World Para Snowboard Rules and Regulations

For Snowboard Cross, Banked Slalom, Giant Slalom & Team Events

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Section 1: Regulations

300 Joint Regulations for World Para Snowboard

300.1 All competitions on the World Para Snowboard (WPSB) Calendar must be organised in accordance with IPC Handbook and World Para Snowboard Rules and Regulations.

300.2 Participation and Recognition of National Organisations

Competitions listed on the World Para Snowboard 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.

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

300.3 Sanctions / Penalties

Every legal sanction or penalty imposed on and published in respect of a competitor, official, coach or Federation will be recognised by WPSB and the NPC.

300.4 Technical Control

All competitions listed in the World Para Snowboard Calendar must be supervised by:

- appointed World Para Snowboard Technical Delegate, and
- for PWG, WCH and WC, an appointed World Para Snowboard Race Director.

300.5 Every legal sanction imposed and published in respect of a competitor, official or trainer will be recognised by WPSB, the NPC, and the authorized National Ski Federations (NSF) respectively.

301 WPSB Competitions

The following Snowboard competitions are sanctioned by WPSB and are subject to regulations regarding participation and/or qualification:

- Paralympic Winter Games (PWG) Level 1
- WPSB World Championships (WCH) Level 1
- WPSB World Cups (WC) Level 1
- WPSB Continental Cups (COC) Level 2
- WPSB European Cup (EC)
- WPSB North American Cup (NORAM)
- WPSB South American Cup (SAC)
- WPSB Asian Cup (AC)
- WPSB Southern Hemisphere Cup (SHC)

- WPSB National Championships (NC) Level 3
- WPSB Races Level 3
- WPSB Team event Level 3
- WPSB Youth Races (YR) Level 3

A competition event may comprise one or several snowboard disciplines. For example, the World Para Snowboard World Cup Finals is an event, whereas the snowboard cross is a discipline. Entries for an event will be determined by the WPSB points list at the closing date for each event, and these points will be used for the event.

301.1 Paralympic Winter Games (PWG), World Championships (WCH), World Cups (WC), Continental Cups (CoC), National Championships (NC), WPSB Races (WPSB), WPSB Team Event

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

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301.2 Competitions with Non-Members of WPSB
The WPSB STC can authorise one of its member NPCs or authorized NSF to invite a non-member organisation (military, masters, etc.) to competitions, or accept invitations from such an organisation.

301.3 WPSB Events
An event is a competition in snowboard or in one of its disciplines. It results in a ranking and gives rise to the award of medals and/or trophies

302 World Cup (Level 1) and Continental Cup (Level 2) Point System, Rankings and Trophies

In order to have trophies awarded the following criteria must be met. World Cup (Level 1) requires events in at least two (2) different continents and at least two (2) different disciplines. Continental Cup (Level 2) requires events in at least two (2) different countries and at least two (2) different disciplines and a minimum of 6 races for overall trophy. A minimum of 4 races in a discipline are required in a competition calendar season to be eligible for the trophy in that discipline.

302.1 Calculation of Continental Cup and World Cup Rankings

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302.2 Several Competitors Tied for the Same Position
If several racers are tied for one of the top thirty positions in a race, each of the competitors who are tied receives the points corresponding to that position. The remaining competitors receive the points corresponding to their official classification in the race.

302.3 World Cup (Level 1), Continental Cup (Level 2) 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 together. Double World Cup Points will be awarded for the World Cup Finals competitions.

In the event of a tie for the top three places, then the athlete with the most first place finishes will break the tie. If there is still a tie, then the athlete with the most second place finishes, followed by third place finishes and so on will break the ties. If they are still tied then they will remain tied and receive the same rank/award.

302.4 World Cup (Level 1), Nations Ranking
To calculate the Nations’ Ranking, the total points of the top three men and top two women per nation from all categories will be added together from each World Cup event of the season. In the case of a tie the nation with the least number of athletes on the World Cup rankings will break the tie. Nations need to have at least one woman with World Cup points in order to enter the Nations Ranking.

302.5 Continental Cup (Level 2) Nations Ranking
To calculate the nations ranking, the total points of the top three men and top two women per nation from all categories will be added together from each Continental Cup event of the season. In the case of a tie the nation with the least number of athletes on the Continental Cup rankings will break the tie.

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

The winners of the individual disciplines receive small World Cup trophies while the overall classification winners will receive large World Cup trophies.

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

303 World Para Snowboard Calendar

The competition year begins on 1 July and ends on 30 June 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 World Para Snowboard World Championships in accordance with the WPSB 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 WPSB race (Levels WC, COC, NC, WPSB, Team Event).

Upon receipt of the application and approval by World Para Snowboard the races will be included in the draft WPSB calendar, https://www.paralympic.org/snowboard/calendar-results. The races will not be confirmed until World Para Snowboard has received the signed agreement between the parties.

The organizer must send the event information to their National Paralympic Committee and the National Ski Association. The NSF must liaise with FIS secretary in order to obtain necessary Codex for the races.

303.1.3 Appointment of Race Organiser

In the event that the National Paralympic Committee or the National Ski Federation appoints a race organiser, such as an affiliated ski club, it shall do so using the form “Sanctioning Application” or by means of a similar written agreement. An application by a NPC or NSF for inclusion of an event on the WPSB Calendar shall mean that the necessary agreement to organise the event has been established.

303.1.4 Organisation of Races in other Countries

Competitions that are organised by other National Paralympic Committees or National Ski Associations may only be included in the WPSB Calendar when the NPC or NSF of the country concerned where the competitions will be organised provides its approval. The approval must be sent to World Para Snowboard.

303.1.5 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.

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<th>Races</th>
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<tr>
<td>Level 1</td>
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<td>Level 2, 3</td>
<td>1 year in advance</td>
<td>October meetings</td>
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The Interest Forms can be downloaded from:  
https://www.paralympic.org/snowboard/downloads/race-documents

And must be sent to: WorldParaAlpineSkiing@paralympic.org  
World Para Snowboard calendar is published on the website:  
https://www.paralympic.org/snowboard/calendar-results

It will be periodically be updated to reflect changes.

Official sanctioned WPSB races must be published on the FIS calendar under the PARA category.

303.1.6 World Para Snowboard must approve the courses where the competition will take the place as well in cases of force majeure new valid course.

303.1.7 In the case of a postponement/cancellation of a listed race from the WPSB calendar, the organizer or hosting NPC or authorised NSF must inform World Para Snowboard immediately and a new invitation or notification must be released on the WPSB website.

303.1.8 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 World Para Snowboard.

304 World Para Snowboard Race Licence (WPSB Licence)

304.1 To meet the eligibility requirements to participate in WPSB events an athlete must: hold a valid IPC Athlete Licence issued in accordance with the World Para Snowboard Licensing Programme (located on the World Para Snowboard website)

304.5 To compete at WPSB Events,

An athlete must be WPSB classified. Until an athlete has been WPSB classified, he/she will be designated N status (New), and can only compete in:

World Para Snowboard competitions levels: 2, 3.

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

An “N” status athlete has one (1) year to obtain the WPSB international classification from the first race he competes. Results achieved throughout that period will not be recalculated.

304.6 By signing the IPC Athlete Eligibility Agreement, the athlete confirms possession of valid liability insurance for WPSB events and assumes full responsibility, through his/her National Paralympic Committee.
The WPSB Licence will only be issued to athletes who meet the requirements of the IPC Athlete Nationality Code.

The WPSB Licence will only be issued to athletes who meet the requirements of the World Para Snowboard minimum age limit requirements as follows.

In order to be eligible to compete in WPSB Competitions, the competitors must comply with the regulations of section 304 and the following admitted years of birth:

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<tr>
<th>WPSB Competition Year</th>
<th>19/20</th>
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<td>Minimum Age (Level 2 and 3)</td>
<td>2006</td>
<td>2007</td>
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<td>2005</td>
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Youth competitors 13 to 17 may compete at a NC event if they have a WPSB licence. These competitors will be expected to follow NC race entry requirements, as outlined in 311.2.

An athlete whose licence has been suspended may have a new licence issued only after World Para Snowboard has verified that any sanctions imposed have been fulfilled.

Application for a change of WPSB Licence Registration

Refer to the IPC Handbook Athlete Nationality Policy


Sex of the Competitor

Subject to article 304.13.3 below, an athlete shall be eligible to compete in men’s competition if he is:

- recognised as a male in law; and
- eligible to compete under these WPSB Rules and Regulations.

Subject to article 304.13.3 below, an athlete shall be eligible to compete in women’s competition if she is:

- recognised as a female in law; and
- eligible to compete under these WPSB Rules and Regulations.

WPSB will deal with any cases involving transgender athletes in accordance with the International Olympic Committee’s (IOC) transgender guidelines (as amended by the IOC from time to time) and any applicable IPC and WPSB regulations.
304.13.4 The eligibility of persons recognised as third gender in law will be determined by the IPC on a case-by-case basis, in accordance with any applicable WPSB regulations.

305 Race Licence Pre-requisites

WPSB shall not issue a licence to any athlete who:

305.1 Has conducted his or herself in a manner that violates the principles of Fair Play;

305.2 Accepts or has accepted, directly or indirectly, any money / payments for their participation at competitions, not otherwise approved by the NPC / NSF of the competitor/guide, or provided by the competition organising committee in accordance with the host agreement with WPSB.

305.3 Has not signed the IPC Athlete Eligibility Agreement;

305.4 Does not meet the conditions outlined in the IPC Nationality Code or age limit requirement outlined in regulation 304.9 and 304.10;

305.5 Is under suspension.

305.6 With the issuance of a licence and race entry the National Paralympic Committee assumes full responsibility and confirms that valid insurance (as per regulation 304.3) for training and competition is in place for all its athletes.

306 Competitor’s Obligations and Rights

306.1 Athletes must comply with the IPC Handbook, the World Para Snowboard Rule and Regulation Book and must comply with the instructions of the Jury.

306.2 Competitors are not permitted to compete while under the influence of any substances or methods prohibited by the IPC Anti-Doping Code.

306.3 Competitors who do not attend the award ceremonies without prior notification lose their claim to any prize granted including money prizes.

306.4 Competitors must behave in an appropriate and sportsmanlike manner towards members of the Organising Committee, officials and the public.

306.5 Competitors are prohibited from betting on the outcome of competitions in which they are participating.

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 and World Championships have specific regulations that all NPCs must comply with.

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

308 Display of Competition Equipment

308.1 A competitor is allowed to wear his/her boots but is not allowed to take any other equipment (including but not limited to helmet, goggles etc.) other than the snowboard to the official ceremonies that have anthems and/or flag raising for Level 1 events (WCH/WC). Holding or carrying equipment on the victory podium after conclusion of the whole ceremony for press photos, pictures, etc. is permitted.

309 Organisation of Competition

309.1 The Organiser

309.1.1 The organiser of an WPSB 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.

309.1.2 The organiser must ensure that accredited persons accept the regulations regarding the competition rules and Jury decisions.

309.2 The Organising Committee

The Organising Committee of a World Para Snowboard competition consists of those members (physical or legal) who are designated by the contracted party supplying the race service and approved by WPSB. 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 (WPSB and IPC Personnel included), including volunteers, all other accredited staff/officials and athletes and visitors to protect the LOC against any claim related to the activities of the Organising Committee. WPSB and 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 WPSB. Despite this coverage during the event, WPSB and 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

The Invitation/Programme (according to the standard template provided by WPSB) must be approved and published by WPSB, and must include:

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 with contact details (phone/email)

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.

310.9 Download draft invitation from https://www.paralympic.org/snowboard/downloads/race-documents

310.10 If the use of POV cameras has been approved by the Jury this must be included in the programme.

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

World Para Snowboard recommends the organiser invoice up to 30% of the total participation fee for payment one month prior to the event’s opening date. Failure to pay this amount by the deadline will result in cancellation of the non-paying team’s registration.

The LOC is responsible for complying with the aforementioned clause.

311.1 Standard services for LOC accommodation
311.1.1 If the LOC provides accommodation the standard services must comprise the following:

- Double room with bath in a minimum of three star hotel style accommodations (half board).
- A number of wheelchair accessible rooms, calculated at a minimum of 15% 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 equipment. The waxing 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.

311.1.2 Food and beverages for World Cup Events

Food has to be healthy and of sufficient quantity. It has to correspond with the needs of top-competitors. Breakfast has to be served from 6 o’clock (even earlier in some cases). The meals have to meet at least the following guidelines:

- **Breakfast:** Different kinds of bread, butter and jam, coffee with milk and tea. Choice of eggs, cheese, sausage, bacon (protein) fresh fruits and different kinds of granola and healthy type "cereal".
- **Lunch/ Choice of at least two menus:** Dinner: Soup or appetizer, 200 g meat (steak, etc.), poultry or fish, in agreement with the team captains. Vegetable, salads or other side dishes, cheese, fruit or desserts. Non-alcoholic beverages (as occasion demands) of 0.5 litre water, tea, soft drinks, coffee etc. Vegetarian food should also be available.

311.1.3 Meal times for World Cup Events

The hotel must adapt itself to the needs of the schedules of the training and the competitions (for instance, in general, breakfast is served very early in the morning). The OC has to inform the hotel management about the WPSB-agreements concerning accommodation and food, and about the daily program including changes of the schedule.

311.2 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 snowboard training day, specified on the programme.

The race entry fee is non-refundable provided the Jury cancels the race.

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311.3 Competition sanction fee (Organising Committee)

An Organising Committee must pay all competition sanction fees to World Para Snowboard according to the terms and conditions of the relevant host agreement. These competition sanction fees are non-refundable.

The fees for each type of competition are as follows:

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<td>WORLD CUP</td>
<td>1000€</td>
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<tr>
<td>CONTINENTAL CUP</td>
<td>600€</td>
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<tr>
<td>WPSB/NC</td>
<td>300€</td>
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The official Snowboard training runs will be invoiced accordingly to the competition level.

312 Competition Entries

312.1 Each NPC/NSF must comply with the online entries and accommodation entry according to the dates published on the corresponding competition invitation.

312.2 At the request of the LOC, the WPSB Race Administrator together with the WPSB Race Director may cancel a competitor’s entry in a race/event if at the second team captains’ meeting his/her delegation has not covered the full costs of that competitor’s participation.
312.3 WPSB management will send to the LOC or race administrator two days prior to the competition the official document with the race entries.

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. A monetary sanction will be applied to the NPC/NSF.

