

World Para Alpine Skiing Rules and Regulations changes Season 2021/2022

TITLE (number of new regulation/rule)	CURRENT	AMENDED	RATIONALE
302.5	<p><b>302.5 World Cup Trophies</b> A World Cup trophy for the winner and medals for the top three (3) ranked athletes/guides will be awarded in each category/discipline and in the individual overall ranking competition.</p> <p>Four (4) calendared races within a competition season are required in each individual discipline at the World Cup level to constitute the award of a discipline trophy.</p>	<p><b>302.5 World Cup Trophies</b> A World Cup trophy for the winner and medals for the top three (3) ranked athletes/guides will be awarded in each category/discipline and in the individual overall ranking competition.</p> <p><u>At least four (4) calendared races in at least two (2) different venues are required</u> within a competition season <del>are required</del> in each individual discipline at the World Cup level to constitute the award of a discipline trophy.</p>	<p>Change necessary to clarify that WC trophies will only be awarded when races happen in two different venues</p>
1200.13	<p>1200.13 Qualification:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A qualification run is shorter than a traditional GS run, and it may take place on the competition course.</li> </ul>	<p>1200.13 Qualification:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>One single qualification run will be carried out.</u></li> <li>A qualification run is shorter than a traditional GS run, and it may take place on the competition course.</li> </ul>	<p>Change necessary to explicitly state how many qualification runs are necessary and what start door will be used.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The qualification run will be set with single GS gates. The distance between the gates will be between 15m and 22m.</li> <li>• Qualifying will alternate courses in bib order. Bibs 1,3,5,7,9... will be on the red course and bibs 2,4,6,8,10... will be on the blue course.</li> <li>• The Jury will announce at the TCM how many athletes per gender will advance to the Finals. Half of the competitors will qualify from each course into the heats. (if 16 athletes go to the Finals, 8 competitors will qualify from red and 8 from blue)</li> <li>• Ties breaker: In case of a tie, the competitor with the higher bib number will be ranked better.</li> <li>• All the athletes that advance to the Finals will be given new bibs and placed in heats according to their qualification rank as described in articles 1200.14.1, 1200.14.2 and 1200.14.3</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The qualification run will be set with single GS gates. The distance between the gates will be between 15m and 22m.</li> <li>• Qualifying will alternate courses in bib order. Bibs 1,3,5,7,9... will be on the red course and bibs 2,4,6,8,10... will be on the blue course.</li> <li>• The Jury will announce at the TCM how many athletes per gender will advance to the Finals. Half of the competitors will qualify from each course into the heats. (if 16 athletes go to the Finals, 8 competitors will qualify from red and 8 from blue)</li> <li>• Ties breaker: In case of a tie, the competitor with the higher bib number will be ranked better.</li> <li>• <u>All the athletes that advance to the Finals will be given new bibs and placed in heats according to their qualification rank as described in articles 1200.14.1, 1200.14.2 and 1200.14.3</u></li> <li>• <u>A FIS homologated parallel start door will be used at the start for the qualification run.</u></li> </ul>	
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<p>1200.15</p>	<p><b>1200.15 Execution of Finals:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each heat consists of two runs. The two athletes will run each course (red and blue);</li> <li>• The faster competitor from qualification will run red course first;</li> <li>• The athlete who finished second in the first run will start the second run with a penalty time. The penalty time is the time difference between the finish time of the first and second athlete from the first run.</li> <li>• The maximum penalty time is two seconds.</li> <li>• The winner of the second run will advance to the next round;</li> <li>• The winner of Heat 1 will advance to the next round and compete against the winner of Heat 2; The winner of Heat 3 will advance and compete against the winner of Heat 4 and so on.</li> <li>• During the heats, if there is a tie, the athlete with the higher bib will advance, except for semi-final and final;</li> <li>• In semi-final and final, in case of tie after the second run the winner will be determined by a run-off.</li> <li>• If both athletes do not finish the second run, the result of the first run counts. If both were</li> </ul>	<p><b>1200.15 Execution of Finals:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each heat consists of two runs. The two athletes will run each course (red and blue);</li> <li>• The faster competitor from qualification will run red course first;</li> <li>• The athlete who finished second in the first run will start the second run with a penalty time. The penalty time is the time difference between the finish time of the first and second athlete from the first run.</li> <li>• The maximum penalty time is two seconds.</li> <li>• The winner of the second run will advance to the next round;</li> <li>• The winner of Heat 1 will advance to the next round and compete against the winner of Heat 2; The winner of Heat 3 will advance and compete against the winner of Heat 4 and so on.</li> <li>• During the heats, if there is a tie, the athlete with the <del>lower</del>higher bib <del>number</del> will advance, <del>with the exception for</del>of semi-final and final.</li> <li>• In <del>the</del> semi-final and final, in case of tie after the second run the winner will be determined by a run-off.</li> </ul>	<p>Change necessary to clarify and correct the tie breaking rule</p>
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	<p>DSQ or DNF in the first run, the competitor who skied the furthest distance correctly in the second run will advance to next round;</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If both athletes do not finish the second run, the result of the first run counts. If both were DSQ or DNF in the first run, the competitor who skied the furthest distance correctly in the second run will advance to next round.</li> </ul>	
<p>1200.17</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No WPAS Points will be awarded for the qualifying or the parallel race.</li> <li>World Cup points will be distributed as follows:</li> </ul> <p>(...)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No WPAS Points will be awarded for the qualifying or the parallel race.</li> <li><u>Competitors finishing in 5<sup>th</sup> place or lower will be grouped according to the round of competition that they are eliminated in and are then ranked according to their time in the qualification run. For example: Competitors who are eliminated in the 1/4 finals will be ranked in 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> place with their time in the qualification run being used to decide their final ranking from 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>. Competitors who are beaten in the 1/8 finals will be ranked in 9<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> place with their time in the qualification run being used to decide their final ranking from 9<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>.</u></li> <li>World Cup points will be distributed <u>for each category</u> as follows:</li> </ul> <p>(...)</p>	<p>Change necessary to clarify how the final ranking is done and how the points will be distributed</p>

