

UIAA ICE CLIMBING WORLD TOUR

2023/24 SEASON
ATHLETES' HANDBOOK



WELCOME ICE CLIMBERS

1.1 WELCOME BY THE UIAA PRESIDENT – Peter Muir

“We have a great calendar lined up for the UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour 2023/24 with some exciting new events. I am looking forward to having the World Championships in my homeland of Canada and look forward to seeing you all there. As well as our regular events in Korea and Switzerland, France will host both the World Youth Championships and a Continental Cup for senior athletes. We also have a five event Continental Youth Series for you this year, which will be amazing for the development of the youth categories in the sport. We once again thank our sponsors Youngone Corporation and Outdoor Research for their unwavering support. We hope you all have a successful season. Stay safe, stay psyched and good luck!”

Peter Muir – UIAA President & Martin Loscano, Ice Climbing Governance Group Chair



Peter Muir



Martin Loscano

1.2 WELCOME FROM UIAA SPORT EVENTS COORDINATOR – Rob Adie, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS – Nils Glatthard & COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER – Peter Bourne

“This season is shaping up to be a classic with our regular competitions and some amazing new events on the calendar. World Championships in Canada for the first time will be fantastic and a 5 event Continental Youth Series will be great for the development of the sport. It promises to be a season to remember, and we look forward to working with you guys at the centre of our sport! Our door is always open so if you have any questions, ideas or feedback please do get in touch.” – Rob Adie, Nils Glatthard & Peter Bourne



UIAA Operations Director - Nils Glatthard



Communications Manager - Peter Bourne



Events Coordinator – Rob Adie

1.3 WELCOME BY CHAIR OF THE UIAA ATHLETE GROUP - Eimir McSwiggan

“Hi all, and welcome to the 2023/24 season! With an extended Continental Cup Series, visits to our World Cup favourites, Cheongsong and Saas-Fee, and an exciting new World Championship stop in Edmonton, Canada, it's all to play for this season. We can't wait to see you all out there, performing at your best and showcasing what an incredible sport and community we have. A special message of good luck to all our youth climbers, with World Championships and a full Continental series of events this season. If you are a seasoned climber, reach out to them and give them support and encouragement as they start their journey in competition climbing. There are significant changes to the rules this year, so I ask you all to please make yourself familiar with these changes and reach out if you have any questions. Finally, I would like to offer a huge welcome to our new Athlete Group members Olga Kosek and Willis Morris who are already making excellent contributions to the development of the sport. Let's make it a season to remember and continue to work together in paving the way for an athlete centred sport which can only grow from strength to strength.”



2. THE 2023/24 ICE CLIMBING SEASON AT A GLANCE

2.1 2024 UIAA ICE CLIMBING WORLD TOUR

UIAA Ice Climbing World Cup (Lead & Speed)
Cheongsong, Korea
12-14 January 2024

UIAA Ice Climbing World Cup (Lead & Speed)
Saas-Fee, Switzerland
25-27 January 2024

UIAA Ice Climbing World Championships (Lead & Speed)
Edmonton, Canada
16-18 February 2024

2.2 2023/24 UIAA ICE CLIMBING CONTINENTAL CUP SERIES

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Cup (Lead)
Žilina, Slovakia
25 November 2023

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Cup (Lead)
Brno, Czech Republic
2 December 2023

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Cup (Lead)
Utrecht, Netherlands
16 December 2023

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Cup (Lead)
Champagny-en-Vanoise, France
21 January 2024

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Cup (Lead)
Ouray, USA
20 January 2024

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Cup (Lead)
Oulu, Finland
3 February 2024

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Cup
Sunderland, UK
10 February 2024

2.3 2023/24 ICE CLIMBING YOUTH COMPETITIONS

UIAA Ice Climbing World Youth Championships (Lead & Speed)
Champagny-en-Vanoise, France
19-21 January 2024

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Youth Cup (Lead)
Brno, Czech Republic
2 December 2023

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Youth Cup (Lead)
Utrecht, Netherlands
16 December 2023