312.5 All competitors, trainers and team officials participating in WPSB events must carry accident insurance, in sufficient amounts to cover accident, transport and rescue costs including race risks, as well as third party liability insurance. The NPC/NSF is responsible for adequate insurance coverage (including medical insurance if this is not otherwise covered) of all the competitors they license and enter into a WPSB race or event.

312.6 The NPC/NSF trainers and team officials must be able to show proof of the respective insurance coverage at any time on request of WPSB, one of its representatives or the organizing committee.

312.7 Only National Paralympic Committees and/or authorised National Ski Federations are entitled to submit entries for WPSB Races.

Athlete race registration must be done through the WPSB on-line entry system http://www.paralympic.org/entries

312.8 The LOC and WPSB may reject any entry/entries that do not comply with WPSB Rules and Regulations

312.9 Race Entries Deadlines

**WC/EC/NORAM**

- Entries by number open 12 weeks prior to the event
- Entries by number close 3 weeks prior to the event
- Entries by name open 3 weeks prior to the event
- Entries by name closed 1 week prior to the event
- Wild card open 2 weeks prior to the event
- Wild card close 1 week prior to the event

**WPSB/NC**

- Entries by name open 3 weeks prior to the event
- Entries by name close 1 week prior to the event

For WCH and PWG entries are based on the respective qualification criteria.
Entries for the event will be determined by the WPSB points list at the closing date for each event, and these points will be used for the event.

312.10 Wax Cabins

Wax cabins must be provided. The minimum measurements of wax cabins for 1-2 athletes is 18m², 36m² for 3-5 athletes and 6m² per athlete for more than 5 athletes.

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. If an athlete(s) is not represented by a team captain he/she may represent him/herself at the TC meeting.

313.3 Representation by a substitute from another nation during discussions/voting at team captains meetings is not allowed.

313.4 Team captains and coaches must comply with the WPSB Rules and Regulations, 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 WPSB points order and WPSB points order.

314.2 If a competitor is not represented at the draw by a team captain or trainer (or by themselves in the event there is no 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.

314.3 The TD in his report must name the drawn competitors not present during the competition, indicating if possible the reasons for absence.

314.4 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 WPSB 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/gate judges.

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 persons and media.

315.3 Unofficial Times

Unofficial times should be posted on a scoreboard, 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 loudspeakers.

315.4 Announcement of Disqualifications

After completion of the race 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.

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

316.1 The National Paralympic Committee and the authorised organisations 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, Guides and each Athlete Support Personnel who participate in any of the Events or Competitions as coach, trainer, manager, Team staff, official, medical or paramedical personnel must comply with and are subject to the rules and regulations outlined in the IPC Anti-Doping Code (the “Code”) as a condition of their membership, accreditation and/or participation in the sport. The IPC Anti-Doping Code can be found in the IPC Handbook Section 2, Chapter 1.2: http://www.paralympic.org/the-ipc/handbook . Any conflict between the Code and these rules will be resolved in favour of the Code.
317  Medical Services Required from Event Organisers

The health and safety of all those involved in a WPSB competition is a primary responsibility of all event organisers. This includes the competitors as well as race officials, 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, WPSB 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 Director and the Technical Delegate that the required rescue facilities are in place before starting the official training or competition. In the event of an incident, all services must be in place before restarting the official training or competition. Refer to the IPC Handbook, Medical Code.


318  Competition Equipment

A competitor may only take part in a competition on the World Para Snowboard Calendar with equipment that complies with the WPSB Equipment Rule Book. In addition refer to the IPC Handbook, Sport Equipment Policy


318.1 A competitor is responsible for the competition equipment and adaptive equipment they use. 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 manufactured equipment that is specified in the WPSB Equipment Rule Book.

318.3 The term “Adaptive Equipment” refers to all the implements and apparatus adapted to the special needs of Paralympic athletes and used by athletes during competition on the field of play (e.g. sit-ski, protections, prostheses and orthoses) that is specified in the World Para Snowboard Equipment Rule Book.
318.4 World Para Snowboard must approve the new adaptive equipment

The new adaptive equipment must be submitted in writing with supporting technical documentation and photographs with the approval form to be downloaded from [https://www.paralympic.org/snowboard/downloads/equipment](https://www.paralympic.org/snowboard/downloads/equipment).

The new adaptive equipment must be sent to the World Para Snowboard for approval one month prior to be used in a competition ([WorldParaAlpineSkiing@paralympic.org](mailto:WorldParaAlpineSkiing@paralympic.org)).

The new adaptive equipment to be used in PWG and WCH must be submitted by September 30 prior to the competition season in which equipment is going to be used.

318.5 World Para Snowboard 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.

318.6 Advertising on Competition Equipment

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

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

319 Equipment Controls

319.1 World Para Snowboard has full authority to control equipment. An official WPSB 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 and Race Director when present at an event.

320 Gambling and Competitions

Competitors, coaches, 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 these WPSB Rules and Regulations;
– constitutes non-compliance with directives of the Race Director, Jury or individual members of the Jury; and/or
– 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; and/or
– 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; and/or
– 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 these WPSB Rule and Regulations and any relevant provision in the IPC Handbook.

321.2 Applicability

321.2.1 These sanctions apply to:
– all persons who are accredited by the WPSB or the organiser for an event published in the WPSB calendar (an event) both within and outside 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; and
– 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 less than 80€
– Disqualification
– Impairment of their starting position
– Forfeiture of prizes and benefits in favour of the organiser
– Suspension from IPC events

321.2 All IPC members or approved NSFs are liable to WPSB for the payment of any fines and incurred administrative expenses imposed on persons whose registration they arranged.

321.3 Payment of fines is due to WPSB within 8 (eight) days following their imposition.

321.4 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.

321.5 A Jury has the authority to impose penalties including monetary fines for field of play breaches of these WPSB Rules and Regulations. The Jury may not impose a monetary fine of more than 500 €.

321.6 WPSB has the authority to impose penalties for outside the field of play breaches of these WPSB Regulations and Rules including monetary fines.

321.4 The following Penalty decisions may be given verbally:

– Reprimands (provided they are recorded in writing)
– The withdrawal of accreditation for the current event from persons who had not been registered with the organiser through their NPCs or NSFs (provided the reasons for such withdrawal are subsequently provided in writing)

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 NPCs and NSFs Withdrawal of accreditation of WPSB/IPC accredited persons
– Forfeiture of prizes and benefits in favour of the organiser

321.6 Written penalty decisions must be sent by the WPSB TD or RD to: the WPSB email info@worldparasnowboard.org to the offender, and (if applicable) to the offender’s NPC and/or the NSF.

321.7 Any sanction involving 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 chair of the Jury has the deciding vote.

322.2  All written Penalty decisions shall include:

322.3  The offence alleged to have been committed

322.4  The evidence of the offence

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

322.6  The penalty imposed

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

322.8  Remedies

322.8.1  A penalty decision of the Jury may be appealed in accordance with the provisions in these WPSB Rules and Regulations.

322.8.2  If an appeal is not filed within the deadline established in these WPSB Rules and Regulations, the penalty decision of the Jury becomes final.

322.9  Benefit Fund

All monetary fines will be paid to the WPSB account for the development of the sport.

323  Protests

Types of Protests

323.1  Against admittance of competitors or their competition equipment,

323.2  Against the course or its condition,

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

323.4  Against disqualifications,

323.5  Against timekeeping,

323.6  Against instructions or decisions of the Jury.

324  Place of Submission

324.1  Protests must be submitted to any member of the Jury at the location designated and announced at the team captains’ meeting held prior to each event.
325  **Deadlines for Submission**

325.1 Against the admittance of a competitor:
   - before the draw.

325.2 Against the course or its condition:
   - at least 60 minutes before the competition starts

325.3 Against 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.
   - for Snowboard Cross heats before the next heat commences.

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

325.5 Against the timekeeping:
   - within 15 minutes after the posting of the unofficial result list.

325.6 Against all instructions or decisions of the Jury:
   - immediately and within 15 minutes after the last competitor has passed the finish.

326  **Form of Protests**

326.1 A Jury only must accept a protest that demonstrates merit by including credible evidence.

Specific event-related IPC media policies apply for the PWG and WCH regarding personal photography and filming of athletes during such competitions and whether or not the use of such photographs and video footage shall be permitted as evidence to defend a protest. For all other events, the use of personal photographs and video footage is admissible as evidence and may be relied on to lodge or defend a protest.

326.2 All Jury decisions are final except those that may be protested or appealed in accordance with these WPSB Rules and Regulations.

326.3 Protests must be submitted in writing to the Jury.

326.4 As exceptions, protests defined under art. 321.4 (made verbally), can be made verbally
327 Protest Fees

327.1 EUR 100 (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 WPSB account and used for the development of the sport. For SBX the protest fee does not have to be paid at the time of the protest. However, if the protest is dismissed, the protest fee must be paid prior to the end of the SBX competition phase.

327.2 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.

327.3 Protests not submitted in time or in the correct manner or submitted without the protest fee will not be considered.

328 Authorisation

The following representatives are authorised to submit protests:

– the NPC or authorised NSF
– The Head Coach or his/her representative.
– in SBX only, protests will be also accepted from athletes after a heat provided the protest is submitted to the finish referee before the next heat commences.

329 Settlement of Protests by the Jury

329.1 The Jury meets to deal with protests at a predetermined place and time.

329.2 In dealing with a protest against disqualification 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 the Jury hearing by the TD or Referee. The Jury will consider all the available and relevant information.

329.3 At the vote on the protest, only the Jury members are to be present. The WPSB Race Director 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 WPSB Race Director vote is decisive. Where an WPSB Race Director appointment is not in place, the TD assumes these responsibilities.

329.4 The decision is to be made public immediately after the proceedings are completed.

330 Appeals

330.1 Board of Appeal
330.1.1 There shall be established a Standing Board of Appeal (Standing BoA) that will be composed of 5 members appointed by the STC Snowboard. The Standing BoA will be appointed during the spring meeting of the STC for the following competition season.

330.1.2 For each competition (PWG, WCHs and WCs) 3 members of the Standing BoA will be nominated by WPSB (or for the PWG, by the IPC) to act as the BoA. Following receipt of a Notice of Appeal, the IPC Sport Staff will advise the BoA of that fact and will copy the Notice to all BoA members.

330.1.3 No person shall sit on an BoA to hear an Appeal if the circumstances of the Appeal are such that they may have a conflict of interest or may reasonably be seen as having a conflict or otherwise biased either for or against the Appellant, or where they have been involved in the decision being appealed, including as a witness.

330.1.4 The IPC Appointed Sport Staff person should advise all parties of the identity of the BoA members, and the email address for communication with the BoA as soon the notice has been circulated to the BoA.

330.2 Right of Appeal

330.2.1 Any sanction not related to the field of play may be appealed to the BoA and shall do so by filing with the WPSB Appointed Sport Staff person a written Notice of Appeal within 2 hours of the first notification of the decision being appealed.

330.3 Notice of Appeal

330.3.1 The Notice of Appeal must be endorsed by the Appellant’s NPC or NSF (assuming the Appellant is not such a body, in which case they will be required to sign in their capacity as Appellant) and must set out in full the grounds of the appeal, and evidence to be relied on and the legal and other arguments in support of the Appeal. The Notice must contain the appellants email contact and/or mobile or other telephone contact number and must be dated and signed by the Appellant.

330.3.2 Upon receipt, the BoA shall immediately conduct a review of the Notice of Appeal to determine whether the content, timing and delivery of the Notice of Appeal comply with these WPSB Rules and Regulations.

330.3.3 If the Notice of Appeal does not comply with these WPSB Rules and Regulations the BoA shall be entitled to dismiss the Appeal and if it does so it will notify the Appellant of its decision as soon as possible, which may be verbally or in writing. In this circumstance a fresh Notice of Appeal can be made within the applicable time limit for bringing appeals.

330.3.4 If the Notice of Appeal complies with these WPSB Rules and Regulations then the Appeal will be forwarded to the Chair of the Jury that made the decision under
Appeal and any other party considered by the BoA to be relevant and affected by the Appeal. The Chair of the Jury and all affected parties shall be asked to submit a response to the Notice of Appeal within 12 hours.

330.4 Appeal procedures

330.4.1 The Appeal should normally be decided within 24 hours of receipt of the Notice of Appeal.

330.4.2 All Appeals and responses must be submitted in writing in English, including any evidence the parties intend to offer in support of or in response to the Appeal.

330.4.3 The BoA shall decide on the location and detailed procedure for the Appeal.

330.4.4 The BoA members are required to respect the confidentiality of the Appeal until the decision is made public and to consult only with the other members of the BoA during the deliberations. The BoA will publish the decision once it is made.

330.4.5 The Appellant must cover the cost of 750€ (or equivalent currency) when submitting the Notice of Appeal to the WPSB Staff person. The Appellant will be responsible for any additional costs if the Appeal is lost.

330.4.6 Decisions of the BoA may be announced orally at the conclusion of the hearing and shall take effect from that time. The written decision, together with its reasoning, will be delivered to the parties involved, their NPC or authorized NSF and all members of the Jury whose decision was appealed as soon as possible following the hearing of the Appeal.

330.4.7 There shall be no further appeal or challenge to a decision of the BoA, which shall be considered final and binding on all parties including the IPC and WPSB.

330.4.8 Other than in respect of the time limits set out, any failure of any party to follow the procedural requirements will not invalidate the decision of the BoA unless in the opinion of the BoA the failure had a material effect on the decision that was made, or renders the decision unfair in some material respect.
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1300 Race organisation and management

Reference is made to article 309

1300.1 The Organizing Committee consists of those members (physical or legal) who are delegated by the organiser and by WPSB. It carries the rights, duties and obligations of the organiser.

1300.2 Appointments by World Para Snowboard

1300.2.1 World Para Snowboard Race Director

The World Para Snowboard RD is the authority representing World Para Snowboard at all World Cups, WCHs and Paralympic Games Para snowboard events. The World Para Snowboard RD may represent the sport at lower level events, such as Continental Cup races, but this will be determined on a case-by-case basis, with direction from World Para Snowboard.

The World Para Snowboard Race Director reports to World Para Snowboard about the specific activities related to the WPSB events for which they have responsibility.

