	x 3	3 x 6	OSRL
Phase 2	Semifinals	x 2	2 x 6	From each heat, 3 qualified athletes directly + 3 Lucky Losers from all heats.
Phase 3	Final	x 1	1 x 6	From each semifinal, 2 qualified athletes directly + 2 Lucky Losers from all semifinals.

60.2. Heats – Start list composition

The athletes will be assigned to the heats according to the following pre-defined grid:

No.	Heat 1	Heat 2	Heat 3
1	Bib #1	Bib #2	Bib #3
2	Bib #6	Bib #5	Bib #4
3	Bib #7	Bib #8	Bib #9
4	Bib #12	Bib #11	Bib #10
5	Bib #13	Bib #14	Bib #15
6	Bib #18	Bib #17	Bib #16

60.3. Position on the starting line

The best athlete enters the starting area first and chooses his position on the starting line. For the heats, the best athlete is defined by the bib number. For the semifinals and the final, the rank of the previous phase is used to define the best athlete.

60.4. Semifinals – Start list composition

Semifinal 1		Semifinal 2	
Order to choose starting position in the semifinal 1		Order to choose starting position in the semifinal 2	
1*	H1#1	1	H3#1
1*	H2#1	2*	H1#2
3	H3#2	2*	H2#2
4	H3#3	4*	H1#3
5	LL1	4*	H2#3
6	LL3	6	LL2



H1#2 means the athlete finished second in the heat 1.

* For athletes with the same rank in the previous phase, the athlete with the best race time of the previous phase chooses his/her position on the starting line first.

60.5. Finals - Start list composition

Athletes will choose their starting position following the order below:

FINAL - Start list order				
1 st position	Winner of semifinal, break tie by semifinal time			
2 nd position Winner of semifinal, break tie by semifinal time				
3 rd position 2 nd place of semifinal, break tie by semifinal time				
4 th position	2 nd place of semifinal, break tie by semifinal time			
5 th position	1st Lucky Loser: fastest time among all semifinal finishers not yet qualified for the final			
6 th position	2^{nd} Lucky Loser: fastest time among all Semifinal finishers not yet qualified for the final			

60.6. Photo finish

In case of a tie after Photo finish during heats, the lower bib number will be ranked in second place of the tie (e.g., bib 7 is lower than bib 9). In case of a tie between two athletes for the third Lucky Loser, only the athlete with the lowest bib number will be qualified.

In case of a tie after Photo finish during semifinals, the athlete with the best rank in the heats then with the best time in the heats will be ranked in first place of the tie. In case of a tie between two athletes for the second Lucky Loser, the second athlete in the tie will not be qualified for the final.

In case of a tie after Photo finish during finals, athletes will be ranked ex-aequo.

60.7. Final ranking

Athletes with the same rank in the semifinal or heats, which were not progressing to the next phase will be ranked according to their position and then their time during the previous phase. In the heats phase, ex-aequo is possible when athletes have the same time. In the semifinal, ranking is done by position, then semifinal time, then heat rank, then heat time, otherwise ex-eaquo.

60.8. Invalid Result Mark (IRM)

Did not start (DNS) / Did not finish (DNF) during semifinal will be ranked in the last position of semifinalists (e.g., 12th position). In case of several athletes with DNS, the tie will be broken by the rank after the heats.

DNS/DNF during final will be ranked in the last position of finalists (e.g., 6th position). In case of several athletes with DNS, the tie will be broken by the rank in the semifinals then their semifinal time.

DNF athletes take the rank before the DNS.

Example with 2 DNS and 2 DNF in semifinals: 12th: DNS / 11th: DNS / 10th: DNF / 9th: DNF.

DNF in heats will not be ranked in the results but be listed and marked DNF in event summaries.

Disqualified (DSQ) / Disqualified for special behaviour (DQB) athlete will not be ranked at any phase of the event.



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If a DSQ athlete is announced before the start of the next phase, the first athlete not qualified will replace the position of the DSQ athlete.

If DSQ or DQB athlete is announced after a phase, athletes ranked behind the DSQ/DQB athlete will gain one place.

61. MIXED RELAY RACE

61.1. Start list

NOCs must provide the ISMF Race Office with the composition of the Mixed Relay teams 2 (two) hours before the TCM.

61.2. Phases

For the Mixed Relay race there will be only the final phase. Therefore, it could be possible to have more than 12 (twelve) teams at the starting lines. In this case the last bib numbers will be positioned on a third line in the starting area. There will be a maximum of 6 (six) athletes on each starting line.

61.3. Position on the starting line

The female athlete from each team will start the race and will choose the position on the starting line. Bib #1 will select first, and selection follows by bib number in ascending numerical order.

61.4. Invalid Result Mark (IRM)

Team with IRM (DNS, DNF, DSQ, DQB) will not be ranked in the results, but be listed in event summaries.

In case of DQB, each team ranked behind the DQB team will gain one place.



