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The International Ski and Snowboard Federation (FIS *Fédération Internationale de Ski et de Snowboard*) is the governing body for international skiing, including alpine skiing, para alpine skiing, and ski cross.

International Rules

FIS publishes the *International Competition Rules* (*ICR*) and additional rules at *fis-ski.com*.

National Rules

Alpine Canada Alpin (ACA) publishes the *National Competition Rules* (*NCR*) at *alpinecanada.org*. ACA sanctioned competitions on the national calendar follow national and international rules. National rules do not go beyond the limits of international rules, and are:

- **clarification** of an international rule, or
- **modification** of an international rule for national competition, or
- **addition** of a rule for national competition

National rule numbers correspond to FIS rule numbers when possible.

PTSO Rules

A Provincial Territorial Sports Organization (PTSO) may publish rules, provided such rules do not go beyond the limits of international and national rules and do not implement a lower standard of security or fairness.

FIS Competitions

Competitions on the FIS calendar follow national and international rules, including NAC Nor Am Cups, NC National Championships, NJC National Junior Championships, and CHI competitions.

ACA Competitions

U16 Regional Championships follow national and international rules.

PTSO Competitions

PTSO events, other than the FIS and ACA competitions listed above, follow PTSO, national and international rules.

NATIONAL COMPETITION RULES

200 Joint Regulations for Competitions

200.1-CAN All events in the national calendar must be held under the applicable National rules.

200.3-CAN **Participation** Competitions listed in the national calendar are only open to all properly licensed competitors entered by their PTSOs and clubs in accordance with current quotas.

200.4-CAN **Special Regulations** ACA may adopt rules and regulations to organize National and PTSO competitions with different grounds for qualification but only provided they do not go beyond the limits laid down by the present rules.

200.6-CAN Every legal sanction imposed and published in respect of a competitor, official or trainer will be recognized by ACA and the PTSOs respectively.

201 Classification and Types of Competitions

201.5-CAN **National Events** An event is a competition in a sport or in one of its disciplines. It results in a ranking and gives rise to the award of medals. See Competition Levels.

ACA has the following level of events classified with national competitions:

- Entry Level
- Recreational
- National
- Masters

204 Qualification of Competitors

204.1-CAN ACA or PTSO shall not support or recognize within its structure, nor shall it issue a license or approval to participate in National races to competitors who:

204.1.1-CAN have conducted themselves in an improper or unsportsmanlike manner or has not respected the anti-doping rules,

204.1.5-CAN knowingly compete or have competed against any skier not eligible according to the National rules,

204.1.6-CAN have not signed the ACA waiver,

204.1.7-CAN are under suspension.

205 Competitors Obligations and Rights

205.1-CAN The competitors are obliged to make themselves familiar with the appropriate FIS and national rules and must comply with the additional instructions of the Jury.

205.2.1-CAN See ACA Policy on Smelling Salts.

205.3-CAN Competitors have the right to inform the Jury of safety concerns they may have regarding the training and competition courses.

211 The Organization

211.1.1-CAN The organizer of a national competition is the person or group of persons who make the necessary preparations and directly carry out the running of the competition in the resort.

211.2-CAN **The Organizing Committee** The Organizing Committee consists of those members (physical or legal) who are delegated by the organizer and ACA. It carries the rights, duties and obligations of the organizer.

212 Insurance

212.1-CAN National calendar events are covered by the ACA Commercial General Liability (CGL) insurance and include all members of the Organizing Committee, so long as they are operating within the expected realm of ski racing, including the particular rules and regulations for the national calendar events(s) and that the club and all participants are registered with ACA and their PTSO for the current season. The policy explicitly includes liability insurance claims by any accredited participant, including athletes, against any other participant including but not limited to officials, course workers, coaches, etc.
NOTE: Ski Quebec Alpin has a separate CGL policy from the ACA Policy as it relates to CGL insurance.

212.3-CAN All competitors participating in FIS events must purchase Sport Accident Insurance Program (SAIP) insurance, in sufficient amounts to cover accident, transport and rescue costs including race risks as well as an appropriate third-party liability insurance.

212.3.1-CAN A competitor participating in FIS events and in an approved full-time program outside of Canada, or a FIS Masters competitor, may show proof of non-SAIP coverage to ACA, who will verify the insurance is adequate.

212.3.2-CAN A competitor participating in non-FIS events outside of Canada must purchase Sport Accident Insurance Program (SAIP) insurance, in sufficient amounts to cover accident, transport and rescue costs including race risks as well as an appropriate third-party liability insurance.

213 Programme

A programme must be published by the organisers for each race listed in the national calendar, following ICR 213.

214 Announcements

214.2-CAN Organizers are bound by the rules and decisions of ACA or the PTSO in limiting the number of entries.

