

IBU RULE CHANGES EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 2012

MOTIONS TO AMEND THE IBU CONSTITUTION

1.3 Objectives

The objectives of the IBU are:

- a. to constantly improve the sport of biathlon and promote it globally in the light of its unifying, educational, cultural and humanitarian values, particularly through youth and development programs;
- b. to promote gender equity;*
- c. to organize its own international competitions;
- d. to draw up regulations and provisions and insure their enforcement;
- e. to prevent doping in biathlon;
- f. to prevent all methods and practices that might jeopardize the integrity of biathlon competitions.*

The IBU will represent the international biathlon sport in international sports organizations and in relations with the media, business, industry and sponsors. Before entering or prolonging a long-term contract concerning the use of the IBU rights, the Executive Board will consult the NFs most important and/or most affected for the further development of the sport of biathlon.

~~4.2 Gender equity~~

~~The IBU aims to represent men and women in all associated organs and IBU committees.~~

1.4 Rights for international events

1.4.1 IBU events

The IBU will hold all rights pertaining to World Championships, Youth/Junior World Championships, Biathlon World Cup events, Continental Championships, Continental Cups, IBU Cups, Regional Cups *or any other international biathlon event established by the IBU.*

1.4.2 Other biathlon events

Any other international biathlon event or competition with the intended participation of athletes of more than two IBU member federations will require the prior authorization of the IBU and the member federation *of the country where the event takes place.*

1.5 IBU licenses

An IBU A License is required to host an IBU winter WCH or an IBU WC. For hosting Youth and Junior World Championships, Continental Championships, IBU Cups, an IBU B License is required. The valid IBU License has to be in place before applying to host any IBU event.

2.3.1 Rights of full members

Full members *that comply with all their obligations as stated in Art. 2.3.2* have the right:

- a. to participate at congress sessions;
- b. to be heard in all matters that concern the member federation, and to lodge an appeal;
- c. to enter their athletes in IBU competitions and IBU-authorized competitions;
- d. to file motions with the Executive Board and the congress;
- e. to nominate representatives to officiate in the IBU;
- f. to exercise the right to vote;
- g. to take part in IBU programs;
- h. to organize international biathlon competitions that have been approved by the IBU;
- i. to inspect all agreements signed by the IBU and all agreements that concern the interests of the member federation or contain any liability for them.

9.1 Technical Committee

Within the International Biathlon Union, the Technical Committee is to be elected by the Congress. *In order to be nominated for elections to the IBU Technical Committee, the candidate must have a valid IBU IR License.*

ARTICLE 13 INELIGIBILITY

Any person who is a member of an IBU organ or IBU committee, or holds any IBU position may not have or enter into an employment or functionary contract with the IBU, unless they resign from their elected position or vice versa.

ARTICLE 14 AUDITING

14.1 External Auditing

Every year the Executive Board will hire a certified auditor or professional auditing company to conduct its auditing *according to the applicable laws*. This company will audit the finances or account books of the International Biathlon Union, the management of the International Biathlon Union's finances, the correctness and completeness of the vouchers and their correspondence with the bookkeeping and the annual balance sheet. The *certified auditor or professional auditing company* will prepare their audit report in *English* and present it to the Executive Board.

3.3 Penalties and disciplinary measures will be imposed for:

- violation of the principles of fair play and unsportsmanlike conduct, especially for offenses against the IBU Event and Competition Rules and against the IBU Anti-Doping Rules as stated in the Anti-Doping Rules;
- violation of the Constitution and other Rules of the IBU *including the Code of Ethics* – and for violations of decisions of the organs of the IBU;
- endangering or impairing the reputation or the interests of the IBU and for impairing the contractual relations of the IBU;
- offenses against the IBU, its organs, its members, the organs of its members or persons belonging to its members.

5.6 Disqualification

Athletes or teams will be disqualified for:

a. Breaching the rules listed in Art. 5.2 a – d

b. violating Article 1.4 of the IBU Event and Competition Rules "Eligibility Rules for Competitors and Teams";

c. receiving prohibited assistance as defined in the IBU Event and Competition Rules from a member of their team staff or non-competing athletes from their team;

d. avoiding start or finish inspections

e. taking part in a competition with rifle not correctly marked;

f. modifying equipment, rifle or clothing, which has been inspected and marked at start inspection, in a prohibited way;

g. participation in a competition with a start number or start number sequence color which has not been assigned to them on the competition start list, regardless of whether this is deliberate or due to a mistake made by them or by their team;

h. deviating from the marked trail, or skiing a wrong trail, or skiing the course loops in a wrong sequence or in the wrong direction;

i. using means of propulsion other than skis, poles and their own muscular force;

j. not carrying their rifle while skiing during the competition, and for not carrying their rifle on the course, when it is not damaged, with the barrel pointing up;

k. hindering another competitor on the course or at the shooting range by serious obstruction;

l. exchanging both skis during the competition;

m. accepting unauthorized assistance from any person when repairing equipment, or receiving assistance other than authorized;

n. for applying any substances during a competition intended to change the glide performance of their skis;

o. firing more than five rounds in any shooting bout of an individual, sprint, pursuit or mass start competition or more than eight rounds in a relay, mixed relay or super sprint competition;