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Youth Cup (Lead)
Champagny-en-Vanoise, France
21 January 2024

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Youth Cup (Lead)
Oulu, Finland
3 February 2024

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Youth Cup
Sunderland, UK
10 February 2024

UIAA Ice Climbing Training Camp
Champagny-en-Vanoise, France
22-24 January 2024

2.4 UIAA OFFICIALS COURSES

ROUTESETTER COURSE

8 – 14 January 2024 – Cheongsong, Korea

15–21 January 2024 – Champagny-en-Vanoise, France

JUDGES COURSE

19–21 January 2024 – Champagny-en-Vanoise, France

3. HOW TO FOLLOW & PROMOTE ICE CLIMBING

The UIAA's commitment to ice climbing is total and designed to ensure coverage of the sport is year-round. Communication naturally intensifies during the season itself, with the conversation continuing throughout the year – for athletes, coaches, federations, media, partners and fans alike. This section provides details on how to follow the 2023/24 UIAA Ice Climbing season.

3.1 UIAA COMMUNICATION TO ATHLETES

The most important information is communicated to athletes and federation by email in two ways.

1. Important email updates from the UIAA Ice Climbing team, iceclimbing@theuiaa.org
2. Specific news releases sent by the UIAA to a dedicated ice climbing mailing list.

Important updates will also be communicated on the UIAA Athletes Facebook group – so please join up to this if you haven't already and read all the information posted – <https://www.facebook.com/groups/837078173169225/>

All athletes that were registered for the 2023 UIAA Ice Climbing season have been added to the ice climbing mailing list using the email provided when applying for your competition licence. Any athletes not receiving news releases or emails are invited to contact iceclimbing@theuiaa.org and they will be immediately added to the lists.

Important news articles and documents can be found on the dedicated UIAA ice climbing website page – <https://iceclimbing.sport/> and on the UIAA's social media channels.

Event specific information will be sent out direct to the athletes by a new WhatsApp system for the 2024 season – more details to follow.

3.2 UIAA COMMUNICATION TO MEDIA

Throughout the season, the UIAA distributes press releases to its international media lists and its member federations. This includes the major season preview and individual event reports. Media wishing to be added to the distribution list, or athletes wanting to add sponsor addresses or media from their own country, are invited to contact news@theuiaa.org

3.3 LIVESTREAMING AND VIDEO COVERAGE

For the 2023/24 season, the UIAA will be working with Technative as a distribution and production partner to ensure the sport is again covered in an innovative, comprehensive and professional manner with great live and non-live content.

Livestreaming will be available from the semi-finals and finals of competitions at all events

and available immediately as a play-back. Furthermore, highlights of key competition moments such as medal climbs, decisive duels and spectacular moments will be cut as clips and shared on UIAA social media channels. Livestream presentation and commentary comes from a new commentator this year – Matt Groom who also works on the IFSC World Tour.

The livestream will be fed into the UIAA Facebook and YouTube channels and also embedded on the UIAA Ice Climbing website. The feed from some events was also shared on partner channels. Media organisations, member federations or climbing channels wishing to share the livestream from UIAA ice climbing competitions are invited to contact iceclimbing@theuiaa.org

If you don't make finals in any given event and would like to be involved in the livestream as a co-commentator commenting on the finals, please contact the UIAA in advance or speak to the UIAA Event Coordinator – Rob Adie at the event itself – rob.adie@theuiaa.org

3.4 SOCIAL MEDIA

Thank you for your help last season in amplifying the voice of the UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour across social media. We look to build upon that again this season. Here is how you can help.

TAG AND SHARE

We want to share your best content with the ice climbing world tour fans. Tag our Instagram account @uiaa_iceclimbing in as many of your posts, stories and reels as possible. This makes it easier for us to see and share.

BEHIND THE SCENES

The event photographers, videographers and livestreaming do a fantastic job of capturing the climbing ... but fans don't see much behind the scenes. And Behind-the-scenes content is something that really resonates with audiences: this can be training, warming up, sharpening tools, watching in the crown, anything! Just try and show the fans the side of the events they don't see elsewhere and keep it loosely related to climbing.