1300.2.1.1 Duties, rights and responsibilities

1300.2.1.2 Pre-Event

- Conducts site inspections prior to the event as determined by World Para Snowboard
- Verifies the course with the TD and in a “force majeure” course change situation works with the TD and Chief of Course to choose an appropriate alternate slope
- Ensures all Technical Requirements (for both training and competition) and all contract provisions are implemented in a timely fashion by the Local Organizing Committee (LOC) both prior to and during the event/competition
- Ensure SDMS downloads are prepared for Team Captains’ Meetings (TCM)
- Ensure assigned National Anti Doping Organization (NADO) individuals are aware of event plan and logistics
- Ensure that arrangements have been made with the Head of Classification for events that will also host Athlete Classification, as to what requirements will be necessary at the event
- Ensure that Equipment Testing logistics are arranged at events in which the RD is required to provide this function in place of the assigned STC Member
- Ensures that the Technical Delegate (TD) has all information required regarding the World Para Snowboard Rules and Regulations, and any other documentation as requested or believed required by the TD
- Communicates with the TD and the Chief of Course prior to the event and works closely with them during the event
- Liaise with all World Para Snowboard STC members as required
- Liaise with the OC to ensure they have the login details to post entries prior to the competition
- The World Para Snowboard RD will work with the World Para Snowboard STC and Head of World Para Snow Sports, the OC and event sponsors (where applicable) in ensuring that event sponsors are fully supported with respect to contract expectations for the event
- To assist in determining opportunities and securing of sponsorship potential for the sport

1300.2.1.3 During Events

- Advocates for the athletes' safety by ensuring that all aspects of safety and fair play have been adhered to throughout the entire event
- Will work closely with the Jury throughout the event to ensure the safety and fairness of the event
- Listens to input from coaches (as athlete spokespersons), which occurs only through representatives of the CAG on issues that may arise during an event; and communicates with the jury to determine the outcome to be applied in all aspects of the event on-site
- Must be part of all jury inspections before a course is deemed open for inspection
- Chairs the Jury and can also assume the role of the Referee at WPSB sanctioned events
- Conducts and chairs the Team Captains meetings
- Works with the nominated course setter for Snowboard Cross/Banked Slalom in a collaborative fashion. At PWG, WCH and WC (and COC level when present) events the WPSB Race Director has the discretion to set the courses.
- Supervises the complete execution of the race from course preparation during the event, course setting through to completion of the event when the last competitor has finished
- Ensures that all decisions are made collaboratively as the event jury, and communicates the outcomes of jury decisions in a timely fashion through a
representative of the CAG (Connection Coach)
- Liaise with all World Para Snowboard STC members as required
- Has to have a full understanding of the WPSB software and supervise its correct use and assist in solving problems that may arise from OVR production (on venue results)
- Ensure that Adaptive Equipment meets the Field of Play (FOP) Rules
- Ensures that race results have been confirmed by the TD and correctly submitted to World Para Snowboard Headquarters in a timely manner
- Prepares and submits a post-event reports to the WPSB STC that outlines pre-event and event summaries, highlighting areas requiring improvement for the future competitions in the present competition season (this includes any recommendations relating to the World Para Snowboard Rules and Regulations)
- Once the event TD has signed the official results, the PDF results are uploaded to the WPSB official webpage and FIS webpage by the race administrator.
- The WPSB RD will work with the World Para Snowboard STC and Head of World Para Snow Sports and the OC to ensure that sponsor expectations are being met at the event
- Works with any television producer/director to ensure the correct placement of all TV cameras on course.

1300.2.1.4 Post Event
- Work together with the STC during the process of long-term competition calendar planning for all World Para Snowboard competitions in collaboration with WPSB Head of Snow Sports and WPSB STC
- Liaise with all World Para Snowboard STC members as required
- Gather feedback on the completed event from the CAG and Athletes’ Representative
- Prepares and submits a post-season report to the WPSB STC that outlines pre-event and event summaries, highlighting areas requiring improvement for the future competition season (this includes any recommendations relating to the WPSB Snowboard Rules and Regulations)
- The World Para Snowboard RD will work with the OC to prepare a post-event report on sponsorship promotion, placement and success, including direct feedback from sponsors on their perception of the events

1300.2.1.5 In WPSB races in which the World Para Snowboard Race Director is not present, the TD and Jury assume the duties, rights and responsibilities of the World Para Snowboard Race Director (that relate directly to the event).
1300.2.2 In WPSB World Cup and Continental Cup Races

- the WPSB Snowboard Race Director
- the TD
- the finish referee
- the course builder

1300.1.2 For Paralympic Winter Games and WPSB World Championships

- all Jury members

1300.1.3 In all other level of WPSB races where the WPSB Race Director is not present the Technical Delegate appoints:

- the referee

1300.1.4 By these appointments the above persons become members of the Organising Committee.

1300.2 Appointments by the organiser

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 WPSB 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:

1300.2.1 The Chief of Competition

The Chief of Race directs all preparation of the competition and supervises the activities in the technical area. He summons meetings for consideration of technical questions and leads the team captains' meetings after consultation with the Technical Delegate.

1300.2.2 The Chief of Course

The chief of course is responsible for the preparation of the courses in accordance with the directives and decisions of the Jury. He must be familiar with local snow conditions on the terrain concerned. In case course builder is appointed Chief of Course may assist Course Builder in course building and maintenance

1300.2.3 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 for stop, starts and restarts.
- 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.

1300.2.4 The Finish Referee

The Finish Referee must remain at the finish from the beginning of the official inspection time until the end of a training/event throughout the training and the race.

- He makes sure that all the regulations for the organisation of the finish and the finish in-run and out-run are properly observed.
- He supervises the finish controller, the timing and the crowd control in the finish area.
- He must be able to communicate immediately with the Jury at all times.
- He reports the names of the competitors who did not finish to the Referee and informs the Jury of all infringements against the rules.

1300.2.5 The Chief of Finish

The Chief of Finish is responsible for the organisation and supervision of the finish area and the finish line Judges. The Chief of Finish will accept protests in the finish area. The Chief of Finish must report all protests immediately to the other jury members.

1300.2.6 The Chief of Timing and Calculations

The Chief of Timing and Calculations is responsible for the coordination of officials at the start and finish, including timing and calculations. The following officials are under his direction:

- starter
- assistant starter
- start recorder
- chief timekeeper
- assistant timekeepers
- finish controller
- chief of calculations and his assistants

1300.2.7 The Chief Gate Judge

The chief gate judge organises and supervises the work of the gate Judges. He designates the gates each will supervise and places them in position. At the end of the 1st run and the end of the competition he will collect the gate Judges control cards for delivery to the referee. He must distribute, in good time, to each gate judge the material that they need (control card, pencil, start list, etc.) and be prepared to offer assistance either to help keep the spectators off the course or to help maintain the course, etc. He must make sure that the numbering and the marking of the gates is done within the required time.

1300.2.8 The Gate Judges

A gate judge will be responsible for the supervision of one or more gates. A gate judge must observe accurately whether the passage of the competitor was correct through his area of observation. He must also fulfil a number of other important functions, all of which are described in detail under article 1304.

1300.2.9 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.

1300.2.10 The Chief of Medical and Rescue Services
The Chief of Medical and Rescue Services is responsible for organising adequate first aid and medical coverage during the official training periods and the actual competition.

He must arrange an appropriate facility to which injured competitors should be taken and treated.

He coordinates plans with the team doctors before the start of the official training or the start of any competition.

During training and the races he must be in telephone or radio communication with his assistants. He must co-ordinate plans with the Chief of Race before the start of the official training, or start of any competition.

A doctor, who should be a good skier, should be ready at the start to deal with any eventuality and must stay in contact with the Jury and the members of the rescue service. This task can be delegated to a team doctor.

1300.2.11  The WPSB OVR Race Administrator

World Para Snowboard appoints the WPSB OVR race administrator.

He is responsible for:

- on-venue results, scoring and all printed documents,
- the communication between timer and race director.

1301 The Jury

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

- the Technical Delegate
- the WPSB Race Director
- the Referee
- the Chief of Competition
- the Start Referee
- the Finish Referee
- the Video Controller (Only for PWG/WCH/WC)
- the WPSB OVR Race Administrator (Only for PWG/WCH/WC)
- Course Builder or Technical Advisor (non-voting rights)

1301.1 Appointment by the World Para Snowboard of the Jury for Paralympic Winter Games

- the Technical Delegate(s)
- the WPSB Race Director
- the Referee
– the Chief of Competition
– the Start Referee
– the Finish Referee
– the Video Controller
– the WPSB OVR Race Administrator (non – voting rights)
– the Equipment controller (non – voting rights)

The Jury should include one woman if possible.

1301.2 Appointment by World Para Snowboard of the Jury for International Competitions

– the Technical Delegate(s) (WCH-WC-EC)
– the WPSB Race Director (WCH-WC-EC)
– the Referee (WCH-WC-EC)
– the Finish Referee (WCH-WC-EC)
– Course Builder (non-voting rights)
– Technical Advisor(non-voting rights)
– Course Advisor (non-voting rights)

1301.2.1 Course Builder, Technical Advisor and Course Advisor
To support the Jury, WPSB can (mandatory for PWG and WCH) appoint Course Builders, Technical Advisors and/or Course Advisors for all categories of competitions. Those Officials have the right to express their opinion within the Jury – without the right to vote.

1301.2.2 The Connection Coach
For each event in every competition, one coach shall be appointed as a Connection Coach at the Team Captains’ Meeting. The Jury will appoint the Connection Coach

1301.3 All Jury members must communicate in the IPC official language, English.

1302 Roles of the Jury

1302.1 The Technical Delegate (TD)

1302.2 In order to qualify; a proposed member must hold a valid licence as a Technical Delegate of the FIS.

1302.3 For PWG, World Para Snowboard will recommend the Technical Delegates to the IPC Governing Board for appointment.

1302.4 For WCH/WC/EC World Para Snowboard will appoint the TD/TAs.

1302.5 For all other level of races the process will follow the WPSB agreement with FIS.

1302.6 Exclusions
1302.7 A competitor cannot be a member of the Jury.

1302.8 **Tenure of the Jury**

The appointed Jury members gather for their first meeting prior to the first Team Captain's meeting.

1302.9 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.

1302.10 **Voting**

The WPSB Race Director is the chairman of the Jury. He/she conducts the Jury meetings. Each Jury member has a vote. In the absence of the WPSB Race Director, the TD is the chair of the Jury.

1302.11 Decisions are made by simple majority vote of members present.

1302.12 In the case of a tie, the Chair of the Jury has the casting vote.

1302.13 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.

1302.14 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.

1302.15 **Duties of the Jury**

The Jury monitors the adherence to the rules throughout the entire race, including the official training.

*From a technical standpoint particularly by:*
- Checking the race-course and training course conditions
- Checking the snow conditions
- Checking the final course preparation
- Checking course maintenance operations
- Approving the use of chemicals
- Checking the safety equipment installation like B fences, mats, air fences etc
- Checking the FOP signage and delimitation nets
- Checking the crowd control systems

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- Checking the start, the finish and the run-out from the finish
- Checking the first aid service
- Checking the time equipment day before competition time
- Checking the venue requirements
- Checking on the location of the television towers according with safety and TV picture
- Asking and overviewing course testing
- Requiring course changes in case and overviewing the operations
- Appointing the course setters
- Fixing the time of course setting
- Overseeing the work of the course setters
- Spot-checking of the gate flags
- Opening or closing race courses for training after consideration of the technical preparations and the prevailing weather conditions
- Determining the method of the competitor’s course inspection
- Inspection of the course before the race
- Determining the number of forerunners for each run and setting the start order of the forerunners
- Debriefing the forerunners as necessary
- Changing the start order after consideration of course conditions and in extraordinary conditions
- Changing the start intervals
- Giving instructions to and obtaining information from the gate judges

From an organisational viewpoint particularly by:
- Ranking of the competitors for the draw
- Division of the competitors without points into groups according to some determined basis
- Granting of re-runs
- Cancellation of the race (beforehand), if snow conditions are unsuitable
- the recommendations of the Technical Advisor's report have not been carried out
- the first aid and medical service are inadequate or missing
- the crowd control is insufficient
- Shortening the course, if snow or weather conditions make this appear necessary
- Interruption/ Termination of the race if the prerequisites of article 1317 are present

From a disciplinary viewpoint particularly by:
- Decision on a proposal of the Technical Delegate or a Jury member to exclude a competitor for lack of physical and technical ability
- Enforcement of the checks on regulations concerning advertising on equipment and clothing in the competition area
- Decisions on limitation of quotas for officials, technicians and medical personnel for admission to the race-course
- Imposition of sanctions
- Decisions on protests
- Issue of particular directives throughout the entire event

1302.16 **Questions not Covered by Regulations**

In general, the Jury takes decisions on all questions not clarified by the Regulations

1302.17 **Radios**

At all competitions published in the WPSB 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.

1302.18 **Duties and rights of the referee**

- At the end of the first run, and again at the end of the race, the Referee will receive the Start and Finish Referees’ reports, and any other official reports regarding breach of rules and disqualifications.
- Checks, signs and posts the Referee’s Report on the official notice board at the end of each run, and at the end of the race, including a list of disqualified competitors, the gate numbers where the faults occurred, the name of the relevant gate judge or judges, and the exact time of the posting.
- Sends a report to WPSB should unusual circumstances arise or in the event of a difference of opinion among the Jury members or in the case of severe injury to a competitor.

The Referee works very closely with the TD.

1303 **The Technical Delegate (TD) and his duties**

*Works closely together with the WPSB Race Director*

1303.1 **Before the race**

- He reads the TD reports concerning previous events at the site and checks whether any improvements proposed in these reports have been carried out.
- Inspects the liability insurance certificate as required by article 309.3
- Reports when necessary to World Para Snowboard
- Inspects the competition courses.
- Supervises official trainings.
- Spot checks the gate flags and poles.
- Collaborates in the administrative and technical preparations.
- Checks the official entry lists, including WPSB points.
- Checks on the presence of sufficient radios for all members of the Jury (with separate frequencies).
- Takes note of the accreditation and the authorisation for entry to the competition course.
- Check the safety installations: mats, protection and delimitation fences
- Supervises the course setting together with the Jury.
- Supervises the locations of the first aid service along the course as well as the organisation of the medical care.
- Checks on all technical installations such as timekeeping, hand timing, communications, transport of people, etc.
- Is present in the race area during all official training.
- Takes part in all meetings of the Jury and of the team captains.
- Works closely together with the officials of the Organising Committee and the WPSB Race Director.
- If necessary, appoints members to the Jury.

1303.2 During the race

- Must be present in the course area.
- Works closely with the Jury, the team captains and the coaches.
- Observes that the valid rules and directives with regard to advertising, on clothing and race equipment are obeyed.
- Supervises the technical and organisational conduct of the event.
- Advises the organisation concerning the observance of the WPSB Rules and Regulations, and directives of the Jury.