214.3-CAN Postponements or cancellations of competitions and programme alterations must be communicated to the sanctioning body, invited teams and the appointed Technical Delegate. Competitions moved to an earlier date must be approved by the sanctioning body.

215 Entries

215.3-CAN Competitions out of Canada

Only ACA is entitled to make entries for competitions out of Canada. Canadian athletes who enter, or attempt to enter a race, without valid permission from ACA are subject to disciplinary actions which may include financial sanctions, suspension from racing and/or revoking of FIS license.

215.3.3 FIS Alpine

215.3.3.1-CAN Entry request for WC or EC races must be submitted online – see Guidelines to access WC EC.

215.3.3.2-CAN Intent to enter other races out of Canada, and NAC races in Canada, must be submitted online at

https://alpinepoints.ca/raceRegistration/login/.

A coach submitting Intents must be approved to represent athletes for the season, and for access to the Intent system.

For inquiries regarding Intents, email raceentries@alpinecanada.org.

215.3.3.3-CAN The Intent deadline is ***12 days before*** the first Team Captains' meeting. Coaches should manage all Intent submissions and changes before this deadline.

If late intents are accepted, they will be placed at the bottom of the list.

215.3.3.4-CAN Competitors should have a maximum of 120 FIS points on the current points list in at least one discipline. Entry for athletes with greater than 120 FIS points in all disciplines is at ACA discretion.

215.3.3.5-CAN CAST, CAST D, and Project Excel athletes are given first consideration within the applicable FIS quota.

215.3.3.6-CAN A draft entry, and wait list if applicable, will be sent to coaches after the Intent deadline. Coaches should review the draft, and email any further changes, to *raceentries@alpinecanada.org* before the final entry is submitted.

At the discretion of ACA, failure to provide adequate notice of changes may result in a monetary sanction to the coach, equivalent to the race entry fee.

215.3.3.7-CAN The final entry, and wait list if applicable, will be submitted ***three to five days before*** the first Team Captains' meeting.

215.3.3.8-CAN Pulls made after the final entry should be emailed to the ROC and copied to *raceentries@alpinecanada.org* and the other coaches for their information. The ROC will manage the wait list if applicable.

215.3.4 FIS Children (CHI)

215.3.4.1-CAN PTSO to submit FIS Entry form, completed FIS athlete declarations, and copies of passports to raceentries@alpinecanada.org.

215.3.4.2-CAN The Intent deadline is ***21 days before*** the first Team Captains' meeting.

215.3.4 FIS Masters (MAS)

215.3.4.1-CAN Intent to enter races must be submitted online at

https://alpinepoints.ca/raceRegistration/login/.

The person submitting Intents must be approved to represent athletes for the season, and for access to the Intent system.

For inquiries regarding Intents, email raceentries@alpinecanada.org.

215.3.4.2-CAN The Intent deadline is ***12 days before*** the first Team Captains' meeting or the deadline stated on the notice, whichever is earlier.

215.3.5 FIS Ski Cross

215.3.5.1-CAN Submit entry for WC or EC to cdecelles@alpinecanada.org.

215.3.6 Non-FIS

215.3.6.1-CAN PTSOs to submit one FIS Entry form to raceentries@alpinecanada.org.

Competitors should have a maximum of 120 national points on the current points list in at least one discipline. Entry for athletes with greater than 120 national points is at ACA or PTSO discretion.

215.3.6.2-CAN The deadline is ***five days before*** the first Team Captains' meeting.

216 Team Captains' Meetings

216.4-CAN Team captains and trainers must obey the ICR and national rules and the decisions of the Jury and must behave in a proper and sportsmanlike manner.

221 Medical Services, Examinations and Doping

221.3-CAN Doping is forbidden.

221.6-CAN **Medical Services Required from Event Organizers** The health and safety of all those involved in a national calendar competition is a primary concern of all event Organizers. This includes the competitors as well as volunteers, course workers and spectators.

The Organizer / The Chief of Medical and Rescue Services must confirm with the Technical Delegate that the required rescue facilities are in place before starting the official training or competition. In the event of an incident, or issue that prevents the primary medical plan from being utilized, the back-up plan must be in place before recommencing the official training or competition.

222 Competition Equipment

222.1-CAN A competitor may only take part in a national competition with equipment which conforms to the nationally Approved Regulations. A competitor is responsible for the equipment that he uses (skis, bindings, ski boots, suit, etc.). It is their duty to check that the equipment they use conforms to the nationally approved specifications and general safety requirements and is in working order.