REELS – ATHLETES WANTED

This is more of an invitation to anyone who is interested in helping to create reels about important topics and talk on camera.

We want create reels on specific topics (venues, rules, climbing holds and tools etc.) giving more detailed information about ice climbing and the events to our audience.

Having athletes talking on camera for these would make them much more engaging, so if anyone is interested or has any of their own ideas for topics please get in touch with Tom via Instagram.

For the upcoming season, the UIAA will be active on the following channels:

[Instagram](#) – @uiaa_iceclimbing - photo stories, video clips

[Facebook](#) – livestream, news articles, photo galleries, results, video highlights and clips

[YouTube](#) – youtube.com/@uiaa - livestream

[Twitter](#) – news updates, results, livestream, video clips

[Flickr](#) – hi-res images available to download from all events

The dedicated hashtags are: #uiaaiceclimbing #theuiaa

3.5 LIVE RESULTS

Live results will be available on the UIAA results service:

<https://uiaa.results.info/> The results system provides live digital updates and mobile friendly service for which will be updated instantly after each competitor to show live rankings.

3.6 INTERVIEW REQUESTS

You the athletes are the heart of ice climbing. Your commitment, dedication, passion, skill and the camaraderie of the ice climbing community is what makes the sport so compelling especially as we move forwards with our bid for Olympic inclusion. The UIAA wishes to share your unique stories and backgrounds and both during the season and the off season greatly appreciates your support in producing content about ice climbing and you the ice climbers.

3.7 MEDAL CEREMONY, PODIUMS & PRIZE MONEY

In order for us to conform to the IOC medal ceremony protocol and make the medal ceremonies more succinct and flow better only the top three athletes will be invited to podium in each discipline. The UIAA event coordinator will give you a short briefing at each event as to the procedure to follow for the ceremony, so please ensure you follow this procedure and stay in the area of the podium before the ceremony takes place.

Podium athletes must wear their competition bibs or their national federation uniform/jacket on the podium (ideally competition bib) – casual clothing should not be worn on the podium. Athletes should be available for pictures in their competition bibs after the ceremony.

4. REGISTRATION

4.1 APPLY FOR AN INTERNATIONAL ICE CLIMBING COMPETITION LICENCE

In order to apply for an International Ice Climbing Competition Licence, each athlete must contact the UIAA Member Federation he/she is affiliated to. It is the ice climbing focal point within the given UIAA Member Federation who files the official application for an international competition licence. A licence costs EUR 50 per season and athlete and must be paid either through the UIAA Member Federation or directly by the athlete to the UIAA, prior to the first competition.

Each athlete must show his/her valid International Ice Climbing Competition Licence during on-site registrations of a UIAA competition. A licence is only valid if signed and stamped by the affiliated UIAA Member Federation, signed by the competitor and his/her legal guardian in case of under age (not 18 years old).

Each UIAA Member Federation is given a login to the website and here it can file applications for all its athletes for the upcoming season: <https://uiaa.results.info/users/login>

The application period starts on 15 October and ends one week before the last competition of the respective season. Late registrations may be accepted, depending on the local organizer and may result in higher registration fees.

4.2 REGISTER FOR EVENTS

Registration to UIAA competitions also goes through the UIAA Member Federations, the reason being quotas. Thus, each athlete wishing to compete in the UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour must contact the UIAA Member Federation he/she is affiliated to and indicate which competitions and categories he/she wishes to compete in. The website for UIAA Member Federations to proceed with the registration of athletes is the same as for the licences. At registration at the actual event, each competitor must either pay their license fee or prove that their national federation has paid the license fee in advance.

The competitor registration fee for each World Cup or World Championships is 60 Euros for 1 discipline, 80 Euros for 2; and shall be paid to each Organizer directly by the competitors prior to the competition.

For the Continental Cup events in the 2023/24 calendar the competitor registration fee is 50 euros, athletes can register themselves via the registration website – if they have competed before you should be able to [register on your account](#).

