

UIAA Ice Climbing – Warm Up/Isolation & Transit Zone Protocols and Requirements

Before the competition – when zone is either Warm Up or Isolation

- If needed, turn on the heating before the opening of the Warm Up/ISO zone.
- Check the presence of sufficient food and beverages, enough chairs etc.
- Check the toilets for the competitors. If the toilet is outside the isolation room, then additional staff to accompany the competitors will be needed.
- Check where the medical assistance is.
- Check the transit zone, make sure it is comfortable for the competitors (at least chairs).
- Check that there are starting lists on the wall of the isolation zone and the transit zone.
- Check that there is a timetable for the competition in close to the starting lists.

During Competition – when zone is in Isolation mode

When Isolation closes – a UIAA official will come to close the ISO.

- Register each athlete and then allow them to enter the ISO.
- Only athletes competing in that round can enter the ISO with their coaches.
- No one other than following people:
 - UIAA Competition Officials;
 - Local organiser officials;
 - Competitors eligible to take part in the current round of the competition;
 - Authorized team officials;
 - Other persons specifically authorized by the President of the Jury.
- No children or pets in the isolation zone.
- No mobiles or any other communication devices like bluetooth/handsfree. Use of non-communicative hands-free devices connected to an MP3 player for example are ok.
- No contact with anyone outside the ISO.
- Avoid friendly communication with the athletes.
- No smoking in the ISO.
- Team officials may leave whenever they want but cannot re-enter the ISO.
- No one goes to the washroom without monitors.
- Have the contact of the medical staff to call them immediately if anything happens.
- No dangerous moves while they are warming up.
- When the athlete leaves the ISO make sure they have all their equipment with them including their ice axes, gloves and helmet. Note they should be wearing their harness when they leave.
- **After their attempt, athletes cannot re-enter the ISO.**

During Route Observation

- Make sure the first athletes on the start list of the given round are ready to go to the transit zone after route observation.
- Be in touch with the monitors in the transit zone.
- Make sure all the athletes are ready a few minutes before leaving the ISO.
- A UIAA official will collect the athletes from the ISO and lead them to the observation.

In the Transit Zone

- Make sure that there are a minimum of 2 competitors ready in the call zone at any time.
- Check that the correct competitor is preparing for climbing. Confirm they have put on their climbing harness, helmet, gloves and boots and make sure they have their ice axes.
- Make sure they collect their personal belongings into one bag.
- Check the bib number. The official starting number bib is provided by the competition organizer. It may not be cut or otherwise modified.
- Prevent disturbance by other competitors.
- Don't disturb the competitor's concentration unless necessary.
- Note that the competitor is not allowed to go to the toilet once he/she is in the call zone.
- Cross out the name of the competitor on the starting list after he/she has left the call zone.
- Once the competitor has left the transit zone, their belongings (which should be in one bag together) can be removed and placed next to the hot seat in the field of play.
- **After their attempt, athletes cannot re-enter the Transit Zone.**

Additional isolation zone for technical incidents and immediate appeals

- Make sure the competitor cannot watch the route and/or has contact with other competitors/coaches.
- Make sure that at least water is provided, and that the competitor gets his/her personal belongings.

If there are any issues or problems in the isolation or transit zone please report these to the UIAA Jury President or Event Coordinator immediately.