1303.3 After the race

- Helps with the compilation of the Referee's report.
- Calculates the race and penalty points for the individual races. If the computer calculates these points, it is the TD's duty to re-check the points and to confirm their accuracy with his personal signature. Above all he checks the correct use of the corresponding F value for each event.
- Presents properly submitted protests to the Jury for decision.
- Signs the official result lists provided by the race secretary and gives the authorisation for the award ceremony.
- Completes the TD report, including any supplementary reports and is responsible for their dispatch within three days to the FIS and the WPSB.

1303.4 In general

- Decides on questions, which are not covered or are insufficiently covered by the
WPSB Rules, in so far as these have not already been decided by the Jury and do not fall within the scope of other authorities.
- Works very closely with the Referee.
- Has the right to propose to the Jury the exclusion of competitors from participating in the race.
- Has the right to obtain support from the Organising Committee and all Officials under its jurisdiction in all matters necessary for the fulfilment of his duties

1303.5 Course Builder / Course Technical Advisor

Works closely together with the World Para Snowboard Race Director and TD and supports the Jury. IPC/World Para Snowboard can appoint a Technical Advisor for all categories of competitions.

The Technical Advisor has the right to express his opinion within the Jury — without the right to vote.

1303.5.1 Duties of the Course Builder / Course Technical Advisor

- Prepare design proposal working together with LOC, according with WPSB course requirements (section 6), slope characteristics and ski resort/LOC resources.
- Prepare a building and maintenance plan (snow volume, number of shapers, snowcats number and type, time-frame, equipment list, working schedule etc)
- Propose offseason improvements (snowmaking, ground works, anchor points etc.)
- Build the course according with the design agreed and approved by Race Director
- If needed, propose modifications in agreement with Race Director and LOC

1303.6 World Para Snowboard can appoint Technical Advisors to support the Jury. The Technical Advisor has no voting rights

1303.7 World Para Snowboard can impose sanctions against a Jury or individual Jury members.

1304 Gate Judges

1304.1 Every gate judge receives a check card with the following notations
- Name of the gate judge
- Number(s) of the gate(s)
- Designation of the run (1st, 2nd and 3rd / Qualification or Final)

1304.2 Each gate judge must have a thorough knowledge of the competition rules and must follow instructions of the Jury.
1304.3 It can happen that despite close observation of the competitions, a competent gate judge does not recognise, a fault committed by a competitor or judges a fault in error.

1304.4 When an adjacent gate judge, a member of the Jury or an official video controller makes a report concerning a competitor which differs from the notes of the gate judge in question, the Jury will freely interpret these notes in view of a possible sanctioning of a competitor or of a decision concerning a protest. The decision handed down by the gate judge must be clear and non partisan. His conduct must be calm, watchful and prudent. In case of doubt, the gate judge should hold to the principle, “give the benefit of the doubt to the competitor”.

1304.5 If the gate judge is in doubt whether a fault has occurred, he can consult the adjacent gate judge in order to confirm their notes. He can even request via a member of the Jury that the competition be briefly interrupted, so that the tracks on the course may be checked.

1304.6 In all World Para Snowboard events the responsibility of the gate judge begins with the approaching of the competitor to the first gate he controls and ends when the competitor has passed through the last gate under their jurisdiction.

1304.7 Responsibility to the Competitor

1304.7.1 A competitor may in the case of an error or a fall, question the gate judge. The gate judge, where possible, must inform a competitor if he has committed a fault that would lead to a sanction / disqualification.

1304.7.2 In either case with a clear, decisive voice, the gate judge answers the competitor’s question or informs him with one of the following words:

»Go!« if the competitor should expect no sanction / disqualification, since the gate judge has determined that the gate passage was correct;

»Back!« if the competitor may expect a sanction / disqualification.

1304.7.3 The competitors themselves are fully responsible for their actions and in this respect they cannot hold the gate judge liable.

1305 Course setter

1305.1 For PWG/WCH/WC/EC the World Para Snowboard will appoint the course setters/course builder. At PWG/WCH events the World Para Snowboard Race Director will be appointed to set the courses.

1305.2 For the other competitions entered in the WPSB and the FIS Calendar appointments are done by the Jury or Organizer.

1305.3 The course setter work is supervised by the World Para Snowboard Race Director
1305.4 Replacement of course setters
The replacement course setter should have the same qualifications as the original course setter.

1305.5 Rights of the course setter
Recommend the introduction of changes in the competition terrain and in the safety measures.
To oversee the availability of a sufficient number of helpers for the setting of the course, so that he can concentrate solely on the course setting.
To control that a provision of all necessary materials is provided by the chief of course equipment.

1305.6 Duties of the course setter
In order to set the course appropriately, respecting the terrain, the snow cover and the ability of the participating competitors, the course setter conducts a pre-inspection of the race terrain in the presence of the TD, the Referee, the Chief of Race, and the chief of course.
The course setter sets the race course respecting the existing safety measures and course preparation. The course setter must take speed control into consideration.
All courses must be set according to the WPSB Snowboard Rule and Regulation Book
The courses must be set and ready. The competitors are not to be disturbed during course inspection.
The course setting is a task of the course setter alone. He is responsible for adhering to the rules of the WPSB and may be advised by members of the Jury, and by the WPSB Snowboard Race Director.
The course setters must participate in all team captains' meetings at which a report is to be made about his course.

1306 Forerunners
The organiser is obliged to provide at least three forerunners who have signed the WPSB Eligibility Agreement. The forerunner is a member of the Organising Committee. The forerunners should participate in all training runs. In extraordinary conditions, the Jury may increase the number of forerunners.
The Jury may designate different forerunners for each run.
The forerunners must wear forerunner's start numbers (bibs).
The nominated forerunners should have enough riding ability to cover the course in a racing manner.

Forerunners are not permitted to start in the competition.

The Jury determines the forerunners and their start order. After an interruption of the race additional forerunners may be authorised as necessary.

The times of the forerunners should not be published.

Upon request the forerunners must report to members of the Jury regarding the snow conditions, the visibility and the race line, as the case requires.
1307 Start, finish, timing and calculations

Communication

In all international competitions, multiple communications (telephone or radios, etc.) between the start and finish must be in place. Voice communication between starter and finish must be assured by fixed wire connection or radio. In case of radio, this must be on a separate channel from that used by any other function of the OC.

1307.1 Timing Equipment

For timing all events in the WPSB Calendar, electronic timers, start gates and photocells homologated by the FIS and approved by WPSB must be used.

A list of these approved devices will be published. Races using timing equipment other than those on the homologated WPSB list will not be considered for WPSB points.

Timing procedures are as per FIS Timing Booklet Alpine Skiing.


1308 Start and finish officials

1308.1 The Starter

The starter must synchronise his watch with those of the assistant starter and by telephone or radio with the chief timekeeper within ten minutes of the start. The starter is responsible for the warning signal and the start command as well as for the accuracy of the intervals between these signals. He assigns the supervision of the competitors to the assistant starter.

1308.2 The Finish Controller

The finish controller has the following duties:

- Supervision of the section between the last gate and the finish
- Recording of the order of finishing of all racers who complete the course

1309 The Start

1309.1 The Start area

The start area must be closed off to everyone except the starting competitors, accompanied by only one trainer and the start officials. The start area must be protected appropriately against inclement weather. A special roped off area must be provided for trainers, team captains, service personnel etc., in which they may take care of the waiting competitors without being interrupted by the public. An adequate
shelter must be prepared for the competitors waiting for the call to start. Benches may be placed near the start gates to help the competitors in the preparations.

1309.2 The Start Ramp

The start ramp shall be prepared in such a way that the competitors can stand relaxed on the starting line and can quickly reach full speed after leaving the start. Push off posts will be installed on the starting installation for all World Para Snowboard events, the specifications will be adjusted to the needs of the specific event.

1309.3 Start Procedure

No official or attendant who could possibly give an advantage to or disturb the starting competitor may be behind him. All outside help is forbidden.

By order of the starter, the competitor must take his place behind the wand or start mechanism. The starter must not touch the competitor at the start. Pushing off from the start posts or other similar aids is allowed.
1309.4 Start Signals/Commands

For all single timed events (Snowboard Cross, Banked Slalom) the start signal is as follows:

Ten seconds before the start, the starter will tell each competitor »Ten Seconds«. Five seconds before the start, he shall count »5, 4, 3, 2, 1« and then give the start command »Go – Partez – Los«.

If possible, an automatic audible signal is to be used. The starter will let the competitor see the start clock.

For Snowboard Cross Finals the start command is as follows:
„Riders ready – attention“ – randomly 1–4 seconds before the doors open (this 1–4 seconds is up to the starter).

1309.5 Start timing

The start timing shall measure the exact time the competitor crosses the start line with his leg below the knee

1309.6 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.

1309.7 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.

1309.8 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.

1310 Course and competition

1310.1 Course Setting
1310.1.1 Assistance
Assistance must be provided for the course setter, at a time to be fixed by the Jury, so that he can concentrate on the actual course setting and not be distracted by fetching poles, etc.
The chief of course equipment must provide enough of the following:
- sufficient number of blue and red poles and stubbies
- a corresponding number of gate panels, divided by colours
- hammers, drills, gate-keys, wedges etc.
- colouring substance for marking the position of the poles

1310.1.2 Triangular banners position
All gates with triangular banners must be set in a right degree angle (90°) to the general fall line of the course.

1310.1.3 Marking of the gates
The positions of the gate poles may be marked with an easily recognisable colouring substance which remains visible throughout the entire race.

1310.1.5 Marking of the course and terrain
Coloured dye used vertically from gate to gate as well as horizontally across the course or the inside and/or outside of the racing line before and after the gate notably on the approaches indicating changes in terrain, jumps, etc.

1310.1.6 Spare Poles
The chief of course equipment is responsible for the availability and correct placing of enough spare poles. The poles are to be placed so that the competitors are not mislead by them.

1310.1.7 Closing and Modification of the Course
A course is closed from the time the course setting begins. Nobody except for the Jury is permitted to change gates, gate panels, markings, etc. or modify the course structure (jumps, bumps, etc.) on a closed course. All changes should be announced to athletes and team captains at the start.
Competitors are not permitted to enter a closed competition course.
Trainers, servicemen etc., who are allowed on a closed competition course are to be decided by the Jury.
Photographers and camera teams are allowed into the closed course area for the necessary documentation of the competition. Their total number can be limited by
the Jury. They will be located by the Jury where possible and must remain only in this area.
The Jury or the Organising Committee may close a course or sections of a course to competitors, trainers, media and service personnel outside of the actual competition or training times for preparation and maintenance purposes.

1310.1.8  *Warm up Slope*
Appropriate warm up slopes should be made available.

1311  *Competition*

1311.1  *Passage of the Gates*
A gate has been passed correctly when the competitor has at least the front foot fixed in the bindings on the board and the entire board crosses the gate line. In case of a fall, the competitor must pass through the turning gate line.

The gate line in triangular banner Banked Slalom and Snowboard Cross is the extension of the line at the base of the long pole to past the turning pole which connects the two points at the base of the banner.

In the event that a competitor removes a pole from its vertical position before the competitor's board and both feet have passed the gate line, the board and feet still must pass the original gate line (dye marking in the snow). In the event that a gate pole or stubbie is missing the competitor is obligated to turn around the original placement mark to be considered as having passed the gate correctly.

1311.2  *Interdiction to Continue after a Gate Fault*
If a competitor misses a gate, he must no longer continue through further gates.

1312  *The Finish*

1312.1  *The Finish Area*
The finish area must be plainly visible to the competitor approaching the finish. It must be wide, with a gently sloped smooth outrun. It must be prepared.

In setting the course with gates, particular attention shall be paid to directing competitors across the finish on a natural line adapted to the terrain.

1312.2  The finish area is to be completely fenced in. Any unauthorised entry must be prevented. Finish installations and closures should be set up or secured through suitable security protection measures.
1312.3 For competitors who have finished their runs, a special area, separated from the actual finish, is to be provided. In this area or corridor, it should be possible if applicable to make contact with the press (written and audio-visual).

1312.4 The Finish Line and its Markings

The finish line is marked by two posts or vertical banners which are connected by a horizontal banner.

In Snowboard Cross and Banked Slalom the finish must be no less than 10 m wide.

In exceptional cases, the Jury can decrease this distance for technical and security reasons or because of the terrain. The width of the finish is considered to be the distance between the two finish posts or banners. The timing supports must also be at least this far apart and are to be protected. The timing supports can usually be placed directly behind the finish posts or banners, on the downhill side. The finish line must be clearly marked horizontally with colouring substance.

1312.5 Crossing the finish line

The finish line must be crossed:

- with at least one foot attached to the board
- with both feet in case of a fall in the immediate finish area. In this case the time is taken when any part of the competitor’s body or equipment stops the timekeeping system.
- in Snowboard Cross the competitor’s place of finish is determined when any part of the body or snowboard crosses the finish line.

1313 Award ceremony

The LOC will arrange the Award ceremonies in consultation with World Para Snowboard.

1313.1 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.

1314 Starting order

1314.1 Subject to Rule 1314.3 the valid WPSB points list for each discipline will be used to determine the starting order. The first group will consist of 16 athletes and can be reduced to eight if there are less than 30 athletes or such other number as determined by the Jury.

1314.2 For all events a random draw (manual or automatic) will determine the starting order for the first group. The starting order of the remaining athletes will be determined
based on their respective WPSB points. The order of all athletes without WPSB points will be randomly drawn (manually or automatically) once the rest of the starting order has been determined. The Jury has the ability to change the start order.

1315 Start intervals

1315.1 Start Intervals in WPSB Snowboard Races

The start can take place in each discipline at variable intervals as determined by the Jury.

1316 Re-runs

A competitor who is hindered while competing by the error of an official, a spectator, an animal, or any other justifiable causes outside their control can apply to any member of the Jury for a provisional re-run immediately after the occurrence of the interference. This claim can also be made by the team captain of the hindered competitor. The competitor must leave the course immediately, or as soon as feasible after the interference, and must not continue riding further down the course but should make his/her way to the finish only on the side of the course.

This Rule does not apply in Snowboard Cross Finals.

In special situations (e.g. in case of missing gates, failure of the timekeeping system or other technical failures), the Jury may order a rerun.

1316.1 Grounds of interference

1316.1.1 Blocking of the course by an official, a spectator, an animal or other obstruction.

1316.1.2 Blocking of the course by a fallen competitor who does not clear the course quickly enough.

1316.1.3 Objects in the course such as equipment of a previous competitor.

1316.1.4 Activities of the first aid service which obstruct the racer.

1316.1.5 Absence of a gate knocked down by a previous competitor that has not been promptly replaced.

1316.1.6 Other similar incidents beyond the will and control of the competitor, which cause significant loss of speed or a lengthening of the racing line and consequently affect the competitors’ time.

