



IPC ALPINE SKIING RULES AND REGULATIONS

**FOR ALPINE SKIING
DOWNHILL
SUPER-G
SUPER COMBINED
GIANT SLALOM
SLALOM
TEAM EVENTS**

2011/2012 Season - valid until 1 October 2012

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Section 1: Regulations

300 Joint Regulations for IPC Alpine Skiing

300.1 All competitions on the IPC Alpine Skiing Calendar must be organised in accordance with IPC Handbook and IPC Alpine Skiing Rules and Regulations.

300.2 Participation and Recognition of National Organisations

Competitions listed on the IPC Alpine Skiing Calendar are only open to properly licensed competitors entered by their National Paralympic Committees (NPC) or organisations with the delegated authorization of the nation's NPC in accordance with quotas established for the respective competition.

The IPC recognizes only one national organisation per nation to enter competitors in IPC competitions. However, the NPC will maintain the exclusive right and recognition to enter athletes from their nation in the Paralympic Winter Games and IPC Alpine Skiing World Championships.

300.3 Sanctions / Penalties

Every legal sanction or penalty imposed on and published in respect of a competitor, official, trainer or Federation/ Association will be recognised by the IPC and the National Paralympic Committee.

300.4 Technical Control

All competitions listed in the IPC Alpine Skiing Calendar must be supervised by an IPCAS appointed Technical Delegate with FIS Technical Delegate certification.

301 IPCAS Competitions

The following Alpine Skiing competitions are sanctioned by the IPC and are subject to regulations regarding participation and/or qualification:

- Paralympic Winter Games (PWG)
- IPC Alpine Skiing World Championships (WCH)
- IPC Alpine Skiing World Cups (WC)
- IPC Alpine Skiing Continental Cups (COC)
 - IPC European Cup (EC)
 - IPC North American (NAC)
 - IPC Asian Cup (AC)
 - IPC Southern Hemisphere Cup (SHC)
- IPC National Championships (NC)
- IPC IPCAS Races (IPCAS)

A competition event may comprise one or several alpine skiing disciplines. For example, the IPC Alpine Skiing World Cup Finals is an event, whereas the Downhill is a Discipline.

301.1 **Paralympic Winter Games (PWG), World Championships (WCH), World Cups (WC), Continental Cups (COC), National Championships (NC) and IPCAS Races (IPCAS)**

Disciplines

The disciplines that may be considered for IPCAS events are as follows:

EVENT	GENDER
Downhill	Men and Women
Super-G	Men and Women
Super-Combined (DH/SG & 1 SL Run)	Men and Women
Giant Slalom	Men and Women
Slalom	Men and Women
Team Event	Mixed (Not at PWG)

302 World Cup and Level 1 Continental Cup Point System, Rankings and Trophies

Cup Point System

For the IPC Alpine World Cup/Level 1 COC the same System used to determine the FIS World Cup points shall be used. Only athletes whose times are within 15% of the adjusted time of the best athlete in their category will score points.

World Cup/Level 1 COC Individual/Overall Results

To calculate the individual rankings, all points in each discipline from the competition season are added.

To calculate the overall rankings, all points in all disciplines from the competition season are added.

In the event of a tie for the top three places, Race Points Calculation in the discipline's races will be used to break the ties.

World Cup/Level 1 COC Nations Ranking

To calculate the Nations Ranking, all points from the competition season's Individual Standings of each nation will be added.

World Cup Trophies

A World Cup Trophy for the winner and medals for the top three (3) ranked athletes/guides will be awarded in each category/discipline and in the individual overall ranking competition.

Gender Overall: An Overall World Cup Trophy for the top overall male and female athlete/guide will be awarded.

For VI Categories, only One Guide per VI athlete will be awarded per discipline and overall trophies. In the event an athlete has more than one guide, the team manager must communicate the name to the IPC and LOC representatives at the last Team Captains Meeting before the award ceremony.

For the Nations Ranking competition, a Trophy will be awarded to each of the top three (3) ranked nations.

The IPC Alpine Skiing STC will provide the Trophies and Medals.

Level 1 COC Trophies

A trophy for the winner and medals for the top three (3) ranked athletes will be awarded for each category in the overall ranking competition.

One Guide per VI athlete will be awarded per discipline and overall trophies. In the event an athlete has more than one guide, the team manager must communicate the name to the IPC and LOC representatives at the last Team Captains Meeting before the award ceremony.

For the Nations Ranking competition, a Trophy will be awarded to each of the top three (3) ranked nations.

The IPC Alpine Skiing STC will provide the Trophies and Medals.

303 IPC Alpine Skiing Calendar

The competition year begins 1 July and goes to 30 June of the following year.

303.1 Bidding and Announcement

303.1.1 Any National Paralympic Committee or authorised organisation is entitled to bid to organise the IPC Alpine Skiing World Championships in accordance with the IPC Bid Application Process for World Championships.

303.1.2 Any National Paralympic Committee or authorised organisation is entitled to present a Host Expression of Interest for any IPCAS Race (Levels WC, COC, NC, IPCAS).

In order to achieve a fixed competition calendar at least two years in advance, the following preferred dates for receipt of Host Expression of Interest apply.

Races	Preferred submission date	Deadline
Level 0, 1	2 years in advance	May Meetings
Level 2, 3, 4	1 year in advance	October Meetings

The Interest Forms are published under

<http://www.ipc-alpineskiing.org/Downloads/> and must be sent to ipcalpineskiing@paralympic.org / ipcascaracecoordinator@paralympic.org

303.1.3 The IPC Alpine Skiing Calendar will be published on the website www.ipc-alpineskiing.org. It will be periodically updated to reflect changes.

Official sanctioned IPCAS races will be published on the FIS calendar under the DAR category.

303.1.4 IPCAS Competitions must take place on homologated FIS courses. The homologation certificate number must be indicated when applying for the race. The IPCAS STC may approve other courses in cases of force majeure.

303.1.5 When an NPC/NSF or an authorised organisation appoints a Race Organizer, the NPC/NSF shall send the IPC a copy of the written agreement between the NPC-NSF and this Race Organizer.

303.1.6 In the case of a postponement/cancellation of a listed race from the IPC Calendar, the organizer or hosting NPC or authorised NSF must inform the IPC immediately and a new invitation or notification must be released on the IPCAS website.

303.1.7 An organizer and its NPC failing to comply with the requirements set in the Sanctioning Application and/or formal Contract or Agreement is subject to sanctions by the IPC. This may result in deleting the races from the IPCAS calendar.

304 IPC Alpine Skiing Race Licence (IPCAS Licence)

304.1 **All athletes and guides competing in IPCAS races are required to have a valid IPCAS Licence.**

Each NPC must purchase the Licences for athletes and guides on a seasonal basis as detailed below:

- by 1 July (or before the first SH races) if competing in Southern Hemisphere competitions
- by 1 October for all other competitions.

