

To the
- National Ski Associations
- Members of the FIS Council
- Committee Chairmen

Oberhofen, 12th November, 2001
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FIS Council Meeting 4th November 2001 in Oberhofen (SUI)

Dear Mr. President,
Dear Ski friends,

In accordance with art. 32.2 of the FIS Statutes we have pleasure sending you today

A SHORT SUMMARY
of the most important decisions
of the FIS Council Meeting in Oberhofen (SUI).

1. Members present

The following Council Members were present at the meeting in Oberhofen, 4th November 2001:

President Gian-Franco Kasper, Vice-Presidents Anatolij Akentiev, Yoshiro Ito, Carl Eric Stålberg and Hank Tauber, Members Esko Aho, Geoff Henke, Milan Jirasek, Janez Kocijancic, Arnold Koller, Sung-Won Lee, Pablo Rosenkjer, Odd Seim-Haugen, Patrick Smith, Carlo Valentino, Fritz Wagnerberger and Secretary-General Sarah Lewis.

Excused: Bernard Chevallier.

2. Minutes from the Council Meeting in Antwerp

The minutes from the Council meeting in Antwerp (BEL) 27th May 2001 were approved.

3. The FIS World Championships

3.1 **Reports on the 2001 Championships**

- FIS Grass Skiing World Championships, 3rd to 9th September 2001 in Forni di Sopra (ITA)

The Council acknowledged that the Championships had taken place and thanked the Organising Committee, whereby an official report from the event had not been submitted.

3.2 **Reports of future organisers**

- Skiflying in Harrachov (CZE): 7th to 10th March 2002
- Snowboard in Kreischberg (AUT): 1st to 19th January 2003
- Freestyle Skiing in Deer Valley (USA): 26th January to 3rd February 2003
- Alpine events in St. Moritz (SUI): 2nd to 16th February 2003
- Nordic events in Val di Fiemme (ITA): 20th February to 2nd March 2003
- Skiflying in Planica (SLO) 2004
- Alpine events in Bormio (ITA): 29th January to 13th February 2005
- Nordic events in Oberstdorf (GER): 16th/17th to 27th February 2005

The Council acknowledged progress reports from the respective Organising Committees and that all the various preparations appear to be going according to schedule.

The Council expressed its concern that there appeared to be problems with the construction of the new ladies' downhill course in Santa Caterina. It confirmed the report of the technical experts and the Organising Committee that the line of the course and the finish area they have defined is necessary for both safety reasons and to fulfil the technical requirements of a championship course.

The Council confirmed the competition programmes (please see following pages) for the respective FIS World Championships in 2003 and the above dates for the Alpine and Nordic World Ski Championships in 2005.

FIS Snowboard World Championships 2003, Kreischberg/Murau (AUT)

Friday, 10 th January	Official Open Ceremony – Murau Stadion
Saturday, 11 th January	Training Snowboard Cross (SBX) Qualification SBX
Sunday, 12 th January	Training SBX Finals SBX
Monday, 13 th January	1 st Run GS Women Training Big Air (BA) 2 nd Run GS Women Training HP
Tuesday, 14 th January	1 st Run GS Men 2 nd Run GS Men
Wednesday, 15 th January	Qualification PSL Finals PSL Training HP
Thursday, 16 th January 16	Training HP Training BA Training HP
Friday, 17 th January	Training HP Qualification HP Finals HP
Saturday, 18 th January	Training BA Qualification BA Finals BA
Sunday, 19 th January	Qualification PGS Finals PGS Closing Ceremony

Training slopes:

The training slopes are available from Thursday, January 9th, 2003 until Sunday January 19th, 2003. Daily from 09:00 – 16:00.

* Pending approval of Big Air as a World Championship event by the 2002 FIS Congress.

FIS Freestyle World Championships 2003, Deer Valley (USA)

Sunday, 26 th January	Arrival
Monday, 27 th January	Training – all courses
Tuesday, 28 th January	Training – all courses
Wednesday, 29 th January	Mogul Qualification (M/W)
Thursday, 30 th January	Aerial Qualification (M/W)
Friday, 31 st January	Mogul Final (M/W)
Saturday, 1 st February	Aerial Final (M/W)
Sunday, 2 nd February	Dual Moguls (M/W)

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FIS Alpine World Ski Championships 2003, St. Moritz (SUI)

Saturday, 1 st February	Opening Ceremony
Sunday, 2 nd February	Super-G Men
Monday, 3 rd February	Super-G Ladies
Tuesday, 4 th February	Training
Wednesday, 5 th February	Training
Thursday, 6 th February	Combined Downhill Men Combined Slalom Men
Friday, 7 th February	Training
Saturday, 8 th February	Downhill Men
Sunday, 9 th February	Downhill Ladies
Monday, 10 th February	Combined Downhill Ladies Combined Slalom Ladies
Tuesday, 11 th February	Reserve day
Wednesday, 12 th February	Giant Slalom Men
Thursday, 13 th February	Giant Slalom Ladies
Friday, 14 th February	Reserve day
Saturday, 15 th February	Slalom Ladies
Sunday, 16 th February	Slalom Men

FIS Nordic World Ski Championships 2003, Val di Fiemme (ITA)

Tuesday, 18 th February	15 km Women – C (Mass start) Opening Ceremony
Wednesday, 19 th February	30 km Men – C (Mass start)
Thursday, 20 th February	10 km Women – F
Friday, 21 st February	Nordic Combined Ski Jumping K90 15 km Men – F Nordic Combined Cross-Country 15 km Ski Jumping K120 (Qualification)
Saturday, 22 nd February	5 km Women – Pursuit 5 km Women – Pursuit Ski Jumping K120 – Individual
Sunday, 23 rd February	10 km Men – Pursuit 10 km Men – Pursuit Ski Jumping K120 – Team
Monday, 24 th February	Nordic Combined Ski Jumping K90 – Team 4 x 5 km Relay Women – C/F Nordic Combined 4 x 5 km – Team
Tuesday, 25 th February	4 x 10 km Relay Men – C/F
Wednesday, 26 th February	Sprint Women and Men – F (Qualification) Sprint Women and Men – F (Finals)
Thursday, 27 th February	Ski Jumping K90 (Qualification)
Friday, 28 th February	Nordic Combined Ski Jumping K120 Sprint 30 km Women – F Nordic Combined 7,5 km Cross-Country Sprint Ski Jumping K90 – Individual
Saturday, 1 st March	50 km Men – F

3.3 Introduction of new events

On request of the respective Technical Committees, the National Ski Associations and their organisers, the Council decided to propose the following new events to the 2002 FIS Congress:

- Snowboard Big Air at Snowboard World Championships as from 2003
- Skiflying Team Event at the 2004 Championships in Planica (SLO)
- Ski Jumping Team Event on the normal hill at the 2005 Nordic World Ski Championships in Oberstdorf (GER)
- Freestyle Ski Cross and Freestyle Halfpipe at Freestyle World Championships as from 2005
- Nations Grand Prix (not as a World Championship event)

3.4 Candidates for future Championships

The Council confirmed that the following official candidacy with the registration fee and provision of training days has been submitted for the FIS Freestyle World Championships to be elected at the 2002 International Ski Congress in Portoroz (SLO):

- 2005 Freestyle World Championships: Ruka (FIN).

The Council confirmed that the rules in respect to the payment of accommodation for Council Members would apply for all candidates. The Council decided not to accept a special invitation to Council Members from Sapporo.

3.5 Procedure for the election and order of voting

The Council confirmed that the procedure for the election of the FIS World Championship organisers at the International Ski Congress in Portoroz on 6th June 2002 will be as follows:

- All Council Members irrespective of their nation of origin shall have the right to vote.
- The results of the voting shall be published, including the number of votes for each candidate, not during the election but at the ceremony after the official announcement of the organising city.
- The Inspection Group shall establish a detailed technical report on the candidates, which will be submitted to the National Ski Associations and the Council.

The Council acknowledged that in the presence of all candidates, the following order of voting has been drawn by lots:

1. Alpine
2. Snowboard
3. Nordic
4. Freestyle
5. Skiflying

The order of presentation which was drawn by lots will be as follows (scheduled time in brackets):

1. Alpine	Lillehammer (NOR)	(14.00)
	Val d'Isère (FRA)	(14.20)
	Are (SWE)	(14.40)
2. Snowboard	Whistler (CAN)	(15.00)
3. Nordic	Liberec (CZE)	(15.45)
	Sapporo (JPN)	(16.05)
4. Freestyle	Ruka (FIN)	(16.35)
5. Skiflying	Bad Mitterndorf/Kulm (AUT)	(16.55)

3.6 FIS Snowboard World Championships contract

The Council acknowledged that E.M. TV, the television and marketing rights holder for the 1999 and 2001 FIS Snowboard World Championships had terminated its contract.

