

IFSS WORLD CUP

GENERAL CONDITIONS, REQUIREMENTS, AND DEFINITIONS

(2013-2014)

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A. ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE (AC)

1. The IFSS World Cup will be administered by the Accreditation Committee

B. APPLICATIONS

- 1. In principle, IFSS accredits only World Cup Race Classes individually in Events of international importance. Race organizers may apply for accreditation of individual races of their events. Continental organizations may apply for accreditation of races of a group of events providing at least ten (10) events are included in the application.
- 2. Each country within a continent is limited to 3 x Dryland and 4 x On Snow Events per season, with the exception of Canada and North America where they are limited to 10 x Dryland and 10 x On Snow Events per season.
- 3. Applications for each Class and Race will be presented to the AC at least 30 days before the start of events. Late applications will be accepted at the AC's discretion. IFSS reserves the right to reject applications which, in the opinion of the IFSS, do not benefit the IFSS or the sport.
- 4. Races must use IFSS racing rules, or rules, regulations and procedures consistent with IFSS principles for the performance of the sport, providing for fair and equitable competition, qualified and competent officials, and adequate protections for the safety of all participants.
- 5. Accreditation Fees for World Cup Races shall be established by the Council. The World Championship Races shall automatically be included in the World Cup series. No accreditation fee other than the contractual World Championship accreditation fee shall be imposed on the World Championship organizer. A portion of the World Championship accreditation fee equivalent to the accreditation fees of the corresponding World Cup Races will be included in the amount distributed as per Chapter I below.
- 6. In the case of Applications that do not fall clearly in established classifications or other situations not clearly covered by the rules, the Accreditation Committee (AC) will present its recommendations to the Vice President

for Sport and to the Council for a variance, clarification or amendment to these regulations and procedures. The AC may at its discretion refuse or accept applications considering the conditions and procedures listed, and based on the interests of compatibility, accessibility, and consistency of the program subject to review by the Council.

6. The World Cup season is from June 1 to May 31.

C. CONTINENTS

See definitions in By Laws D.1.5.

D. DEFINITIONS

CLASSES:

The following classes can be accredited

- Snow Sprint 4, 6, 8/10, Unlimited
- Junior Snow Sprint 4 Dog
- Snow Mid Distance 6, 8/12
- Snow Long Distance Unlimited
- Men & Women's Pulka 1 Dog, 1-4 Dog
- Junior Men and Women's Pulka 1 Dog
- Men & Women's Skijoring 1 Dog, 1-2 Dog
- Junior Men and Women's Skijoring 1 Dog
- Men, Women & Junior's Combined
- Dryland Men, Women & Junior's Canicross 1-Dog
- Dryland Men, Women & Junior's Bikejoring
- Dryland 1 & 2 Dog Scooter
- Dryland Junior 1 Dog Scooter
- Dryland 4, 6, & 8 Dog Rig
- Dryland Junior 4 Dog Rig

EVENTS: All Races held in the same vicinity or location and time managed by the same organization.

RACES: Individual Classes at an Event.

STAGE RACE: a race of more than three heats/stages

HEATS, STAGES: Discrete competitions within a Race and contributing to the cumulative time, they may be daily heats or stages, or multiple heats or stages on the same day.

E. ENTRIES AND ELIGIBILITY

1. Continental Awards will be based on the competitor's sports nationality primarily and Continent of residence secondarily where sports nationality is not definitive. A competitor residing for more than 24 months in a different country than his/her nationality may choose to be considered as a national of his country of residence.

F. POINTS SYSTEM FORMULA

The Race Points Score (RPS) credited to each individual participant in each race is based on the overall/final results of the race as follows:

RPS = (Duration factor) X (Winner's time overall / Individual's time overall) X 100

For a one heat (or one stage) race, the Duration factor shall be 0.8, for a 2 or more heats (or stages) race the factor will be 1.0 and for the World Championship the factor will be 1.2.

There should be a minimum of 5 starters in a race for the race to be counted in the World Cup. This minimum number of starters is dropped to 3 for Skidog style classes. If less than 5 teams (respectively 3 for Skidog style

classes) start in one class, the race accreditation fee will be returned. If men and women are mixed in a class where they are normally ranked separately, their points will be calculated as participants of one single class.

G. REPORTING RESULTS

Race results must be submitted by email in a standard excel format within 10 days after the completion of the event.