<p>1261.1.2 1261.1.3</p>		<p>1261.1.2 For an athlete who has obtained only one result in any of the disciplines (Downhill, Slalom, Giant Slalom, Super G, <u>Super Combined</u>), during the previous season, a 20% penalty will be added to their result. The minimum penalty to be applied in this respect is 20 points.</p> <p>1261.1.3 For an athlete who has not obtained results in any of the disciplines (Downhill, Slalom, Giant Slalom, Super G, <u>Super Combined</u>), during the previous season, a 50% penalty will be added to their BL points from the previous season. These athletes must remain licensed and registered as active with WPAS. The minimum penalty to be applied in this respect is 50 points. Newly licensed athletes with no results will be listed with 999.99 points.</p>	<p><b>When this rule was introduced last year, the Super Combined discipline was omitted.</b></p>
<p>1261.1.1</p>	<p>1261.1.1 The average of the best two results in each event during the previous season will be used for the calculation of the BL.</p>	<p>1261.1.1 The average of the best two results in each event during the previous season will be used for the calculation of the BL. <u>In exceptional circumstances WPAS can decide to extend the period for calculation.</u></p>	<p>Change necessary to allow some flexibility to the rule, especially during exceptional circumstances such as the global pandemic.</p>
<p>1302.5</p>	<p>1302.5 Guides must ski in front of the competitor. Physical contact between the guide and</p>	<p>1302.5 <del>Guides must ski in front of the competitor.</del> <u>In Level 0 competitions, B1 competitors must ski behind their guide.</u></p>	

	<p>competitor during the race will lead to disqualification.</p>	<p><u>In Level 1, 2 and 3 competitions, B1 competitors may ski either: (i) in front of; or (ii) behind their guide. The competitor must inform the competition jury before the start of each run whether they wish to ski in front of or behind their guide on that run. Subject to rule 1303.1, once they have started the run, they may not change their decision in this respect or switch position with their guide during that run.</u></p> <p><u>VI competitors in all other sport classes must always ski behind their guide in all competitions. Physical contact between the guide and competitor during the race is not permitted.</u></p> <p><u>Any breach of this rule by an athlete and/or guide will lead to disqualification.</u></p>	
<p>1303.1</p>	<p><b>1303 Guides</b></p> <p>1303.1 All guides must guide VI competitors from the front. An exception can occur only between the last gate and the finish line, where the competitor can overtake the guide.</p>	<p>1303.1 All guides must guide VI competitors <u>in accordance with Rule 1302.5, subject to the following exception:</u></p> <p><u>If a competitor is skiing behind their guide, they are permitted to overtake the guide only between the last gate and the finish line.</u><del>from the front. An exception can occur only between the last gate and the finish line, where the competitor can overtake the guide.</del></p>	
<p>1582</p>	<p>Race levels valid for season 2020/2021</p>	<p>Race levels valid for season 202<del>0</del>/202<del>1</del></p>	

Description	Race level	Category Adder	Minimum Penalty	Maximum Penalty
PWG, WCH, WC	0	0	0	0 (25*)
COC (EC, NORAM Asia Cup & SH Cup)	1	2	5	50
NC	2	5	10	125
WPAS/ Youth Race	3	10	20	150

\* A maximum penalty of 25 will be applied for Level 1 events only when the penalty cannot be calculated in accordance with Rule 1260.2. For all other situations, the maximum applied penalty will be 0.

This rule was changed last year. With the experience of the previous season we have made small adjustments this rule to better fit the purpose of the initial change.