609 ACA U16 Regional Championships

609.1-CAN The events for ACA U16 Regional Championships, West and East, are:

- Slalom
- Giant Slalom
- Super-G training and Super-G
- Fitness and Skills Combine

Optional events are:

- Team Parallel
- Ski Cross

609.2-CAN **Technical Delegate Assignment**

Technical Delegate is to be confirmed by the ACA Officials Working Group.

609.3-CAN Quota

ACA U16 Regional Championships West for AB BC MB SK YT has no quota.

ACA U16 Regional Championships East for NB NL NS ON PE QC has the following quota for each gender:

NB	NL	NS	ON	PE	QC
10	10	10	30	10	30

609.4-CAN **Initial Draws**

All competitors who may compete in the series are included in the initial draws.

For the initial draw for technical events (SL, GS), all competitors are drawn in one group.

For the initial draw for speed event(s) (SG), all competitors are drawn in one group.

The initial draw is valid for two races, after which another draw will be done.

609.5-CAN **Start order 1st run**

The start order for the first technical event will use the initial draw order.

The start order for the second technical event will start with the 2nd half of the initial draw, followed by the 1st half of the initial draw (i.e. “switch halves”). See tables below.

609.6-CAN **Start order 2nd run**

In competitions with two runs, the start order for the second run is the reverse of the first run start order.

Competitors with a first run DSQ or DNF are included in the second run start order and maintain their position in the reverse order.

*Table 1 ACA U16 Regional Championships Start Order - **Sample 101 Competitors***

Race	**Run 1**	**Run 2** *(reverse)*
1	$1 \longrightarrow 101$	$101 \longrightarrow 1$
2	$51 \longrightarrow 101, 1 \longrightarrow 50$	$50 \longrightarrow 1, 101 \longrightarrow 51$
100 total competitors, 50/51 in each “half”		

*Table 2 ACA U16 Regional Championships Start Order - **Formula***

Race	**Run 1**	**Run 2** *(reverse)*
1	$1 \longrightarrow n$	$n \longrightarrow 1$
2	$(m+1) \longrightarrow n, 1 \longrightarrow m$	$m \longrightarrow 1, n \longrightarrow (m+1)$
$n =$ total competitors	$m = \frac{n}{2}$, rounded down	

609.7-CAN Awards are given to the top three ranked for each gender:

- Slalom
- Giant Slalom
- Super-G
- Fitness Combine
- Skills Combine
- Overall Fitness & Skills Combine
- Team Parallel, if this optional event is on the program
- Ski Cross, if this optional event is on the program

609.8-CAN Awards are given to the top three highest Overall points for each gender.

Overall points (see table below) are awarded based on ranking in:

- SG
- GS
- SL

Table 3 ACA U16 Regional Championships Overall Points

Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points	Rank	Points
1st	100	***6th***	40	***11th***	24	***16th***	15	***21st***	10	***26th***	5
2nd	80	***7th***	36	***12th***	22	***17th***	14	***22nd***	9	***27th***	4
3rd	60	***8th***	32	***13th***	20	***18th***	13	***23rd***	8	***28th***	3
4th	50	***9th***	29	***14th***	18	***19th***	12	***24th***	7	***29th***	2
5th	45	***10th***	26	***15th***	16	***20th***	11	***25th***	6	***30th***	1

611 Timing

611.2-CAN For competitions on the FIS calendar and ACA U16 Regional Championships, electronic timers, start gates and photocells homologated by the FIS must be used.

For other events in the national calendar, electronic timers, start gates and photocells homologated by the FIS are recommended.

611.2.1-CAN For competitions on the FIS calendar and ACA U16 Regional Championships, two synchronised electronically isolated timing systems operating in time-of-day must be used.

For other events in the national calendar, one electronic timing system operating in time-of-day must be used. It is recommended to use a second electronically isolated timing system operating in time of day.

611.2.2-CAN Manual (hand) timing, completely separate and independent of the electronic timing, must be used for all competitions listed in the national calendar.

611.3.3-CAN A technical timing report is recommended to be reviewed by the Chief of Timing and Technical Delegate.

615 The Finish

615.2-CAN For Giant Slalom and Kinder Kombi races, the finish must be no less than 15 metres wide. In exceptional cases, the Jury may decrease this distance on the spot for technical reasons or because of the terrain.

1002 Super-G The Courses

1002.3-CAN **Homologation of Youth Super-G courses**

All competition courses used for U16 - U14 Super-G should be homologated for SG or GS. If the course to be used is not homologated, then a safety inspection is required by a Technical Delegate appointed by the PTSO or the PTSO's designate.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR ALPINE COMPETITION EQUIPMENT

1.1.2-CAN PTSOs may have further U18 specifications – refer to PTSO documents.