*All results to be included in the WCp pointscore must be received by the AC no later than May 31 each season.

H. RANKING AND FINAL STANDINGS

- 1. Final standings and current rankings are based on the Individual Scores of all competitors in all Races during the same season in the same class or group of classes (see chapter J below). The Individual Score is the sum of each competitor's best 5 RPS (Race Point Scores) for the season and to date, respectively.
- 2. In any class there must be races on two continents for global titles and awards to be presented in that class. Otherwise only WCp Continental titles and awards will be presented and if only one race is accredited in the class (except WCh) they can be given the option to withdraw with a refund of fees.
- 3. The top 3 overall World Cup ranked competitors and the number one continental World Cup competitors in each class will be preselected in their class by IFSS for the following World Championship. These selections will not be considered part of (not deducted from) their National Member's allocations (national contingent).

I. DISTRIBUTION OF ACCREDITATION FEES

Not applicable for the season 2012/2013

J. WORLD CUP GROUPS OF CLASSES AND DISTANCES

Some classes are grouped together to allow participants running in similar classes to cumulate points from the classes of the same group. Nordic Breeds classes are grouped similarly.

DRYLAND

Groups of classes:

- Canicross and Bikejoring women (DWC and DWB)
- Canicross and Bikejoring women Juniors (DWCJ and DWBJ)
- Canicross and Bikejoring men (DMC and DMB)
- Canicross and Bikejoring men Juniors (DMCJ and DMBJ)
- One dog and two dog scooter (DS and DS2)
- One dog scooter Juniors (DSJ)
- 4 dog, 6 dog and 8 dog rig (DR4, DR6 and DR8)
- 4 dog juniors (DR4J)

Distances (per heat):

Canicross (Men & Women) - 2-8 km (1.25 - 5 miles)

- 1 Dog (Men & Women) Bikejoring 2-10 km (1.25 6.25 miles)
- 1 Dog Scooter 2 8 km (1.25-5 miles)
- 2 Dog Scooter 2 8 km (1.25-5 miles)
- 4 Dog rig 4 8 km (2.5 5 miles)
- 6 Dog rig 5 10 km (3.1 6.25 miles)
- 8 Dog rig 5 12 km (3.1 7.5 miles)

SKIDOGS (Skijoring, Pulka, Combined)

Group of Classes:

- Skidog Men (Skijoring 1 dog "NMS1", skijoring 1-2 dog "NMS2", pulka 1 dog "NMP1", pulka 1-4 dog "NMP4", 1-dog combined "NMC")
- Skidog Men Juniors (NMSJ, NMPJ, NMCJ)
- Skidog Women (Skijoring 1 dog "NWS1", skijoring 1-2 dog "NWS2", pulka 1 dog "NMP1", pulka 1-4 dog "NWP4", 1-dog combined "NWC")
- Skidog Women Juniors (NWSJ, NMPJ, NWCJ)

Distances (per heat):

Women: 5 – 25 km (3.1 – 15.6 miles) Men: 5 – 25 km (3.1 – 15.6 miles)

If a Skidog style race of more than one heat does not reach the minimum requirement for each heat but does it for the total event, that class will be considered like a one heat race (Duration factor = 0.8, see § F. above).

SPRINT (4, 6, 8 Dog, Unlimited)

Classes:

- Four Dog Sp4
- Four Dog Juniors Sp4J
- Six Dog Sp6
- Eight dog Sp8
- Unlimited SpU

Minimum Distance requirements:

4 Dog: 6km each day (4 miles) 6 Dog: 9km each day (6 miles) 8/10 Dog: 14km each day (9 miles) Unlimited: 20 km each day (12 miles)

MID DISTANCE (6 DOG, 8/12 DOG)

<u>Classes:</u>
6 dog (MD6)
8-12 dog (MD8-12)

Minimum distances:

35 km (22 miles) each heat/stage if more than one heat/stage or 50 km (31 miles) in one heat.

LONG DISTANCE (8 DOG, UNLIMITED) (LD8, LDU)

Minimum distances:

100 km (62 miles) each heat/stage if more than one heat/stage or 200 km (125 miles) in one heat.

STAGE RACES

A stage race will be considered a sprint stage race or a distance stage race depending on the average length of its stages (total length of the race divided by the number of stages). The Accreditation Committee may choose to classify a race considering first the type of competitors involved rather than the length of the stages.

K. ACCREDITATION FEES

Not applicable for the season 2013/2014