Each athlete and every guide must pay a 60 € fee. When paying after the above deadlines, the fee will be 90€.

New athletes/guides, who have never held an IPCAS Licence, are allowed to purchase an IPCAS license by paying a 60€ fee at any time during their first season.

These fees will be reviewed every 2 years by the IPC Governing Board.

Once the IPCAS Licence fee has been paid, and the athlete has signed and returned to IPC the Athletes' Eligibility Code Form, the competitor will be included in the IPCAS Rankings Points List.

304.2 **To compete at IPCAS events, an athlete must be IPCAS Classified. Until an athlete has been IPCAS Classified, he/she will be designated N status (New), and can only compete in:**

- IPC Alpine Skiing races of levels 2, 3 and 4.

An athlete with N Status must compete in the class with the highest factor of his/her category (*)

(*) VI athletes will race as B3

Standing athletes will race with a factor of 1.000

Sitting athletes will race as LW12-2

An "N" status athlete, has one (1) year to obtain the IPCAS Classification from the first race. Results achieved throughout that period will not be recalculated.

This regulation is temporary for season 2011-2012.

304.3 By signing the Athletes Eligibility Code Form, the athlete/guide confirms possession of valid liability insurance for IPCAS events and assumes full responsibility, through his/her National Paralympic Committee.

304.4 The IPCAS Licence will only be issued to athletes/guides who meet the requirements of the IPC Athlete Nationality Code.

304.5 The IPCAS Licence will only be issued to athletes/guides who meet the requirements of the IPC Alpine Skiing minimum age limit requirements as follows:

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 calendar 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.

304.7 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.

304.8 The right to compete starts at the beginning of the competition year (July 1st) even if the athlete/guide has not yet reached the required age limit for the designated competition(s).

304.8 An athlete/guide whose licence has been suspended may have a new licence issued only after the IPCAS STC has verified that any sanctions imposed have been fulfilled.

305 Race Licence Pre-requisites

305.1 The IPC shall not issue a licence to any athlete/guide who:

305.2 has conducted his or herself in a manner that violates the principles of Fair play or does not comply with the regulations outlined the IPC Anti-Doping Code;

- 305.3 accepts or has accepted, directly or indirectly, any money / payments for their participation at competitions;
- 305.4 has not signed the Athletes Eligibility Code Form;
- 305.5 does not meet the conditions outlined in the IPC Nationality Code or age limit requirement outlined in rule 304.6; and
- 305.6 is under suspension.
- 305.7 With the issuance of a licence and race entry the National Paralympic Committee assumes full responsibility and confirms that valid insurance (as per rule 306.7) for training and competition is in place for all its athletes and guides.

306 Competitors Obligations and Rights

- 306.1 Athletes and guides must comply with the IPC Handbook, the IPC Alpine Skiing Rulebook and must comply with the instructions of the Jury.
- 306.2 Where an athlete uses a full-face helmet or blocks the bindings he/she is required to sign the relevant IPCAS Waiver.
- 306.3 Athletes and guides are not permitted to compete while under the influence of any substances or methods prohibited by the IPC Anti-Doping Code.
- 306.4 Athletes and Guides who do not attend the award ceremonies without prior notification, may lose their claim to any prize granted including money prizes.
- 306.5 Athletes and guides must behave in an appropriate and sportsmanlike manner towards members of the Organising Committee, officials and the public.
- 306.6 Athletes and guides are prohibited from betting on the outcome of competitions in which they are participating.

306.7 Competitor Insurance

- 306.7.1 All Athletes and guides participating in competitions on the IPC Alpine Skiing Calendar must carry accident insurance, in sufficient amounts to cover accident, transport, rescue costs including race risks and repatriation costs. The National Paralympic Committee or recognised FIS National Ski Association is responsible for adequate insurance coverage of all the athletes they license and enter into an IPCAS race.
- 306.7.2 The National Paralympic Committee or recognised FIS National Ski Association or their athletes/guides must be able to show proof of the respective insurance coverage at any time on request of the IPC Alpine Skiing STC, one of its representatives or the organising committee.

307 Sponsorships and Advertising

- 307.1 Teams may enter into contracts with a commercial firm or organisation for financial sponsorship and or the supply of goods or equipment.

Paralympic Winter Games have specific regulations that all NPCs must comply with.

- 307.2 Athletes/guides are forbidden to display any advertising of brands related to tobacco, alcohol products or drugs (narcotics).

308 Display of Competition Equipment during Award Ceremonies

- 308.1 Competitors are not permitted to take off skis before crossing the red line in the finish area set by the organiser.

- 308.2 A competitor is allowed to take equipment (skis, poles, ski boots, helmet, glasses) to the official ceremonies which have anthems and/or flag rising. (For PWG specific regulations apply).

- 308.3 Holding or carrying equipment on the victory podium after conclusion of the whole ceremony (handing over trophies and medals, national anthems), for press photos, pictures, etc. is permitted (For PWG specific regulations apply).

309 Organisation of Competition

309.1 The organiser

The organiser of an IPC competition is the person or group of people who make the necessary preparations and directly carry out the running of the competition in the resort.

309.2 The Organising Committee

The Organising Committee consists of those members (physical or legal) who are designated by the contracted party supplying the race service and approved by the IPC. It carries the rights, duties and obligations of the organiser.

309.3 Liability Insurance

- 309.3.1 The organizer must sign into a liability and accident insurance for all staff (IPC Personnel included), including volunteers, all other accredited staff and athletes and visitors to protect the LOC against any claim related to the activities of the Organising Committee. The IPC will additionally cover its employees and appointed officials, who are not members of the Organising Committee (e.g. TD, administrator personnel, medical supervisor, etc.), with liability insurance when they are acting on behalf of the IPC. Despite this coverage during the event, IPC staff is considered part of the LOC staff and the insurance coverage only will apply if the LOC insurance will decline a potential claim.

- 309.3.2 Before the first training day or competition, the organiser must be in possession of a binder or cover notes issued by a recognised insurance company and present it to the Technical Delegate. The Organising Committee requires liability insurance with coverage of at

least €700,000; whereby it is recommended that this sum is at least €2 million. Additionally, the policy must explicitly include liability insurance claims by any accredited participant, including athletes, against any other participant including but not limited to officials, course workers, coaches, etc.

310 Invitation/Programme

A programme (according to the standard template provided by IPCAS), must be published by the respective organisers for each competition listed in the IPC Calendar that must contain the following:

- 310.1 name, date and place of the competitions, together with information on the competition sites and the best ways of reaching them,
- 310.2 technical data on the individual competitions and conditions for participation,
- 310.3 names of principal officials,
- 310.4 time and place for the first team captains' meeting and the draw,
- 310.5 timetable for the beginning of the official training and the start times,
- 310.6 location of the official notice board,
- 310.7 time and place for the prize giving,
- 310.8 final date of entry and address for entries, including telephone, fax and e-mail address.

311 Competition Administration and Fee Regulations (Athletes and Organizing Committees)

311.1 Race-Registration Package

Athlete registration must be done through a competition registration package or system approved by the IPC Alpine Skiing STC for each IPCAS Race and each organizer.

311.2 Accommodation and Lift Fees – Races Level 0 and 1 WC and EC (and optional for races levels 2, 3 and 4)

- The fee is set at a maximum of 75€ per day per athlete/team delegate which includes accommodation, breakfast, dinner and lift ticket.
- The IPCAS STC will review this annually.
- The standard services provided by the LOC should comprise the following:
 - Double room in a minimum of three star hotel style accommodation
 - The cost of serviced apartments (including kitchen facilities) for up to 6 persons will be 60€ per day and per athlete/team delegate.
 - A number of wheelchair accessible rooms, calculated at a minimum of 35% of the total number of entries
 - Waxing rooms:

The Organizer must make available a wheelchair accessible heated room/space with enough space for a wheelchair to turn and manoeuvre and for storing skis and equipment. The ski rooms must be sufficiently ventilated. These rooms should have a minimum height of 2.4 metres, and for total area provided, 2 square metres (2m²) per athlete.

- The IPCAS STC recommends the organiser invoice up to a 30% of the total participation fee for payment one month prior to the event. Failure to pay this amount by the deadline may result in cancellation of the team's registration.

311.3 Race Entry Fee (Athletes)

The race entry fee is the amount that must be paid per athlete to the LOC, for each race including the official downhill training run specified on the programme.

In the case of a Super Combined event where the DH/SG will score as a separate race, the race entry fee must be paid. The LOC must award this race separately.

The Race Entry Fee is non-refundable provided the Jury cancels the race.

The amount payable per competition type is as follows:

COMPETITION TYPE	RACE FEE AMOUNT
Paralympic Winter Games	N/A
IPC Alpine Skiing World Championships	According IPC Competition Fee
IPC World Cup, IPC European Cup, Asia and South Hemisphere Cup	13 €
NORAM Races	Up to 30 €
NC and IPCAS level Races	13 €

311.4 Competition Sanction Fee (Organizing Committee)

An Organizing Committee must pay all competition sanction fees to the IPC according to the terms and conditions of the contract/agreement.

This Competition Sanction Fees are non-refundable.

The fees for each type of race are as follows:

COMPETITION TYPE	FEE PER RACE
Paralympic Winter Games	N/A
IPCAS World Championships	As determined by IPC
World Cup	1250 €
European Cup	450 €
NORAM, Asia and South Hemisphere Cup Races	350 €

NC and IPCAS level Races	125 €
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312 Competition Entries

- 312.1 Each NPC/NSF must submit its entries to the respective LOCs according to the dates published on the corresponding competition invitation.
- 312.2 At the request of an LOC, the IPCAS STC or Race Coordinator, the IPCAS Race Administrator will cancel a competitor's entry in a race/event if at the second Team captain's meeting his/her delegation has not covered the full costs of that competitor's participation.
- 312.3 The LOC must send IPC Alpine Skiing the latest version of the Entry list no later than one week before the first day of competition. Special entry timelines and procedures shall apply for the Paralympic Winter Games and World Championships.
- 312.4 National Paralympics Committees and authorised National Ski Federations are not permitted to enter the same competitors in more than one competition on the same date.
- 312.5 Only National Paralympic Committees and/or authorised National Ski Federations are entitled to submit entries for IPCAS Races.

All entries will minimally include the following information:

- Athlete/Guide Registration Number, (IPCAS Code)
- Family Name
- Given Name
- Gender
- Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY),
- Name of National Paralympic Committee, and recognised FIS National Ski Federation;
- Designation of the Event (s) to be entered
- Sport Class

- 312.6 The LOC and the IPC may reject any entry/entries that do not comply with the above requirements.

313 Team Captains' Meetings

- 313.1 The time and location of the first team captains' meeting and of the draw must be published in the invitation/programme. The invitations for all other meetings have to be announced to the team captains at their first meeting.
- 313.2 Two representatives of each participating nation may attend the TCMs.
- 313.3 Representation by a substitute from another nation during discussions/voting at a team captains' meetings is not allowed.
- 313.4 Team Captains and coaches must comply with the IPC Rules and Regulations and the decisions of the Jury and respect the IPC Code of Ethics.

314 Draw

- 314.1 Competitors' starting order for each event and each discipline is decided by random draw or IPCAS points order.
- 314.2 If a competitor is not represented at the draw by a team captain or trainer, they will only be drawn if their participation is confirmed by telephone, e-mail or fax to the LOC by the beginning of the team captains meeting.
- 314.4 The TD in his report must name the draw competitors not present during the competition, indicating if possible the reasons for absence.
- 314.6 If a competition has to be postponed by at least one day, the draw must be done again.

315 Start List/Publication of Results

- 315.1 For all IPCAS races, the LOC must provide the means to enable start lists and results distribution from the venue results room to the start area and for all gatekeepers.

In the venue timing/results room, access to Internet (at least DSL speed) and printer/photocopier (and its drivers) is required for World Cup, World Championships and Paralympic Games.
- 315.2 The start lists and results will be distributed on paper to all teams, officials, race office, sports presentation, protocol responsible person and media.
- 315.3 **Unofficial Times**

Times taken by the timekeepers must be considered unofficial times. They should be posted on a score-board which should be readily visible from the area provided for the competitors who have finished, and from the press area. Whenever possible, unofficial times should be announced to the public over loud-speakers.
- 315.4 **Announcement of Unofficial Times and Disqualifications**

As soon as possible after completion of the race, unofficial times and disqualifications must be published on the official notice board and also at the finish. The time limit for protest is counted from the moment of this announcement.
- 315.6 The announcement of unofficial times at the finish and start, together with written and oral announcement of disqualifications, may replace the publication on the official notice board. In this case it can be decided that protests can be delivered verbally to the Referee at the finish immediately or, at the latest, within 15 minutes after the announcement of the disqualification and that protests submitted after this are considered null and void. The team captains must be informed beforehand.

315.7 The LOC must provide the timing tapes and Timing Technical Report to the IPCAS representative on site or send them to IPC Headquarters no later than 10 days after the last sanctioned race.

316 Competitor Medical Examinations and Compliance with the IPC Anti-Doping Code

316.1 The National Paralympic Committee and the authorised organizations are responsible for the fitness of their competitors to race. All competitors are required to undergo a thorough evaluation of their medical health. This evaluation is to be conducted within the competitor's own nation.

316.2 All competitors and guides must comply with and are subject to the rules and regulations outlined in the IPC Anti-Doping Code.

www.paralympic.org/export/sites/default/IPC/IPC_Handbook/Section_2/2009_11_IPC_Anti-Doping_Code.pdf

316.3 For the Visually Impaired category, guides can also be eligible for anti-doping controls.

317 Medical Services Required from Event Organisers

The health and safety of all those involved in an IPC competition is a primary responsibility of all event Organisers. This includes the competitors as well as volunteers, course workers and spectators.