The Council confirmed that a new agreement has been worked out with the company WIGE, whereby the organisers of the 2003 FIS Snowboard World Championships in Kreischberg (AUT) will be guaranteed the amount stated in the Agreement that they signed on their election in Melbourne.

4. The FIS Junior World Championships

4.1 Reports on the 2002 Championships

- FIS Nordic Junior World Cski Championships, 20th to 27th February 2002 in Schonach (GER)
- FIS Alpine Junior World Ski Championships, 23rd February to 3rd March 2002 in Narvik (NOR)
- FIS Snowboard Junior World Championships, 5th to 7th April 2002 in Ruka (FIN)

The Council acknowledged the reports on each of the Championships, wished the Organising Committees and their National Ski Associations successful events and appointed its representatives as follows: Milan Jirasek – nordic events, Pablo Rosenkjer – alpine events and Carl Eric Stålberg – Snowboard events.

4.2 Future Championships

- FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships, 3rd to 9th February 2003 in Sollefteå (SWE)
- FIS Alpine Junior World Ski Championships, 1st to 15th August 2003 in Bariloche (ARG)
- FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships 2004 in Stryn (NOR)
- FIS Alpine Junior World Ski Championships, 8th to 15th February 2004 in Maribor (SLO)
- FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships 2005 in Otepää (EST)
- FIS Alpine Junior World Ski Championships 2005 in Bardonecchia (ITA)

The Council acknowledged progress reports on behalf of the various Organising Committees and confirmed the above dates for the nordic and alpine events in 2003 and the alpine events in 2004.

5. The International Olympic Committee

5.1 The IOC Session

The Council expressed its warmest congratulations to the new IOC President Jacques Rogge, who was elected during the 112th Session of the International Olympic Committee on 16th July 2001 in Moscow (RUS).

Furthermore it noted that the election of Beijing to host the 2008 Olympic Games already appeared to have had positive effects on the participation of the Chinese Ski Association in the activities of the International Ski Federation.

5.2 Olympic Winter Games Salt Lake City 2002

The Council acknowledged the progress report of the Organising Committee by FIS Vice-President Hank Tauber on the preparations for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City less than 100 days before the opening of the Games. Following the terrorist attack on 11th September 2001 and the ongoing military activities, the Salt Lake City Organising Committee has confirmed a significant increase in the level of security for the Games.

The Council unanimously supported the joint statement issued by the IOC and the seven International Olympic Winter Sports Federations on 20th September 2001:

"IOC President Dr. Jacques Rogge and AIOWF President Gian-Franco Kasper acknowledged their excellent cooperation. All parties commended the Salt Lake Organizing Committee (SLOC) for its outstanding work. They recalled the importance of providing athletes with the best conditions for performance and expressed their full confidence in the organizers.

As to the issue of security, the IOC and the International Winter Sports Federations pledged to fully cooperate with all competent authorities and SLOC, so that all participants, including qualified athletes, may attend and perform their Olympic function at the Games.

The International Winter Sports Federations unanimously supported the IOC's position that the XIX Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City should take place. They reiterated the important role of the Olympic Games in conveying Olympic values of peace, universality and respect of each other."

5.2.1 Commercial markings

The Council expressed its sincere thanks on behalf of the National Ski Associations to the International Olympic Committee for accepting the proposal of the International Ski Federation and other International Winter Sports Federations to apply similar rules that were valid in Nagano 1998 in regard to manufacturer trademark identification on competition clothing at the Games in Salt Lake City. These rules were sent to all National Ski Associations on 10th September 2001:

**MANUFACTURER TRADEMARK IDENTIFICATION ON
EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING XIX OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES,
SALT LAKE CITY 2002
(REVISED SEPTEMBER 2001)**

The rights and obligations for participants in the Olympic Games are governed by Rule 61 of the "Olympic Charter". The following exceptions and interpretations were decided by the IOC Executive Board at its meeting in December 2000, and revised in September 2001.

1. General Guidelines

- No commercial trademark or design may appear on any equipment or clothing other than that of the manufacturer.

- No other third party name, logo or corporate design or colour scheme (including those of sponsors) is permitted.
- Where the manufacturer's trademark is principally the mark of another non-sports product, such mark shall not be permitted.
- The NOC should where possible use national colours, and national NOC marks throughout all uniforms.
- Any identification larger than the size stipulated below shall be removed or covered in accordance with the instructions given by the IOC to the OCOG, IF and the NOC. Furthermore, any breach of the above guidelines may lead to disqualification of the athlete and/or official concerned.

2. Hardware (Equipment) Guidelines (skis, shoes, sticks (poles), skates, bindings, etc.)

- All equipment may carry the normal manufacturer's trademark as generally used on products sold through the retail trade during the period of 12 months prior to the Games.
- No equipment may be taken by the athlete to the medal award ceremony or interview areas, unless it is actually being worn, e.g., shoes. As an exception to this rule, skis may be taken into the interview area.

3. Clothing Guidelines (jackets, trousers, coats)

- All items of clothing, other than accessories, may carry one manufacturer's trademark per item up to a maximum of 20 cm² in size.
- For competition clothing for the sports of skiing, biathlon, bobsleigh and luge, the total surface area of the manufacturer's trademarks on the clothing of one person shall not exceed 160cm², and the total surface area of a single trademark shall not exceed 50cm². The same trademarks may not appear one above the other or one besides the other.
- Where one-piece body suits are used in competition, one manufacturer's trademark shall be permitted above the waist and one below the waist, in accordance with the maximum size noted above.

4. Software (Accessory) Guidelines (goggles, gloves, socks, helmets, hats, rollneck sweaters)

- All items of an accessory nature may carry the manufacturer's trademark up to a maximum of 6 cm² in size. The following exceptions to this rule will be permitted:
- Protective helmets and headgear may carry two manufacturers' trademarks up to a maximum of 15 cm² in size, one on each side placed over the ears.
- Protective masks (goggles) may carry two manufacturers' trademarks up to a maximum of 6 cm² in size, one on each side placed over the ears.
- Gloves may carry the trademark of the actual producer. The mark may be divided into two parts. The total surface area shall not exceed 15 cm² per glove.
- All accessories must actually be worn and may not be used for any direct advertising purpose.

5.3 The Olympic Winter Games Torino 2006

Council Member Carlo Valentino in his capacity as the FIS Council's liaison to the Torino Olympic Organising Committee provided a report on the activities.

The Council acknowledged that the Organising Committee for the Torino Olympic Winter Games and the Coordination Commission have confirmed that the Combined Slaloms will take place in Sestriere, in order that the Combined events may be carried out on one day.

5.3.1 New events

By majority the Council decided to propose to the Congress to request the IOC to include Skiflying on the programme of future Olympic Winter Games.

6. AIOWF

The Council endorsed the joint statement issued by the Association of International Olympic Winter Sports Federations at its recent meeting on 20th September 2001 in regard to the organisation of the Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City as well as each Federation's respective international competitions. "Sport, as the celebration of the world's youth should be an answer to violence and terrorism and not a victim to it".

The next meeting of AIOWF will take place on 6th February 2001 in Salt Lake City.

7. GAISF

The 35th GAISF Congress took place 23rd to 27th October 2001 in Singapore. A Working Group will study a proposal to develop an international sports convention within the framework of GAISF.

8. Financial matters

The Council approved the report of the Treasurer on the accounts and balance sheet per 30th September 2001 and acknowledged the satisfactory financial position at present.

For information, FIS Finance Director Martin Plüss will leave FIS on 31st December 2001, and will be replaced by Christina Ritschard who begins in February 2002.

8.1 Aid and promotion for developing nations

The Council acknowledged the report on the programme "aid and promotion for developing nations" and the activities that have already taken place.

Furthermore the Council expressed its pleasure that the Olympic Solidarity preparations programme for Salt Lake City had awarded grants to 43 National Olympic Committees, who applied for support of athletes in the FIS disciplines.

9. Marketing and television

9.1 Sponsorship agreements

The Council approved a new sponsorship agreement with Winterthur Insurance, who will recognise the best newcomer of the day as the "winstar of the race" at each FIS Alpine World Cup.

