

To the

- Members of the Sub-Committee for Classification of Alpine Competitors

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Oberhofen, 18.06.2024

Minutes of the Meeting of the Sub-Committee for Classification of Alpine Competitors, held on Monday 06.05.2024 in Portoroz (SLO).

Dear Ski friends,

We have the pleasure sending you today the Minutes of the Meeting of the Sub-Committee for Classification of Alpine Competitors.

We kindly ask that you send any remarks to the FIS Alpine Office in Oberhofen by the **20th July 2024**.

We would also like to take this opportunity to inform you that the Minutes are available on the Member Services section of the FIS Website: www.fis-ski.com.

Thank you very much for your valuable contribution



Jeff Weinman
Chairman Sub-Committee for Classification

**INTERNATIONAL SKI AND SNOWBOARD FEDERATION
Sub-Committee for Classification of Alpine Competitors**

**Minutes of the Meeting Sub-Committee for Classification of Alpine Competitors
Monday, 06.05.2024, 11:00 – 13:00hrs**

1. Welcome (Jeff Weinman, USA)

The Chairman Jeff Weinman (USA) welcomed the members and guests and thanked them for their participation.

2. Roll Call (Janez Flere, FIS)

Janez Flere (FIS) called the roll of members present and replacements and stated that only named members present are eligible to vote.

3. Approval of the agenda (Jeff Weinman, USA)

The agenda was approved without objection.

4. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held 27.09.2023 in Zurich (SUI)

The minutes of the meeting held in Zurich (SUI) were approved without objection.

5. Reports

5.1 Jeff Weinman, Chairman

The Chairman thanked the FIS Office for all the work on behalf of the members and National Ski Associations.

He reviewed a 9-year history of race data – that information is included at the end of these minutes. The current data show positive trends for our sport.

5.2 Daniel Défago, FIS Office

Daniel Défago (FIS) reported that the qualification period for the OWG 2026 in Italy begin 1st July 2024 and the Qualification System document is available on the FIS Website.

Electronic board/draw allowed for the FIS level. This feature uses the same technology as the live timing.

5.3 Janez Flere, FIS Office

Janez Flere (FIS) noted that only races where there are 20 women or 30 men in the finish will be valid for OWG selection to help combat manipulation.

There was recently a race in Italy where the Jury decided not to make it valid for FIS points due to manipulation of the course prior to the top two athletes taking their second run. Weinman (USA) praised the TD and Jury for taking action and the affected athletes for making the Jury aware.

6. Proposals

6.1 Art. 7.6.3 Deadline for Special quotas (USA)

Weinman explained that the proposed language was to bring our rules in line with our current procedures which have followed the past few years since Covid. While the deadline is 10-days prior to the first team captains meeting to have all approvals, the sooner that approvals can be made the better.

7.6.3 Special Quotas

The FIS ~~Council~~ Alpine Committee can allow special quotas for certain countries and regions. National Ski Associations concerned must provide send direct specific event requests and approval to the FIS Sub-Committee for Classification of Alpine Competitors a minimum of 10 days ~~two weeks~~ before the first Team

Captains' autumn meeting. ~~For the Southern Hemisphere: two weeks before the spring meeting.~~

The proposal was approved without opposition.

6.2 Minimum penalty for NC (GER-SUI)

Germany made the decision to pull this proposal from consideration.

6.3 Minimum penalty Citizen events (FRA)

The Sub-Committee for Alpine Citizen Races proposed two changes that impact the points list and so were submitted for review.

1. Minimum penalty for CIT: 23 (level 3)

~~1 Move Race CIT at new level: Penalty minimum: 40 – maximum 999.~~

The proposal to change the minimum penalty for CIT races from 23 to 40 was approved without objection.

2. Art CIT 1.1 1. QUALIFICATION OF ALPINE CIT COMPETITORS

Définition: In order to start in a citizen competition, the athlete must have more than 30.00 FIS points in the event concern (GS: 30.00 - SL: 30.00) and 25.00 FIS points in speed events (DH: 25.00 - SG: 25.00 - AC: 25.00).

~~2 Cancel Art 1.1 (CIT Rules)~~

The proposal to delete Art. CIT 1.1 was not approved.