The specific composition of the medical support system is dependent on several variables:

- The size and level of the event being held (World Championships, World Cup, Continental Cup, NC, IPCAS level, etc.)
- The estimated number of competitors, support staff and spectators
- The scope of responsibility for the Event Medical Organisation (competitors, support staff, spectators) should also be determined.

The Organiser/The Chief of Medical and Rescue Services must confirm with the race coordinator and/or technical delegate that the required rescue facilities are in place before starting the official training or competition. In the event of an incident, the back up plan must be in place before recommencing the official training or competition.

318 Competition Equipment

318.1 A competitor may only take part in a competition on the IPC Alpine Skiing Calendar with equipment that complies with the IPC Rules and Regulations and as modified with approval by the IPC Alpine Skiing STC. A competitor is responsible for the equipment that they use (skis, sit-skis, bindings, outriggers, ski boots, suit, prostheses, helmets, goggles, ski poles, etc). It is each competitor's responsibility to check that the equipment they use conforms to the specifications and general safety requirements and is in working order.

- 318.2 The term “competition equipment” encompasses all items of the equipment that an athlete uses in competition, including clothing and apparatus with technical function.
- 318.3 New competition equipment developments have to be approved by the IPC Alpine Skiing STC. The IPC does not take any responsibility for the approval of new technical developments, which at the time of introduction may contain unknown dangers to the health or cause an increase in the risk of accidents.
- 318.4 New developments must be submitted to the IPC Alpine Skiing STC for consideration for the season that follows no later than **30 September** of the present competition year. The STC may grant provisional approval for use of new equipment developments for the following season. Final approval must be confirmed prior to the subsequent competition season. It is the responsibility of the competitor to seek final approval.
- 318.5 The FIS Committee for Competition Equipment publishes equipment by-laws annually. Only after review and approval by the IPC Alpine Skiing STC will the above-mentioned bylaws be adopted or adopted with modifications as appropriate for IPC Alpine Skiing and specified in the IPCAS Equipment Regulations.

www.ipc-alpineskiing.org/Rules_Regulations/

318.6 Advertising on Competition Equipment

The advertising on equipment that is used during IPC Paralympic Winter Games must conform to the IPC Manufacturing and Trademark Guidelines. Please refer to Manufacturing and Trademark Guidelines for PWG.

- 318.7 Obscene names and/or symbols on clothing and equipment are forbidden.

319 Equipment Controls

- 319.1 The IPCAS STC has full authority to control equipment. STC Head of Control and Officiating co-ordinates the process. An official IPCAS designated Equipment Controller will carry out equipment controls. Should there be a violation of Equipment Regulations, the Jury will determine the appropriate sanction.
- 319.2 In the absence of equipment controllers, equipment issues are to be dealt with by the Jury.

320 Gambling on Competitions

Competitors, trainers, team officials and technical officials are prohibited from betting on the outcome of competitions in which they are involved.

321 Sanctions

321.1 General conditions

321.1.2 An offence for which a sanction may apply and a penalty be imposed is defined as conduct that:

- is in violation or non-observance of competition rules, or
- constitutes non-compliance with directives of the jury or individual members of the jury ref. 322.2
- constitutes unsportsmanlike behaviour

The following conduct shall also be considered an offence:

- attempting to commit an offence
- causing or facilitating others to commit an offence
- counselling others to commit an offence

321.1.3 In determining whether conduct constitutes an offence consideration should be given to:

- whether the conduct was intentional or unintentional,
- whether the conduct arose from circumstances of an emergency

321.1.4 All NPCs or approved NSFs, shall accept and acknowledge these rules and sanctions imposed, subject only to the right to appeal pursuant to the IPCAS Rules and Regulations Book.

321.2 Applicability

321.2.1 These sanctions apply to:

- All persons who are accredited by the IPC or the organiser for an event published in the IPC calendar (an event) both within and without the confines of the competition area and any location connected with the competition, and
- All persons who are not accredited, within the confines of the competition area
- Penalties may also be applied to the group (trade team, team, national federation, etc.) to which the offender belongs and to its other members.

321.3 Penalties

321.3.1 The commission of an offence may subject a person or athlete/guide to the following penalties:

- Reprimand - written or verbal
- Withdrawal of accreditation
- Denial of accreditation
- Monetary fine not more than 500 €
- A time penalty

- Disqualification
 - Impairment of their starting position
 - Forfeiture of prizes and benefits in favour of the organiser
 - Suspension from IPC events
- 321.3.2 All IPC members or approved NSF are liable to the IPCAS STC for the payment of any fines and incurred administrative expenses imposed on persons whose registration they arranged.
- 321.3.3 Payment of fines is due within 8 (eight) days following their imposition.
- 321.3.4 A competitor shall only be disqualified if his mistake would result in an advantage for him with regard to the end result, unless the Rules state otherwise in an individual case.
- 321.3.5 A Jury may not impose a monetary fine of more than 500 €.
- 321.4 **The following Penalty decisions may be given verbally:**
- Reprimands
 - The withdrawal of accreditation for the current event from persons who had not been registered with the organiser through their National Paralympic Committees or National Skiing Federations
 - The withdrawal of the accreditation for the current event from IPC-accredited persons
 - The denial of accreditation to the current event from persons who are within the confines of the competition area or any other location connected with the competition.
- 321.5 **The following Penalty decisions shall be in writing:**
- Monetary fines
 - Disqualification
 - impaired starting position
 - Competition suspensions
 - Withdrawal of accreditation from persons who had been registered through their National Paralympic Committees and National Skiing Federations
 - Withdrawal of accreditation of IPC accredited persons
- 321.6 Written Penalty decisions must be sent by the IPCAS TD to the IPCAS STC Head of Technical Control and Officiating, to the offender, to the offender's National Paralympic Committee and to IPC Management.
- 321.7 Any disqualification shall be recorded in the Referee's and/or the TD's Report.
- 321.8 All penalties shall be recorded in the TD's Report.

322 Procedural Guidelines

322.1 Competence of Jury

The Jury at the event has the right to impose sanctions according to the above rules by majority vote. In the case of a tie, the chairman of the Jury has the deciding vote.

322.2 Within the location, especially during the training and the competition period, each voting Jury member is authorised to issue oral reprimands and withdraw the accreditation which is issued for the current event.

322.3 Collective Offences

If several persons commit the same offence at the same time and under the same circumstances, the Jury's decision as to one offender may be considered binding upon all offenders. The written decision shall include the names of all offenders concerned, and the scope of the penalty to be assessed upon each of them. The decision will be delivered to each offender.

322.4 All Jury decisions shall be recorded in writing and shall include:

322.5 The offence alleged to have been committed

322.6 The evidence of the offence

322.7 The rule (s) or Jury directives that have been violated

322.8 The penalty imposed.

322.9 The penalty shall be appropriate to the offence. The scope of any penalty imposed by the Jury must consider any mitigating and aggravating circumstances.

