

2021 COMPETITION REGULATIONS

FOR INTERNATIONAL ICE CLIMBING COMPETITIONS

Summary of major modifications* made to the 2021 Competition Regulations for International Ice Climbing Competitions as agreed by the UIAA Ice Climbing Commission

*Minor modifications to format, grammar and wording have not been listed below.

| PART 1 – GOVERNANCE | |
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| 1.3.2 d) | International Route setter - International Route setters appointed by the UIAA COMMISSION to assist the Chief International Route Setter in undertaking all aspects of route setting a competition. |
| 1.3.2 f) | Aspirant Judge - has passed successfully an ICCIC Judging course and is appointed by UIAA COMMISSION but since more than 1 year did not work at an international or national ice climbing competition appointed by UIAA COMMISSION or has followed the Judging course without any working experience. |
| 1.3.2. j) | All International Judges and Route setters must be member of the UIAA Federation of the country they live in or have citizenship in. Each Judge or Route Setter must have a signed approval from UIAA Federation in order to be nominated as Judge in upcoming season. |
| 1.3.2. k) | The competition jury are not allowed to compete in the given competition they are allocated to. |
| 3.5.5. c) | In the interest of safety the climbing rope will always be pre-fixed to the first protection point and in consultation with the International Route setter and with the approval of the President of the Jury, the Category Judge shall decide whether or not to have the climbing rope pre-fixed through other protection points. |
| 3.5.11 | Having successfully topped the route, On connecting the rope to the final protection point (quick draw) or in having stopped a fall, the competitor shall be lowered to the ground. |
| 4.4.2 | If it is possible video recordings of the all the qualification routes should be uploaded to the UIAA YouTube channel not less than 60 minutes before the scheduled start of the round. |
| 4.5.1 | The competitors will be presented to the spectating crowd before the observation period begins. |

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| 4.6.5 | If the competitor has not started their attempt at the end of this period they shall be instructed by the judge – “Please start immediately, your climbing time starts now” - and their climbing time will be started immediately as this instruction is given. |
| 4.8.3 a) | If the competitor is in a non-legitimate position due to the technical incident, the Category Judge shall make an immediate decision on whether to declare a technical incident and thereby terminate the competitor's attempt on the route (and in accordance with the rules governing technical incidents, permit the competitor a subsequent attempt) or offer the competitor the opportunity to continue their attempt on the route. If a competitor is offered and accepts the opportunity to continue, no further appeal shall be accepted in respect to that technical incident. |
| 4.8.3 b) | While the competitor is climbing the competitor must specify the nature of the technical incident and, with the agreement of the Category Judge, may continue or cease climbing. If the competitor is in a non-legitimate position due to the incident the Category Judge shall make an immediate decision and that decision shall be final. If the competitor elects to continue to climb, No subsequent appeal shall be accepted in respect to that technical incident. |
| 4.8.3 b) | The Chief Route setter shall immediately check (and where appropriate correct) the claimed technical incident and report to the Chief International Route setter, International Judge of route in question and the President of the Jury. |
| 4.11.1 | There must be a minimum of 2 hours from the end of the previous round in any discipline before the start of the next round in any discipline for the same age category and gender. |
| PART 2 – TECHNICAL RULES | |
| 8.2.2. b) | If the first round of a competition is held on one route or two routes of similar difficulty, and due to the number of climbers in a given category it is decided by the Chief International Route setter and the President of the Jury that the start list will be split into 2 groups and competitors will climb separate routes to allow the competition to remain on schedule – all athletes must have the same amount of rest time between routes. |
| 8.4.5. c) | Where a competitor clips the rope into a karabiner in accordance with Article 8.4.5 (a) above, but where a Z-Clip has occurred, the competitor must correct the “Z-Clip” and to do so may un-clip and re-clip any of the Protection Points involved, provided that after correction all Protection Points must be clipped in the correct sequence. If the Z-Clip is not corrected, then the score of the climber will be given up to the point of the last quickdraw clipped in the correct sequence and the last hold the climber reached. |
| 8.4.5. d) | The Chief Routesetter may rule that a quickdraw must for reasons of safety be clipped from a particular hold (a “Safety Hold”) or earlier, in which case such hold(s) and the relevant quickdraw shall be clearly marked with a blue circle and pointed out during the route observation. If the climber leaves the safety hold without clipping the relevant quickdraw, their attempt will be terminated at that point. |
| 8.5.2 f) | Priority for ranking competitors in case of tied competitors who all topped the same route in lead: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Qualification: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Attempts - competitors reaching a certain height at first attempt are placed better than the ones reaching the same height at second attempt. |

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| | <p>ii. Time – if the qualification round included isolation and all competitors topped the same route in lead.</p> <p>b. Semi-final, final or super final:</p> <p>i. Time – if all competitors topped the same route in lead</p> <p>ii. Countback</p> |
| 8.7.3 | The fixed quota of competitors qualifying for the semi-final and final shall be, respectively, 16 and 8 competitors. |
| 9.5.2. d) | Commits a second false start per event; this can be indicated by the digital timing device, or by the judge with consultation of video recording if required; |
| 9.6.1 a) | If there are more than 16 competitors, the competition is held in two rounds. If there are tied competitors, there will be extra quota in the final. If there are less than 16 competitors, then all the climbers that have a successful result will proceed to the Final Round. |
| 9.6.4 ii) | Only competitors who successfully finish an attempt on the route in qualification run are ranked. |
| 9.7 | Round of 16 replaced with 1/8 th Final throughout. |
| 9.7.1 b) | The final round of the competition which may consist of a 1/8 th Final, quarter final, semi-final and small final and big final. In the 1/8 th Final if there are tied competitors, these competitors must re-run to achieve a non-tied result; |
| 9.7.3 iii) | Qualification Round - Ranking: If a competitor fails to complete the first route, he/she shall be eliminated from the competition and placed in last position (no rank). |
| 9.7.3 iv) | Qualification Round - Ranking: If a competitor fails to complete the second route, he/she shall be eliminated and ranked in last position after the ones that finish both the routes. He/she has a result and is ranked. Competitors must complete both routes to progress to the next round. |
| 9.7.4 i) | Both routes shall be demonstrated by Chief International Route setter or Route setter or forerunner. |
| 10.7.3 | The fixed quota of competitors qualifying for the semi-final and final shall be, respectively, 16 and 8 competitors. |
| PART 3 – EVENT RULES | |
| 11.5.2 | <p>The maximum number of points a competitor can accumulate towards the final ranking of the World Cup championship shall be as follows:</p> <p>a) When 10 competitions are organised: a maximum of the 7 best results shall count;</p> <p>b) When 9 competitions are organised: a maximum of 7 best results shall count;</p> <p>c) When 8 competitions are organised: a maximum of 6 best results shall count;</p> <p>d) When 7 are organised: a maximum of 6 best results shall count;</p> <p>e) When 6 are organised: a maximum of 5 best results shall count;</p> <p>f) When 5 or less competitions are organized: all results shall count.</p> |
| 12.1.6 | World Championship National Team Rankings shall be calculated and awarded as follows (there is no prize money for team rankings): |