- p.* remaining in an incorrect shooting position or incorrect position in the shooting lane after having been warned;
- q.* failing to shoot in the correct sequence of positions;
- r.* using a second magazine instead of hand-loading lost rounds, replacement rounds for misfires, or spare rounds individually;
- s.* violating any shooting safety regulations as defined in Article 8.5 of the IBU Event and Competition Rules;
- t.* exchanging their rifle for another rifle, after starting, in any other location than the shooting range;
- u.* not laying in or shooting from the assigned shooting lane in the mass start and/or relay competition;
- v.* starting more than three seconds earlier than the assigned start time in a pursuit competition;
- w.* committing a serious violation of the principles of fair play or the requirements of sportsmanship.

6. Disciplinary measures and sanctions on member federations

6.7 Suspension of member federations

IBU member federations that are full members may be suspended by the Executive Board, for up to two years, until the next IBU Congress if they do not fulfill their obligations stated in Art. 2.3.2.

ARTICLE 7 ORGANS AND COMPETENCY

7.1 Penal and disciplinary power is exercised in the first instance by the *IRs*, competition jury, the Executive Board of the IBU and the Anti-Doping Hearing Panel.

7.1.1 The responsible referee is to impose start prohibitions according to Art.5.2 b and c.

7.1.2. The competition jury is responsible for imposing all penalties and disciplinary measures as results of violations of the IBU Event and Competition Rules. Appeals against penalty and disciplinary decisions of the competition jury may be lodged with the jury of appeal.

7.2 The Executive Board of the IBU is responsible for:

- a.* Removal from a function; removal of a person elected by the Congress from his/her function requires confirmation by the next Congress.
- b.* Imposing fines up to €100,000 for serious rule violations.
- c.* Imposing fines up to €200,000 according to Art 6.2.3
- d.* Suspending athletes who have grossly violated the IBU Rules
- e.* *Imposing sanctions in case of violation of the Code of Ethics.*
- f.* *Suspending member federations according to Art. 6.7*

8.1 Decisions of the competition jury may be appealed to the jury of appeal *at OWG, WCH, WC, OECH and Y/JWCH.*

8.2 The jury of appeal will *only be established at OWG, WCH, WC, OECH, Y/JWCH and* consist of five members and will be newly constituted for each event. The chair will be held by a member of the IBU Executive Board who is appointed by the Executive Board for each IBU event in a competition season. The other members of the jury of appeal must also be members of the Executive Board, as long as there are enough present at the event. At competitions where there are not enough Executive Board members available, all the other members must be team captains and/or coaches of the teams participating in the team captains meeting.

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1.2.2. Junior Men and Junior Women

Male and female competitors who *have* turned 19 at the cut-off-date of 31 December will be classed as junior men and junior women respectively. From the season starting on 1 November of that same year onward, they may only start in junior men's and junior women's competitions, according to their gender. Separate competitions will be organized for them. However, junior men will be permitted to participate in men's and junior women in women's competitions respectively, according to gender. *Moreover, juniors may only participate in one Relay competition at the OECH.*

1.2.3. Youth Men and Youth Women

Competitors who have not yet reached junior men's or junior women's age as defined above *and are at least 16 at the cut-off-date of 31 December* will be classed as youth men or youth women respectively, and separate competitions will be organized for them. Youth men will be permitted to take part in men's and junior men's competitions, and youth women will be permitted to take part in women's and junior women's competitions. However, at an event they may start in only one and the same class of competitor in the Individual, Sprint and Pursuit competition. Moreover, youth may only participate in one Relay competition at the Y/JWCH.

1.4.3.4 Safety at All IBU Events

Athletes who start for the first time at an IBU *event* must prove that they can safely handle the sports equipment and that they have competed in national-level biathlon competitions by presenting appropriate results lists to the RD and/or the competition jury. The RD and/or competition jury may stop individuals from starting or remove them from competition if the competition jury/RD have reason to suspect they cannot safely handle the sports equipment or if they are not able to prove previous competition experience.