The Council acknowledged that "Café de Colombia", the current title sponsor of the FIS Alpine World Cup is withdrawing at the end of the 2001/2002 season following 7 years of sponsorship. Invitations to tender as title sponsor for the FIS Alpine World Cup will be sent to all major agencies and interested companies in the coming weeks.

9.2 Television

The Council decided to develop a draft resolution to submit to the 2002 FIS Congress in the interests of the best possible promotion of skiing through the highest quality of television production and the widest possible transmission of skiing events.

9.3 FIS Website (www.fis-ski.com)

The Council welcomed the launch of the new official FIS website, the various sections which are still being finalised. Its focus will be on the priority and core needs of the organisation to provide information for the FIS Members:

- latest information about the FIS calendar including Official Communications with World Cup changes
- results from FIS competitions, FIS points and standings
- all FIS rules and publications
- competitor biographies
- About FIS
- news from FIS

- community for FIS members, member services (to follow)
- multi-lingual structure and information

The following policies relating to the internet and exchange of data for FIS competitions have been established:

FIS INTERNET POLICIES AND EXCHANGE OF DATA RELATING TO FIS COMPETITIONS

General

As part of the ongoing promotion of skiing and snowboard, the International Ski Federation encourages and appreciates the efforts made by the National Ski Associations to provide messages and information to their members and fans. An increasingly important medium for this provision of information is through the Internet.

The following policy has been established in order to assist National Ski Associations through the provision of data from FIS competitions, and to clarify certain conditions that relate to the use and presentation of the data from FIS competitions.

FIS Calendar

A specific FIS Calendar programme has been developed for the free use of National Ski Associations and other third parties. An updated .dat file containing revised calendar information will be available every week from the ftp site: [ftp/fisski.ch](ftp://fisski.ch) for uploading into the FIS Calendar programme (see Appendix 1).

Thereafter it may be exported into National Ski Association's own software if necessary for planning purposes, etc. This data may not be passed on to third parties or organisation for commercial use.

Results and Standings

National Ski Associations can obtain official results, after they have been approved by the FIS points verification procedure at the FIS Office. Standings from the various Cup series will also be available after receipt from the results service providers in the case of the FIS World Cup, or they have been input manually for other Cup series. This data will be available from a password protected section of the ftp site in xml format: [ftp/fisski.ch](ftp://fisski.ch); the password for each National Ski Association can be obtained from the FIS IT Manager, Francesco Cattaneo (cattaneo@fisski.ch). The FIS World Cup results supplied from the FIS database will include a credit to the results service providers.

1. The results and data about FIS competitions may only be used on the official National Ski Associations' website and may not be passed on to third parties or organisations for publication on other websites.

The National Ski Association may of course download the data into its' own software for evaluating performances, etc.

2. National Ski Associations who wish to display results on their website, but do not have a database structure to upload the raw data can create a link to the relevant page of the FIS website.
For example, for results: <http://www.fis-ski.com/results/index.php>
for cup standings <http://www.fis-ski.com/cupstandings/index.php>
3. A link will be established from the FIS Website to all National Ski Associations with their own website, as well as the ski industry and relevant media websites on requests. A reciprocal link to the FIS website should also be created.

Organisers

Organisers of FIS World Cup races can obtain official results from their races for use on their own website, after they have been approved by the FIS points verification procedure in the results database. This is a computer-automated procedure for World Cup races and takes place immediately after the end of the race.

The pdf file containing the results and standings can be downloaded from ftp://ftp.fis-ski.com/All_pdf_files/ followed by the discipline code and the name of the site: AL (Alpine), CC (Cross-Country), JP (Ski Jumping), NK (Nordic Combined), SB (Snowboarding), FS (Freestyle) etc. The individual competition can be identified by the competition codex as published on the detailed page of the calendar section (click on place name).

Olympic Winter Games

1. It will not be possible to provide National Ski Associations with the results of the Olympic Winter Games for publication on their website. The Internet Guidelines published by the IOC state:
"Olympic results data and the above-referenced "feed" may only be used on the official IF website (e.g. www.ibu.at) and may not be passed through to affiliated sites (e.g. Biathlon Federation of Canada) or any other third parties or organisations".

10. Doping cases

10.1 **The cases of the Finnish cross-country skiers**

On 27th May 2001, the FIS Council confirmed the sanctions imposed by the Finnish Ski Association against Jari Isometsä, Janne Immonen Harri Kirvesniemi, Mika Myllylä, Milla Jauho and Virpi Kuitunen who tested positive during the FIS Nordic World Ski Championships in Lahti (FIN) in February 2001. The urine samples submitted by each of the six athletes showed evidence of hydroxyethyl starch (HES) – partially methylated alditol acetates derived from HES were identified. HES is a plasma volume expander.

Jari Isometsä submitted the positive urine sample after the 15 km Men's Classic Cross-Country race on 15th February, 2001 in Lahti (FIN). Janne Immonen submitted the positive urine sample after the 4 x 10 km Men's Cross-Country Relay on 22nd February, 2001 in Lahti (FIN). Harri Kirvesniemi, Mika Myllylä, Milla Jauho, Virpi Kuitunen submitted the positive urine samples during a WADA (World Anti-Doping Agency) out-of-competition doping control on 22nd February, 2001 in Lahti (FIN).

10.2 **The applications of Jari Isometsä and Janne Immonen to the Court of Arbitration for Sports**

The Council confirmed its decision that an appeal against sanctions imposed by the Council can, according to the Statutes of the International Ski Federation, be submitted to the FIS Congress without delaying the implementation of the sanction.

Therefore as the two competitors have not exhausted all legal options available within FIS, the International Ski Federation for the time being does not agree that these cases will be settled by the Court of Arbitration for Sports (CAS).

10.3 **The cases of Milla Jauho and Virpi Kuitunen**

The Finnish Ski Association, in accordance with its agreements with the athletes, submitted the cases of the men Jari Isometsä and Janne Immonen and the ladies Milla Jauho and Virpi Kuitunen to arbitration in Finland.

Thereafter the Finnish Ski Association requested the FIS Council to reconsider the cases of the ladies Milla Jauho and Virpi Kuitunen, based on the ruling of the arbitrator "that their actions were unintentional".

The Council confirmed that since no new material evidence was presented, its decision of 27th May 2001 to suspend the athletes for 2 years for offences against the doping rules remains valid.

10.4 Chris del Bosco

At the U.S. Alpine Championships, in Jackson Hole, Wyoming on 24th and 27th March 2000, Chris del Bosco tested positive for a prohibited substance Tetrahydro-cannabinol at a concentration greater than 15 nanograms per milliliter of urine.

At its meeting in Oberhofen (SUI) on October 22nd, 2000, the FIS Council decided to apply the applicable FIS sanction for this offence of disqualification from the above event and suspension from all international competitions for 2 years from 24th March 2000 until and including 23rd March, 2002.

Following a hearing by means of a telephone conference between the athlete and FIS Vice-President Hank Tauber and Council Member Patrick Smith on request of the United States Ski and Snowboard Association, the Council confirmed its decision at its meeting on 27th May 2001. On 4th September 2001 the Court of Arbitration for Sports (CAS) submitted an application for arbitration between Chris del Bosco and FIS.

Since the competitor has not made an appeal to the Congress through the United States Ski and Snowboard Association in regard to the sanction applied by the Council, and therefore not exhausted all legal options available within FIS, the International Ski Federation for the time being does not agree that the case will be settled by the Court of Arbitration for Sports.

On 1st November 2001 the lawyer representing Chris del Bosco sent the contents of the appeal prepared for the Court of Arbitration for Sports directly to the FIS Council for its consideration.

The Council confirmed that since no new material evidence was presented, its decision to uphold the applicable sanction of suspension from all FIS calendar competitions for 2 years from 24th March 2000 until and including 23rd March 2002 remains valid.

10.5 Anti-doping activities

The Council applauded the important work which has been carried out in collaboration with other International Federations, the International Olympic Committee and co-ordinated by WADA, concerning blood screening procedures and the EPO test.

The Council confirmed the appointment of an independent agency (IDTM) to carry out the blood screening tests and haemoglobin start prohibition controls at FIS Cross-Country and Nordic Combined events.

The Council decided that in future all anti-doping activities shall be carried out under the auspices of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). The liaison between FIS and WADA shall be Dr. Peter Jenoure and Bengt Saltin, who is a member of the WADA Health, Medical and Research Committee. The activities of the Medical Committee will consequently focus on the medical and health aspects related to skiing, snowboarding, etc.

