

23rd SKI D'OR

COURCHEVEL, 17 and 18 april 2009

Rules

AIMS

To create and maintain a competitive spirit at competition level by giving **those pupils most representative of the ESF** and holding at least the chamois d'argent or flèche d'argent certificate the opportunity to compete against each other nationally.

PRINCIPLE OF THE "SKI D'OR" EVENT

This is a two-day event:

- a) day one: qualifying round in the form of a 2-run special slalom;
- b) day two: final consisting of a parallel slalom.

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

The competitors, boys and girls, **must be pupils of the ESF born in 1995 or earlier**, holders of at least the chamois d'argent or flèche d'argent certificate and must fulfil all of the following conditions:

- they must have lived for three years somewhere that is:
 - not a commune where there is a ski resort,
 - not connected directly by a ski lift to a skiing centre
- they must not go to school in a commune where there is a ski resort
- they must not be a son or daughter of a practising ski instructor
- they must not be taking the BEES course (leading to the technical test)
- they must not be participating in the minime category national circuits, they must not have a ranking of less than 160 points on FFS list authenticated on February 2009, they must not have a ranking of less than 200 points (giant slalom) on FIS list authenticated on February 2009 **with the exception of competitors in the "ESF Elite" group.**

Helmets must be worn.

Any competitor not fulfilling these criteria will be excluded.

Participants consent to the use of their names and any photographs, whether in an exhibition or in advertising in the media, press, radio, television or any promotional purpose.

CATEGORIES:

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| 1) minimes, girls | born in 1995 and 1994 |
| 2) minimes, boys | born in 1995 and 1994 |
| 3) cadettes, juniors & seniors, girls | born in 1993 or earlier |
| 4) cadets, boys | born in 1993 and 1992 |
| 5) juniors & seniors, boys | born in 1991 or earlier |

REGISTRATION

Entries will be sent by the ESF director to the SNMSF Technical Department before the closing dates stated in the circular letter.

NATURE OF THE RACES

- 1) **Qualifying race:** two-run special slalom (of the type organised for the Chamois certificate). Regarding the competitors of the "ESF Elite" Group, the parallel Slalom will be organized only if there is a sufficient number of competitors.
- 2) **SKI D'OR final:** parallel slalom taking place in accordance with the FFS rules specific to this type of event.
- 3) **Partners cup :** 1 run of giant slalom organised for the competitors who have not been qualified for the parallel slalom.

RANKING

a) Qualifying round: the following will be drawn up:

I - an individual ranking for each category: minimes (girls), minimes (boys), cadettes and older categories (girls), cadets, juniors and older categories (boys).

II - an ESF ranking including all categories

The ESF ranking will be based on the total (**points score**) from the two runs, with the competitors qualifying in the 1st run required to take part also in the 2nd run.

The ESF schools are ranked on the basis of the three top competitors from the school in the overall ranking including all categories.

The ESF schools can only be ranked once.

III - special "ESF Elite" ranking

Calculation of points

- the competitor coming first scores the most points
- the competitor coming last scores no points

The following formula is applied to award points on the basis of the competitor's ranking in his/her category:

$$\text{Number of points obtained} = 100 - \left(\frac{\text{ranking in his/her category}}{\text{Number of competitors ranked or participants in the category}} \times 100 \right)$$

Example: in a category containing 30 participants

$$\text{the competitor coming 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ scores: } 100 - \left(\frac{1}{30} \times 100 \right) = 96.66 \text{ points}$$

$$\text{the competitor coming 3}^{\text{rd}} \text{ scores: } 100 - \left(\frac{3}{30} \times 100 \right) = 90 \text{ points}$$

$$\text{the competitor coming last scores: } 100 - 100 = 0 \text{ points}$$

the competitor coming first in a category containing 50 participants scores

$$100 - \left(\frac{1}{50} \times 100 \right) = 98 \text{ points; his/her performance is better}$$

b) Final and Partners Cup

An individual ranking for each category will be drawn up.

COMPLAINTS

Complaints about participants must be made at the first race committee meeting on the day before the qualifying races.

RULES OF THE PARALLEL SLALOM FOR THE SKI D'OR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FFS RULES

Art 1: the following shall participate in the parallel slalom, depending on the number of participants:

- the 8 competitors finishing first in the first run in each category
 - the 8 competitors finishing first in the second run in each category
 - the 16 competitors finishing first after the two runs are combined
- or
- the 4 competitors finishing first in the first run in each category
 - the 4 competitors finishing first in the second run in each category
 - the 8 competitors finishing first after the two runs are combined
- or

- the 2 competitors finishing first in the first run in each category

- the 2 competitors finishing first in the second run in each category

- the 4 competitors finishing first after the two runs are combined

Art 2: the first round of the final is a knockout race consisting of one run.

Art 3: the second round, quarter-final, semi-final and final consist of two runs and the winner shall be determined by the time difference at the finish.

Art. 4: if a competitor falls or is disqualified during a run, he/she will incur a penalty as defined by the Ski d'Or technical committee.

Art. 4a: during the first run, the maximum time difference possible will be equal to the penalty time or 1.5 seconds.

Art. 5: if both competitors fall, the one finishing first will be declared the winner. If neither of the competitors finishes, the one falling nearest the finish will be declared the winner.

Art. 6: if one competitor obstructs the other, either by falling or by crossing his/her path, he/she shall be eliminated.

Art. 7: any competitor not coming to the start when his/her name is called shall be eliminated.

Art. 8: any complaints must be made immediately.

Art 9: the race secretariat will be located on the École du Ski Français premises.

Art 10: the start numbers for the parallel slalom are allocated on the basis of the ranking in the special slalom.

Start number 17 is allocated to the competitor placed first after the two runs are combined.