If athletes are new to these events you can request an invitation to setup an account on the registration system by completing the [form in the link](#).

At registration at the actual event, each competitor must either pay their license fee or prove that their national federation has paid the license fee in advance.

5. UIAA ICE CLIMBING WORLD TOUR - LOGISTICS

UIAA Ice Climbing World Cup & Asian Championships
Cheongsong, South Korea
12-14 January 2024

Competition venue address

- Cheongsong-gun, Gyeongsangbuk-do, South Korea

Accommodation & registration for competitors.

Accommodation - Accommodation is arranged for the following nights: 12, 13, 14 January 2024 at the Juwang Spa Hotel in Cheongsong - total cost for the indicated nights is: **EUR 200 per person.**

Any additional nights/requests must be communicated to Ms. Anne YoungRim Choi kockaf@kaf.or.kr 4 weeks before the competition. Note that if you prefer arranging your own accommodation, kindly indicate this to Ms. Anne YoungRim Choi kockaf@kaf.or.kr at least 4 weeks before the competition.

- Online registrations of competitors must be done via UIAA registration system – deadline 31 December 2023, any competitors registering after this deadline will be subject to a penalty. **Athletes MUST ALSO register via the organizers' website <http://www.ice-climbing.kr> - deadline is 15 December 2023.**
- On-site registration takes place on 12 January 2024 at 13:00 local time
- On-site registration address: Juwang Spa Hotel, Cheongsong-eup, Cheongsong, Gyeongangbuk-do, South Korea
- The Award ceremony takes place on 14 January 2024 – TBC

Nearest airport: Incheon International Airport

- Distance to Cheongsong: 330 kilometers
- Travel time to Cheongsong: 3 hours, 30 minutes by car / shuttle / public transport
- Shuttle services from and to the airport are offered as long as flight information is provided to Ms. Anne YoungRim Choi kockaf@chol.com 4 weeks before the competition. Note that if you prefer arranging your own travels to Cheongsong, kindly indicate this to Ms. Anne YoungRim Choi at kockaf@chol.com at least 4 weeks before the competition.

VISA applications

- For letters of invitation please contact – Anne YoungRim Choi - kockaf@kaf.or.kr
- Indicate exact travel dates and send a copy of your passport

Details of the Organizer

- Anne YoungRim Choi / kockaf@kaf.or.kr / Tel: +82 109 150 81 94

Official Website – www.ice-climbing.or.kr

**UIAA Ice Climbing World Youth Championships
Champagny-en-Vanoise, France
19-21 January 2024**

Competition Venue Address

- Champagny-en-Vanoise Ice Tower – [full information here](#)

Accommodation for competitors

- Refuge de Bois, Champagny-le-haut for up to 60 athletes.
- Other accommodation in Champagny-en-Vanoise must be arranged individually

Registrations

- Online registration deadline is 04 January 2024
- Online registrations of competitors must be done via the relevant UIAA member federation and the following portal: <https://uiaa.results.info/users/login>
- On-site registration takes place on 19 January 2024 – time TBC
- On-site registration address: Champagny Ice Tower
- Award ceremony takes place on 20 January 2024 - TBC

Nearest airport: Aéroport de Lyon-Saint-Exupéry

- Distance to Champagny-en-Vanoise: 178 kilometer
- Travel time to Champagny-en-Vanoise: 2 hours by car
- <https://www.altibus.com/je-voyage-en-avion-pour-partir-au-ski/lyon-saint-exupery/>

Alternative airport: Geneva Cornavin, Switzerland

- Distance to Champagny: 185 kilometers
- Travel time to Champagny: 2 hours 15 minutes by car
- <https://www.altibus.com/je-voyage-en-avion-pour-partir-au-ski/navette-alpskibus/>

Shuttles in Champagny

If you come by car, there are multiple car parks in Champagny where you can park your car. Keep in mind, we have free shuttles that leaves from Champagny-le-bas (in front of the office tourism) that reach Champagny-le-haut. Here is the link concerning the free shuttles: <https://www.la-plagne.com/decouvrir-la-plagne/pratique/navettes-liaisons/navettes-et-liaisons-a-la-plagne-champagny-en-vanoise>

VISA applications

- For letters of invitation please contact Mr. Nils Guilotin at nilsquillotin@gmail.com
- Indicate passport number, name as on passport and exact travel dates

Details of the Organizer

- FFCAM – Nils Guilotin / nilsquillotin@gmail.com

Notes – the results from the WYCH will also be used as part of the Continental Youth Cup Series 2023/24.