10.6 FIS Medical Guide

The Council approved the 2001/2002 FIS Medical Guide until the FIS Congress 2002 and stated that it welcomes the introduction by WADA of a world anti-doping code, which will be applicable to all sports organisations as well as government agencies and is planned to be ready before the 2004 Olympic Games.

In regard to the sanction procedure for doping offences, on proposal of the Legal Committee the Council confirmed the following articles which are valid until the Congress 2002:

Exceptional Circumstances

1. An athlete may appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS). Any decision made by the statutory bodies of FIS may be submitted exclusively by way of appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland, which will resolve the dispute definitely in accordance with the Code of Sports-related Arbitration. The time limit for appeal is twenty-one days after the reception of the decision concerning the appeal.
2. According to ICR 203.2.1 (new) the National Ski Association must guarantee that all athletes registered for a FIS Licence accept the rules of the International Ski Federation, in particular the provision which foresees the exclusive competence of the Court of Arbitration for Sport as the court of appeal in doping cases."

The 2001/2002 FIS Medical Guide will be sent to all National Ski Associations as soon as it is printed, whereby it can already be downloaded from the rules and publications section of the FIS website.

11. Appointment of jury members

The Council appointed the following new jury members; the other jury members have already been confirmed:

Olympic Winter Games 2002, Salt Lake City (USA)

Cross-Country

TD Al Maddox, CAN (replacing Hermod Björkestöl, NOR)

Nordic Combined

TD Roman Kumpost, CZE (replacing Harald Aarhus, NOR)

Alpine

Ladies' jury Jana Palovicova, SVK
Hans Groggl, AUT
Jan-Einar Rebne, NOR

FIS Nordic World Ski Championships 2003, Val di Fiemme (ITA)

Ski Jumping

Chief Distance

Measurer Kyochio Omori, JPN

FIS Alpine World Ski Championships 2003, St. Moritz (SUI)

Jury members from GER, NOR, ITA, SLO and CZE

FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships 2003, Sollefteå (SWE)

Ski Jumping

TD Bertil Palsrud, NOR

TD Assistant Gabriel Gros, SLO

Chief Distance

Measurer Arne Sween, NOR

Judges

Per Busk, SWE
Teppo Nieminen, FIN
Ezio Brigadoi, ITA
Anton Dahl, NOR
open, FRA

FIS Alpine Junior World Ski Championships 2003, Bariloche (ARG)

TD's from CAN and ITA

The Council recommended to the Technical Committees that in the case of the FIS Junior World Championships, TD's or jury members from the next year's organising nation could be appointed, in order to gain experience within the actual running of the event. Alternatively, the TD who is assigned to the Championships should be assigned to the test event(s).

12. World Cup Calendars

12.1 2001/2002

The Cross-Country Committee advised that the Sprint Event in Engelberg (SUI) was unable to go ahead as scheduled on 29th December 2001.

The Council confirmed that on submission of an official application by the Austrian Ski Association, this event will be carried out in the city of Salzburg.

The Council approved the change to the alpine calendar, whereby the Men's World Cup Downhill race in Garmisch-Partenkirchen (GER) will be moved to Val Gardena (ITA) and the Super-G race from Val Gardena will take place in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, due to the necessary changes to the course safety on the downhill course in Garmisch.

12.2 2002/2003

On proposal of the respective Technical Committees, the Council approved the FIS World Cup Calendars for the 2002/2003 season (please see following pages).

PROPOSAL
“BUDERUS” FIS WORLD CUP CROSS-COUNTRY
CALENDAR 2002/03

Date		Site		Distance	
				Ladies	Men
November / November 2002					
Sat	23.11.02	Kiruna	SWE	5 km C	10 km C Opening
Sun	24.11.02			4x5 km C/F	4x10 km C/F
Tue	26.11.02	Kiruna	SWE	10 km F	15 km F
December / Dezember 2002					
Sat	07.12.02	Davos	SUI	10 km F	15 km F
Sun	08.12.02			4x5 km C/F	4x10 km C/F
Sat	14.12.02	Val di Fiemme	ITA	15 km C Mass start	30 km C Mass start
Sun	15.12.02			4x5 km C/F	4x10 km C/F
Sun	22.12.02	Ramsau	AUT	Pursuit	Pursuit
January / Januar 2003					
Sat - Sun	04.01.03	Kavgolovo	RUS	5 km F	10 km F
Sat - Sun	11.01.03			Otepää	EST
Sat Sun	18.01.03 19.01.03	Nove Mesto	CZE	10 km C	15 km C
Sun	26.01.03			Marcialonga *)	ITA
March / März 2003					
Sat	08.03.03	Oslo (Holmenkollen)	NOR	30 km C	50 km C
Sat Sun	15.03.03 16.03.03	Lahti	FIN	5 km C	10 km C
Sat Sun	22.03.03 23.03.03			Falun	SWE

03.-09.02.2003: FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships, Sollefteå (SWE)

19.02.-02.03.2003: FIS Nordic World Ski Championships, Val di Fiemme (ITA)

*) Under the condition that the FIS World Cup title sponsors marketing rights can be fulfilled.

PROPOSAL
"BUDERUS" FIS WORLD CUP CROSS-COUNTRY "SPRINT"
CALENDAR 2002/03

Date		Site		Sprint Format	
				Ladies	Men
December / Dezember 2002					
Mon	10.12.02	Davos	SUI	Sprint C	Sprint C
Tue	17.12.02	Clusone	ITA	Sprint F	Sprint F
Fri	20.12.	Linz	AUT	Sprint F	Sprint F
Fri	27.12.02	open	GER	Sprint C	Sprint C
Sun	29.12.02	Partenkirchen	GER	Sprint F	Sprint F
January / Januar 2003					
Fri	24.01.03	Asiago	ITA	Sprint C	Sprint C
March / März 2003					
Wed	12.03.03	Oslo	NOR	Sprint F	Sprint F
Mon	18.03.03	Stockholm	SWE	Sprint C	Sprint C

03.-09.02.2003: FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships, Sollefteå (SWE)

19.02.-02.03.2003: FIS Nordic World Ski Championships, Val di Fiemme (ITA)

**PROPOSAL
FIS GRAND-PRIX SKI-JUMPING
CALENDAR 2002**

Date		Site		Size of Hill	Remarks
Sat	10.08.2002	Hinterzarten	GER	K 95	Opening
Sun	11.08.2002	Hinterzarten	GER	K 95	
Wed	14.08.2002	Courchevel	FRA	K 120	
Sat	17.08.2002	Innsbruck	AUT	K 105	
Fri	06.09.2002	Lahti	FIN	K 120	
Sat	07.09.2002	Lahti	FIN	K 120	
Sat	14.09.2002	Hakuba	JPN	K 120	
Sun	15.09.2002	Hakuba	JPN	K 120	Final

03.-09.02.2003: FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships, Sollefteå (SWE)

19.02.-02.03.2003: FIS Nordic World Ski Championships, Val di Fiemme (ITA)

PROPOSAL
“RUHRGAS” FIS WORLD CUP SKI-JUMPING
CALENDAR 2002/03

Date	Site	Country	Size of Hill	Remarks
II. Period				
Fri 29.11.02	Kuopio	FIN	K 120	Opening (night event)
Sat 30.11.02	Kuopio	FIN	K 120	(night event)
Sat 07.12.02	Vikersund	NOR	K 185	Ski-Flying
Sun 08.12.02	Vikersund	NOR	K 185	Ski-Flying
Sat 14.12.02	Titisee-Neustadt	GER	K 120	
Sun 15.12.02	Titisee-Neustadt	GER	K 120	
Sat 21.12.02	Engelberg	SUI	K 120	
Sun 22.12.02	Engelberg	SUI	K 120	
III. Period				
Sun 29.12.02	Oberstdorf	GER	K 115	"Siemens" 4 Hills Tournament
Wed 01.01.03	Garmisch-Partenkirchen	GER	K 115	
Sat 04.01.03	Innsbruck	AUT	K 120	
Mon 06.01.03	Bischofshofen	AUT	K 120	
IV. Period				
Sat 11.01.03	Liberec	CZE	K 120	
Sun 12.01.03	Liberec	CZE	K 120	
Sat 18.01.03	Zakopane	POL	K 120	
Sun 19.01.03	Zakopane	POL	K 120	
V. Period				
Sat 25.01.03	Sapporo	JPN	K 120	(night event)
Sun 26.01.03	Sapporo	JPN	K 120	
Sat 01.02.03	Tauplitz/Bad Mitterndorf	AUT	K 185	Ski-Flying
Sun 02.02.03	Tauplitz/Bad Mitterndorf	AUT	K 185	Ski-Flying
Sat 08.02.03	Willingen	GER	K 120	
Sun 09.02.03	Willingen	GER	K 120	
VI. Period				
Sat 08.03.03	Oslo	NOR	K 115	Nordic Tournament (night events)
Sun 09.03.03	Oslo	NOR	K 115	
Wed 12.03.03	Falun	SWE	K 115	
Fri 14.03.03	Lahti	FIN	K 116	
Sat 15.03.03	Lahti	FIN	K 116	
Sat 22.03.03	Planica	SLO	K 185	Ski-Flying Team
Sun 23.03.03	Planica	SLO	K 185	Ski-Flying Final