1316.1.7 If an athlete misses a gate due to interference and clearly does not gain any advantage this action may not be considered as a DNF.

1316.2 Validity of a re-run
1316.2.1 If the Referee or another Jury member is unable to question the appropriate officials immediately or to judge the justification for the re-run he may grant a provisional re-run, to avoid delay for the competitor. This re-run will be valid only if it is subsequently confirmed by the Jury.

1316.2.2 If the competitor was already disqualified before the incident entitling him to a re-run, the re-run is not valid.

1316.2.3 The provisional or subsequently approved run remains valid even if it proves slower than the obstructed one.

1316.2.4 If a competitor is stopped by a yellow flag in Snowboard Cross or Banked Slalom during his/her timed run, he/she has the right to request a provisional 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 provisional re-run takes place before the last competitor on the start list.

1316.3 Start time of re-run
The competitor must report to the start referee. The start referee will inform the competitor the start position.

1317 Interruption or Termination of the run or training
If an interrupted run cannot be finished on the same day, it is to be treated as a terminated run. In SBX, if the finals are unable to be completed (e.g. due to weather circumstances) provided qualification has been completed, the Jury may determine that the qualification results can be used for final rankings.

In BSL with two runs format, if only one run is completed, the results of that run will count as the final rankings.

1317.1 By the Jury

1317.2 to allow course maintenance or to allow a fairer and more consistent course for all competitors.

1317.3 for unfavourable or inconsistent weather and snow conditions.

1317.4 The competition is to be restarted as soon as the work on the course has finished and if the weather and snow conditions have changed so that a fair competition can be assured.

1317.5 A repeated interruption of the race ordered for the same reason should lead to a termination.

1317.6 Brief Interruption. Each member of the Jury is entitled to order a brief interruption of the run, including at the request of a gate judge.
1317.7 The Jury will terminate a competition:
- if the competitors are significantly affected by outside disturbing influences.
- if conditions arise that interfere with the fairness of the race or if the proper conduct of the race may no longer be guaranteed.

1317.8 The Jury has the right, in its sole discretion, to reschedule or cancel an event or an entire competition. Prior to making such determination, the Jury must consult with WPSB. If an event or competition is rescheduled or cancelled notice must be provided immediately to all affected parties. If an event or competition is rescheduled, notice of the rescheduled date and location must be circulated as soon as possible to all parties. Any rescheduled event or competition shall be treated as a new event or competition (e.g.: entries can change, new start order, etc.).

Any rescheduling of an event or competition must not interfere with the original scheduling. If rescheduling of an event or competition is not possible, the Jury may decide to cancel the qualification rounds and proceed directly to the finals, based on WPSB points for each discipline, and provided the official practice time is available.

1318 Not permitted to start (NPS)

This is not a DSQ

NOTE – Skis & Helmets

- There is no provisional start for skis/helmets.
- Racer is Not Permitted to Start (NPS).
- Racer is NOT DSQ.
- Racer has until second last racer in the run taking place to find skis/helmet correctly marked.

A competitor will not be permitted to start in any WPSB international competition who:

1318.1 wears obscene names and/or symbols on clothing and equipment or behaves in an unsportsmanlike manner in the start area

1318.2 does not wear a crash helmet that conforms to the competition equipment specifications or has not signed the waiver for equipment if needed

1318.3 was disqualified (DSQ), was not permitted to start run 1 (NPS1), not permitted to start run 2 (NPS2), did not start (DNS), did not finish (DNF) or did not qualify (DNQ)

1319 Disqualifications

A competitor will be disqualified if he:
1319.1 participates in the race under false pretences
1319.2 jeopardises the security of persons or property or causes actual injury or damage
1319.1 Disqualification occurs if an athlete/guide does not pass through a gate correctly or does not start within the time limits.

1320 Competitions under artificial light

Competitions under artificial light are permitted and must be approved by World Para Snowboard.

1321 Poles

All poles used in the Snowboard Cross, Banked Slalom and Giant Slalom are subdivided into rigid poles and flex poles.

For WPSB competitions the poles must conform to the FIS specifications.

1322 Gate flags

For WPSB competitions the gate flags must conform to the FIS specifications.

Section 6: Specific rules for WPSB Snowboard

1400 World Para Snowboard courses

1401 Technical data for Snowboard Cross

1401.1 Snowboard Cross (LEVEL 1 see appendix 1 page 77 for details)

1401.1.1 Vertical drop. Vertical drop min 100 m - max 250 m. Vertical drop of the course may be reported in the starting list and final results.

1401.1.2 Length of the course min 500 m max 1,000 m. Course angle average 12°± 2°. Running time of approximately 40 seconds to 70 seconds. Length of the course may be reported in the starting list and final results.

1401.1.3 Width: slope may be minimum 40 m wide. In special case World Para Snowboard Race Director can authorize exceptions for short parts of the course. Track width, depending on the level of competition, may be between 6 m, and 16 m.

1401.1.4 Start section of course may be a straight line between start and first bank, The section should be designed so as to separate the competitors as quickly as possible after the star. Technical data: Minimum 100 m length, 6-8° angle of track after the start platform, minimum 10m width.

1401.1.5 General characteristic and terrain: The preferred slope is classified blue – red varying from 10 to 20 degrees, according to the requirements above. Various terrain
is preferable. Starting section and finish area are the first two elements that need to be fixed.

1401.1.6 The course may be designed and built to include conditions to enable the riders to generate speed and not to have to control it during their performance. Various changes of speed and rhythms along the course are preferable.

1401.1.7 The ideal WPSB Snowboard Cross may allow the construction of any features excluding: gap jumps, corner jumps, spines and double spines, cutting banks, negative banks. It is important to avoid the features with different transverse take-off and landing angles, and the ones that require a change of direction on air. In any case competitor safety considerations and riding level of the athletes must always be a priority.

1401.1.8 The track may be closed to the public and training camps at least 24 hours before the competitions.

1401.2 Snowboard Cross Time Trial only with no dual finals (LEVEL 1)

1401.2.1 Vertical drop. Vertical drop min 70 m - max 150 m. Vertical drop of the course may be reported in the starting list and final results.

1401.2.2 Length of the course min 400 m max 700 m. Course angle average 12°± 2° / 20 – 25%. Running time of approximately 30 seconds to 60 seconds. Length of the course may be reported in the starting list and final results.

1401.2.3 Width: slope may be minimum 40 m wide. In special case World Para Snowboard Race Director can authorize exceptions for short parts of the course. Course Width may be minimum 6 m, recommended 10 m minimum

1401.2.3 Start section of course may be a straight line between start and first bank. Technical data: minimum 40 m length, 6-8° angle of track after the start platform, minimum 6 m width.

1401.3 General characteristic and terrain: The slope may be preferable classified blue – red slope/ varying from 10 to 20 degree, according with the requirements above. Variations in terrain are preferable. Starting section and finish area are the first two elements that need to be fixed.

1401.4 The course may be designed and built to put in conditions the riders to generate speed and not to have to control it during the performance. Various changes of speed and rhythms along the course are preferable.

1401.5 The ideal WPSB Snowboard Cross may allow the construction of any features excluding: gap jumps, corner jumps, spines and double spines, cutting banks, Giant Slalom turns, negative banks. Basically it is important to avoid the features with
different transverse take-off and landing angle, and the ones that require a change of direction on air. In any case competitor safety considerations and riding level of the athletes must always be a priority.

1401.6 The track may be closed to the public and training camps at least 24 hours before the competitions.

1402 Technical data for Banked Slalom/Dual Banked Slalom

1402.1 Vertical drop min 100 m - max 250 m. Vertical drop of the course may be reported in the starting list and final results.

1402.2 Length of the course min 400 m - max 1000 m. Course angle average 15°± 3° / 20 – 35%. Running time of approximately 30 seconds to 90 seconds. Length of the course may be reported in the starting list and final results. Indoor events may have a minimum vertical drop of 60M and a minimum course length of 250M.

1402.3 Width: slope may be minimum 25 m. Course width minimum 4 m.

1402.4 General characteristic and terrain: it may be medium pitched slope. It may be preferably a natural various terrain, plenty of bumps and dips, preferably a U shape/natural valley.

1402.5 The course may be designed and built following the terrain profile, preferably using natural snow. Any features are allowed, but competitor’s safety considerations and riding level of the athletes must always be a priority.

1402.6 The track course may be built in a way that the competitors are able to ride keeping always the board parallel to the surface during the performance. In the turns appropriate banks may be built and shaped. Minimum distance between the banks/gates after the first gate may be minimum 14 m.

1402.7 The track may be closed to the public and training camps at least 24 hours before the event.

1402.8 Start Ramp

The Start Ramp shall be prepared in such a way that the competitors can stand relaxed on the starting line and can quickly reach full speed after leaving the start. Push off posts will be installed on the starting installation for all events. The specifications will be adjusted to the needs of the specific events. In Banked Slalom and Giant Slalom the first gate on the course must be straight from the start gate.

1402.9 Start Gates
The Start gates for all World Para Snowboard competitions/disciplines must meet FIS homologation standards. A Banked Slalom/Giant Slalom start gate may be a single Snowboard Cross start gate.

For Snowboard Cross the start gates must open simultaneously and a competitor must not be able to push the gates open.

1402.9.1 Malfunction of the start gate

If one or both starting machine gates have been blocked because of technical malfunction, without the competitor touching the gate before the starting signal was given, the start must be repeated.

1403 Technical data for Giant Slalom

1403.1 Vertical drop min 200 m – max 400 m. Vertical drop of the course may be reported in the starting list and final results.

1403.2 Length of the course min 400 m - max 600 m. Course angle average $15^\circ \pm 3^\circ / 20 – 35\%$. Running time of approximately 30 seconds to 90 seconds. Length of the course may be reported in the starting list and final results. Indoor events may have a minimum vertical drop of 60M and a minimum course length of 250M.

1403.3 Width: slope may be minimum 30 m.

1403.4 The distance between the nearest poles of two successive gates must not be less than 10 meters. The gates must be set so that the competitors can distinguish them clearly and quickly even at high speed. The banner of a gate should be set at right angles to the racing line.

1403.5 General characteristic and terrain: medium pitched slope, preferably with various grades.

1403.6 The course may be perfectly groomed and the snow surface may be compacted.

1403.7 The triangular gate flags have to be placed at right angles ($90^\circ$) to the fall line at the bottom of the gate. The triangular gate flags are to be fastened at the bottom of the gate.

1403.8 Number of gates

The Giant Slalom has to be set as follows:

It is recommended to set with a distance of between 20–27 meters between turning gates in Giant Slalom (Exception: Banana Gates). The results list must show the number of turns and number of gates. Example: 25 (turns) / 30 (gates).
1404 Course design. Course building and maintenance plan.

1404.1 Design of course has to be approved by World Para Snowboard Race Director in advance.

1404.2 The building and maintenance plan of the course may be agreed by all the parts and approved in advance by World Para Snowboard Race Director.

1405 Course testing

1405.1 Before the event, the Jury may allow an official course testing

1405.2 All the safety equipment may be installed on the course

1405.3 Medical staff may be on place during the course testing

1405.4 Only competitors are allowed to test the course, according with the equipment requirements (helmet is mandatory)

1405.5 The teams may communicate to WPSB the riders list available for the course testing 7 days before the competitions

1405.6 Jury may select minimum 3 or maximum 5 riders based on: competitors’ availability, local national team athlete/athletes, world cup ranking, one per gender, different classes, turnover principle.

1405.7 Only the coaches may attend the course testing, according with JURY indications and they are allowed to film the course testing

1405.8 The course may be set and gates may be on place

1406 Gates and course setting.

1406.1 Gates

1406.1.1 A Snowboard Cross/Giant Slalom/Banked Slalom gate consists of one stubby flex pole (turning pole) and one long slalom pole (outside pole) which are connected with a triangular gate flag.

1406.1.2 Consecutive gates must alternate in colour except banana gates (which are considered to be one turn therefore one colour) that must be the same colour gates and flags.

1406.1.3 The gates must be set so that the competitors can distinguish between them clearly and quickly even at high speed. The triangular gate flag of a gate should be set at right angles to the racing line.

1406.1.4 In certain circumstances competitors may be required to pass between two gates of the same colour (for example: corridors).
1406.2 Course setting

1406.2.1 The setting of the gates must be done before the official inspection and training and should incorporate the skilful use of the terrain with the integration of terrain features and jumps into the setting.

1406.2.2 Minor adjustments in the setting may be necessary during the training to adjust the course for a smooth race line.

1406.2.3 Any changes made during training should be announced in the start area so all competitors and Team Captains are aware of any such changes.

1406.2.4 Giant Slalom second run should be reset on the same slope according with rule 1310. A new course setter is preferable.

1406.2.5 Immediately after the course setting, the coaches have the possibility to inspect the course according with Jury recommendation. In the finish area the coaches can provide their remarks or official protest to the Jury regarding the course preparation and course setting, before official inspection and training.

1407 Inspection/Training

1407.1 The competitors are allowed to inspect the course by slowly sliding down through or alongside the course. Inspection times are at the discretion of the Competition Jury but should be a minimum of 15 minutes. Competitors must visibly wear their start numbers and their helmets.

1407.2 At least one training run prior to the actual competition is mandatory in Snowboard Cross and Banked Slalom normally the training session should be 1–2 hours in length and if possible should be held the day before the actual competition (under certain mitigating circumstances the competition Jury may decide other possibilities).

1408 Execution of Snowboard Cross

1408.1 Format two athletes per heat

Brackets of 16 men/eight women or such other numbers as determined by the Jury based on field sizes in each category. Qualification runs have one competitor on the track at a time. The Qualification format will be chosen by the jury in its sole discretion taking into account variables including, but not limited to, the weather and field sizes. Any change by the Jury must be announced before the first run begins. The timed qualification runs are used to qualify competitors for the finals.

1408.1.1 There are three timed qualification formats:

a) One Run Qualifications – all athletes conduct one timed run.
b) Two Run Qualifications – all athletes conduct two timed runs; the best run out of
the two determines the qualification ranking. Athletes who did not start (DNS), are
 disqualified (DSQ) or did not finish (DNF) in qualification run one can participate in
 qualification run two.

c) Two timed runs in “Cut Down System” – From qualification run one, top 50% of
the final number of athletes in a bracket will be ranked by time (e.g. Brackets of 16
Men, eight are qualified after Run 1 ranked one to eight, Brackets of eight Women,
four are qualified after run one ranked one to four)

- Only the athletes not qualified from qualification run one will take a second
qualification run, including athletes who DNF, are DSQ or DNS in the first
qualification run.