**UIAA Ice Climbing World Cup
Saas Fee, Switzerland
25-27 January 2024**

Competition Venue Address

- Parkhaus, CH-3906 Saas-Fee, Switzerland

Accommodation & registration for competitors

- Accommodation must be arranged individually - Possible option can be found here: TBC
- Online registration deadline is 11 January 2024, any competitors registering after this deadline must pay a penalty.
- On-site registration takes place on 25 January 2024 from 17:30 – 19:30 local time
- On-site registration address: Ice rink Saas-Fee

Nearest airport: Milan Malpensa, Italy

- Distance to Saas-Fee: 188 kilometers
- Travel time to Saas-Fee: 3 hours by car / 4 hours by public transport

Alternative airport: Geneva Cornavin, Switzerland

- Distance to Saas-Fee: 226 kilometers
- Travel time to Saas-Fee: 2 hours 45 minutes by car / 4 hours by public transport

Alternative airport: Zurich Klotten, Switzerland

- Distance to Saas-Fee: 244 kilometers
- Travel time to Saas-Fee: 4 hours by car / 3 hours 30 minutes by public transport

VISA applications

- For letters of invitation please contact Kurt Arnold at info@iceclimbingworldcup.ch
- Indicate passport number, name as on passport and exact travel dates

Details of the Organizer

- Kurt Arnold / kurt@allalin4027.ch / +41 79 433 15 64

Official Website www.iceclimbingworldcup.ch & www.iceandsound.com

UIAA Ice Climbing World Championships Edmonton, Canada 16-18 February 2024

Competition venue address

- Fan Park @ ICE District: [10104 104 Avenue NW, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada](#)

Accommodation for competitors

- We have arranged for discounted accommodations across the street (less than 100m) from the event venue through the Sandman Signature Edmonton Downtown Hotel (<https://reservations.sandmanhotels.com/113066?groupID=4130420> Group Code: **YEGICE**) - Accommodation must be arranged individually
 - Price is \$134 CAD per night per room plus taxes & fees (Approx. 92 euros)
- Other accommodation options available at: <https://edmontonsbesthotels.com/>
- Competitors are not required to use one of these accommodation providers and may choose to make their own arrangements with another provider.

Registrations

- Online registrations of competitors must be done via the relevant UIAA member federation and the following portal: <https://uiaa.results.info/users/login>
- Online registration deadline is 31 January 2024, any competitors registering after this deadline must pay a penalty.
- On-site registration takes place on 16 February 2024 – 15:00 - 17:00
- On-site registration address: [Molson Hockey House in Ford Hall at Rogers Place: 10220 104 Avenue NW, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada \(2nd Floor, use South Entrance\)](#)
- Award ceremony takes place on 17 February 2024 & 18 February 2024 - Fan Park @ ICE District

Nearest airport: Edmonton International Airport

- YEG: 1000 Airport Road, Edmonton International Airport, Alberta, Canada

Ground Transportation

- Catch a ride curbside outside Door 9, on the Arrivals Level directly to the hotel
- Visit <https://flyeia.com/parking-transportation/taxis-limos-rideshares/>
 - Taxi price is \$62 CAD (Approx. 42 euros)
 - Higher end/limo price is \$71 CAD (Approx. 48 euros)
- Competitors are not required to use one of these transportation providers and may choose to arrange their own ground transportation with another provider.