1.5.1.1 Registration, Replacements and Accommodation Reservations

Registration is the early notification of intent to participate. The numbers of competitors and team staff members that may be registered for an event are detailed in the event-specific rules. Registration for events must be done as follows:

a. – d. *(no amendments)*

e. *NFs not registered in time*

NFs that have not registered their team by number and by name by the official deadline may participate if the OC accepts the registration and if it is approved by the RD or – in his absence – the TD.

f. to end *(no amendments)*

~~15.6.67 NFs Not Registered in Time~~

~~NFs that have not registered their team by name by the official deadline may participate if the OC accepts the registration and if it is approved by the RD or – in his absence – the TD.~~

1.5.5 Replacement of Entry - Force Majeure

If an entered competitor cannot start due to force majeure, another registered competitor may take his place, but not later than 30 minutes before the listed start time of the entered competitor, in Individual and Sprint competitions.

In Relay competitions, competitors may be replaced as follows: first leg – 30 minutes before simultaneous start; second – before simultaneous start; third – before the first hand-over; and, fourth – before the second handover. In the case of such a replacement, a valid reason preventing the start must be presented to the competition jury not later than 30 minutes before the listed start time in question or before the deadlines specified for the Relay. *If, a team is allowed to register only four competitors because of its quota, the competition jury may allow the replacement of a competitor by a non-registered competitor such that the team may compete in a Relay competition.*

1.6.4.1 Start group system for WC, WCH and OWG:

a. At the WC, competitors must be entered in draw groups as described in 1.6.3.1 above. The top-10 ranked competitors from the current WC total score may be placed in any draw group. However, a NF may not place more than three competitors in any one of the four draw groups. Additionally, unranked competitors and/or those ranked outside the maximum of top 80 in the current World Cup total score may only be entered in draw groups three and four. For the first World Cup event of the season, the World Cup total score from the previous season will apply. For the remaining World Cup events the current World Cup total score will apply. In the event that a top 80 ranked competitor from last year's WC total score does not participate in the first WC, that competitor will have the option of being drawn in groups 1 or 2 in WC 2. In the case of extraordinary weather conditions, the jury may suspend the requirement for unranked competitors and competitors ranked outside

the maximum of top 80 to start in groups three and four. This decision must be announced at least two hours prior to the entry deadline for the respective competition.

b. At the OWG and WCH, competitors must be entered in draw groups as described in 1.6.3.1 above. The top-10 ranked competitors from the current WC total score may be placed in any draw group. However, a NF may not place more than two competitors in any one of the four draw groups, including the current world champion.

c. Under unusual weather conditions at the WCH, the competition jury may alter the grouping system. This decision shall be announced two hours before the entries are due. The exception to be applied is as follows: At the WCH there are five draw groups and each NF may enter a maximum of two competitors per draw group. The first two draw groups are reserved for competitors ranked in the top-50 of the current WC Total Score and an NF may enter up to a maximum of two per draw group. NFs with competitors in the top-50 are free to enter them in any draw group they choose. Draw group three is reserved for athletes who are on the current World Cup Total Score list, but not among the 50-best. However, these competitors may be entered in draw groups four and five as the NF chooses, maximum two per draw group. Those competitors who have not scored World Cup Points, and are therefore not on the current World Cup Total Score list, may only be entered in draw groups four and five, maximum two per draw group. The previous year's World or Olympic Champion may be entered in any draw group, respecting the NF's limit of two per draw group.

1.6.4.3 Assignment of Start Numbers and Start Times in the Pursuit Competition

No draw will be conducted for the Pursuit competition. Competitors will be assigned start numbers and times based on the results of the qualifying competition, which may be an Individual, Sprint or Mass Start competition as stated in the invitation. Competitors in the Pursuit will start in the same order in which they finished the qualifying competition: the winner of the qualifying competition will start first with start number 1; the athlete placed second in the qualifying competition will start second with start number 2, and so on. Start positions will be numbered from right to left, facing the direction of the start. The winner of the qualifying competition will have a start time of zero (0) which will be shown on the start list as the clock time for the start of the Pursuit competition. The remaining competitors in the Pursuit competition will have as their start time the actual time by which they were behind the winner in the Sprint or Mass Start competition or – in the Individual – one half of the time behind the winner, expressed in time behind to the nearest full second. Start lists will be produced based on the foregoing results, and must show which start lane has been assigned to each competitor. If there is a tie for place 60 in the qualifying competition, both of the tied competitors will be allowed to start in the Pursuit. In Y/JWCH, CCH and CC Pursuit competitions, all competitors whose start times are more than *four* minutes after the leader's start time will be started simultaneously *four* minutes after the first start, but their actual competition times will show their times calculated from their actual start times in the qualifying competition.

1.6.5.1 Method of Assigning Relay/*Mixed Relay* Start Numbers

At OWG, WCH and WC events, no draw will be made for the Relay/*Mixed Relay*, and start numbers will be assigned based on the current standings in the WC Relay *or Mixed Relay* score – with the top ranking team receiving number 1, the second number 2, and so on. If a team or number is missing, all teams below it will move upward in number. In the first WC *Relay or Mixed Relay* of the season, the previous year's final Relay *or Mixed Relay* score standings will be used to set the start numbers. At Y/JWCH and *OECH*, the previous year's Y/JWCH or *OECH* Relay /*Mixed Relay* results ranking will be used to set the start numbers in the same manner as above. A single random draw will be used for all unranked NFs, and for CC events. The assigned Relay start number will also be each team's start position in the simultaneous start, and their shooting lane number on the range (for the first bout of shooting only). *Specific rules for the Relay/Mixed Relay apply at the IBU Cup.*

1.6.5.3 Extra Relay Teams

Extra relay teams will not be permitted at OWG, WCH, Y/JWCH, WC, *IBU Cup and OECH* competitions. At other events, extra relay teams will be permitted; however, they must start in rows behind the official teams and will not be awarded official prizes. Extra teams may consist of members from more than one NF.

~~1.6.5.4 Mixed Relay Teams—World Cup~~

Each NF is allowed to enter one team. No draw will be made for the Mixed Relay and start numbers will be assigned based on the sum of the NF's current men's and women's Nations Cup score—with the start numbers assigned in rank order. If a team or number is missing, all teams below it will move up a number correspondingly. The assigned Relay start number will be each team's start position for the simultaneous start and their shooting lane number on the range (for the first bout of shooting only).

2.1 GENERAL

The following organizations and persons are established, elected or appointed to organize, conduct and control biathlon events and competitions:

- Organizing committee;
- Jury of appeal (*OWG, WCH, WC, OECH, YJWCH*);
- Women's and men's competition juries;
- RD/ TD(s) and IRs;
- IBU EB representative (if applicable);
- IBU Medical Delegate (if applicable).

2.3 THE COMPETITION JURY

2.3.1 General

A competition jury will be established at all biathlon events to act as the authority on all matters related to the event that are not specifically designated to be under the jurisdiction of other IBU organs. The competition jury will be established and operate in accordance with these rules. Generally, a separate competition jury will be established at men's and women's competitions. However, the TD may also form a joint competition jury (e.g. youth men and youth women; youth and junior men, youth and junior women) *as needed*. The competition jury will decide on issues concerning the event, the competitions and related arrangements, and set conditions to ensure fairness and correct procedures. The competition jury will impose penalties for rule violations reported by the RD/TDs, IRs, competition officials and competition jury members, as well as imposing penalties and disciplinary measures on its own. Additionally, the competition jury will award time adjustments and rule on competition situations not stipulated in these rules or other authoritative IBU publications. The competition jury will also review and decide on all protests submitted to it. The procedures of the competition jury will be governed by the IBU Disciplinary Rules.

2.3.2 Competition Jury Line-Up

At all IBU events except Continental Championships, Continental Cups, and Regional Cups the competition jury will consist of five members as follows:

- a. the IBU TD as chairperson;
- b. the Course IR (*for IBU Cup/SB WCH the IBU- assigned IR*);
- c. the Competition Chief;
- d. Two team officials elected by the team captains from two different NFs.

The RD will be present at all meetings but will not have the right to vote. At the OWG, the RD will serve as Asst. TD.

2.3.6 Appeals against Competition Jury Decisions

An appeal may be made against penalties and disciplinary measures imposed by the competition jury *at events where a jury of appeal was established*. At any other events an appeal can be lodged to the IBU Executive Board in writing within 24 hours of the decision by the competition jury. The appeal must be made to the jury of appeal or Executive Board, and be put forward in accordance with the IBU Disciplinary Rules.

4.2.4.1 Attendance

The examination will be conducted by the responsible organizing committee staff. The IR for Materials Inspection must also be in attendance. The examination *is mandatory. Competitors or teams who are not*

present at the first WC or IBU Cup or who have changed their competition equipment or clothing must undergo this inspection prior to their first start of the season.

8.4.2 Use of Magazine

The five rounds required in each bout of shooting may be loaded with the use of a magazine. If, *after the first shot is fired*, rounds are lost from the magazine or fail to fire, a new magazine may not be inserted into the rifle. Such rounds must be loaded individually. However, if a magazine is lost or *proves to be defective before the first shot is fired*, it may be replaced with another magazine.

8.7.1 Incorrectly Set Target

If a competitor is confronted with an incorrectly set target, the incorrect target must be set to the correct position immediately. The competitor will then commence shooting from the beginning *and is allowed to use a new magazine if required*.

9.2.4 Relay Competitions

In all Relay competitions the competition time of a team member is the time elapsed from the start, or hand-over, to the next completed hand-over or from the hand-over to the finish. The total time of a relay team is the time elapsed between the start of the first member to the finish of the last member. The time of the incoming members stops when they cross the timing line into the hand-over zone; the time of the outgoing members begins at the same moment. At OWG, WCH, WC, OECH and IBU Cups: teams that have not *passed the penalty loop before* the first team has finished, will receive their ranking based on their place after the penalty loop (split timing point) and will be stopped at that point. Those teams will be ranked on the results list and receive all associated points.

12.7.1.2 Flower Ceremony

The flower ceremony is the *TV* presentation of the top **3** competitors and top **3** relay teams immediately after the end of the competition. The competitors must appear wearing their competition start numbers, and may have with them their competition materials/ equipment.

~~12.7.2 Other Prizes~~

~~The IBU recommends that the Organizing Committee and other bodies may present other prizes for competitors ranked 1-6 in connection with either the flowers ceremony or awards ceremony.~~

14.1.1 General

The CCH are IBU events that are organized under its jurisdiction jointly for men, women, junior men and junior women. OECH hosts will be appointed by the EB based on the *applications of the respective member federations and* recommendations of the TC.

~~15.6.6 Relay Competitions~~

~~The 30 best countries based on the previous season's Nations Cup score may enter men's and women's relay teams.~~

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15.8.2.2 Nations Cup Points

Nation Cup points are awarded separately for men and women. At each WC and WCH individual and sprint competition, the following points are awarded:

1st place 160 points	2nd place 154 points
3rd place 148 points	4th place 143 points
5th place 140 points	6th place 138 points
7th place 136 points	8th place 134 points
9th place 132 points	10th place 131 points

and then decreasing by one point down to the last place. For Relays at each WCH and WC Relay competition the following Nations Cup points will be awarded:

1st place 420 points	2nd place 390 points	3rd place 360 points
4th place 330 points	5th place 310 points	6th place 290 points
7th place 270 points	8th place 250 points	9th place 230 points
10th place 220 points	11th place 210 points	12th place 200 points
13th place 190 points	14th place 180 points	15th place 170 points
16th place 160 points	17th place 150 points	18th place 140 points
19th place 130 points	20th place 120 points	21st place 110 points
22nd place 100 points	23rd place 90 points	24th place 80 points
25th place 70 points	26th place 60 points	27th place 50 points
28th place 40 points	29th place 30 points	30th place 20 points

For the Mixed Relay, half the Nations Cup points will be awarded to each gender.

15.8.3.2 Nations Cup Score

Scoring of the Nations Cup will be based on all of the WC and WCH Individual, Sprint, *Mixed Relay* and Relay competitions of that season.

15.8.4 Calculation

15.8.4.1 World Cup Total Score

For all competitors, the World Cup total score will be based on the Individual, Sprint, Pursuit and Mass Start competitions. The scores from all competitions will be added together *minus two scores* and the sum will be the WC total score.

15.8.4 Calculation

15.8.4.3 Nations Cup Score

The NFs' best three competitors' earn Nations Cup points in Individual and Sprint competitions. The sum of these points will become the NF's Nations Cup score for that competition. The Relay *and applicable Mixed Relay* Nations Cup points will be added to those from the Individual and Sprint; the cumulative sum will become the respective NF's current ranking.

16. IBU CUP EVENT RULES

16.1 GENERAL

IBU cups are IBU events that, as a general rule, are held for men and women. Juniors may compete as stipulated in Art. 1.2.2. *Youth athletes are entitled to start in the IBU Cup if:*

- they have achieved the WC or IBU Cup qualification in the previous or current season or*
- they have achieved at least one result among the top half of the finishers at the Youth or Junior WCH, IBU Cup, WC, WCH, OECH, YOG or EYOF in the previous or current season. Once qualified for the IBU Cup a youth athlete remains eligible to start in the IBU Cup.*

The number of IBU Cup events in each competition season will be set by the IBU Executive Board upon the recommendation of the TC. The TC will make recommendations to the EB. The EB will decide how many and what types of competitions will be organized at an event. This information will be included in the IBU Biathlon *Guide*. No IBU Cup points will be awarded at the OECH.

16. IBU CUP EVENT RULES

16.2.1 General

In each IBU Cup trimester, each competitor must at least once reach a result of maximum 30% behind the average of the top-three and demonstrate safe competence in skiing and on the shooting range. Competitors who fail to reach this quality performance standard may not start in the IBU Cup until the second following trimester. Youth class competitors may start in the IBU Cup, however only as stipulated in Art. 16.1 above.

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16.2.2 IBU Cup for non-European countries:

All non-European NFs will have an IBU Cup start quota of four *and register 5*, unless they are entitled to more according to 16.1 above.

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16.3 COMPETITORS AND ENTRIES

The Host NF may enter an additional *two* competitors *per gender*. All entered competitors will be eligible to earn IBU Cup points.

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16.4 SCORING

At IBU Cups, IBU Cup points are awarded as follows:

16.4.1 IBU Cup Discipline Points

At each IBU Cup Individual, Sprint, and Pursuit competition, points will be awarded for each discipline as follows:

*1st place 60 points 2nd place 54 points
3rd place 48 points 4th place 43 points
5th place 40 points 6th place 38 points
7th place 36 points 8th place 34 points
9th place 32 points 10th place 31 points,
further decreasing by one down to ... 40th place (1 point).*

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9th place 132 points 10th place 131 points and then decreasing by one point down to the last place.*

For Relays at each IBU Cup Relay competition the following Nations Cup points will be awarded:

<i>1st place 420 points</i>	<i>2nd place 390 points</i>	<i>3rd place 360 points</i>
<i>4th place 330 points</i>	<i>5th place 310 points</i>	<i>6th place 290 points</i>
<i>7th place 270 points</i>	<i>8th place 250 points</i>	<i>9th place 230 points</i>
<i>10th place 220 points</i>	<i>11th place 210 points</i>	<i>12th place 200 points</i>
<i>13th place 190 points</i>	<i>14th place 180 points</i>	<i>15th place 170 points</i>
<i>16th place 160 points</i>	<i>17th place 150 points</i>	<i>18th place 140 points</i>
<i>19th place 130 points</i>	<i>20th place 120 points</i>	<i>21st place 110 points</i>
<i>22nd place 100 points</i>	<i>23rd place 90 points</i>	<i>24th place 80 points</i>
<i>25th place 70 points</i>	<i>26th place 60 points</i>	<i>27th place 50 points</i>
<i>28th place 40 points</i>	<i>29th place 30 points</i>	<i>30th place 20 points</i>

For the Mixed Relay, half the Nations Cup points will be awarded to each gender.

16.5 TYPES OF SCORING

There will be the following types of scoring for men and women:

- a. IBU Cup total score (Individual, Sprint, Pursuit); *minus any two competition results*
- b. IBU Cup Individual score;
- c. IBU Cup Sprint score;
- d. IBU Cup Pursuit score;
- e. IBU Cup Nations Cup score (*Individual, Sprint, Relay, Mixed Relay*), *minus any two competition result*

16.5.1 Calculation

16.5.1.1 IBU Cup Total Score

For all competitors, the IBU Cup total score will be based on the Individual, Sprint, and Pursuit competitions. The scores from all competitions will be added together minus any two scores and the sum will be the IBU Cup total score.

16.5.1.2 IBU Cup Individual, Sprint, and Pursuit score

The IBU Cup score of each of the types of the competitions will be calculated the same way by adding together the scores of all the competitions of each type.

16.5.1.3 IBU Nations Cup Score

The NFs' best three competitor`s earn IBU Cup Nations Cup points in Individual and Sprint competitions. The Relay and applicable Mixed Relay Nations Cup points will be added to those from the Individual and Sprint; the cumulative sum will become the respective NF's current ranking, minus any two results.

16.5.1.4 Breaking of Ties in Standings

If there is an equal number of points in any standings during or at the end of the season, the best placed competitor or NF will be the one who has won more first places, and if there is still a tie, the one who has won the most second places, etc. If, after following this procedure, the tie cannot be broken, a tie will be declared.

16.8 Relay/ Mixed Relay Teams at IBU Cup

Each NF is allowed to enter one team. No draw will be made for the Relay, and start numbers will be assigned based on the NF's current men's or women's IBU Cup Nations Cup score respectively, with the start numbers assigned in rank order. For the Mixed Relay, start numbers will be assigned based on the sum of the NF's current men's and women's IBU Cup Nations Cup score, with the start numbers assigned in rank order. If a team is missing or not entered, all teams below it will move up a number correspondingly. The assigned Relay/Mixed Relay start number will be each team's start position for the simultaneous start and their shooting lane number on the range for zeroing and for the first bout of shooting only.

MOTIONS TO AMEND THE ANNEXES OF THE IBU EVENT AND COMPETITION RULES

ANNEX A - MATERIALS CATALOGUE

3.1.5 Clothing

The following rules apply to competitors' apparel:

- a. Advertising on the competition clothing must be in accordance with the current IBU rules;
- b. Padding is only allowed on the inside of the competitor's racing suit. The total thickness of the padding, cloth and lining of the competition garment may not exceed 6 mm when measured in an unpressed state, except on the back of the suit, where the rifle is carried. The back area is not subject to any restriction on padding;
- c. On the outside of the sports clothing no adhesive materials, such as Velcro or tape, wax, resin, glue or any additional stitching (with the exception of the stitching to fasten the padding) may be used. However, non-slip material may be used *up to 3mm in thickness and not more than a total of 6 mm when measured together with any padding inside the racing suite as mentioned above in b.*

d. A special device for preventing the shooting sling from slipping down is allowed on the sleeve of the competitor's upper arm.

3.1.7 Ammunition

3.1.7.1 Required Characteristics

Only international standard .22 in. (5.6 mm)-long rifle rim-fire ammunition may be used, *and it is forbidden to bring ammunition not conforming to these rules to the venue*. The bullets must be made of a uniform substance, lead or a similar soft material such as a lead alloy. The weight of the bullet *must not exceed 2.75* gram.

3.1.7.2 Muzzle Velocity

The muzzle velocity must not exceed *360* m/s, measured 1 m after leaving the muzzle.

3.1.7.3 Hit Impact Momentum

The impact momentum of bullets fired from a distance of 50 *m*. must not exceed 0.9 Ns (=0.09 kgm/s) with a maximum tolerance of 11%, i.e. 0.099 Ns. This means that the maximum permitted impulse is 1.0 Ns (= 0.1 kgm/s).

~~3.1.7.4 Hit Impulse Testing~~

~~To assess whether ammunition can be used in competition, it can be tested by being shot at a test target with variable release impulse. The target must be set in such manner that an impulse of 0.491.0 N/s does not trigger release, but an impulse of 0.51.1 N/s definitely shows a hit. If no target has been released after 5 shots have been fired at a distance of 10 m, the ammunition may be used. Ammunition must be tested with the competitor's own rifle or an identical one. Ammunition testing may be ordered during an event by the RD /TD.~~

ANNEX C – TRAINING AND LICENSING OF TECHNICAL DELEGATES AND INTERNATIONAL REFEREES

1.4.2.2 *Assignment* as IR at an IBU Event

Persons may not be *assigned* as an IR at an IBU event if they are older than 65 years of age. *However, an Organizing Committee may assign persons over this age for the following OC functions: competition chief, competition secretary, chief of shooting range and chief of the stadium and chief of timing.*

2.1.1.1 TD Prerequisites

- a. Candidates must have clearly proven his suitability as an IR and must be able to function in a senior leadership role in conditions of extreme stress and in view of the fact that an error could have the highest level of consequences. In addition, they must be capable of negotiating and liaising successfully with senior members of organizing committees, representatives of the media and with dignitaries;
- b. The candidate must have and have held a valid IBU IR license for at least four years and must have officiated in at least two international events during the past four years;
- c. The candidate must be within the TD age limits.
- d. The candidate must have basic verbal communication skills in English.*

2.1.3 The TD Group

The TD Group will be established under the control of the TC and will consist of *40* or more qualified TDs with the applicable licenses. All TDs appointed for IBU events must be from the TD Group. There should be at least one TD from every continent in the TD Group. TDs must retire from the TD Group when they reach the age of 65.

ANNEX D – COMPETITION RULES FOR SUMMER BIATHLON

1.2. Competition schedule for Summer biathlon

The *IBU* summer biathlon competition program includes:

- a.* 1 WCH (Roller)

1.3. Applicable Rules

The IBU Event and Competition Rules will apply to the conduct and set up for the summer biathlon competitions and venues with the exception of the regulations contained in the following annex. An IBU B License is required to host SB WCH. *For the WCH the license can be issued temporarily for the event. The license has to be issued by the IBU before the respective application deadline.*

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4.4.3 *In exceptional cases, a retroactive approval of a TUE may be considered by the IBU TUE committee.*

~~Article 7.1.3 of these Anti-Doping Rules. As a further exception, athletes using glucocorticosteroids by non-systemic administration — namely intra-articular, periarticular, peritendinous, epidural, intradermal injections and/or inhalation — will be required to file a declaration of use at the same time the use starts.~~

5.5 Athlete Whereabouts Requirements

5.5.1 Registered Testing Pool

A minimum of 30 male and 30 female athletes will comprise the IBU Registered Testing Pool (IBU RTP). These athletes are required to comply with the whereabouts requirements of the International Standard for Testing. They are selected based on the prior year's World Cup Final Score. Athletes may be added to the IBU RTP under the following circumstances:

- a. by virtue of their placing in the top twenty of any IBU World Cup ranking competition.
- b. when a change in performance or haematological profile is deemed significant when evaluated by the MC.
- c. athletes who are serving periods of ineligibility as consequences of anti-doping rule violations are to be part of the IBURTP.
- d. athletes who apply for haemoglobin exemption will be added automatically to the IBU RTP.
- e. *Athletes transferring into biathlon from other international sporting federations.*

An athlete can, in exceptional circumstances, apply to the IBU Medical Committee for consideration of exclusion from the RTP for a limited period of time, based on exceptional medical circumstances.

Each athlete in the Registered Testing Pool

(a) must advise the IBU of his/her whereabouts on a quarterly basis by the 25th of December, March, June and September respectively) in the manner set out in Article 11.3 of the International Standard for Testing via ADAMS;

(b) must update that information as necessary, in accordance with Article 11 of the International Standard for Testing, so that it remains accurate and complete at all times. They must enter specifically one hour per day where they can be located.