6.4 FIS Points list Deadline Art 5.3

The list schedule was presented without objection.

7. Precisions

7.1 Art. 4.6 Injury Status (USA)

The Chairman stated that the precisions to the injury status regulations were to remove confusion on how they are used. There is no changed to the intent or implementation of the rule, only to how it is presented.

Precisions Wording Injury Status Rules

4.2.1.4 If the status as injured is approved ~~according to 4.6.1.1, then, and competitors have not started more than five (5) times (FIS and COC level competitions) plus four (4) times (World Cup competitions) in one event and/or more than fifteen (15) times (FIS and COC level competitions) plus eight (8) times (World Cup competitions) across all events during the valid season~~ 10% (#) will be added to the competitor's BL if the current points are not better than the protected points.

4.6 Injury Status

4.6.1 Registration

When a competitor gets injured and applies for the single penalty, the National Ski Association must apply to the FIS as soon as possible or at the latest 30th April for the approval using the official online system (Injury Database). The medical certificate must report in detail the kind of injury and the period of recovery. This official form and medical certificate are only valid for one season. (World Cup: see World Cup Rules art. 22.2)

4.6.1.1 Conditions for Injury Status

~~— At least 8 months must have been passed between the time of the injury and the competitors 1st start.~~

- Competitors must remain registered as active with the FIS to maintain injury protection.

- Competitors who exceed any one or more of the following start limitations are not eligible for injury protection

: Have started more than five (5) times in at least one event in Level 1, 2, 3, or 4 competitions

: Have started more than four (4) times in at least one event in Level 0 competitions

: Have started more than fifteen (15) times in all events in Level 1, 2, 3, or 4 competitions

~~: Have started more than eight (8) times in all events in Level 0 competitions~~

- Injury protection is all or nothing such that a competitor either qualifies, or does not, for all events based upon the above conditions.

- At least eight (8) months must have passed between the time of the injury and the competitor's first start.

: If a competitor starts before the eight (8) month period, their BL points will be recalculated to reflect their points without injury status.

~~— Competitors have not started more than five (5) times (FIS and COC level competitions) + four (4) times (World Cup, Olympic Winter Games and World Championships competitions) in one event and/or more than fifteen (15) times (FIS and COC level competitions) + eight (8) times (World Cup, Olympic Winter Games and World Championships competitions) across all events during the valid season.~~

4.6.2 Pregnancy

The protection status starts as soon as the medical certificate is received and confirmed by FIS (or after ~~the competitor's her~~ last start) until the birth of the child. The expected date of birth of the child must be written in the medical certificate. After the birth of the child the protection status is ~~still~~ valid for a maximum of nine (9) (nine) months. ~~Then it~~ The protection status expires if the National Ski Association does not apply ~~in writing to FIS~~ for prolongation of the FIS point's protection status mentioning the exact medical reason. The procedure will be handled according art. 4.6.1.

4.7 Professional Obligations or Military Service

If a National Ski Association submits, in advance, an application for a "study or military status" certifying that a racer will not be able to compete due to professional obligations (studies) or military service and has indicated why and how long the competitor will be was prevented from racing, the procedure will be handled according art. 4.6.

7.2 Art. 4.8 Evaluation of Several Races (USA)

The Chairman stated that he had made an error in the language of the proposal and pulled it from consideration.

8. FIS Points rules 2024/2025

The updated FIS Points rules will be available on the FIS website after approval by the FIS Council.

9. Miscellaneous

Rules for discussions

There was discussion on potential changes in the future with a request for the National Ski Associations to think about these:

- Art 4.2 Average of three results
Providing a better measure of performance than the current average of best two. The idea is that this would only be for technical races and not for speed.
- Category Adder (GER)
- To reintroduce category adders for Level 1 races.
- Minimum COC penalty (GER)
To change the minimum COC penalty.