VISA applications

- For letters of invitation please contact Stacey Yuen: director@yegice.ca
- Indicate passport number, name as on passport and exact travel dates
- More information: <https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/visit-canada.html?outside>

Additional information

- Edmonton has a [Single-Use Item Bylaw](#) to reduce the use of single use plastics

- Edmonton is approximately a 3-hour drive or bus ride from ice climbing in the Rocky Mountains. Additional travel/hotel booking links in the Rocky Mountains to come.
- We are hosting YEG Ice Fest at the venue on Feb. 19 - Clinic details to come: Competitor involvement is welcome!
- Competitors will be provided access to the competition routes on Feb. 20 & 21

Details of the Organizer

- Alpine Club of Canada - Edmonton Section: <https://accedmonton.ca/>
- Local Tourism: <https://exploreedmonton.com/>

Official Website: <https://www.yegice.ca/ice-fest>

5.1 UIAA ICE CLIMBING CONTINENTAL SERIES

Registration: For all the Continental Cup events please register your intention to compete here

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Cup (Lead Only) Žilina, Slovakia 25 November 2023

Registration Deadline: 24 November 2023

On-site Registration: 25 November 2023

On-site Registration Address: LA SKALA lezecké centrum, Centrálna 8919/2, 010 07 Žilina

Details of the Organizer: Adrian Zvara / adrian.zvara@gmail.com / Tel: +421 905 012 386

Official Website: TBC

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental & Youth Cup (Lead Only) Brno, Czech Republic 2 December, 2023

Registration Deadline: 1 December 2023

On-site Registration: 2 December morning 8:00 - 10:00

On-site Registration Address:

<https://mapy.cz/zakladni?x=16.5215200&y=49.2332420&z=17&source=base&id=1897918>
details of parking and access to the wall on the webpage of event

Details of the Organizer: Climbing club Lokomotiva Brno and Czech Mountaineering federation

Official Website: www.drytoolcup.eu

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental & Youth Cup (Lead Only) Utrecht, Netherlands 16 December 2024

Registration Deadline: 15 December 2023

On-site Registration: 16 December 2023

On-site Registration Address:

Details of the Organizer: Tim Van der Linden - tim.van.der.linden@nkbn.nl

Official Website: <https://co-iceclimbing.nl/>

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Cup (Lead Only)
Champagny-en-Vanoise, France
21 January 2024

Registration Deadline: 20 January 2024
On-site Registration: 21 January 2024

On-site Registration Address: See above

Details of the Organizer: See above

Official Website: TBC

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental Cup (Lead Only)
Ouray, USA
20 January 2024

Registration Deadline: 18 January 2024

On-site Registration: 20 January 2024

On-site Registration Address: Ouray Ice Park, 280 Co Rd 361, Ouray, CO 81427, United States

Details of the Organizer: Peter O'Neil - peteroneil@ourayicepark.com

Official Website: TBC

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental & Youth Cup (Lead Only)
Oulu, Finland
3 February, 2024

Registration Deadline: 2 February 2024 at 18:00 CET

On-site Registration: 3 February – Time TBC, online pre-registration required

On-site Registration Address: Alakyläntie 1070, Haukipudas

Details of the Organizer: Lassi Himanka / info@finice2021.com /

Official Website: TBC

UIAA Ice Climbing Continental & Youth Cup (Lead Only)
Sunderland, UK
10 February, 2024

Registration Deadline: 9 February 2024 at 18:00 CET

On-site Registration: 10 February – Time TBC, online pre-registration required

On-site Registration Address: Doxford Works, Pallion Quay, Sunderland SR4 6TQ, UK

Details of the Organizer: Willis Morris

Official Website: TBC

5.2 UIAA ICE CLIMBING – TRAINING CAMPS

UIAA Ice Climbing Training Camp Brno, Czech Republic 27-29 October 2023

Registration Deadline: 26 October 2023

On-site Registration: 27 October 2022

On-site Registration Address: Brno, drytooling climbing wall Czech Mountaineering Association and climbing club Lokomotiva Brno on the un-finished German highway under Brno dam.