- Start order second qualification run will be the same start order of the first
qualification run, taking out the already qualified athletes.

- The best qualification run of the two, counts for the remaining athletes (e.g. for
the bracket of 16 they will be ranked nine to 16, for the bracket of eight they will be
ranked five to eight)

1408.1.2 Seeding Run only

If there is no need to do any qualification runs for a category (e.g. there is a bracket
of eight and only seven competing), the Jury may decide that only one seeding run
for the final brackets will take place. This applies to all categories, men and women.
Athletes who are DSQ or DNF will be seeded for the final brackets according to their
respective WPSB points. Athletes who did not start (DNS) will not be ranked in the
final results.

1408.2 Format four athletes per heat

Finals are based on 32, 16, eight or four athletes with four athletes per heat or such
other numbers as determined by the Jury. SBX will be run according to a single
knockout format.

The first two athletes per heat advance from round to round as determined by their
place of finish in each heat. Place of finish is determined by the part of the body or
snowboard that crosses the finish line first. Whenever possible, a finish line camera
(video or photo finish) should be available. In case of a tie, the place of finish will be
determined by reviewing the photo-finish footage (if available). If such footage is not
available or after reviewing the footage a tie still exists, the athletes will be ranked
according to their qualification times. In the case where the same qualification time
exists (best time out of two runs), the athlete with the fastest total qualification time (of both combined runs) will be placed ahead of the other tied athlete (if one of the two tied athletes has only one qualification run he will automatically lose the tie). If a tie still exists or it is the first heat (so no other runs have been performed by the athletes), the athlete with the higher bib number (used in the seeding or the qualification runs) will be ordered first.

The athletes who do not advance to the 1/8 final heats will be grouped according to their placing in the heat and then ranked within that group according to their qualifying time. Any athlete who has qualified for a certain group (1/8 final, 1/4 final, etc.) will remain in this group and be ranked accordingly. For example: Once an athlete has qualified to the 1/8 final heats he will remain, for scoring purposes, in the top 16 group.

If two or more athletes DNF or are DSQ they will be ranked according to the length of the course they each completed (determined by the number of gates they successfully negotiated). If two or more athletes DNF or were DSQ at the same gate, they will be ranked according to their respective qualification ranking.

The finals for the athletes who have qualified as per rule “Seeded Groups without Timed Runs” (Rule 1409.3) will be conducted as follows: The first two athletes per heat advance from round to round as determined by their place of finish in each heat. Place of finish is determined by the part of the body or snowboard that crosses the finish line first. Whenever possible, a finish line camera (video or photo finish) should be available. In case of a tie, the place of finish will be determined by reviewing the photo-finish footage (if available). If such footage is not available or after reviewing the footage a tie still exists, the athlete with the better WPSB points will be placed ahead of the other tied athlete. Athletes who did not start (DNS) in the first heat, will not be ranked in the final results.

1408.2.1 Ranking for final results

The athletes who participate in the qualification runs will be ranked according to their respective qualification result.

Ties for athletes who do not advance to the finals will remain as ties in the final qualification result list. Such athletes will be listed with the same ranking.

1408.3 In Snowboard Cross there are two or four start gates on the start platform. Different start gates must be used for each qualification run in order to guarantee the same snow conditions of the track during the finals.

1408.4 False Starts
Disqualification will take place:

When a competitor manipulates the starting gates; and/or

When a competitor’s board (entire body counts if a western style start gate is used) passes the starting line (vertical plane) before the final starting signal has been given (audible and/or visible).

1408.5 For the 2nd qualification run all competitors including DQs, DNFs and DNSs will start in the same order as the first run.

1408.6 Contact

Intentional contact by pushing, pulling, positioning an arm in front of another competitor to avoid being passed or other means which causes another competitor to slow down, fall or exit the course is not permitted. Blocking, by intentional movements of the body or an abrupt and radical changing of the actual riding line for blocking reasons is also not permitted. Any of the described intentional contacts will cause an automatic disqualification sanction. Unavoidable "casual contact" may be acceptable. All contact infractions will be at the discretion of the course Judges and competition Jury.

1408.7 Ties in Snowboard Cross Qualification

1408.7.1 Ties in One Run Qualification Format

In the event of a one run qualification if two athletes are tied the athlete with the higher number of WPSB SBX points will win the tie. If they are still tied, the athlete with the higher bib number will win the tie.

1408.7.2 Ties in Two Run Qualification Format

If two or more athletes have the same best time, the athlete with the fastest total qualification time (of both run times combined) will be placed ahead of the other tied athletes. If one of the tied athletes has only one qualification run and/or was DSQ, DNF or DNS in one of the two runs he will automatically lose the tie. If a tie still exists the athlete with the better WPSB SBX points will be placed ahead of the other tied athletes. If they are still tied the athlete with the higher bib number will win the tie.

1408.7.3 Ties in Qualification with “cut down system”

If two or more athletes have the same best time, the athlete with the fastest total qualification time (of both run times combined) will be placed ahead of the other tied athletes. If one of the tied athletes has only one qualification run and/or was DSQ,
DNF or DNS in one of the two runs he will automatically lose the tie. If a tie still exists or it is the first qualification run (so no other runs have been performed by the athletes), the athlete with the better WPSB points will be placed ahead of the other tied athletes. If the athletes are still tied, subject to the second paragraph of this Rule 1408.6.3, the athlete with the higher bib number will win the tie.

If after the first qualification run, two or more athletes are tied on the last position of qualification to the finals (e.g. eighth place for brackets of 16) the athlete with the better WPSB points will be place ahead of the other tied athletes but all tied athletes will advance to the finals, without taking a second qualification run. The starter field for the second qualification run will be reduced accordingly.

1408.8 In special event Jury can decide to change the format in 4 or 6 per heat.
1408.9 Protests

1409.7.1 Report of Protests

Disqualification / Sanctions will be announced and/or posted immediately after each heat at a designated area at the bottom and/or top of the course.

All protests must be reported to the Chief of Finish and or another Jury member or to a jury appointed person (which is announced at the Team Captains meeting) before the next heat begins. Protests received after this time will not be accepted. A competitor does not need to stop their run and/or raise their hand if they think that they have been interfered with by another competitor in order to have the right to protest. Protests need not be in writing but all other IPC rules for protests will apply. The protest fee must be paid at or before the conclusion of the competition.

1409.7.2 Handling of Disqualifications / Sanctions caused by Direct Intentional Contact (DIC)

If an athlete is DSQ or sanctioned because of DIC, he will be automatically ranked as last in his heat and listed as DIC in the final result list. Unless a re-run is performed (in accordance with the below process) all other athletes, even if they are affected by the DIC, will be ranked by their place of finish.

In the case of DIC a re-run will only be considered by the Jury:

- If an athlete were interfered with by some other person other than another athlete competing in that heat.
Or

- If, in the opinion of the Jury, an athlete who was affected by the DIC would likely have advanced to the next round if it were not for the DIC

The Jury shall determine, in its sole discretion, based on the circumstances of the DIC, the number of athletes who will participate in a re-run. If one or more athletes were clearly leading the heat when the DIC occurred the Jury may determine that such athlete(s) does not have to participate in the re-run.

1409 Finals Snowboard Cross

1409.1 Finals are based on 16 men / 8 women / 2 competitors per heat or such other numbers as determined by the Jury. In special circumstances 32 men and/or 16 women are allowed.

1409.2 In case there are less than 16 men or eight women athletes per class, the brackets may be defined following the indications below:

1409.2.1 Format with two athletes per heat

- 16 men/women – minimum 13 athletes on the starting list with three bye
- eight men / women minimum six athletes in the starting list with two bye
- four men/women minimum three competitors in the starting list with one bye
- two men/women two athletes in the starting list

1409.2.2 Format for four athletes per heat

- 32 men/women minimum of 24 athletes on the start list with eight byes
- 16 men/women minimum of 13 athletes on the start list with three byes
- eight men/women minimum of five athletes on the start list with three byes

Jury can decide to define different brackets in case of special conditions.

1409.3 Seeded groups without timed runs

The competitors will be seeded according to their actual WPSB points standing.

The Jury will announce at the TC-Meeting:
- Number of qualified competitors
- If necessary, the number of rounds
- Number of heats including number of qualified competitors per heat

1409.4 Snowboard Cross will be run according to a single knockout format.

The first competitor (2 riders per heat) advance from round to round as determined by their place of finish in each heat. Place of finish is determined by the first part of
the body or Snowboard that crosses the finish line. Whenever possible, a finish line camera (video or photo finish) should be available. In case of a tie, at the finish line, such tie(s) will be broken after reviewing if available the photo-finish presentation. If a tie still exists, the competitors concerned will be ranked according to the fastest qualification time. In the case where the same qualification time exists (best time out of two runs), the tie will be broken by using the total time of both qualification runs. If a tie still exists, the competitor with the higher bib number (used in the seeding or the qualification runs) will be scored as first.

The competitors who do not advance in 1/8 finals heats will be grouped according to their placing in the heat and then ranked within that group according to their qualifying time. In any case a competitor who has qualified for a certain group (1/8 final, 1/4 final, etc.) will remain in this group and be ranked there. For example: Once a competitor is qualified for top 16 they will remain for scoring purposes in the top 16 group.

1409.5 Race Bibs

Must be two or more different colours in each heat or numbered bibs with numbers on front, back and sleeves for better visibility by the course judges.

To differentiate between athletes competing in a race, different coloured (red and green for races with two athletes and red, green, blue and yellow for races with four athletes) race bibs must be used. If that is not possible, different coloured leg bands (red and green for race with two athletes and red, green, blue and yellow for races with four athletes) must be used in addition to the (same colour) race bibs. The Race Director or Jury may approve colours other than red, green, blue and yellow.

Special event it may be required more than 2 different colours.
1410 Snowboard Cross

Pairings for the finals will be according to the following, excluding Special Event

1410.1 FINALS for race format with two athletes per heat

Ranking for 8 heats/2 per heat (16 athletes)

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Ranking for 4 heats/2 per heat (eight athletes)

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1410.2 Finals for race format with four athletes per heat

Ranking for eight heats/four per heat (32 athletes)

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### Ranking for heats with unbalanced number of athletes

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1410.3 Final Ranking

Competitors are ranked according to their place of finish in the final heat and in the consolation round. All remaining competitors’ are ranked according to the round they go out in (e.g. quarter finals) and their qualification times within that round.

1410.4 DNS, DSQ, DNF in Snowboard Cross Finals

If one or more competitors do not start in the round of 16 or the round of 8 or round of 4 they will be automatically ranked last in the round of 16, 8 or 4 respectively. If two competitors are DNF/DSQ, they will be ranked in the heat according to their qualification rank, but better than the athletes who receive a DIC or DNS. DIC will receive automatically the last place in this heat and will be ranked last at the end of the second/fourth ranked athletes, but before the DNS.

1411 Snowboard Cross Team (SBX Team) and Snowboard Cross Mixed Team (SBX Mixed Team)

1411.1 Technical Data
The same rules apply for vertical drop, length/inclination, width and the use of gates as for a regular SBX event (Rule 1401 & Appendix 1)

1411.2 Courses
The same rules apply for general characteristics of the courses and course preparation as for a regular SBX event

1411.3 Course setting
The same rules apply for course setting as for a regular SBX event (rule nr 1406.2)
1411.4 Inspection/Training
The competitors are allowed to inspect the course by slowly sliding down through or alongside the course. Inspection times are at the discretion of the Competition Jury but should be a minimum of 15 minutes. Competitors must visibly wear their start numbers and their helmets. The Jury may announce at the teams’ captain meeting if the use of transponders for the purpose of recording competitors’ times and/or finishing positions is mandatory during inspection, training and competition. In this case competitors who do not comply shall not be permitted to participate. At least one training run prior to the actual competition is mandatory normally the training session should be 1–2 hours in length and if possible should be held the day before the actual competition (under certain mitigating circumstances the competition Jury may decide other possibilities).

1411.5 Execution of a SBX Team and SBX Mixed Team

1411.5.1 Qualification for SBX Team
The most current WPSB ranking list of all categories per gender will be used to determine the participating nation’s teams. The list is sorted by Nation and ranked highest to lowest within each nation. The points are combined for all nation pairs (regardless of the category) of athletes from top to bottom. The top 8 women’s teams and the top 16 men’s teams considering the limitation of maximum one LL2 competitor per team will be seeded into the brackets according to their WPSB Ranking. All Nations number one teams will be considered first for the brackets, then, number two teams will fill the remaining brackets in ranking order up to 16 teams for men and 8 teams for women. There is a limit of 2 teams per gender per nation allowed to start.

1411.5.2 Seeding for SBX Team
Teams will be ranked according to team points for purposes of seeding in-to standard SBX brackets.

1411.5.3 Teams eligibility for SBX Team
Each team is composed of two athletes. Once the nation teams qualification and seeding is determined, each nation can field any eligible competitor (*) into their team with a maximum of one LL2 competitor per Men’s team, although each competitor is only eligible to compete on one team. Nations must declare which competitor will comprise each team at the seed meeting for the competition start. Nations determine by themselves which teammate will run 1st and 2nd. Similar to regular SBX, lane choice is determined by each nation team seed, within each heat. Teams will declare which teammate will run 1st after the teams have declared lane choice.
Lane choice will be declared in the following order; seed 1, seed 2, and then teammate running order will be declared in the following order; seed 2, seed 1.

* Qualification requirements are according to the necessary minimum WPSB ranking list for participation in a single SBX at the respective level of event (e.g. WC minimum 100 WPSB points).

1411.5.4 Qualification for SBX Mixed Team
The most current WPSB ranking list of all categories and for both genders will be used to determine the participating nations teams. The list is sorted by Nation and ranked highest to lowest within each nation. The points are combined for all nation pairs composed by one man and one woman (regardless of the category) of athletes from top to bottom. The top 16 team will be seeded into the brackets according to their WPSB Ranking. All Nations’ number one teams will be considered first for the brackets, then, number two teams will fill the remaining brackets in ranking order up to 16 teams. There is a limit of 2 teams per nation allowed to start.

1411.5.5 Seeding for SBX Mixed Team
Teams will be ranked according to team points for purposes of seeding in-to standard SBX brackets.