03.-09.02.2003: FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships, Sollefteå (SWE)

19.02.-02.03.2003: FIS Nordic World Ski Championships, Val di Fiemme (ITA)

**PROPOSAL
FIS WORLD CUP NORDIC COMBINED
CALENDAR 2002/03**

Date Datum	Site Ort	Country Land	Remarks Bemerkungen
I.Period / Periode			
Sat 30.11.02	Kuopio	FIN	Opening
Sun 01.12.02	Kuopio	FIN	
Sat 07.12.02		NOR	
Sun 08.12.02		NOR	
Fri 13.12.02	Steamboat Springs	USA*	
Sun 15.12.02	Steamboat Springs	USA*	
Wed 18.12.02	Park City	USA*	
II.Period / Periode			
Sat 28.12.02		GER	° Warsteiner
Fri 03.01.03		GER	° Grand Prix
Sun 05.01.03		GER	° Germany
Fri 10.01.03	Liberec	CZE	
Sun 12.01.03	Liberec	CZE	
Wed 22.01.03	Hakuba	JPN	° Japan Tournament
Sat/Sun 25.-26.01.03	Sapporo	JPN	° Japan Tournament
Wed 29.01.03		JPN	° Japan Tournament
III.Period / Periode			
Sun 16.02.03	Chaux-Neuve	FRA	
Sat 07.03.03	Oslo	NOR	° Nordic Tournament
Sun 08.03.03	Oslo	NOR	° Nordic Tournament
Fri 14.03.03	Lahti	FIN	° Nordic Tournament
Sat 15.03.03	Lahti	FIN	° Nordic Tournament
Sat 22.03.03	Ramsau	AUT	
Sun 23.03.03	Ramsau	AUT	FINAL

03.-09.02.2003: FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships, Solleftea (SWE)

20.02.-02.03.2003: FIS World Ski Championships, Val di Fiemme (ITA)

*) the Organisers in USA must fulfil the rules according to the Organiser contract

**PROPOSAL
ALPINE FIS WORLD CUP 2002/03
LADIES (L)**

Date	Site	Nat	DH	SG	GS	SL	C	Remarks
October 2002 26. Sat	FIS Opening Sölden	FIS/AUT			X			L & M
November 2002 21./23. Thu/Sat 29.-30. Fri-Sat	Park City Aspen	USA USA		X	X	X X		L & M
December 2002 06.-08. Fri-Sun 12. Thu 14.-15. Sat-Sun 21.-22. Sat-Sun	Lake Louise Sestrieres Val d'Isère	CAN ITA FRA SUI	XX X	X X	 X	 XN X	 X	 L & M
January 2003 05.-06. Sun-Mon 11.-12. Sat-Sun 17.-19. Fri-Sun 25.-26. Sat-Sun 27. Mon	Berchtesgaden Innsbruck- Patscherkofel Cortina d'Ampezzo Maribor Semmering	GER AUT ITA SLO AUT	 X X	 X X	 X X	 X X XN		
February 2003 02.-16. Sun-Sun	FIS WSC St. Moritz	<i>SUI</i>						
22.-23. Sat-Sun	Sierra Nevada		XX					
March 2003 01.-02. Sat-Sun 06.-07. Thu-Fri 12.-16. Wed-Sun	Garmisch Partenk. Are Lillehammer	GER SWE FIS/NOR	 X	XX X	 X X	 X X		Night GS L & M
Total	16 events / 33 competitions		8	8	8	9	1	

**PROPOSAL
ALPINE FIS WORLD CUP 2002/03
MEN (M)**

Date	Site	Nat	DH	SG	GS	SL	C	Remarks
October 2002								
27. Sun	FIS Opening Sölden	FIS/AUT			X			L & M
November 2002								
22./24. Fri/Sun	Park City	USA			X	X		L & M
30.-01. Sat-Sun	Lake Louise	CAN	X	X				
December 2002								
07.-08. Sat-Sun	Vail / Beaver Creek	USA	X	X				L & M
14.-15. Sat-Sun	Val d'Isère	FRA	X		X			
16. Mon	Sestrieres	ITA				X		
20.-21. Fri-Sat	Gröden	ITA	X	X				
22. Sun	Alta Badia	ITA			X			
January 2003								
04.-05. Sat-Sun	Kranjska Gora	SLO			X	X		N
06. Mon	Hinterstoder	AUT			X			
11.-12. Sat-Sun	Chamonix	FRA	X			X		
14. Tue	Adelboden	SUI			X			
17.-19. Fri-Sun	Wengen	SUI	XX			X	X	
24.-26. Fri-Sun	Kitzbühel	AUT	X	X		X	X	
28. Tue	Schladming	AUT				X		
February 2003								
02.-16. Sun-Sun	FIS WSC St. Moritz	<i>SUI</i>						
22.-23. Sat-Sun	Garmisch Partenk.	GER	X	X				
March 2003								
01.-02. Sat-Sun	Yongpyong	KOR			X	X		L & M
08.-09. Sat-Sun	Shigakogen	JPN			X	X		
12.-16. Wed-Sun	Lillehammer	FIS/NOR	X	X	X	X		
Total	19 events / 36 competitions		10	6	10	10	2	

PROPOSAL
NOKIA SNOWBOARD FIS WORLD CUP 2002/2003
 presented by Grundig & D2 Vodafone
WOMEN / MEN

Date	Day	Site	NAT	PGS/GS*	PSL	HP	SBX	BA
SEPTEMBER 02/OCTOBER 02								
		OPENING	TBC	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
DECEMBER 02								
05.-10.		Whistler/ Vancouver	CAN	X,X*		X	X	X
13.-15.		Mt. Ste. Anne	CAN	X,X*	X	X		
20.-22.		Ischgl	AUT	X		X		X
JANUARY 03								
03.-05		Bad Gastein	AUT		X		X	X
23.-26.		Berchtesgaden	GER	X		X	X	
29.-30.		San Candido	ITA		X		X	
31.		München	GER					X
FEBRUARY 03								
21.-23.		Sapporo- Makomanai	JPN	X		X	X	X
28.-02.03		TBC	TBC		(X)	(X)	(X)	
MARCH 03								
07.-09.		Serre Chevallier (Morzine)	FRA	X		X	X	
13.-16.		Arosa – Final	SUI	X	X	X	X	X

FIS WORLD SKI CHAMPIONSHIPS 2003

Date	Site	NAT	GS	PGS	PSL	HP	SBX	BA
09.-19.01.03	Kreischberg	AUT	X	X	x	X	X	X

**PROPOSAL
FIS FREESTYLE WORLD CUP LADIES 6 MEN
CALENDAR 2002/2003**

DATE	Site	NAT	MO	DM	AE	HP	SX
JULY/SEPTEMBER 2002							
	Mt. Buller	AUS			XX		
DECEMBER 2002							
29.11.- 01.12.	Tignes	FRA	X			X	X
	La Plagne	FRA	X			X	X
06.-08.	Madonna di Campiglio*	ITA	X				X
13.-15.	Livigno*	ITA					X
20.-22.	TBA	USA	X	X			
JANUARY 2003							
10.-12.	Tremblant	CAN	X		X		
17.-19	West. Can	CAN		X	X		
24.-25.	TBA	USA	X		X		
FEBRUARY 2003							
07.-09	TBA	USA	X		X		
14.-16.	Nagano Area	JPN	X				
21.-23.	Nagano Area	JPN	X	X			
MARCH 2003							
28.02-02.03.	TBA	FIN	X				X
07.-09.							
			10/10	3/3	6/6	2/2	5/5

