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Regulation concerning the use of spurs at UIAA Ice climbing competitions

A recent survey conducted to the Ice Climbing athletes after the 2008 season has revealed that the use of spurs is not preferential to the majority of them.

The use of Spurs is becoming increasingly rarer not just in Competition terms but also in opening of new routes.

The UIAA Ice Climbing Commission (ICICC) has taken the decision of rejecting the use of Spurs for the Competition season of 2009 following this natural trend.

This decision will certainly promote the development of new moves to overcome the typical difficulties found in competitions.

The UIAA Ice Climbing Commission is betting on the alliance of technique and imagination to applaud new sequence moves for the next Ice Climbing competition season.

Please take in consideration the following changes which will be enforced in the 2009 Competition season:

