

## **01 Snowboard Cross Inclusive Team (SBX Inclusive Team) and Snowboard Cross Mixed Inclusive Team (SBX Mixed Inclusive Team)**

### **01.1 Technical Data**

The same rules apply for vertical drop, length/inclination, width and the use of gates as for a regular SBX event (Rule **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.** & **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.**)

### **01.2 Courses**

The same rules apply for general characteristics of the courses and course preparation as for a regular SBX event

### **01.3 Course setting**

The same rules apply for course setting as for a regular SBX event (art. **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.**)

### **01.4 Inspection/Training**

The competitors are allowed to inspect the course by slowly sliding down through or alongside the course. Inspection times are at the discretion of the Competition Jury but should be a minimum of 15 minutes. Competitors must visibly wear their start numbers and their helmets.

The Jury may announce at the teams' captain meeting if the use of transponders for the purpose of recording competitors' times and/or finishing positions is mandatory during inspection, training and competition. In this case competitors who do not comply shall not be permitted to participate. At least one training run prior to the actual competition is mandatory normally the training session should be 1–2 hours in length and if possible, should be held the day before the actual competition (under certain mitigating circumstances the competition Jury may decide other possibilities).

### **01.5 Execution of SBX Inclusive Team and SBX Mixed Team**

#### **01.5.1 Eligibility for SBX Inclusive Team**

A maximum of 16 teams composed by one Para athlete and one Able Body athlete per gender are permitted to start. To determine the ranking of each Nation, the most current FIS Points of the best Para athlete and the best Able Body athlete per gender across all categories will be added together. The top 16 women's teams and the top 16 men's teams will be decided according to their ranking. All Nations' number one teams will be considered first. Any

remaining slots can be filled by Nations number 2 teams. There is a limit of 2 teams per gender per nation allowed to start.

#### 01.5.2 Seeding for SBX Inclusive Team

For the purpose of seeding into brackets, each team will be ranked according to the sum of the FIS Points of both team members.

Ties of teams with the same sum of FIS Points will be broken in favour of the team with the higher individual FIS Points. If the tie still exists, it will be broken by random draw.

#### 01.5.3 Teams eligibility for SBX Inclusive Team

Each team is composed of one Para athlete and one Able Body athlete. Once the nation teams seeding is determined, each nation can field any eligible competitor (\*) into their team, although each competitor is only eligible to compete on one team. Nations must declare which competitor will comprise each team at the team captains meeting preceding the event. Similar to regular SBX, lane choice is determined by each nation team seed, within each Heat. Lane choice will be declared in the following order: seed 1, seed 2.

#### 01.5.4 Eligibility for SBX Mixed Inclusive Team

A maximum of 16 teams composed by one Para athlete and one Able Body athlete of different gender are permitted to start. To determine the ranking of each Nation, the most current FIS Points of the best Para athlete and the best Able Body athlete across all categories will be added together. The top 16 teams will be decided according to their ranking. All Nations' number one teams will be considered first. Any remaining slots can be filled by Nations number 2 teams. There is a limit of 2 teams per nation allowed to start.

#### 01.5.5 Seeding for SBX Mixed Inclusive Team

For the purpose of seeding into brackets, each team will be ranked according to the sum of the FIS Points of both team members.

Ties of teams with the same sum of FIS Points will be broken in favour of the team with the higher individual FIS Points. If the tie still exists, it will be broken by random draw

#### 01.5.6 Teams eligibility for SBX Mixed Inclusive Team

Each team is composed of one Para athlete and one Able Body athlete of different gender. Once the nation team's qualification and seeding is determined, each nation can field any eligible competitor (\*) into their team although each competitor is only eligible to compete on one team. Nations must declare which competitor will comprise each team at the seed meeting for the competition start. Nations determine by themselves which teammate will run 1st and 2nd. Similar to regular SBX, lane choice is determined by each nation team seed, within each Heat. Teams will declare which teammate will run 1st after the teams have declared lane choice. Lane choice will be

declared in the following order; seed 1, seed 2, and then teammate running order will be declared in the following order; seed 2, seed 1. The decision which gender will start first will be communicated at the Team Captains' Meeting. The Jury may limit the teams to choose the same order for rider 1 and 2 on a team for a portion of (for instance semifinals and Finals) or the entire event. This must be announced at the team captain meeting the night before the actual team event.

\* Qualification requirements are according to the necessary minimum FIS Points List for participation in a single SBX at the respective level of event (e.g. WC minimum 100 FIS points in Para SBX).