* Bids to be confirmed by November 15th, 2001

FIS Freestyle World Championships

DATE	Site	NAT	MO	DM	AE
26.01. – 02.02.03	Deer Valley	USA	29 Q / 31 F	02	30 Q / 01 F

12.3 Prize-money 2002/2003

According to the International Competiton Rules art. 219.1 the FIS Council confirmed the values of prize-money for the 2002/2003 season. (For prize-money values for 2001/2002, see FIS General Rules):

- Alpine events:
Minimum cash prize per event: CHF 100'000.—
divided between 1 – 10
Minimum cash prize for European Cup events: CHF 2'300.— (new)
divided between 1 – 10
- Cross-Country events:
Minimum cash prize for individual events: CHF 40'000.—
divided between 1 – 10
Minimum cash prize for relay events: CHF 30'000.—
divided between 1 – 6
- Ski Jumping events:
Minimum cash prize per event: CHF 70'000.—
divided between 1 – 10
Minimum cash prize per double event: CHF 50'000.—
divided between 1-10
Minimum cash prize per team event: CHF 50'000.—
divided between 1-3
Minimum cash prize for Continental Cup events: CHF 1'500.—
divided between 1-6
- Nordic Combined events:
Minimum cash prize per event: CHF 30'000.—
divided between 1 – 10
Minimum cash prize per team event: CHF 12'500.—
divided between 1 – 3
- Freestyle events:
Minimum cash prize per event and sex: 15'000.—
divided between 1 – 6
- Snowboard events:
Minimum cash prize per event and sex: CHF 25'000.— (increase of
CHF 5'000.—)
divided between 1 – 10

13. Proposals and requests from National Ski Associations and FIS Committees

13.1 Requests for change of licence

The Council approved the following requests for a change of licence and granted the exceptions within its competence, whereby the athletes are not suspended for 12 months and they may retain their FIS points:

- Niki Fürstauer (Alpine Skiing) – change from Austria to Lebanon
- Gregory Dyke (Alpine Skiing) – change from Switzerland to Great Britain
- James Leuzinger (Alpine Skiing) – change from Switzerland to Great Britain
- Andrew Biggs (Alpine Skiing) – change from Canada to Australia
- Svetlana Nageikina (Cross-Country Skiing) – change from Russia to Belarus
- Natalia and Vera Ziatikova (Cross-Country Skiing) – change from Russia to Belarus
- Elena Kalugina (Cross-Country Skiing) – change from Russia to Belarus
- Trennon Paynter (Freestyle Skiing) – change from Canada to Australia.

13.2 The Cross-Country Committee

On request of the Cross-Country Committee the Council approved the following proposal and decided that a new, modern name "XY" be found for the event instead of Ski Duathlon:

Introduction of "XY" format for the pursuit race

December 8-9, 2001	Thunder Bay, CAN	COC
December 15-16, 2001	Ramsau, AUT	COC
January 12-13, 2002	Otepää, EST	COC
March 2, 2002	Falun, SWE	World Cup

The Cross-Country Committee has the intention to use this format for the pursuit competition at the WSC 2003 in Val di Fiemme (ITA).

Guidelines please see below:

GUIDELINES FOR XY COMPETITIONS

1. **Distances and Course Lengths:**
 Men 3 x 2.5 km C/F or 2 x 5 km C/F
 Women 2 x 2.5 km C/F or 1 x 5 km C/F
 Also laps of 2 x 3.3km and 3 x 3.3km are possible.
 Two separate courses for classical (C) and free technique (F) must be available.
2. **Overlapping:** Overlapped competitors are eliminated.
3. **Stadium-layout:** See map in appendix

4. **Pits:** length: 2.5 – 3m; width: 1.5m; (see outline in appendix)
odd numbers red, even numbers blue (not obligatory in competitions on lower levels).

Within the exchange-/ pit- area there is a technique-free zone; the beginning and end are marked by red lines. Within this free zone overtaking is allowed but it must always be done on the distant side of the pits.

5. **Start:** Mass Start / handicap start system (arrow)
Starting positions:
WC: Bibs numbers 1 – 30 Red Group
31...according to FIS-Points
COC: Bibs numbers 1-10 current COC-point-list
11...according to FIS-Points

6. **Marking of Skis:** Both C – and F- skis are marked before the start.
F-skis, boots and poles must be deposited in the assigned pits (pit-number = starting bib number).

7. **Equipment-exchange:**
Skis and poles must be exchanged, it is also permitted to change boots.
All equipment-exchanges must be done within the assigned pit.
All exchanged equipment must be left in the pit.

8. **Coaches and Service Personnel during the competition:**
From 5 minutes before the start coaches and service personnel are not allowed to be within the pit area / exchange zone.

9. **Intermediate times:** are taken when athletes are entering and leaving the pit-area (pit-stop-times)

10. **Finish:** according to ICR 353

11. **Calculation of FIS-Points:** Factor 1000 (mass start).

13.3 The Committee for Nordic Combined

On request of the Committee for Nordic Combined the Council approved the following proposals:

World Cup Rules 2001/2002

- Art. 4.3 Evaluation per nation
The sum of all FIS World Cup points from the best four participants of the same National Ski Association is taken into consideration for the evaluation per nation. These are added to the FIS World Cup points scored in team events. **Points are scored by the best team per nation in team events or the two best teams per nation in team-sprint events.** The team having scored the highest number of points is the winner.
- Art. 6 Competition mode
The FIS World Cup competitions in principle are to be carried out according to the articles of the ICR, Book VII. **An additional TD can be nominated to support the Jury.**
- Art. 6.1.5 Qualification Format
The qualification format may be used at either Individual Gundersen or Mass start competitions. For the Individual Gundersen competition, the field of participants will be reduced to the best 30 after the first competitive round for the second competitive round. These 30 athletes will also participate in the Cross-Country race. A 16 point per minute conversion table is valid.
For Mass start events using this format, only the 30 best from the Cross-Country result are qualified for both competitive jumps. The distribution of points for the non qualified competitors will be given according to their current results.
- Art. 7.7 Travel expenses for TD and Jumping Judges
The reimbursement of the expenses for the Technical Delegate, the TD Assistant and the Jumping Judges is made according to the valid FIS rule (ICR art. 507.2, 507.3). **The national TD (art. 6) must be paid by the OC.**

Adjustments ICR

Art. 543.3 Special Regulation

The selected course should use either a 5 km or 2.5 km lap layout and meet the FIS homologation guidelines for this event.

A competitor who did not start in one round of the jump competition, or was disqualified within a round will get zero points. ~~If this occurs within a round of jumps in which a team receives a minus point total for a jump, it is then necessary to give a lower point score to the competitor who did not have a jump value for that specific round of jumps.~~ If the conditions so demand, the length of the inrun can be adjusted for each group, or a round of jumps for one specific group can be cancelled and restarted.

Art. 544.2 Calculation

The time differences at the finish are rounded to the full second, calculated into points back, and then deducted from the 400 points base (4x5km) or 300 points base (3x5km) awarded to the team winner. View art. 527.2.3.2 for the valid point table to be used.

By using the table for manual calculations following rule is fixed in establishing the jump points: if there are two available values the first value is calculated. When 3 to 7 points values for the same time occur the calculation is based on odd numbers like the middle point value, while for even numbers like you used the point value left of the middle point value.

For the Jumping competition

Art. 544.3 Special Regulation

The selected course should use either a 5 km or 2.5 km lap layout and meet the FIS homologation guidelines for this event.

A competitor who did not start in one round of the jump competition, or was disqualified within a round will get zero points. ~~If this occurs within a round of jumps in which a team receives a minus point total for a jump, it is then necessary to give a lower point score to the competitor who did not have a jump value for that specific round of jumps.~~ If the

13.4 The Alpine Committee

On request of the Alpine Committee the Council approved the following proposals:

Nations Grand Prix

Bormio (ITA) as the site and organiser for the Nations Grand Prix during the week 52 in 2002. On request of the Alpine Executive Board, the Council decided to propose to the 2002 FIS Congress the introduction of the Nations Grand Prix as a new event.

ICR precisions

- Art. 603.4.9.4 Rights of the TD
- Art. 603.5 New article: The FIS can give sanctions against Jury or individual Jury members
- Art. 605 Course setter, new representation
- Art. 628.13 New article: take advantage of outside help during a competition (art 661.3)
- Art. 680.1.1 Deleted
- Art. 1001.3.3 Part of the wording will be deleted.

