

PRECISIONS TO THE RULE BOOK 2011/2012.

- 304.6 Age Limit
The IPCAS competition year is 1 July - 30 June of the following year.
- In order to be eligible to compete in IPCAS competitions, the athletes/guides must have reached their 15th birthday before **the end of the IPCAS competition year** (~~1 January - 31 December~~) in question.
- ~~The right to compete starts at the beginning of the competition year (1 July) even if the competitor has not yet reached his 15th birthday at that time.~~
- ~~The exception is that a 14 year old athlete/guide may compete in the technical events for races of levels 2, 3 and 4.~~
- The exception is that athlete/guide that have reached their 14- birthday before the end of the IPCAS competition year may compete in technical events for races of levels 2, 3 and 4.**
- 304.7 **Development** Youth Competitions in IPC Alpine Skiing:
A youth competition is defined as a race where a minimum of 30% of the total competing athletes ~~are between 13 and 20 years old during the competition year.~~ **that have reached 14-20 birthday before the end of the IPCAS competition year.**
- 400.1.1 In IPCAS World Cup Races and **Europa Cup** Races
- the TD
- the Referee and
- for speed events, the Assistant Referee
- 401.3.3 For WCH/WC/**EC** the IPC Alpine Skiing STC will appoint the TD(s) after proposal from the FIS Sub-Committee for Alpine Technical Delegates.
- 402.4 Voting
The IPCAS ~~Race Coordinator~~ **TD** is the chairman of the Jury.
He/she conducts the Jury meetings. Each Jury member has a vote.
- 402.4.2 In the case of a tie, the IPCAS ~~Race Coordinator~~ **TD** has the casting vote.

329.3 At the vote on the protest, only the Jury members are to be present.

The **IPCAS Race Coordinator TD** chairs the proceedings. Minutes of the proceedings are to be kept and signed by all voting members of the Jury. The decision requires a majority of all voting members of the Jury, not just of those present. In case of a tie, the **IPCAS Race Coordinator's TD** vote is decisive. The principle of a free evaluation of the evidence is maintained. The rules on which the decision is to be based must be applied and interpreted in such ways that fair proceedings taking into account the maintenance of discipline are guaranteed.

331 IPCAS Race Coordinator

331.1 Duties and rights

~~The IPCAS Race Coordinator is not a member of the IPCAS STC but works in conjunction with the IPCAS STC and IPC Management.~~

The IPCAS Race Coordinator works in collaboration with each Regional Head of Competition for designated IPCAS events.

Reports to the IPCAS STC and IPC Management about the specific activities related to the IPCAS events for which he/she has responsibility.

- ~~The Race Coordinator chairs the Jury as an IPC representative.~~
- The Race Coordinator may assume the role of the Referee at specific designated IPCAS Sanctioned events.
- Has the authority to change the course by taking out or adding gates. The course setter must be informed of such changes if he/she was not present at this inspection.

1261.4 Injury Status, **Professional Obligation and Study Break** (IS, PO, SB):

If an Athlete requests Injury Status (IS), Professional Obligation (PO) or Study Break (SB) through their NPC using the official IPC Form, they must maintain a valid Licence throughout the status period. An athlete may only use one status at a time.

The request for break penalty for injury status must be submitted together with the Injury Survey form to be considered. **The request for break penalty for professional obligation or study break must be submitted with supporting documentation.**

Injury Status, **Professional Obligation and Study Break** requests can be submitted each season no later than 15 May of the current season. Applications received after this deadline, will applied (if approved) as of 1 July of the following season.

The application for IS, PO or SB status is valid until the end of the next competition season. After this, the NPC must apply for additional status to the IPCAS STC. If no notice is received, the status will be deleted.

A period of 3 months without competing is required to maintain the IS, PO, SB status

- After four (4) starts in the same discipline (i.e. 4SL, or 4GS) after the date of receipt of the status, the status will be deleted in all disciplines.
- After the third (3rd) month from the 2nd start in the same discipline the injury status will be deleted in all disciplines.

In the event the athlete is still under IS upon return he/she achieves two results in a given discipline with a better average than the frozen IPCAS that average will be used to calculate his/her IPCAS points.

Penalty Calculation – Time period of IS, PO and SB status:

The penalty is calculated by using the athlete's points from the valid IPCAS-Points List at the time athlete starts **the IS, PO or SB status**. The penalty is then calculated using the following criteria.

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From the first day of IS, **PO and SB status** until the end of the present competition year the IPCAS-Points will remain unchanged. For each subsequent competition year, a single penalty according 1261.3 will be added to the last valid IS points provided the athlete's Licence has been renewed.

- 1270.1 A hosting nation of a World Cup/Level 1 COC may request at latest one (1) week before the first race to the IPC Alpine Skiing STC - ipcalpineskiing@paralympic.org, for a maximum of 6 wildcards in technical events (Slalom and Giant Slalom). For World Cup Wildcards, the athletes must be at maximum 240 IPCAS points on either the GS or SL IPCAS Points list and be IPCAS Classified. For European Cup Wildcards, the athletes must be at maximum 340 IPCAS points on either the GS or SL IPCAS Point lists and be IPCAS Classified. **(According to rule 304.2)**

IPC ATHLETE NATIONALITY POLICY

Accordingly to IPC Handbook; refer to IPC Policies - Section 2, chapter 3.1

http://www.paralympic.org/export/sites/default/IPC/IPC_Handbook/Section_2/Sec_ii_chapter_3.1_Athlete_Nationality_Policy.pdf

If an NPC releases an athlete that athlete will retain his current IPCAS points.