322.10 Remedies

322.10.1 A penalty decision of the Jury may be appealed in accordance with the provisions in the IPCAS Rule and Regulations Book.

322.10.2 If an appeal is not filed within the deadline established in the IPCAS Rule and Regulations Book, the penalty decision of the Jury becomes final.

322.11 Benefit Fund

All monetary fines will be paid to the IPC Alpine Skiing account for the development of the sport.

322.12 These rules are not applicable to any violation of IPC Doping rules.

323 Protests

323.1 A Jury must only accept a protest if it is based upon physical evidence.

323.2 A Jury is only permitted to re-evaluate its previous opinions where new evidence exists that relates to the original Jury opinion.

323.3 All Jury decisions are final except those that may be protested under art. 324.

324 Types of Protests

324.1 Against admittance of competitors or their competition equipment,

324.2 Against the course or its condition,

324.3 Against a competitor or against an official during the race,

324.4 Against disqualifications,

324.5 Against timekeeping,

324.6 Against instructions of the Jury.

325 Place of Submittal

The various protests are to be submitted as follows:

325.1 Protests according to the art. 324.1 - 324.6 at the location designated on the official notice board or at a place announced at a team captains' meeting.

326 Deadlines for Submittal

326.1 **Against the admittance of a competitor:**

- before the draw.

326.2 **Against the course or its condition:**

- not later than 60 minutes before the beginning of the race.

326.3 **Against a competitor or competitor's equipment or against an official because of irregular behaviour during the competition:**

- within 15 minutes after the last competitor has passed the finish.

326.4 **Against disqualification:**

- within 15 minutes after the posting or announcement of the disqualification.

326.5 **Against the timekeeping:**

- within 15 minutes after the posting of the unofficial result list.

326.6 **Against all instructions of the Jury:**

- immediately and no later than the deadlines for submittal of protest according to the art. 326.4.

327 Form of Protests

327.1 Protests must be submitted in writing to the Jury.

327.2 As exceptions, protests defined under art. 324.2, 324.3 can be made verbally

327.3 Protests must be substantiated in detail. Proof must be submitted and any evidence must be included when making the protest.

- 327.4 EUR 60 or the equivalent in another valid currency must be deposited with each protest. This deposit will be refunded if the protest is upheld. Otherwise, the funds will go to the IPCAS account and used for the development of the sport.
- 327.5 A protest may be withdrawn by the protesting party before the publication of a decision by the Jury. In this case, the deposit must be refunded. A withdrawal of the protest is however, no longer possible when the Jury or a member of the Jury takes, for reasons of time, an intermediate decision, e.g. a decision "with reserve".
- 327.6 Protests not submitted on time or in the correct manner or submitted without the protest fee are not to be considered.

328 Authorisation

The following representatives are authorized to submit protests:

- the National Paralympic Committees or authorized National Ski Associations
- the Head Coach or his/her representative.

329 Settlement of Protests by the Jury

- 329.1 The Jury meets to deal with the protests at a predetermined place and time fixed and announced by it.
- 329.2 In dealing with a protest against disqualification (art. 419), the gate judge and, if needed, also the gate judge of the adjacent gate combinations or other involved officials, the competitor in question and the protesting team captain or trainer must be invited to attend by the TD or Referee. In addition any other requested evidence such as videotape, photos, and films should be checked.
- 329.3 At the vote on the protest, only the Jury members are to be present. The IPCAS Race Coordinator 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 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 a way that fair proceedings taking into account the maintenance of discipline are guaranteed.
- 329.4 The decision is to be made public immediately after the proceedings by posting on the official notice board with the publication time stated.

330 Appeals

Please refer to the IPCAS Appeal Process posted under http://www.ipc-alpineskiing.org/Rules_Regulations/

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.

331.2 Responsibilities

- Actively search and liaise with potential organizers to build the Calendar.
- Work together with the STC during the process of calendar planning for all IPC Alpine Skiing competitions in collaboration with each Regional Head of Competition.
- Conduct Site Inspections when required according to the Calendar Planning together with the STC prior to the hosting of the event.
- Ensure all Technical Requirements (for Training and Competition) and contract provisions are correctly implemented in timely fashion by the LOC prior and during the event/competitions.
- Ensure that the Technical Delegate has all knowledge regarding IPCAS Races and works closely with him.
- To fully understand the IPCAS software and supervise its correct use and assist in solving any problems that might arise from OVR production (On Venue Results)
- Ensure that Race Results have been confirmed by the TD and correctly submitted to IPC Headquarters and the IPCAS STC Head of Tech. Control.
- To conduct the team captain's meeting.
- In a force majeure slope change situation, the Chief of Race must consult with the IPCAS Race Coordinator before any decision to change the slope is made.
- To supervise the complete execution of the race from course setting until the last competitor has finished.
- To work with the nominated course setter for speed events.

Section 2: Rules common to all Alpine Skiing Disciplines

For the technical organisation of the Paralympic Winter Games and IPC World Championships the IPC Hand Book is mandatory

400 Race Organization and Management

400.1 Appointments by the IPC Alpine Skiing Sport Technical Committee

400.1.1 In IPCAS World Cup Races

- the TD
- the Referee and
- for speed events, the Assistant Referee

400.1.2 For Paralympic Winter Games and IPCAS World Championships

- all Jury members (except Chief of Race)

400.1.3 In all other level of IPCAS races the Technical Delegate appoints:

- the referee and
- for speed events, the Assistant Referee

400.1.4 By these appointments the above persons become members of the Organising Committee.

400.2 Appointments by the Organizer

The organiser appoints all other members of the Local Organising Committee. The chairman or his representative represents the committee in public, leads the meetings and makes decisions concerning all matters that are not made by other persons or groups. Before, during and after the competition he works closely with the IPCAS STC and their appointed officials. He takes on all other duties that are necessary for carrying out the competition.

The following officials must be appointed:

400.2.1 *The Chief of Race*

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

400.2.2 *The Chief of Course*

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

400.2.3 *The Start Referee*

The start referee must remain at the start from the beginning of the official inspection time until the end of a training/event.

- He makes sure that the regulations for the start and the start organisation are properly observed.
- He determines late and false starts.
- He must be able to communicate immediately with the Jury at all times (see ICR 705.5)
- He reports to the referee the names of the competitors who did not start and informs the Jury of all infringements against the rules, such as false or delayed starts or violations against the rules for equipment.
- He must ensure that reserve bibs are at the start.