Course Setter: new representation

New article:

- 603.5 The FIS can take sanctions against Jury or individual Jury members
- 605 Course Setter
- 605.1 Prerequisites
 - 605.1.1 For Olympic Winter Games , FIS World Ski Championships and World Cup:
 - nomination by the National Ski Association team leader to the Coaches Working Group and
 - proof of appropriate experience in the setting of courses for World Cup events, OWG, WCS
 - 605.1.2 For all other competitions entered in the FIS Calendar:
 - COC - Nomination from National Ski Associations to Cup Co-ordinators or WG. All other events in the FIS Calendar: Nomination through Jury or OC
 - 605.1.3 For Downhills, the course setter must be acquainted with the particular race course.
- 605.2 Appointment
 - 605.2.1 For Olympic Winter Games, FIS World Ski Championships and World Cups, the appointment is made after examination by the Chief Race Director.

- 605.2.2 For European Cup, the EC Co-ordinator appoints the course setters.
- 605.2.3 For all other competitions included in the FIS Calendar, the appointment is made by the Jury. For competitions in two runs, each run is to be set by a different course setter. One of the two course setters can be named by the organizer.
- 605.3 Supervision of the Course Setters
 - 605.3.1 The work of the course setters is supervised by the Jury.
- 605.4 Organization of the Assignment
For OWG, WCS and WC races the course setters assignment is managed by the Chief Race Director. For EC races the course setters assignment is managed by the EC Co-ordinator. For all remaining races the assignment is managed by the Jury
- 605.5 Replacement of Course Setters
 - 605.5.1 For Olympic Winter Games and FIS World Ski Championships, the FIS Council, the Alpine Committee as well as the National Ski Association to which the course setter belongs are to be notified by the FIS Office. The Chief Race Director names a replacement course setter immediately.
 - 605.5.2 For all other competitions entered in the FIS Calendar, the Jury names a replacement course setter.
 - 605.5.3 The replacement course setter must have the same qualifications as the original course setter.
- 605.6 Rights of the Course Setter
 - 605.6.1 To recommend the introduction of changes in the competition terrain and in the safety measures.
 - 605.6.2 Availability of a sufficient number of helpers for the setting of the course, so that he can concentrate solely on the course setting.
 - 605.6.3 Provision of all necessary materials by the chief of course equipment.
 - 605.6.4 Immediate completion of the finishing touches to the race course.

- 605.7 Duties of the Course Setter
- 605.7.1 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.
- 605.7.2 The course setter is setting the race course including possibly present safety measurements.
- 605.7.3 For Downhills the course setter has to set gates according to art. 703.
- 605.7.4 A slalom course must be completely set and ready no later than 1 1/2 hours, and giant slalom courses no later than 1 hour before the start, so that if possible the competitors are not disturbed during course inspection by work on the course.
- 605.7.5 The course setters must take care that the difference between the winning times of each run of Slalom and Giant Slalom will not be too great.
- 605.7.6 The course setting is a task of the course setter alone. He is responsible for adhering to the rules of the ICR and is advised by members of the Jury, and by the technical advisor in Downhill and Super G, if present.
- 605.7.7 The course setters must participate in all team captains' meetings at which a report is to be made about his course.
- 605.8 Arrival at the Race Site
- 605.8.1 For Downhill and Super G races, this should be no later than the morning of the day of the first team captains' meeting, so that any additional course preparation or safety measures can be implemented if required.
- 605.8.2 For Slalom and Giant Slalom races this should be the day before if possible, but always before the first team captains' meeting.

Change:

- 603.4.9.4 In general
The TD
-
 - Has the right
 -

New article:

- 628.13 Take advantage of outside help during a competition (art. 661.3).
- 680.1.1 Deleted: ~~Argentina and Chile, so called "Colihue" poles are allowed~~
- 1001.3.3 Part of wording will be deleted: In Super G The gates must be at least 6 m and at most 8 m wide from inner pole to inner pole for open gates at least 8 m and most 12 m for vertical gates. ~~For vertical (closed) gates the banners should be approx. 30 cm wide and approx. 50 cm high. Fastened in such a way so as to tear or break away.~~

13.5 The Freestyle Committee

On request of the Freestyle Committee the Council approved the following proposals:

Rules for "Freestyle Ski Cross"

4500 SKI CROSS (SX)

4501 Technical Data

4501.1 Vertical Drop

4501.1.1 Courses for all events must be a minimum of 100 vertical meters to a maximum 150 vertical meters. The same course may be used for, men and women. Average slope should be 12°-20°.

4501.1.2 The total times for course shall be between 35 – 60 seconds.

4501.2 Gates

4501.2.1 A SX gate consists of one long slalom pole and one stubby pole and one banner.

4501.2.2 Consecutive gates must alternate in color (except banana's). The slalom poles must carry triangular banners matching the color of the pole.

4501.2.3 Triangular banners must be used with the following sizes:

Discipline	Base	Long side	Short side
SX	130cm	110cm	55cm
SX	100cm	80cm	40cm

The turning pole must be a stubby pole (45 cm)

- 4501.2.4 Triangular banners have to be placed at the bottom of the gate.
- 4501.2.5 The gates must be set so that the competitors can distinguish them clearly and quickly even at high speeds. The banner of a gate should be set at right angles to the competition line. In certain circumstances skiers may be required to pass between two gates of the same color (for example: corridors).

4502 Courses

- 4502.1 General characteristics of the courses.
The slope should preferably be of a medium pitch (not flat/not steep-ideally 12° - 18°) with varied terrain with an average slope of 15° . The SX slope must be a minimum of 30 m wide.
The FSX track width for 4 skiers shall be no less than 5 m in width.
Under certain conditions for short sections (50 m or less) the course width may be a minimum of 20 m.
The ideal SX slope will allow for the construction of all or some of the following terrain features:

Banks (crescent shaped), Double Banks, Single, Double, or Triple Jumps Rollers, Offset Rollers - (Single, double, triple, etc.), Step-up jumps, spines and double spines, Pro style jumps, Hip jumps, Table top jumps, and medium or long GS type turns (when building a feature is not possible).

Other terrain features can be built but safety considerations must always be a priority. Gap jumps will not be permitted under any circumstances. The features should be designed so that competitors are attempting to gain speed and not having to break before each one.

- 4502.2 Course preparation
The track should be closed to the public at least 24 hours before the training. Terrain features and jumps must be built with sufficient time so that the snow has been compacted to insure that they can be properly maintained during training and competition. The use of artificial means is permitted (salt, water, etc.).

4503 Course setting

- 4503.1 The setting of the gates must be done before the official inspection and should incorporate the skillful use of the terrain with the integration of terrain features and jumps into the setting. Minor adjustments in the setting may be necessary during the training to adjust the course for a smooth race line.

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

- 4503.2 The total number of terrain features and jumps should be at the discretion of the course designer but will incorporate as many different possibilities as is practical. Blind jumps or terrain features where a skier is unable to see the landing from the take-off should be avoided. The course should be designed so as to separate the skiers as quickly as possible after the start (i.e. 3-5 rolls or other terrain features between the start and the first turn). These terrain features should be placed in a straight line from the start to the first turn. Minimum distance of the straight section of the course between the start and the first turn should be no less than 60 meters. The arc of the first turn shall be no less than a 100 degrees change in direction (i.e. the degrees difference between the entrance and the exit of the turn. The first turn is usually the largest turn of the course, wide enough to accommodate all competitors at once. The start should be designed in such a way the competitors can gain the speed with out using their ski poles or skating.

4504 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 Jury but should be a minimum of 15 minutes. Two inspection runs at half speed are recommended. All competitors are required to complete at least one inspection run prior to training.