10. Next meeting

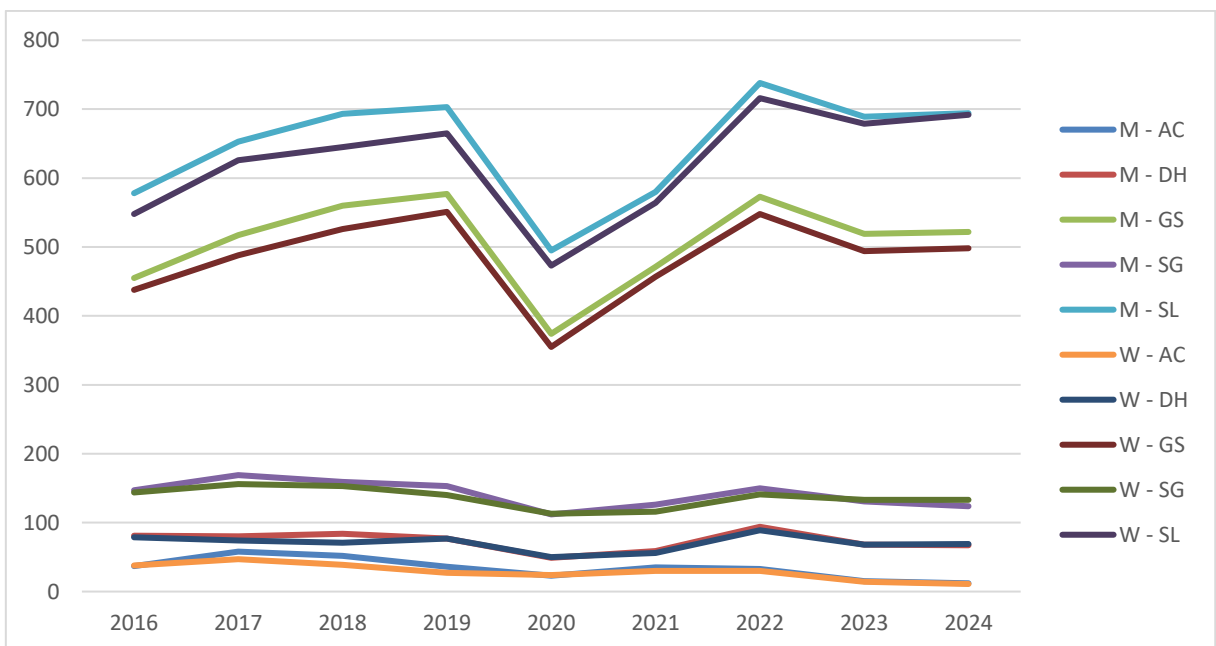
FIS Technical Committee Autumn Meeting
23rd to 27th September 2024, Zurich (SUI)

11. Closing of the meeting

Weinman thanked everyone again for their attendance and participation.