400.2.4 *The Finish Referee*

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

400.2.5 *The Chief Gate Judge*
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

400.2.6 *The Chief of Timing and Calculations*
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

400.2.7 *The Race Secretary*
The race secretary is responsible for all secretarial work for the technical aspects of the competition and amongst others for the preparation of the draw. He is responsible for the minutes of the technical officials, the Jury and team captains' meetings.
He ensures that all forms for start, finish, timing, calculations, and gate- judging are well prepared, and handed over to the officials concerned in good order at the proper time. He receives official protests and gives them to those who are concerned. He facilitates the calculation of results by appropriate preparation and ensures that they are duplicated and published as quickly as possible after the completion of the competition.

400.2.8 *The Chief of Medical and Rescue Services*
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

401 The Jury

The following members of the Jury are responsible for technical matters within the closed competition areas:

- the Technical Delegate
- the IPCAS Race Coordinator
- the Referee
- the Chief of Race
- the Assistant Referee for Downhill and Super-G
- the Start Referee (Only for PWG)
- the Finish Referee (Only for PWG)

401.1 Appointment by the IPCAS STC of the Jury for Paralympic Winter Games

- the Technical Delegate(s)
- the Race Coordinator
- the Referee
- the Assistant Referee
- the Start Referee
- the Finish Referee
- the OVR Supervisor (non – voting rights)

The Jury should include one lady if possible.

401.2 All Jury members must be able to communicate in English.

401.3 *The Technical Delegate (TD)*

401.3.1 In order to qualify, a proposed member must hold a valid licence as a Technical Delegate of the FIS.

- 401.3.2 For PWG, the IPC Alpine Skiing STC will recommend the Technical Delegate(s) to the IPC Governing Board for appointment.
- 401.3.3 For WCH/WC the IPC Alpine Skiing STC will appoint the TD(s) after proposal from the FIS Sub-Committee for Alpine Technical Delegates.
- 401.3.4 For all other level of races the process follows the International Ski Federation regulations

402 Exclusions

- 402.1 A competitor cannot be a member of the Jury.
- 402.2 *Tenure of the Jury.*
The appointed Jury members gather for their first meeting prior to the first Team Captain's meeting.
- 402.3 The active duty of the Jury begins with its first meeting and ends, if no protest is submitted, at the expiration of the protest deadline, otherwise after dealing with all submitted protests.
- 402.4 *Voting*
The IPCAS Race Coordinator is the chairman of the Jury. He/she conducts the Jury meetings. Each Jury member has a vote.
 - 402.4.1 Decisions are made by simple majority vote of members present.
 - 402.4.2 In the case of a tie, the IPCAS Race Coordinator has the casting vote.
- 402.5 Minutes are to be kept of all meetings and decisions of the Jury and signed by each individual member of the Jury, with each individual vote on decisions recorded.
The minutes must be written in English.
- 402.6 In cases where an immediate decision must be made and it is not possible to convene the entire Jury, each member of the Jury has the right, prior to or during the race, to make decisions which according to the rules per se are reserved to the Jury as a whole; but only provisionally with the obligation to have the decision confirmed by the Jury as soon as possible.
- 402.7 *Duties of the Jury*
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)
- 402.8 *Questions not Covered by Rules*
In general, the Jury takes decisions on all questions not clarified by the Rules
- 402.9 *Radios*
At all competitions published in the IPC Calendar, the Jury members plus start and finish referee must be equipped with radios. These must function on a single reserved frequency and be free of interference.
- 402.10 *Duties and rights of the Referee*

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

- 402.11 *The Technical Delegate (TD) and his Duties*
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR) except for the provisions outlined in this rulebook.

403 Course Setter

- 403.1.1 For PWG/WCH/WC the IPC Alpine Skiing STC will appoint the course setters taking into consideration the participating NPCs.

- 403.1.2 For European Cup Finals the STC will appoint the course setter.

- 403.1.3 For all other competitions entered in the IPCAS and the FIS Calendar the appointments are made by the Jury.

- 403.1.4 The work of the course setter is supervised by the Jury and/or the IPCAS Race Coordinator/IPC Head of Competition.

403.2 Replacement of Course Setters

The course setter has to be a certified coach. The STC has the right to ask for the certification.

403.3 Rights of the Course Setter

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

403.4 Duties of the Course Setter

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

404 Forerunners

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

405 Start, Finish, Timing and Calculations

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

406 Start and Finish Officials

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

407 The Start

407.1 The Start Area

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

407.2 The Start Ramp

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

407.3 Specification of the Start Gate

The start gate must be adjustable from 40 cm height for standing athletes to 80 cm height for sit-skiers. The distance between the start posts for sit-skiers must be 80 cm.

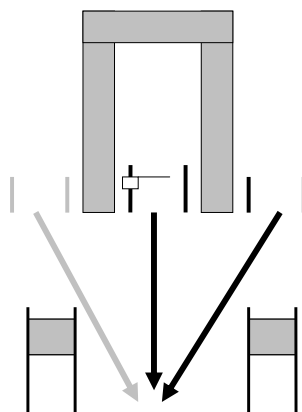
- 407.3.1 *Start Adaptations for the visually impaired*

In the B-classes the guide cannot pass through the starting gate.

The start area includes an adequate space for the guide (recommended one (1) meter on each side), always in relation to the first gate of the course.

The space should be equal and at the same level with the start position and with the same elevation as the competitor.

The start ramp shall be prepared in such a way that the guide can stand relaxed on the starting line and can quickly reach full speed after leaving the start.



407.4 **Start Procedure**

All outside help is forbidden. By order of the starter, the athlete must plant his/her poles/outriggers in front of the start line or wherever indicated. Pushing off or bracing from the start posts/frame or other aides is forbidden.

- Standing athletes using poles or outriggers must put them in front of the start gate (wand). The Outriggers or poles must remain in a fixed still position on the snow before the racer's start.
- For sitting categories Outriggers must remain in a fixed still position on the snow before the racer's start.
- For all athletes, the ski tip(s) must remain beyond the start gate (wand) during the entire start procedure.

407.5 **Start Signals**

10 seconds before the start, the starter will tell each competitor "10 seconds". Five seconds before the start, he should count "5, 4, 3, 2, 1" and then give the start command "Go - Partez - Los".

(For Slalom see FIS ICR artc.805.3)

407.6 **Start Timing**

The start timing shall measure the exact time the competitor crosses the start line with his leg below the knee except for sit-skier (start gate height for sit-skier is 80 cm).