APPENDIXES

APPENDIX W: SPRINT TIE RULES

PHASE	RULES FOR THE FINAL RESULT	RULE IF TIE AT PHOTO FINISH (inside unit) only to organise the progression system
	Place 1-6	
FINAL	Photo finish	
	Ex-eaquo possible	
	Places 7-12 (non-qualified athletes):	
	Rank in each semifinal	Photo finish
SEMIFINAL	Then semifinal time	Then rank during heats
SEMIFINAL	Then heat rank	Then time during heats
	Then heat time	Then bib number
	Then Ex-eaquo	
HEATS	Places 13-18 (non-qualified athletes):	
	Rank in each heat	Photo finish
	Then heat time	Then bib number
	Then Ex-eaquo	



TRANSITORY RULES FOR EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

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62. GENERAL INFORMATION

These transitory rules apply only for the European Championships 2024. Any rules not mentioned or specified below are subject to the other ISMF rules and guidelines.

62.1. Specification of races

A five-day event for Senior and Youth categories that must include Individual, Vertical, Sprint and Mixed Relay races

62.2. Criteria for hosting

Must have previously held an ISMF World Cup event, Youth World Cup or ISMF event or a technical visit and received a favourable ISMF report before applying to host a European Championship.

63. FEES

63.1. Calendar Fee

The Calendar Fee applicable for European Championships 2024 is 5.000,00 **EFUR**. The calendar fee will be invoiced upon publication of the event on ISMF website.

63.2. Hosting Fee

The first instalment of the Hosting Fee will be invoiced before the beginning of the season with an amount of 7.500,00 **EUR** (non-refundable). The final payment of the hosting fee will be invoiced after the event balanced out with the registration fee.

64. PRIZE MONEY

The following prize money is applicable according to the different age categories.

64.1. Senior category

The following prize money is applicable for senior categories.

PRIZE MONEY* (minimum)	SPRINT	VERTICAL	INDIVIDUAL	MIXED RELAY	
1st SM/SW	1.300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1.300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1.300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1.500 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
2 nd SM/SW	1.000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1.000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1.000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1.200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
3rd SM/SW	700 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	700 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	700 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	800 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
4 th SM/SW	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	Gift***	
5th SM/SW	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	Gift***	
TOTAL per category	3.800 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	3.800 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	3.800 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	3.500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	
TOTAL per race	7.600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	7.600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	7.600 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	3.500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	
TOTAL all races	26.300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark>				

^{*}The said amounts of prize money have to be considered gross which will be then deducted of any withholding tax in force in the LOC's nation.

64.2. U23 and Youth categories

The following prize money is applicable for U23 and Youth categories.

PRIZE MONEY* (minimum)	SPRINT	VERTICAL	INDIVIDUAL	MIXED RELAY
1st U23M/W	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-

^{**}The amount has to be considered per team. The LOC should pay exact half amount to one team member and the other exact half amount to the other team member.

^{***}The LOC shall provide both team members with a gift.



2 nd U23M/W	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	
3 rd U23M/W	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	
4 th U23M/W	Gift	Gift	Gift	-	
5 th U23M/W	Gift	Gift	Gift	-	
1st U20M/W	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	500 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
2 nd U20M/W	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	300 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
3 rd U20M/W	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €EUR</mark> **	
4 th U20M/W	Gift	Gift	Gift	Gift***	
5 th U20M/W	Gift	Gift	Gift	Gift***	
1st U18M/W	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	
2 nd U18M/W	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	150 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	
3 rd U18M/W	100 <mark>,00 <mark>€</mark>EUR</mark>	100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	-	
4 th U18M/W	Gift	Gift	Gift	-	
5 th U18M/W	Gift	Gift	Gift	-	
TOTAL per category	2.100 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	2.100 <mark>,00 E</mark> EUR	2.100 <mark>,00 E</mark> EUR	1.000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	
TOTAL per race	4.200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	4.200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	4.200 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	1.000 <mark>,00 €</mark> EUR	
TOTAL all races	TOTAL all races 13.600 <mark>,00 EEUR</mark>				

^{*}The said amounts of prize money have to be considered gross which will be then deducted of any withholding tax in force in the LOC's nation.

65. SCHEDULE OF EVENT

For ISMF events a certain event schedule is obligatory, and the following elements have to be respected. Any changes in the mentioned schedules have to be presented and approved by the ISMF Event Director Coordinator. TCMs can be combined in one, BIB distribution always has to take place the day before the respective race.

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
Arrival	Track inspection	Race 1	Race 2	Rest Day	Race 3	Race 4
Accreditation	TCM Race 1 + 2	Ceremonies	Ceremonies	TCM	Ceremonies	Ceremonies
Opening Ceremony	BIB distribution	BIB distribution	TCM	BIB distribution	TCM	Closing Ceremony
			BIB distribution		BIB distribution	Departure

66. LICENCE AND REGISTRATION QUOTAS

Athletes participating in the European Championships 2024 must hold the ISMF Elite licence.

The following quota apply for Individual, Sprint and Vertical races:

• Senior: 4 M and 4 W

• U23: 3 M and 3 W (total of 7 Seniors M and 7 Seniors W)

U20: 4 M and 4 WU18: 4 M and 4 W

The following quota apply for Mixed Relay race:

Senior: 3 teamsYouth: 2 teams

67. SERVICE PROVIDERS

The following service providers are expected at the European Championship 2024:

Official ISMF time-keeping company;

^{**}The amount has to be considered per team. The LOC should pay exact half amount to one team member and the other exact half amount to the other team member.

^{***}The LOC shall provide both team members with a gift.



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- ISMF Implementation Team's staff;
- ISMF Ranking Manager.

The LOC should provide the aforementioned persons with the necessary accommodation.

The cost of the above-mentioned services will be included in the total amount of the Hosting Fee invoice.