Details of the Organizer: Radek Lienerth – zoban@seznam.cz

UIAA Ice Climbing Training Camp Champagny-en-Vanoise, France 22-24 January 2024

Registration Deadline: 21 January 2024

On-site Registration: 22 January

On-site Registration Address: see information above

Details of the Organizer: see information above

6. OFFICIAL UIAA REGULATIONS

6.1 WHERE TO FIND THE LATEST REGULATIONS

Official regulations for the 2024 UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour can be found on the UIAA Ice Climbing Website - <https://iceclimbing.sport/resources/>

6.2 REGULATION CHANGES AT A GLANCE

A summary of major modifications made to the 2024 Competition Regulations for International Ice Climbing Competitions relevant to the 2023/24 UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour as agreed by the UIAA. Minor modifications to format, grammar and wording have not been listed below. Also there has been a lot of format changes and rules moved to more appropriate places in the document. Several sections have been removed as they are already covered in the UIAA Event Organisers Handbook and not required in the regulations document.

https://iceclimbing.sport/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/2024_Rules_modifications.pdf

6.3 ANTI-DOPING/CLEAN CLIMBING

The UIAA promotes Clean Climbing by adopting and implementing the World Anti-Doping (WADA) Programme in its entirety. In parallel, the UIAA is responsible for ensuring that all of its member associations and you guys - the athletes respect and comply with all relevant

International Standards and all the principles inherent to the World Anti-Doping Code, including the registered testing pool and the doping violation procedure. As part of the registration process for the annual UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour, all athletes are required to complete a mandatory anti-doping questionnaire and educational programme. **Also make sure you check the [Therapeutic Use Exemptions Prohibited List before you take anything that might be on the list!](#)**

For more information on Clean Climbing please visit: <http://theuiaa.org/anti-doping>

7. UIAA WORLD CUP TOUR – ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

7.1 BACKGROUND

In response to the UIAA's signed commitment in early 2019 and participation under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) [Sports for Climate Action](#). As a participant in this initiative, the UIAA is required and expected to adhere to 5 principles (see [here](#)), these being:

Principle 1: Undertake systematic efforts to promote greater environmental responsibility;

Principle 2: Reduce overall climate impact;

Principle 3: Educate for climate action;

Principle 4: Promote sustainable and responsible consumption;

Principle 5: Advocate for climate action through communication.

Under Principle 2: Reduce overall climate impact, the UIAA is expected to "measure and understand" its carbon footprint in order to set targets to reduce overall climate impact. Knowing how to define these targets requires first measuring and understanding how our travel and activities contribute to CO₂ emissions, requiring a 'baseline' to compare progress over time. The initial task is to establish and report on an indicative baseline and continue to gather data to monitor how our emissions trend over time. In parallel to this, the UIAA can also use this data to start seeing where and which activities create biggest impact and then suggest practical means to consider reducing this impact.

Many travel policies to reduce CO₂ impact promote the principle of "**avoid, reduce, compensate**" (in that order). The UIAA will seek to draft such as policy as a next step in its fulfilment of the 5 principles set out by the UNFCCC.

7.2 WHAT YOU CAN DO!

As principle 1 of the UNFCCC highlights, it is important to “undertake systematic efforts to promote greater environmental responsibility”. For each and every athlete and federation, this means educating oneself about climate impacts, mitigating them – either by avoiding/reducing those that can be and compensating those that are unavoidable – and then, advocate for climate action by spreading the word.

Actions to mitigate your climate impacts would normally follow a hierarchal approach:

- Avoid – actions designed to eliminate Green House Gas (GHG) emissions occurring in

the first place.

- Reduce – actions designed to lower the climate impact of your current activities. This may entail using resources in a more efficient way and thereby reducing the overall need, and associated costs, for such resources.
- Substitute/replace – actions designed to improve efficiency. This may be achieved by switching to more efficient and “cleaner” equipment, fuels, materials or processes.
- Compensate – actions designed to compensate for some or all of your remaining, unavoidable impacts, typically by investing in emission reductions in other projects through UNFCCC recognised mechanisms.

All UNFCCC recognised mechanisms for carbon/GHG emission compensation can be found here: <https://offset.climateneutralnow.org/howtooffset>