- 407.7 **Delayed Start**
A competitor who is not ready to start on time will be sanctioned. The start referee may however excuse such a delay if, in his opinion the delay is due to "force majeure". For example, breakdown of a competitor's personal equipment or minor sickness of a competitor, does not constitute "force majeure".
In case of doubt, the Jury may allow the start provisionally.
- 407.7.1 The start referee makes the decisions after consultation with the Jury and must record the start numbers and names of competitors who were not allowed to start because of late appearance, or who were allowed to start in spite of late appearance, or who were allowed to start provisionally.
- 407.7.2 In the case of fixed start intervals, the delayed competitors may start at the fixed interval after he has reported to the start referee, in accordance with the decision of the Jury. The start referee informs the Jury as to when (after which start number) a delayed competitor is starting.
- 407.7.3 In the case of irregular start intervals, the delayed competitor will start according to art. 805.3. from the ICR. The start referee informs the Jury as to when (after which start number) a delayed competitor is starting.
- 407.8 **Valid Start and False Start**
In competitions with a fixed start interval the competitor must start on the start signal. The start time is valid if it occurs within the following limits: 5 seconds before and 5 seconds after the official start time. A competitor who does not start within that space of time will be disqualified.
The start referee must inform the Referee of the start numbers and names of the competitors who made a false start or have contravened the starting rules.
- 408 **Course and Competition**
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)
- 409 **The Finish**
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)
- 410 **Award Ceremony**
The LOC will arrange the Award ceremonies in consultation with the IPCAS STC
- 410.1 In the event an organizer chooses a flower or medal ceremony before the protest time has expired, it will be at its own risk and responsibility.

411 Group Draw and Starting Order

411.1 The IPCAS points list must be used for the ranking of competitors. If a competitor does not appear in the last valid IPCAS point list, he will be assigned to the group of competitors without points.

411.2 Starting order by category:

- Starting order is: Visually Impaired – Standing - Sitting

The Jury has the ability to change the start order.

411.3 Start Groups

- The starting order of the competitors in all alpine competitions is determined by their IPCAS Points as follows:
- The maximum number of athletes in a starting group for all IPC Alpine Skiing competitions is 15 athletes.
- In case of an equality of points in the 15th rank, the first group can be increased accordingly.
- Only Athletes with 100 IPCAS Points or less will be drawn by random in the Starting group.
 - If there are more than 15 athletes with 100 (or less) IPCAS Points the 15 with the lowest IPCAS points will be in the 1st starting group

The remaining athletes will be drawn according to the IPCAS Points. Athletes without IPCAS points will drawn at random.

411.4 Starting order for the second run

In competitions with two runs, the starting order of the second run is determined by the results list of the first run except for the first 15 ranked athletes, who will start in reverse order of finish. If more than one competitor is ranked 15th, the competitor with the lowest bib number will start first.

412 Start Intervals

412.1 Start Intervals in IPC Races

The start can take place in each discipline at variable intervals as determined by the Jury. The competitor on the course does not need to cross the finish before the next competitor starts. Athletes in the B1 class should have nearly completed the course prior to the next athlete starting.

413 Re-Runs

413.1 Pre-Requisites

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

413.1.1 If a competitor is stopped by a yellow flag, he has the right to a re-run, under the condition that the Jury considers this possible from an organisational point of view. The Jury should ensure that the competitor's re-run takes place before the last competitor of the race (preferably in the athlete's category on the start list of the race, or training run in the case of Downhill).

413.2 Grounds of Interference

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

413.2.1 Interruption by an official in a "yellow zone"(see 414.1).

413.3 Validity of a Re-run

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

413.4 Start Time of Re-Run

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

413.4.1 With non-fixed start intervals, the procedure is in accordance with the provisions of art.805.3 of the ICR

414 Interruption of the Run or Training

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

415 Not Permitted to Start

A competitor will not be permitted to start in any IPCAS International Ski competition who:

415.1 wears obscene names and/or symbols on clothing and equipment or behaves in an unsportsmanlike manner in the start area

415.2 in Downhill if he has not participated in at least one timed training run

415.3 does not wear a crash helmet that conforms to the competition equipment specifications or does not have ski brakes on their skis or has not signed the waiver for equipment if needed

415.4 was disqualified, (DSQ) did not start (DNS), did not finish (DNF) or did not qualify (DNQ)

416 Disqualifications

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

416.1 Disqualification occurs if an athlete/guide does not pass through a gate correctly or does not start within the time limits as described in art. 407.8).

417 Competitions under Artificial Light

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

- 418 Gate Judges' Instructions**
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)
- 418.1 A gate has been passed correctly when both the competitor's ski tips and both feet have passed across the gate line. If a competitor loses a ski, without committing a fault, then the tip of the remaining ski and both feet must have passed the gate line. Athletes with one ski/boot or boot-plate of the sit-ski, must have correct passage.
- 419 Gate Poles**
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)
- 419.1 *Slalom*
For IPCAS Slalom races, poles with a diameter of 27mm must be used.
- 420 Gate Flags**
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)
- 421 Rules about Homologation**
As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

Section 3: Particular Rules for the Different Disciplines

In all IPCAS competitions and disciplines, the IPCAS Vertical Drop specifications apply (Regulation 1500).

700 Downhill

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

702.1 Particular Regulations for the Course Layout

For the courses on the sport category Sitting and Visually Impaired skiers, multiple jumps and multiple compressions should be eliminated.

800 Slalom

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

On single gate slalom, where there is no outside pole and a racer misses the gate, then he has to climb back up to a point at least level with the pole.

900 Giant Slalom

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

1000 Super-G

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

1002 The Courses

1002.1 Particular Regulations for the Course Layout

For the courses on the sport category Sitting and Visually Impaired skiers, multiple jumps and multiple compressions should be eliminated.

1100 Super-Combined

As per International Ski Federation Rules and Regulations (see ICR)

1101 Team Events

Team Composition

- between 3 and 6 athletes with maximum two (2) athletes per category.
- Representation from both genders and at least two out of three categories (VI, Standing and Sitting) represented.

Nations may enter a maximum of two (2) teams in the event.

The competitors for each team must be named before the draw.

Results Calculation

- Both genders and two different categories must be taken into account for the final result.
- The final results calculation will be based on the addition of the best three athlete's times.

Section 4: Special Rules

1260 RACE POINTS AND PENALTY CALCULATION

1260.1 Race Points Calculation:

The race points will be calculated according to the FIS alpine formula.

P = Race points of athlete x

$$P = \left(\frac{T_x}{T_o} - 1 \right) * F$$

T_x = Calculated Time of competitor x in seconds

T_o = Calculated Time of the overall gender winner in seconds

F = Discipline factor (See 1582)

1260.2 Race Penalty Calculation:

The IPCAS – Race Penalty Calculation will be calculated in accordance with the current Rules of FIS Race Points penalty calculation, applying IPCAS parameters.

1260.3 IPCAS Points Result

The IPCAS – Points Result in a given race, will be the addition of the race points of the athlete and the race penalty.

1261 IPCAS POINTS CALCULATION

1261.1 Publication

IPCAS STC will publish the IPCAS-Points Lists according to a timeline defined by October of the competition year. Note that the published points list for July, August and September will include athletes who had a valid licence in the previous competition year.

The IPCAS Points List is available under www.ipc-alpineskiing.org

1261.2 Calculation

The average of a competitor's best two IPCAS points results in each discipline during the validity period will be used for the calculation of the IPCAS points. (The validity period is 15 months).

1261.3 IPCAS Points Penalty Values

- Single Penalty 44%
- Range of penalty applied:
Minimum 10 and maximum 50 points (for all disciplines)
- Double Penalty 88%
- Range of penalty applied:
Minimum 20 and maximum 100 points (for all disciplines)

1261.3.1 Athletes with One Result

If in the validity period, there is only one result for a given discipline, a single penalty will be applied to the single result in that discipline.

1261.3.2 Athletes with No Result

If in the validity period, there are no available results for a given discipline, a double penalty will be applied to the last available IPCAS points' value in that discipline.

This will be applied only to IPCAS points between 16 and 24 months back. Points beyond 24 months will be discarded.

1261.4 Injury Status (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 a break penalty for injury status must be submitted together with the Injury Survey form to be considered.

Injury Status 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:

The penalty is calculated by using the athlete's points from the valid IPCAS-Points List at the time athlete starts their IS. The penalty is then calculated using the following criteria.

IPCAS-PL:

From the first day of IS 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 Participation in IPCAS Competitions

The STC Committee will review and publish the participation criteria at IPC competitions at the beginning of the competition year.

- 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 lists and be IPCAS Classified.

For European Cup Wildcards, the athletes must be at maximum 340 IPCAS points on either the GS or SL IPCAS Points lists and be IPCAS Classified.

Section 5: Specific Rules for IPC Alpine Skiing

1300 Technical Rules

1301 Special Rules for Standing Athletes

Athletes in classes LW 2 and LW 9 skiing with one ski are not allowed to use the free limb in contact with the snow to gain speed or to keep balance. Any violation of this rule will cause a disqualification.

1302 Special Rules for Visually impaired Athletes

1302.1 In all sport classes where an athlete is permitted to use a guide, both the athlete and the guide will be governed by the IPC Athlete Nationality Policy. Therefore both the athlete and the guide will be nationals of the country or territory of the NPC/NSF that enters them in any IPC Sanctioned competition.

1302.1.1 Changing guides

During competition in the event of a guide's injury or illness an athlete is permitted to change his/her guide with the approval of the jury. This guide must be IPCAS licensed.

In all other circumstances an athlete must make a written request in advance to the STC AS explaining their reasons for changing guides.

1302.2 For all B-classes the use of a guide is obligatory.

1302.3 For safety reasons, guides must have suitable vision defined as follows: the visual field must be within normal limits and the visual acuity in one eye at least 0,5 and in the other eye at least 0,2 (with best correction). The NPC's are responsible to guarantee the guides' visual eligibility.

1302.4 Guidance must be by voice and/or radio communication. Voice amplification between guide and competitor is accepted. No other means of communication is allowed during alpine races.

1302.5 Physical contact between the guide and competitor during the race will lead to disqualification.

1302.6 All competitors in class B1 must wear blacked-out goggles during the competition. The model of the blacked-out goggles is optional, but they can be controlled by the jury.

1302.7 VI athletes will be permitted to start course inspection ten (10) minutes prior to other athletes.

1302.8 Competitors and their guides are permitted to sideslip or snow plough at low speed, through the gates but never more than 3 consecutive gates, during the official inspection, if approved by the jury.

1302.9 The same sanctions that apply to an athlete, may be applied to a guide.

1303 Guides

1303.1 All guides must guide VI athletes from the front. An exception can occur only between the last gate and the finish line, where the athlete can overtake the guide.

1303.2 The distance between guide and athlete in technical events (Slalom and Giant Slalom) must not exceed two direction changes and in speed events (Downhill and Super-G) must not exceed one direction change. Failure to comply will lead to disqualification.

1303.3 The guide must pass through all gates.

1303.4 All guides must wear the supplied competition bibs.

The guide bibs must meet the following specifications:

- Have a clearly visible “G” on the front and the IPC Alpine Skiing logo on both shoulder fronts.
- The back of the bib may be any colour which best accommodates the individual needs of visually impaired competitors.
- Bibs will be individually numbered for identification.

If a guide bib is lost or damaged, the IPC Alpine Skiing STC will charge the competitor a fee of 100 Euros.

1304 Microphones

Public address systems, snow machines or other noise must be kept to a minimum at the start, finish and on the entire race course for all visually impaired competitors.

1305 Course Preparation

The course crew must be trained to prepare the course for the alpine skiing for athletes with disability in order to avoid race interruption. In Slalom, the course on all sides of the turning pole must be kept clear of snow build-up to allow for the stabilizers.

1500 Check List for Slope Specifications

Vertical Drop (VD), Number of Gates (NG), Direction Changes (DC) and Flags.

Competition Discipline		PWG - WCH - WC	COC	NC & IPCAS
DH	VD	450- <i>800m</i>	400- <i>800m</i>	1 Run: 400-500m 2 Run(*): 350-400m
	NG	as required	as required	as required
	Flag	1,00 x 0,75 red (blue)	1,00 x 0,75 red (blue)	1,00 x 0,75 red (blue)
SG	VD	400 - 600m	350 - 600m	300 - 500m
	NG/DC	7% minimum Number of direction changes	7% minimum Number of direction changes	7% minimum Number of direction changes
	Flag	0,75 x 0,50 red & blue	0,75 x 0,50 red & blue	0,75 x 0,50 red & blue
GS	VD	300 - 400	250 - 400	200 - 300
	DC	11% - 15% Number of direction changes	11% - 15% Number of direction changes	11 - 15% Number of direction changes
	Flag	0,75 x 0,50 red & blue	0,75 x 0,50 red & blue	0,75 x 0,50 red & blue
SL	VD	140 - 220	120 - 200	80 - 140 3 Run: min. 50m
	DC	30% - 35 % of the vertical drop +/-3 direction changes/	30% - 35 % of the vertical drop +/-3 direction changes/	30% - 35 % of the vertical drop +/-3 direction changes/
	Poles*	27mm	27mm	27mm

1582 Race Levels valid for Season 2011/2012

Description	Race Level	Category Adder	Minimum Penalty	Maximum Penalty
PWG, WCH, WC	0	0	0	0
COC (EC)	1	2	5	200
COC (NORAM, Asia Cup & SH Cup)	2	5	10	250
NC	3	10	20	300
IPCAS Race	4	15	25	300

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DH: 1330
SL: 610
GS: 870
SG: 1060
SC: 1130

GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS

AS	Alpine Skiing
IPC	International Paralympic Committee
IPCAS	International Paralympic Committee Alpine Skiing
STC	Sport Technical Committee
WCH	Alpine Skiing World Championships
WC	World Cup
COC	Continental Cup
EC	European Cup
AC	Asian Cup
FIS	Fédération Internationale de Ski (International Ski Federation)
ICR	International Competition Rules (of FIS)
NAC	NorAm Cup
NC	National Championship
NG	Number of Gates
NPC	National Paralympic Committee
NSF	National Ski Federation
LOC	Local Organizing Committee
PWG	Paralympic Winter Games
SHC	Southern Hemisphere Cup
TD	Technical Delegate
VD	Vertical Drop