

# 2023

# COMPETITION REGULATIONS

## FOR INTERNATIONAL ICE CLIMBING COMPETITIONS

Summary of major modifications\* made to the 2023 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.

| <b>PART 1 – GOVERNANCE</b>      |  |
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| 1.3                             | <p>All UIAA Officials allocated to a given IWT season must read and sign - Annex 10 - UIAA Officials - Judge and Route Setter Selection Policy &amp; Working Protocols.</p> <p>All UIAA Route Setters allocated to a given IWT season must read and sign - Annex 11 - UIAA Route Setting Guidelines.</p>   |
| <b>PART 2 – TECHNICAL RULES</b> |  |
| 4.4.1                           | All video demonstrations should be made according to Annex 12 – UIAA Video Demo Editing Guidelines.  |
| 8.2.3                           | Bib numbers will be distributed after the technical meeting to follow qualification running order. It is the athlete’s responsibility to collect their bib and check they have the correct number against the start lists.   |
| 8.2.4                           | If the event timetable allows a schedule for qualification will be created, detailing an exact time when the athlete’s qualification climbs will take place. If the competition runs ahead of schedule, then there will be a break in the competition if competitor is not ready, i.e. athletes will not be forced to compete before their time slot if they |

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|                             | do not wish to. If the competition schedule is delayed, then the athletes affected will have to wait in the warm-up zone.  |
| 8.6.1                       | After each round of the competition, the competitors shall be ranked according to Art. 8.5.2. In the case of the qualification round where 2 or more routes are used to determine the ranking – the athletes are ranked on each route based on their attempt height score, and then the rankings for each route are multiplied together to give an overall score for the round, then each athletes' round score is ranked to give the overall ranking for the qualification – with the lowest score being ranked highest overall. E.g. if an athlete finishes in 3 <sup>rd</sup> on Route 1 and 5 <sup>th</sup> on Route 2, their score for the round will be 15 points. |
| 8.6.2                       | If there is a tie for a position in the qualification ranking on a given route then a corrective ranking is calculated, by adding up all the ranking points available and dividing them by the number of athletes tied for that position. E.g. 4 athletes tie for 1 <sup>st</sup> place on a route – 1 <sup>st</sup> + 2 <sup>nd</sup> + 3 <sup>rd</sup> + 4 <sup>th</sup> = 10 / 4 = 2.5 corrective ranking points are awarded for each athlete on that route. The corrective rank for each athlete in question will be multiplied by the rank for their other route to get their overall ranking score.  |
| <b>PART 3 – EVENT RULES</b> |  |
| 11.1.3                      | Each World Cup competition approved by the UIAA shall include categories for men and women. <del>No competitor under the age</del> All competitors must turn 16 years old in the year of the competition shall to be permitted to compete in a World Cup competition.  |
| 11.1.4                      | For an event to be classified as a World Cup there must be athletes registered from a minimum of 10 different nations by the registration deadline.  |
| 11.1.8                      | The minimum number of World Cups for a World Cup ranking to be valid is 3 in 3 different countries – if these conditions are not satisfied then no World Cup ranking will be awarded.  |
| 11.1.9                      | At the conclusion of the final competition of the annual series, the World Cup shall be awarded to the competitor(s) achieving the highest number of points in accordance with these regulations as long as regulation 11.1.8 has been satisfied.  |
| 12.1.2                      | Each World Championship competition approved by the UIAA shall include categories for men and women. <del>No competitor under the age</del> All competitors must turn 16 years old in the year of the competition shall to be permitted to compete in a World Championship competition.  |
| 13.1.2                      | Each World Combined Championship competition approved by the UIAA shall include categories for men and women. <del>No competitor under the age</del> All competitors must turn 16 years old in the year of the competition shall to be permitted to compete in a World Combined Championship competition.  |
| 17.1                        | <p>The UIAA publishes the following rankings:</p> <p>A) World Cup Rankings for each year and Category, calculated in accordance with Article 11.4 &amp; 11.5 of these Rules;</p> <p>B) continuously updated World Rankings:</p> <p>In each of the Difficulty and Speed Disciplines, for competitors having competed in at least one (1) relevant Qualifying Event within the preceding 12-month period, calculated as the sum of the ranking points awarded to competitors for the six (6) best results achieved during that period; and provided that a result achieved in a</p>  |



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|      | <p>combined Difficulty &amp; Speed competition may be substituted for any single discipline result when calculating the overall sum.</p> <p>The method for calculating ranking points awarded at any Qualifying Event shall be decided and published by the UIAA with the World Ranking tables.</p> |
| 17.2 | <p>The UIAA designates the following calendar events as “<b>Qualifying Events</b>” for the purposes of World Ranking calculation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A) each World Championship competition;</li><li>B) each World Cup competition;</li></ul>                                |