1411.5.6 Teams eligibility for SBX Mixed Team
Once the nation team’s qualification and seeding is determined, each nation can field any eligible competitor (*) into their team although each competitor is only eligible to compete on one team. Nations must declare which competitor will comprise each team at the seed meeting for the competition start. Nations determine by themselves which teammate will run 1st and 2nd. Similar to regular SBX, lane choice is determined by each nation team seed, within each heat. Teams will declare which teammate will run 1st after the teams have declared lane choice. Lane choice will be declared in the following order; seed 1, seed 2, and then teammate running order will be declared in the following order; seed 2, seed 1. The decision which gender will start first will be communicated at the Team Captains’ Meeting. The jury may limit the teams to choose the same order for rider 1 and 2 on a team for a portion of (for instance semifinals and finals) or the entire event. This must be announced at the team captain meeting the night before the actual team event.

* Qualification requirements are according to the necessary minimum WPSB ranking list for participation in a single SBX at the respective level of event (e.g. WC minimum 100 WPSB points).
1411.5.7 Competition

In a SBX Team/\textit{SBX Mixed Team} event the first competitor from each team wears a transponder on their front leg boot top (or two transponders one on each leg). All of the first competitors from each team line up in the start and the traditional SBX start cadence is given with all gates opening at the same time. As soon as these competitors leave the start the gates are closed and their teammates line up again. When the first competitor from a team crosses the finish line the transponder sends a signal to the start gate that opens just the individual start gate for their teammate. In case of the absence of an automatic start gate opening system a radio signal maybe give to the starter to open the start gate once the teammate has crossed the finish line. In the case that the first teammate does not finish (DNF) the second teammate’s gate will not open. The first team whose second teammate crosses the finish line will advance to the next round.

1411.5.8 Bibs / Competitors identification

Numbered bibs with numbers on front, back and sleeves for better visibility should be utilized. The numbers have to clearly identify each team and the individual team members. The bibs should therefore be assigned with a larger number identifying the team and a small number (or for example 31 & 32, 45 & 46 etc.) identifying the different team members: e.g. Team1: 11/12, Team2: 21/22,

To aid in competitor identification different colored bibs have to be used. Nation outfits are allowed but these outfits clearly need to distinguish the various riders/teams. If colored bibs will be utilized the following colors have to be used: red – green.

1411.5.9 Gate Judges

The same rules apply for the use of gate judges as like in a regular SBX event (Rule 1412.4)

1411.5.10 Competition Clothing

The same rules apply for competition clothing as like in a regular SBX event

1411.5.11 Start

The same rules apply for start ramp, start gates as like in a regular SBX event as well as for start command, false start or malfunction of the start gate (Rule 1309.4, 1309.8, 1402.9.1)

1411.5.12 Choice of start lane

The choice of the start lane, during each heat is based upon the seeding position. Higher seeded teams can choose their lane first. A missed start is considered a disqualification /
sanction. It is the competitors’ responsibility to arrive at the start in time to compete (Rule 1309.4, 1309.6, 1309.8)

1411.5.13 Competitors coaching at start during final start signals
During the final start command no coaching is permitted at the start (no coaches present at the start gate, no radio information from the course, etc.).

1411.5.14 Start Stop

In the case of a crash while the 1st teammates are on the course, and crashed competitor(s) remain in an unsafe position on course, it may be necessary to stop the start before the gates of the 2nd teammates open. In this case the 2nd teammate’s heat will get started, once the course has been safely cleared, with the respective time delay or the maximum penalty time. For the re-start if the start gate cannot be opened respecting the time delays or the maximum penalty time, all competitors re-start at the same time.

The penalty time is calculated by taking 6% of the average of the best individual race qualification per discipline per gender, with a maximum of three (3) seconds (e.g. (best time Men 0:48 + best time Women 0:51) / 2 = 49.5 sec * 6% = 2.97 sec).

If there is no individual race time as a reference this calculation result has to be estimated and confirmed by the race jury.

If the race has to get stopped during the second teammate’s heat or some of its athletes being already on the course the complete second teammate’s heat will get restarted, once the course has been safely cleared, with the respective time delay or the maximum penalty time. However, in case of an obvious manipulation provoking a rerun, the Jury can decide that the results of only the first teammates may stand for that heat.

A team which is ranked DNF cannot continue to participate. A start stop during a SBX team event should be confirmed by the Race Director who should therefore have clear overview of the course.

1411.5.15 Contact
The same rules apply for contact as like in a regular SBX event (Rule 1408.6)

1411.5.16 Protest
The same rules apply for Protests as like in a regular SBX event (Rule 1408.9)

1411.5.17 Final Ranking
Teams 1-2 are ranked according to their place of finish in the final heat. Teams 3-4 are ranked according to their place of finish in the consolation round. Within the round the second placed teams are ranked by their seeding position within that group (example: all second place finishers in the quarter final would be ranked, according to their seeding position,).

1411.5.18 DNS, DIC, DNF in SBX Team and SBX Mixed Team Finals

If a team does not start in the round of 16 or eight it will automatically be ranked in the 16th or eighth position. If two or more teams do not start, the DNS teams will be ranked 16/15th or 8/7th according to their seeding position and so on with three or more DNS teams. Order of placing: DNF (sports disqualification) to be ranked second – last place in the heat according to the seeding points. In a case where both competitors do not complete the course nor cross the finish line, the rankings in that heat will be based on the location where the competitor(s) have completed the course. The competitor that has made it further down the course correctly will receive the higher rank. If both competitors are going out at the same gate the tie will be broken according to the competitor who has the better seeding points. DIC will be listed last at the end of the second ranked teams before the DNS teams. A team which does not start in the first round will appear as DNS on the result list. A team which did not start (DNS) in the semi-final is allowed to start in the small final.

1412 Execution of Banked Slalom and Giant Slalom (Time trail events)

1412.1 Format with single athlete timed runs

1412.1.1 Timed runs are used to rank athletes, with one athlete on course at a time.

1412.1.2 All athletes complete two timed runs for Banked Slalom – The best (fastest) timed run out of the two) timed runs will be used to determine the final results. Under special circumstances jury may allow format with one (1) timed run. This jury decision should be announced at the TC meeting before competition, and must be announced at the latest before the start of the official qualification training.

All athletes complete two timed runs for Giant Slalom. The two times will be combined and used to determine the final results. If an athlete is DSQ, DNF or DNS in the first run he is not permitted to start the second run.

1412.1.3 Start list 1st run: Random draw (completed at the TC meeting) of best eight (or four) athletes based on WPSB BSL or GS points.
1412.1.4 Start list 2nd run: Reverse order according to the rankings from the first run including DNF, DSQ, and DNS in this sequence for Banked Slalom. For Giant Slalom the start list for the second run will be reverse order excluding DNF, DSQ and DNS.

1412.2 Re-runs

A competitor, who is hindered, stopped or interfered while competing by the error of an official, by a spectator, by an animal, or by any other justifiable causes outside their control can apply to any member of the Jury for a re-run immediately after the occurrence of the interference.

This claim can also be made by the team captain of the hindered competitor.

The competitor must leave the course immediately or as soon as possible after the interference and may not continue riding further down in the course (only on the side of the course).

In case competitor does not leave the course and continue to race down to the finish line, request for re-run will be considered not valid.

In special situations or other technical failures i.e. failure of start gate(s) or timing systems), the Jury may order a re-run.

If a competitor is stopped by a yellow flag, he has the right to request a provisional rerun, under the condition that the Jury considers this possible from an organizational point of view. The jury should ensure that the competitor’s provisional re-run takes place before the last competitor on the start list.

1412.2.1 Grounds for interference

Blocking of the course by an official, a spectator, an animal or other hindrance.

Blocking of the course by a fallen competitor, who did not clear the course soon enough

Stopped with yellow flag by competition official for any reason

Objects in the course such as equipment of a previous competitor

Activities of the first aid service which hinder the competitor.

Absence of a non-marked gate knocked down by a previous competitor, and not promptly replaced

Other similar incidents, which, beyond the will and control of the competitor, cause significant loss of speed or affects the competitors’ performance and thereby can affect his result.

1412.2.2 Provisional re-run
In case the Referee or another Jury member is unable to question immediately the appropriate official or judge the justification for the provisional re-run request, he may, to avoid delay for the competitor or competition, grant a provisional re-run. This provisional rerun will be valid only if it is confirmed by the Jury.

If the competitor was already disqualified before the incident entitling him to request a provisional re-run, the request for the provisional re-run is deemed to be not valid.

The provisionally or definitively approved re-run remains valid even if it proves worse than the original run.

If the claim for provisional re-run is shown to be unjustified, the competitor will be subject to sanction(s).

1412.2.3 Start time of the re-run

In case of fixed start intervals, the competitor may start a re-run at the fixed interval, after he has reported to the start referee. The start referee's should allow the competitor a reasonable amount of time to compose themselves prior to such start.

1412.3 Ties

For Banked Slalom ties in two timed runs format will be broken by calculating the total time of two runs for each tied athlete (if one of the tied athletes has only one qualification run and/or was DSQ, DNF or DNS in one of the two runs he will automatically lose the tie). If a tie still exists, the athlete with the better WPSB points will be placed ahead of the other tied athletes. If they are still tied, the athlete with the higher bib number will win the tie.

For Giant Slalom, if two or more athletes are tied, the athlete with the fastest time out of both run will win the tie. If a tie still exists, the athlete with the better WPSB points will be placed ahead of the other tied athletes. If they are still tied, the athlete with the higher bib number will win the tie.

1412.4 Gate judges

Between 4-8 gate judges (with control section gate judges being provided radios connected with the Finish Referee and the rest of the Jury) on a Snowboard Cross is necessary. Control section gate judges must be familiar with the rules (Inspection, Training, Gate-DSQ’s, Contact etc.).
1413 Execution of Dual Banked Slalom (DBSL)

1413.1 Definition

1413.1.1 A dual BSL is a competition where two competitors ride simultaneously side by side down two DBSL BSL courses. The setting of the courses, the configuration of the Banks/terrain and the preparation of the snow are to be as identical as possible.

1413.2 Technical Data Dual BSL

1413.2.1 For DBSL the vertical drop of the course must be between 60 and 300 meters with a minimum of 16 banks.

1413.2.2 The course should have a length on the ground of a minimum of 250 meters and a maximum of 450 meters – recommended length is approximately 250 to 350 meters. In general the courses should be 12-14 (+/- 2,0 °) in average steepness with a minimum width of 40 meters. Indoor DBSL events may have a min course length of 200 meters.

1413.2.3 Course length and vertical drop should be proportional to each other.

1413.3 Gates

1413.3.1 A Dual BSL gate consists of one stubby flex pole (turning pole) and one long slalom pole (outside pole) which are connected with a triangular gate flag.

1413.3.2 The gates must be set so that the competitors can distinguish them clearly and quickly even at high speed. The banner of a gate should be set at right angles to the racing line.

1413.4 Choice and Preparation of the Course

1413.4.1 Choose a slope wide enough to permit two or more courses The terrain variations must be the same across the surface of the slope. The course layouts must have the same profile and the same difficulties.

1413.4.2 Over the full width of the chosen slope, the snow must be consistently hard, similar to course preparation for slalom, so that it is possible to offer equal competition conditions on both courses.

1413.4.3 There must be a lift available to the course to ensure that the races are run smoothly and rapidly.

1413.4.4 The course must be entirely closed off by barriers. It is recommended to fence off reserved places intended for trainers, competitors and servicemen.
1413.5 The Courses

1413.5.1 When the two courses are set, the left course (looking from the top) will be set with red poles and red triangular gate flags and the right course (looking from the top) will be set with blue poles and blue triangular gate flags.

1413.5.2 The same course setter establishes the courses and makes sure they are identical and DBSL.

1413.5.3 Shortly before the finish line, after the last gate, the separation between the two tracks must be well defined so that they direct each competitor towards the finish line and away from each other. The course setter must place the last gate in such a manner that the competitors are guided towards the center of each finish line.

1413.6 Distance between the two Courses

1413.6.1 The equidistance between two corresponding course markers (from turning pole to turning pole) should be the same between opposite facing banks. It is suggested be between 10 m to 15 m.

1413.6.2 The first turning gate & Bank (red and blue course) should be set the same distance apart as the start gates.

1413.7 Start

1413.7.1 The Start Ramp shall be prepared in such a way that the competitors can stand relaxed on the starting line and can quickly reach full speed after leaving the start. Push off posts will be installed on the starting installation for all events. The specifications will adjusted to the needs of the specific events.

    Start Gates:

1413.7.2 Two different procedures to start with different start gates are possible:

    (i) Simultaneously

        1. The gates have to open simultaneously for both runs and a competitor must not be able to push the gates open.

    (ii) Delayed

        1. The gates have to open simultaneously in the first run. In the second run the start gates open with the time difference of the first run. Competitor must not be able to push the gates open.

1413.8 False Starts

1413.8.1 Disqualification will take place:

    (i) When a competitor manipulates the starting gates
(ii) When a competitor’s board (entire body counts if a western style start gate is used) passes the starting line (vertical plane) before the final starting signal has been given (audible and/or visible)

1413.9 Malfunction of the start gate

1413.9.1 If one or both starting machine gates have clearly been blocked because of technical malfunction, without the competitor touching the gate before the starting signal was given, the start must be repeated.

1413.10 Start command

1413.10.1 Before the starter gives the command – “Go" or a single audible signal, he must first ensure that the competitors are ready by asking: “red course ready, blue course ready, attention”.

1413.10.2 “Riders ready” only can be used in connection with an audible command (series of short beeps followed by one louder starting beep when doors open).

1413.11 Finish

1413.11.1 The finish areas must be symmetrical. The line of the finish must be DBSL with the line of the starts.

1413.11.2 Each finish line is marked by two/three vertical banners or inflatables in vertical style. Each of these must be at least 8 m wide. The finish lines are separated by a vertical banner or inflatable with a maximum width of approximate one meter.

1413.11.3 It is necessary to set up visually separate finish approaches and exits.
1413.12 Course Setting

1413.12.1 Course setters

(i) The course setter is designated by the Jury of the competition (if he is not chosen by WPSB). Before setting the course, he must conduct an inspection and study of the course in the presence of the Jury and those responsible for the course (the chief of competition and the chief of course). At Level 1 competitions the RD will set the course together with the connection coach. (See rule 1300.2.1.3)

1413.12.2 Setting

(i) Gates/banks, which impose on competitors a sudden sharp braking action, should be avoided, as they spoil the fluid aspect of the run without increasing the difficulties of a modern course.

(ii) The last gates should be rather fast, so that the competitor passes the finish at a direct good speed.