Competitors must visibly wear their bibs and their helmets. At least one training run prior to the actual competition is mandatory for each site – normally the training runs should be 1 – 2 hours in length and should be held the day before the actual event takes place (under certain mitigating circumstances the Jury may decide other possibilities)

4505 Execution of Ski Cross (SX)

- 4505.1 Finals are based on 32 men / 16 women / 4 skiers per heat or such other numbers as determined by the Jury.
- 4505.2 SX will be run according to a single knockout format. Timed runs are used to qualify skiers for the Ski Cross.
- 4505.2.1 Two possibilities for timed trails qualification.
- a) Qualification with one run – all skiers have 1 timed run

- b) Qualification with two runs – all skiers have 2 timed runs the better of two runs determines the qualification-ranking list (same start list for both runs).
- 4505.3 The 2 skiers (4 skiers 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 skis that cross finish line. Whenever possible, a finish line camera (video or photo finish) should be available. In case of a tie (between the 2nd and 3rd place skiers in the heat only), the skier with the lowest qualification time will advance.
- 4505.4 Full Face Helmets (see 2307) are required for all inspection, training, timed trails and competition. Non-protruding protective body protection and padding is recommended. Formfitting lycra, speed or downhill suits are not permitted.
- 4505.5.1 Race Bibs are numbered on front, and back for better visibility by the course judges. Colored bibs are recommended.
- 4505.5.2 To aid in competitor identification 4 different colored arm or leg bands may be used in addition to race bibs. These should be placed on both arms and leg for high visibility.
- 4505.6 Gate Judges – between 4-8 Gate Judges (with radios connected with the finish-referee) on a SX is necessary. They must be familiar with the rules (Inspection, Training, Gate-DSQ and Contact etc.).

4506 SX Finals Pairings

Pairings for the finals will be according to the following:

4506.1 Finals

Ranking for 8 heats/4 per heat (32) MEN

Heat #	1 st position	2 nd position	3 rd position	4 th position
1	1	16	24	32
2	8	9	17	25
3	6	11	19	27
4	4	13	21	29
5	3	14	22	30
6	5	12	20	28
7	7	10	18	26
8	2	15	23	31

4506.2 Ranking for 4 heats/4 per heat (16) WOMEN

Heat #	1 st position	2 nd position	3 rd position	4 th position
1	1	8	12	16
2	4	5	9	13
3	3	6	10	14
4	2	7	11	15

4507 The Start

4507.1 Start lane choice during each heat based only on the skiers qualifying time. First in the qualification can chose their lane, the second fastest the next lane and so on in each heat. Assignment of new bibs numbered based on the results of the time trials will aid to determine lane selection in the start. A missed start is a disqualification. It is the skier's responsibility to arrive at the start in time to compete (see rule nr 2022).

4507.2 Start lanes
Each starting position is identified by a number. Looking down the course the positions are set from left to right. (Position 1 is very left looking down - Position 4 is very right looking down)

4507.2.1 Start Command
Skiers ready – Go

4508 Contact

Intentional contact by pushing, pulling or other means, which causes another competitor to slow down, fall or exit the course is not allowed and is an automatic disqualification. Unavoidable "casual contact" may be acceptable. All contact infractions will be at the discretion of the course judges and race Jury.

4509 Protests

DSQ's will be announced and/or posted immediately after each heat at a designated area at the bottom and top of the course. All protests must be reported to the Chief of Finish before the next heat begins. Protests after this time will not be accepted. Protests need not be in writing but all other ICR rules for protests will apply. The Jury will consist of the TD, Race Director or Chief of Competition and the Chief of Finish. The protest fee must be paid at or before the conclusion of the competition.

4510 Final Ranking

4510.1 Four Person Format

Skiers 1 to 4 are ranked according to their place of finish in the final heat. Skiers 5 to 8 are ranked according to their place of finish in the consolation round. All remaining skiers are ranked according to the round they go out in (i.e. quarter finals) and their qualification times within that round. (example: skiers ranked 8 to 16 in the quarter final would be ranked according to their qualification times.)

13.6 The Committee for Speed Skiing

The Council was unable to approve the proposed changes to the rules for speed skiing, since there were fundamental changes to the speed limitation restriction of 200 km/h.

13.7 The Legal and Safety Committee

The Council acknowledged the steps taken by the Legal and Safety Committee with the preparation of FIS Rules for Sanctions and that a draft of these rules to include in the ICR 200 Articles will be prepared by the Legal Committee's Working Group in the coming months and circulated to all discipline Committees for study.

The Council approved the draft with the proposed adaptations to the FIS Statutes relating to the new Rules for Sanctions, and that a final document will be submitted to the FIS Congress.

13.8 The Sub-Committee for University Racers

The Council has approved the amended quotas for participation:

Art. 4.1 Quotas

In all FIS – UNI races, the number of participants is limited to 140. The quotas for all nations is **12** (until now 10), per discipline and race.

Europe

The number of non-students from the organising nation will be increased to **40** (until now 30) competitors per discipline and sex.

For all other nations, **4** (until now 2) non-students (less than 20 years old), permitted to participate within the quota.

For all races in USA / CAN the existing quota rules remain valid.

14. Nomination of Committee Members

On proposal of the National Ski Associations the Council appointed the following persons as Committee Members for the remaining election period until the FIS Congress in Portoroz 2002. Nominations for new members were tabled and may only be submitted to the Council in spring 2002 at the beginning of the new election period:

The British Ski Federation

- **Judy Ross** as member of the Medical Committee, replacing Michael Turner

The Italian Winter Sports Federation

- **Carlo Macchi** as member of the Cross-Country Conference, replacing Franco Baldo and Demetrio Rigoni
- **Marco Mapelli** as member of the Cross-Country Sub-Committee for Rules and Control, replacing Carlo Macchi
- **Arone Schivo** as member of the Jumping Sub-Committee for Officials, Rules and Control, replacing Ivano Longhini as well as member of the Jumping Sub-Committee for Equipment and Development, replacing Gianfranco Oballa
- **Guido Zampieri** as member of the Alpine Conference, replacing Arturo Guidi
- **Luciano Zanier** as member of the Committee for Teaching and Training, replacing Guido Zampieri
- **Pier Angelo Albertini** as member of the Calculation Committee, replacing Ettore Cusinato
- **Luigi Scaggiante** as member of the Committee for Public Relations and Media, replacing Claudia Giordani
- **Walter Holzner** as member of the Eligibility Committee, replacing Ubaldo Prucker as well as member of the Committee for Pool Questions, replacing Luigi Anselmi
- **Dario Bazzoni** as member of the Sub-Committee for Corporate Racers, replacing Gianmaria Roccia
- **Giacomo Camozzini** as member of the Sub-Committee Cross-Country for Lowlanders and Citizen Racers, replacing Angelo Sormani

The Royal Spanish Winter Sports Federation

- **Eduardo Roldan** as member of the Conference of the Committee for Alpine Skiing, replacing Benjamin Gonzalez
- **Lluis Roig** as inspector and controller in the Sub-Committee for Alpine Courses, replacing Victor Loren-Colas
- **Eduardo Roldan** as member of the Sub-Committee for Alpine European Cup for the open position
- **Eduardo Roldan** as member of the Committee for Ski Teaching and Training, replacing Alfredo Pulido
- **Evelio Gonzalez** as a member of the Conference of the Eligibility Committee, replacing Guillem Salmeron

The Russian Ski Federation

- **Oleg Fjodorov** as a member of the Alpine Sub-Committee for Rules and Control, replacing Jouri Gouriev
- **Wladimir Andreev** as a member of the Conference of the Sub-Committee for Alpine World Cup, replacing Jouri Gouriev

The Swedish Ski Association

- **Roine Lang** as inspector in the Sub-Committee for Alpine Courses

15. Forum "Culture of the Ski Sport"

The Council acknowledged the organisation by the Marc Hodler Foundation of a Forum "Culture of the Ski Sport" on the Island of Mainau on 15th/16th November 2001.

Future similar events may be planned in other ski regions, Scandinavia, North America, etc.

16. The 43rd International Ski Congress

Council Member Janez Kocijancic reported on the satisfactory preparations for the 43rd International Ski Congress, which will take place from 2nd to 9th June 2002 in Portoroz (SLO).

The registration form and detailed information was sent to all National Ski Associations, Committee Members and other parties in August 2001.

The Council confirmed the provisional agenda and the programme for the meetings of the Council and the Committees during the 2002 Congress week as well as the time-table for submitting nominations for members of the FIS Committee and the FIS Council.

The Council discussed the various proposals submitted by the National Ski Associations to the 2002 International Ski Congress and those of the Technical Committees and expressed its opinion. The proposals of the National Ski Associations and of the Council will be sent to the affiliated member associations by 15th February 2002 according to art. 20.5 of the Statutes.

Furthermore the Council decided that the Congress package for one delegate from each FIS member National Ski Association would be paid by FIS.

17. Next meeting of the FIS Council

The next meeting of the FIS Council will take place during the 43rd International Ski Congress as from 3rd June 2002 at the Hotel Emona in Portoroz (SLO).

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Proposals of National Ski Associations and Technical Committees, etc. for this meeting have to be sent to the FIS Secretary General before 20th April 2002.

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If you should have any further questions in regard to the decisions of the FIS Council, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretary General.

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