(c) must make him/herself available for testing at such whereabouts, in accordance with Article 11.4 of the International Standard for Testing.

5.5.3 In addition to athletes included in the IBU RTP, the chairperson of the IBU MC *and/ or the Medical Delegate assigned to the event* may select athletes for IBU Target testing based on the following criteria:

- a. Withdrawal or absence from expected competition;
- b. Retirement;
- c. Behavior indicating doping;
- d. Changes in performance;
- e. Changes in athlete whereabouts information that may indicate a potential increase in the risk of doping.
- f. Changes in haematological profile;
- g. Details of past doping controls;
- h. Athlete reinstatement after a period of ineligibility;
- i. Injury;

j. haemoglobin scores exceeding 17.5 g/dl (males) or 16 g/dl (females) at any time or the off- model score exceeding 133.2 (males) or 121.4 (females), or off-model scores less than 75 (males) or 60 (females); and
k. Athletes transferring into biathlon from other international sporting federations.

6.6.2. Urine Testing

~~6.6.2.1 Mode of Selection of Athletes for Urine Testing a. As a matter of principle,~~

In any IBU sanctioned event, the IBU MD will determine the number and types of tests to be done. At events where the IBU has delegated another testing authority, the IBU will instruct the number and type of tests to be performed.

6.6.3 Blood Testing

Different types of blood tests are conducted by the IBU for anti –doping purposes, information gathering and screening.

In any IBU sanctioned event, the IBU MD will determine the number and types of tests to be done. At events where the IBU has delegated another testing authority, the IBU will instruct the number and type of tests to be performed. All athletes who are to be found on the entry and / or start list may be tested.

6.6.3.1. Blood tests for anti-doping purposes

These tests and their result management are conducted according to the WADA Rules and WADA standards.

6.6.4 Pre - race blood screens

6.6.4.1 Definition and purpose

In addition to blood tests according to 6.3 the IBU conducts pre -race blood screens.

These are defined as in-competition blood screens that are conducted with a chaperone's notification. The aim of the screens is to evaluate haemoglobin values and off-model scores.

6.6.4.2 Result Management and Consequences

a) Once selected, if the athlete is not available for testing, a start prohibition shall be implemented for the competition following the scheduled blood screen. The Medical Delegate can consider exceptional circumstances before making the decision.

b) If a blood re-test does not exceed the limits, the athlete will be able to resume the competitions. A report of the results will be printed and given to the athlete. The remaining blood will be kept anonymously and subsequently destroyed. The numerical results of haematological parameter analyses will become the property of the IBU and part of the IBU haematological data base. This data may be used for anti-doping purposes in any appropriate way.

c) When the results of the analysis show a value of haemoglobin that exceeds 17.5 g/dl in males and 16 g/dl in females, the same sample will be re-tested two times more, and the average of the three tests will be the final result. If the final result exceeds 17.5 g/dl (males) or 16 g/dl (females), the athlete will be suspended for health reasons.

d) When the results of the analysis show a value off-model score that exceeds 133.2 (males) or 121.4 (females) the athlete will be suspended for health reasons.

e) The suspension will take immediate effect from the respective competition until blood retesting shows haemoglobin and/or off-model score values below the above stated values. f) In order to regain eligibility in future competitions the athlete must undergo a pre–race blood screen. Only blood re-tests performed using appropriate measuring instruments approved by the IBU, and under IBU supervision, will be accepted. A blood re-test cannot be performed earlier than 120 hours after the initial blood test showing exceeded haemoglobin values.

6.6.4.3 Athletes with naturally high haemoglobin levels

Athletes with naturally high haemoglobin levels – exceeding the limits described above- have the option of sending medical certificates to the IBU, stating that they have naturally high levels. The certificates must include the medical diagnosis supporting the elevated haemoglobin, including historical and haematological data. The statement by the evaluating haematologist must certify that the athletes are safe to compete with their medical condition within the spectrum of biathlon training and competition. These certificates have to be submitted to

the IBU HQ to the attention of the chairperson of the IBU Medical Committee for approval. The chairperson must receive this documentation 14 days at the latest before the first competition of the season in which the athlete wants to start. Athletes submitting applications described above will become members of the IBU Registered Testing Pool with immediate effect. Athletes must submit an application annually. Athletes will also be profiled under the WADA blood passport program.

6.6.5. Mass screening

The IBU also performs mass screenings in order to collect blood data. These are typically done in the out-of-competition period on venue. The tests times are announced to the teams in advance (typically at the Team Captains meeting). Athletes must be available for these tests.

6.6.6 Gene testing

Gene tests may be conducted to detect prohibited substances or methods according to the WADA prohibited list.