#### 01.5.7 Competition

In a SBX Inclusive Team/SBX Mixed Inclusive Team event the time difference between the first competitors from each team is measured in accordance with the Freestyle/Snowboard FIS Timing Booklet. All of the first competitors from each team line up in the start and the traditional SBX start cadence is given with all gates opening at the same time. As soon as these competitors leave the start, the gates are closed and their teammates line up in the same start gate. When all first competitors from all teams cross the finish line (or are DNF and in safe position) the recorded time difference between the first competitors will be entered in the start gate and a new start command will be given. The start gates will then open individually for each competitor, with a delay equal to the time difference between the first competitors up to the maximum penalty time (art. **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.**). The first two teams whose second teammate crosses the finish line will advance to the next round.

#### 01.5.8 Bibs / Competitors identification

Numbered bibs with numbers on front, back and sleeves for better visibility should be utilized. The numbers have to clearly identify each team and the individual team members. The bibs should therefore be assigned with a larger number identifying the team and a small number (or for example 31 & 32, 45 & 46 etc.) identifying the different team members: e.g. Team 1: 11/12, Team 2: 21/22, Team 3: 31/32, Team 4: 41/42.

To aid in competitor identification different colored bibs have to be used. Nation outfits are allowed but these outfits clearly need to distinguish the various riders/teams. If colored bibs will be utilized the following colors have to be used: red – green – blue – yellow.

#### 01.5.9 Gate Judges

The same rules apply for the use of gate judges as like in a regular SBX event (art. **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.**)

#### 01.5.10 Competition Clothing

The same rules apply for competition clothing as like in a regular SBX event

01.5.11 Start

The same rules apply for start ramp, start gates as like in a regular SBX event as well as for start command, false start or malfunction of the start gate (art. **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden., Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden., Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.**)

01.5.12 Choice of start lane

The choice of the start lane, during each Heat is based upon the seeding position. Higher seeded teams can choose their lane first. A missed start is considered a disqualification / sanction. It is the competitors' responsibility to arrive at the start in time to compete (art. **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden., Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden., Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.**)

01.5.13 Competitors coaching at start during final start signals

During the final start command no coaching is permitted at the start (no coaches present at the start gate, no radio information from the course, etc.).

01.5.14 Penalty Time

The penalty time is calculated using the qualification times of the individual Para competition. The penalty time for a SBX Mixed Inclusive Team event is calculated by taking 6% of the average of the best individual race qualification time per event per gender, with a maximum of three (3) seconds (e.g. best time Men 0:48 + best time Women 0:51) / 2 = 49.5 sec \* 6% = 2.97 sec). The penalty time for a SBX Team event is calculated for each gender separately, by taking 6% of the best individual race qualification time, with a maximum of three (3) seconds. The Jury may decide to change the penalty time in a range between 3% and 7% to adapt to special circumstances and grant interesting racing. The adaption of the penalty-time must be announced at the TCM before the competition.

If there is no individual race time as a reference this calculation result has to be estimated and confirmed by the race Jury.

If the race has to get stopped during the second teammate's Heat or some of its athletes being already on the course the complete second teammate's Heat will get restarted, once the course has been safely cleared, with the respective time delay or the maximum penalty time. However, in case of an obvious manipulation provoking a rerun, the Jury can decide that the results of only the first teammates may stand for that Heat.

A team which is ranked DNF cannot continue to participate. A start stop during a SBX team event should be confirmed by the Race Director who should therefore have clear overview of the course.

01.5.15 Contact

The same rules apply for contact as like in a regular SBX event (art. **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.**)

01.5.16 Protest

The same rules apply for Protests as like in a regular SBX event (Rule **Fehler! Verweisquelle konnte nicht gefunden werden.**)

01.5.17 Final Ranking

Teams 1-2-3-4 are ranked according to their place of finish in the final Heat (Big Final). Teams 5-6-7-8 are ranked according to their place of finish in the consolation round (Small Final).

Within the each round the third and fourth placed teams are ranked by their seeding position within that group (example: all third place finishers in the Quarter final will be ranked, according to their seeding position and then all the fourth placed teams will be ranked according to their seeding position).

01.5.18 DNS, DNF and DSQ in SBX Inclusive Team and SBX Mixed Inclusive Team Finals

If a team does not start in the round of 16 or eight it will automatically be ranked in the 16th or eighth position. If two or more teams do not start, the DNS teams will be ranked 16/15th or 8/7th according to their seeding position and so on with three or more DNS teams.

Order of placing: DSQ (sports disqualification) to be ranked on the last place in the Heat according to the seeding points. In a case where more competitors do not complete the course nor cross the finish line, the rankings in that Heat will be based on the location where the competitor(s) have completed the course. The competitor that has made it further down the course correctly will receive the higher rank. If two or more competitors are going out at the same gate the tie will be broken according to the competitor who has the better seeding points. A team which does not start in the first round will appear as DNS on the result list. A team which did not start (DNS) in the Semi-final is allowed to start in the small final.