(iii) The last gate/banks should not be too near to the finish to avoid danger to competitors and timekeepers. The last gate/bank should direct competitors to the middle of the finish line.

1413.12.3 Checking the Courses

(a) The Jury must check that the course is ready for racing once the course setter has set it, paying special attention that:

(i) That all poles are firmly rammed in.

(ii) The gates/banks are in the right colour order.

(iii) The position of the poles is marked.

(iv) The numbers are in the right order on the outside poles.

(v) The poles are high enough above the snow.

(vi) The gate flags are properly fixed.

(vii) The security fencing and other security installations are acceptable.

(viii) The last gate before the finish directs the competitors to the middle of the finish.

(ix) The reserve poles are correctly placed not to mislead the competitors.
1413.13 Timing and Data

1413.13.1 The Organiser must provide a Timing and Data System which is able to fulfill the following: use existing WPSB Lists and CoC Standing lists, as well as finding out which ones the riders best points the Data System must provide the possibility to calculate start lists, results from qualification and elimination runs, as well as final results including the CoC points and WPSB points achieved.

1413.14 Qualification

1413.14.1 The running time of each competitor will be registered with two independently homologated timing systems (see WPSB Timing booklet).

1413.15 Finals

1413.15.1 As the start is simultaneous, only the difference in time between the competitors at the finish will be registered with two independent homologated timing systems. The first competitor that breaks one of the signals starts the chronometer and receives the time "zero", the following competitor (2nd) stops successively the clocks (chronometers) and receives the time difference in 1/100-seconds to the first competitor.

1413.16 Execution of DBSL Events

1413.16.1 Qualification format for the DBSL Final

(a) Two runs both course Qualifying

Whenever possible both runs should be held on the same day. All competitors get one run on this course – the top 50% of the final brackets, in each category, (woman and men) are qualified directly to the finals. The remaining competitors have a second run on the opposite course but in reverse start order of their ranking of the first run, in each category, (last starts first). The other 50% of the final brackets, in each category, (only by the time from the second run) are qualified for the finals.

(b) Tie-Breaking in Qualification

In case of a tie for last place in the first and/or second qualifying run, the tie will be broken in favour of the competitor with the highest bib number.

(c) Competitors Qualified to Finals
The number of competitors qualified for the finals depends on the number of participants in the qualification runs per category:

1 - if there are 25 or more participants in the qualifications per category 16 competitors will be qualified for the finals.

2 - if there are less than 25 participants in the qualifications per category 8 competitors will be qualified for the finals.

1413.17 Seeding for Finals

1413.17.1 The first 50% in each category, are seeded first into the brackets according to their rank of run 1 and then the competitors that qualified on run 2 are seeded according to their place of finish on run 2, after the competitors of run one.

1413.18 Parings for Finals

1413.18.1.1 8 resp. pairs are formed as follows using the results of the Qualifications:

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1413.19 Starting order

For each pair the competitor which is listed first or respectively on top of the pairing will do their first run on the red course. Following the order in the table, from top to bottom, all groups compete in succession. For the second run the competitors change courses. All runs in the DBSL final are done using this system.

1413.19.1 A DBSL final consist of:
- 1/8-finals
- 1/4-finals
- 1/2-finals
- small and big finals

1413.19.1.1 1/8-finals
The winners of the 1/8-finals heats qualify to the 1/4-finals.

1413.19.1.2 1/4-finals
The winners of the 1/4-finals heats qualify to the 1/2-finals.
1413.19.1.3 1/2-finals
The winners of the 1/2-finals heats qualify to the big final. The losers of the 1/2-finals heats qualify to the small final.

1413.19.1.4 Small and Big Finals
The winner of the big final will be ranked 1st. The loser of the big final will be ranked 2nd. The winner of the small final will be ranked 3rd. The loser of the small final will be ranked 4th.

1413.19.2 If there are less than 5 competitors in a category, a Final with only 4 competitors is allowed.

1413.19.3 The Jury needs to announce this at the Team Captains meeting before the competition.

1413.19.4 Places 5 to 8 and places 9 to 16 are determined by the times of the qualification run(s). In any case a competitor which has qualified for a certain group will remain in this group even if his qualification time was slower than one or more of the qualification times for competitors eliminated in a lower group. 

E.g.: Once a competitor is qualified for inclusion in the top 8 the competitor will remain in the top 8.

1413.20 Two run format for DBSL finals

1413.20.1 Each pair of competitors has to make two runs. The competitors change courses for the second run. The time difference between the two competitors at the finish line will be registered.

1413.20.2 After the second run the time differences of the two runs will be added. The competitor with the lower time difference of the two runs will advance to the next round. The maximum time difference per run is the calculated penalty time, max. 1.5 sec.

1413.20.3 If the time difference of both runs is tied, the winner of the second run will advance to the next round. (If a delayed start gate is used and if two competitors are tied crossing the finish line of the second run, the competitor who lost the first run will be the winner).

1413.20.4 A competitor who does not finish or is disqualified in the first run, starts the second run with a 4 % (max. 1.5 sec.) penalty (see art. 10.8).

1413.20.5 If competitors are tied in each of both runs, the tie will be broken using the highest current WPSB Points.

1413.20.6 A competitor who does not start (DNS) the first run receives the penalty time. When both competitors do not start in the first run, the competitor who wins the second run advances automatically. When both competitors do not start in the second run, the competitor who won the first run, advances automatically. Additionally, when one competitor is a DNS and the other competitor in a pair is a
DSQ, the competitor who did not start will receive the penalty for the first run, in
the second run the competitor who started (but DSQ’d) will advance.

1413.21 Did not start (DNS) in Parallel Finals

1413.21.1 If a competitor does not start in the eighth or quarter final, they will be
automatically ranked in the 16th (eighth final) or 8th (quarter final) position. If two
or more competitors do not start, the (DNS) competitors will be ranked on
(15/16th) and (7th/8th) place according to their qualification times (and so on with
three (3) or more DNS competitors).

1413.21.2 If a competitor does not start in the first run in the small or big final the other
competitor must start only once.

1413.21.3 Final Ranking for competitors who did not qualify to the finals
The competitors, who did not qualify to the finals, will be ranked according to their
qualification results. If two or more competitors are tied, the tie is broken in favour
of the competitor with the higher start number.

1413.22 Inspection of the courses

1413.22.1 The competitors are allowed a minimum of 10 minutes to inspect the parallel
courses (qualification and finals). The method of inspection is determined by the
Jury.

1413.23 Control of the Races

1413.23.1 The gate judges are responsible to control the correct passing of the gates. Each
gate judge must immediately notify the Jury of a potential disqualification /
sanction in his section of the course. One more official (judge) appointed by the
Jury may be located along the course to notify the jury on this matter.

1413.24 Disqualifications / Sanctions

1413.24.1 Causes for disqualifications are the following:

1413.24.1.1 False start

1413.24.1.2 Disturbing opponent, voluntarily or not at the final runs when a competitor
disturbs his opponent during the qualification, the disturb competitor may
receive a rerun. The run of the competitor who disturbs the opponent will count
finally.

1413.24.1.3 Incorrect gate passage

1413.24.1.4 Turn not executed on the outside of a gate

1413.24.1.5 Not finishing the run with at least one foot fixed to the board.

1413.25 DSQ or DNF in Finals

1413.25.1 Re-run format

1413.25.1.1 The competitor who is disqualified or does not finish the first run of a round will
start in the second run with a penalty time.
1413.25.1.2 The competitor who is disqualified or does not finish / abandons in the second run is eliminated.

1413.25.1.3 In case both competitors do not finish, the competitor that passes the most gates:
- first run: wins the first run
- second run: advance to the next round

1413.25.1.4 If both competitors do not finish the course, stop or fall or were disqualified at the same gate, the tie will be broken in favour of the competitor with the best qualification time. If they are still tied, the tie will be broken using the highest current WPSB Points. In Big and Small Final the tie will not be broken.

1413.25.1.5 A competitor who comes to a complete stop after a gate fault is not allowed to step back and has to leave the course immediately.

1413.25.1.6 Single run format:
- The competitor who is disqualified or does not finish / abandons in his run is eliminated.
- In case both competitors do not finish, the competitor that passes the most gates wins the run.
- If both competitors do not finish the course, stop or fall or were disqualified at the same gate, the tie will be broken in favour of the competitor with the best qualification time. If they are still tied, the tie will be broken using the highest current WPSB Points. In Big and Small Final the tie will not be broken.
- A competitor who comes to a complete stop after a gate fault is not allowed to step back and has to leave the course immediately.

1413.26 Penalty Time

1413.26.1 The Penalty Time will be calculated using the best time of the qualifications for both women and men. A 4% penalty of this time, with a maximum of 1.5 seconds, will be used in the parallel finals.

1413.26.2 In all cases the maximum time difference for the first run of each pairing can never be higher than the penalty time. I.e. the actual time difference is 3 seconds, the penalty time is 1.5 seconds, and then the second run will be started with a handicap of 1.5 seconds for the loosing competitor of the first round.

1413.26.3 If both competitors are tied after the second run by their respective penalty times, the competitor who wins the second run advances to the next round.

1413.26.4 If both competitors are disqualified in the second run at the same gate, the competitor who won the first run advances to the next round.

1413.27 Competition Clothing

1413.27.1 Parallel competition suits must be two piece – pants and separate top. Form fitting speed suits or downhill suits are not permitted. Non-protruding body
protection and padding is recommended. Protective equipment i.e. back protection must be worn on the body. No straps, fastening devices or other methods can be used to tighten the suit material closer to the body. Shin guards are excluded from this rule.

1414 Race points calculation process

For every international competition registered in the WPSB calendar, WPSB points are awarded from 1st place down to 90% of the ranked competitors or 100th place, whichever is the lower number.

The calculated 90% will be always rounded up (e.g. 41.1% becomes 42).

1414.1 Point-Scales
Points will be awarded according to the following scales:

The point values for all scales are based on the same percentage points awarded as in scale 1000 for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, ............99th, 100th place in relation to the first place.

1414.2 Competition levels and corresponding scales

1414.2.1 Level 1 competitions: Scale 1000 WPSB Points

1414.2.2 Level 2 competitions: Scale 260 to scale 130 WPSB Points

1414.2.3 Level 3 competitions: Scale 160 to scale 50 WPSB Points

1414.2.4 Selection of the scale for Level 1, 2 and level 3 competitions

Level 1

For Level 1 competitions (for all categories), the 1000 points scale will be selected.

Level 2 and 3

For Level 2 and 3 competitions (for all categories) WPSB point level of an international competition is based on the average (arithmetic mean) of the WPSB points of the best 5 athletes who have started in the competition (behind comma always rounded up e.g. 380.4 - 381 points) respecting the minimum and maximum points as defined by Rules 1414.2.2 (Level 2) and 1414.2.3 (Level 3). If less than 5 competitors have started the competition, the sum of their WPSB Points is still divided by 5. After the calculation of the average points, one of the scales, which are listed under the points scales in 1415, is selected. To choose the best possible scale, the average point value must be equal to or higher than the corresponding entry point.
## 1415 Point scales

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1416 WPSB Snowboard Points calculation process

1416.1 Evaluated results

For each new list the average of the competitor’s best two results from the previous 12 months will be calculated in order to give their WPSB Snowboard Cross/Banked Slalom/Giant Slalom Points on that list.

1416.2 No results

If a competitor does not have any valid results in the previous 12 months, a penalty of reducing the 40% of the WPSB points will be applied.

1416.3 One result

If a competitor has only one result in the previous 12 months, a penalty of reducing the 20% of the WPSB points will be applied.

1416.4 Base WPSB Points List (BL) (To be implemented in Season 20/21)

1416.4.1 The Base WPSB Points List (BL) will be published before the end of June.

1416.4.2 The average of the best two results in each event during the past season will be used for the calculation of the BL.

1416.4.3 For competitors with approved Injury Status (see 1417), 1416.2.1 applies, otherwise, see 1416.3.1 and 1416.3.2

1416.4.4 If a competitor has obtained only one result per event during the past season, 40% will be deducted from that result or from the points of the previous BL whichever is better.

1416.4.5 If a competitor has not obtained results during the past season, 80% will be deducted from the points of the previous BL.

1416.5 Injured competitors

1416.5.1 If Injury Status (see 1417) is approved 10% will be deducted from the competitor’s BL points if the current points are not better than the protected points.

1416.6 Normal WPSB Points list (NL)

1416.6.1 The WPSB Points list number one will be published 1st July based on the BL.
1416.6.2 The competitor’s NL points will be the average of their best two results in each event during the current season or the BL points, whichever is better. If the competitor has only one result during the current season, see 1416.3.3 and 1416.3.4.

1416.6.3 Only one result and no BL points
(a) If a competitor has only one result in the current season, the WPSB points, will be that result minus 40%.

1416.6.4 Only one result and BL points
(a) If a competitor has only one result in the current season but has BL points then the WPSB points will be that result minus 40% or the BL points whichever is better.

1417 Injury Status, Professional Obligation and Study Break (IS, PO, SB):
1417.1 If a competitor requests Injury Status (IS), Professional Obligation (PO) or Study Break (SB) through their NPC using the official WPSB Form, they must maintain a valid license throughout the status period. A competitor may only use one status at a time.

1417.2 The request for break penalty for injury status must be submitted no later than 30th April for approval, 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.

1417.3 Approved Injury Status, Professional Obligation and Study Break requests are only valid for one season.

1417.4 The application for IS, PO or SB status is valid until the end of the competition season. After this, the NPC must reapply for new status to the WPSB. If no notice is received, the status will be deleted.

1417.5 A period of at least 6 months must have passed without competing to maintain the Injury Status (IS).

1417.6 In the event the competitor is still under IS upon return he/she achieves two results in a given discipline with a better average than the frozen WPSB that average will be used to calculate his/her WPSB points.

1417.7 All athletes with IS/PO/SB status are permitted to freeze their ranking points for the complete duration of their status but will not be included in the rankings until the status is deactivated. IS/PO/SB will be deactivated either when the NPC/NSF has informed WPSB that the status should be deactivated or automatically after an athlete makes five (5) starts in any discipline (e.g. 2SBX and 3 BSL)
GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS

SB    Snowboard
IPC   International Paralympic Committee
WPSB  World Para Snowboard
STC   Sport Technical Committee
WCH   Snowboard 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)
NORAM North American 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
TA    Technical Advisor
VD    Vertical Drop
TT    Time Trial
BSL   Banked Slalom
SBX   Snowboard Cross
HH    Head to Head
GS    Giant Slalom
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