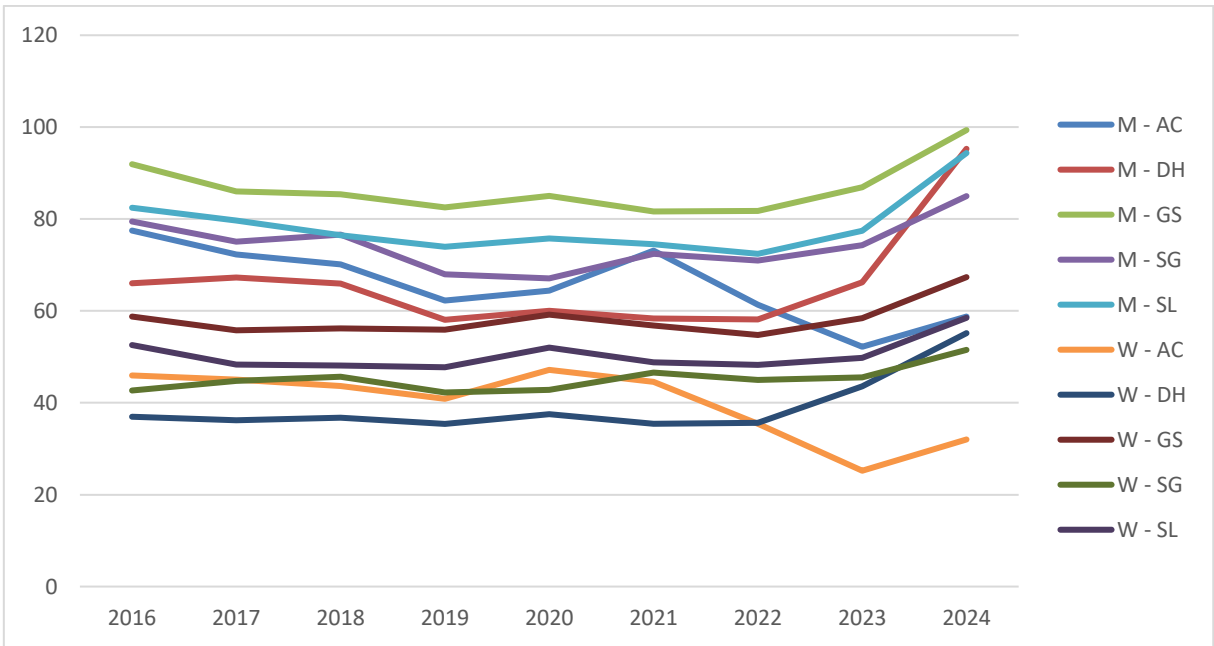
Number of Races Valid for FIS Points

SEASON	DH M	SG M	GS M	SL M	AC M	All M	DH W	SG W	GS W	SL W	AC W	All W
2016	81	147	455	578	37	1,298	79	144	438	548	38	1,247
2017	80	169	517	653	58	1,477	74	156	488	626	47	1,391
2018	84	159	560	693	52	1,548	71	153	526	645	39	1,434
2019	77	153	577	703	36	1,546	77	140	551	665	27	1,460
2020	49	112	374	495	23	1,053	50	113	355	473	24	1,015
2021	59	126	471	580	35	1,271	56	116	457	564	30	1,223
2022	94	150	573	738	33	1,588	89	141	548	716	30	1,524
2023	68	131	519	689	15	1,422	68	133	494	679	14	1,388
2024	67	124	522	694	12	1,419	69	133	498	692	11	1,403



Average Field Sizes in Valid Races

SEASON	DH M	SG M	GS M	SL M	AC M	All M	DH W	SG W	GS W	SL W	AC W	All W	All
2016	66	79	92	82	77	84	37	43	59	53	46	52	69
2017	67	75	86	80	72	80	36	45	56	48	45	50	66
2018	66	77	85	76	70	79	37	46	56	48	44	50	65
2019	58	68	83	74	62	75	35	42	56	48	41	50	63
2020	60	67	85	76	64	77	38	43	59	52	47	53	65
2021	58	72	82	75	73	76	35	47	57	49	45	51	64
2022	58	71	82	72	61	75	36	45	55	48	35	49	62
2023	66	74	87	77	52	80	44	46	58	50	25	52	66
2024	95	85	99	94	59	95	55	52	67	58	32	61	78



Number of Athlete Starts in Valid Races

SEASON	DH M	SG M	GSM	SL M	AC M	All M
2016	5,345	11,680	41,844	47,679	2,867	109,415
2017	5,380	12,684	44,474	52,015	4,193	118,746
2018	5,538	12,176	47,802	53,005	3,648	122,169
2019	4,471	10,394	47,616	51,970	2,242	116,693
2020	2,941	7,513	31,815	37,492	1,482	81,243
2021	3,444	9,126	38,454	43,219	2,559	96,802
2022	5,466	10,646	46,865	53,450	2,024	118,451
2023	4,501	9,738	45,097	53,339	783	113,458
2024	6,384	10,538	51,864	65,489	705	134,980

SEASON	DH W	SG W	GS W	SL W	AC W	All W	All
2016	2,921	6,149	25,746	28,800	1,745	65,361	174,776
2017	2,681	6,985	27,215	30,255	2,116	69,252	187,998
2018	2,608	6,988	29,553	31,054	1,702	71,905	194,074
2019	2,726	5,915	30,797	31,745	1,104	72,287	188,980
2020	1,875	4,837	21,009	24,601	1,132	53,454	134,697
2021	1,986	5,402	25,951	27,530	1,336	62,205	159,007
2022	3,170	6,339	30,009	34,525	1,064	75,107	193,558
2023	2,965	6,060	28,875	33,820	353	72,073	185,531
2024	3,806	6,852	33,542	40,480	352	85,032	220,012