Parameter	***Event***	***U14***	***U16 U18***	***Masters*****
ski length *lN (cm)* *(±)* 10mm	*SG Women* *SG Men* *GS Women* *GS Men* *SL Women* *SL Men*	 *188Max* *188Max* *130Min* *130Min*	*183Min* *183Min* *188Max* *188Max* *130Min* *130Min*	*180Min **** *185Min **** *175Min* *180Min*
Radius *R (m)* *(±)* 1,5% + 1m preparation tolerance for DH skis	*SG Women* *SG Men* *GS Women* *GS Men* *SL Women* *SL Men*	 *17Min* *17Min*	*30Min* *30Min* *17Min* *17Min*	
Width of the waist of the ski *bM (mm)* *(±)* 0.1mm	*SG Women* *SG Men* *GS Women* *GS Men* *SL Women* *SL Men*	*65Max* *65Max* *65Max* *65Max*	*65Max* *65Max* *65Max* *65Max*	
** no length restriction for Women above 55 and Men above 65 years of age *** GS Skis permitted. Minimum ski length for SG skis is compulsory				

3.5-CAN Competitors are allowed to protect all parts of the body with protectors that comply with standards set forth in FIS Specifications for Alpine Competition Equipment.

3.5.1.4-CAN Back protectors are recommended for U14 and older.

3.5.3.4-CAN Cut-resistant undergarment pants, correctly sized and worn in strict compliance with manufacturer instructions of use and without alteration/modification, as certified by the manufacturer, are recommended to provide supplementary protection, and not infinite cut protection.

The implementation requires a minimum protection level of 3 stars according to the FIS-DITF test standard everywhere between the iliac crest and the onset of the ski boot.

The use of cut resistant shirts or full body suits is strongly recommended.

3.6.1-CAN The use of alpine skiing helmets is compulsory at all events. The helmets shall have no spoilers, nor protruding parts.

Helmets for U14 and older shall comply with standards set forth in FIS Specifications for Alpine Competition Equipment.

3.6.6-CAN For SL only, chin guards are recommended.

COMPETITION LEVELS

NON-POINTS RACES

Category	Age Group
Entry Level	6 – 11 years old
PTSO and National Points Series	12 – 99 years old
Master Series	18 years old and older

NON-POINTS PROGRAMS

Entry Level	Age Group
U10	8 – 9 years old
U12	10 – 11 years old

The major non-points racing program is **Entry Level** which the regulations and criteria are uniform across Canada with their own set of rules and criteria for children ages 6-11. The Entry Level series is training and racing program designated to encourage children to ski race without subjecting them to intense competitive pressures.

Running in conjunction with the Entry Level series is the Alpine Canada Strive Program that is an 8-level development framework from which to develop youth with a holistic approach, focusing on skill development, athletic development, fitness, health, and life skills.

The Masters Alpine Series is a program that provides an opportunity for adults of all ages to participate in a structured racing program. Races are held in each of the provinces as well as national calendar events.

NATIONAL POINTS RACES

Category	Age Group
U14	12 – 13 years old
U16	14 – 15 years old
U18	16 – 17 years old
U21	18 – 20 years old

The above age groups are recognized across Canada and based on age as of Dec. 31.

POINT PROGRAMS

The points program is one in which each competitor must possess a current ACA competitor card and number. The races are entered into the national Points system.

The card system has been designed to accomplish several objectives:

a) To provide a national registration system for competitors
b) To provide a graduated points scoring system, the national Points list in each of the alpine disciplines
c) To provide a means to measure the performance of a competitor upward through national levels
d) To provide a record of all participants for insurance purposes

Competitors may not race in ACA sanctioned events that are submitted for input to the national points list without a valid national card. ACA sanctioned events include races that appear on national and provincial calendars.

RULES FOR THE ALPINE POINTS

The Technical Delegate must confirm the points calculations use the correct values. All protests related to scoring must be sent to the ACA Officials Working Group at officials@alpinecanada.org.

4 Calculation Process

4.2 Points

4.2-CAN **National Points**

National points are calculated for each race with a NAT codex. A NAT codex can be assigned to a race for U14 and older.

National points are not calculated for races that have been assigned a REC codex. A REC codex can be assigned to a race for U12 and younger, or a race for U14 and older that will not count for national points.

4.2.1-CAN **National Points Base List (National BL)**

The National BL will be published after the FIS BL is published.

4.2.1.1-CAN National BL Calculation

The athlete's National BL points in an event will be the lowest of:

a. average of past season's best two results

b. average of past season's best result & past season's national BL points

c. past season's best result + 20%

d. past season's National BL points + 20%

e. 999.00 (e.g., new athlete who does not have past season's National BL points or results)

f. FIS BL points

4.2.2-CAN Normal National Points List (National NL)

List number one will be published on the first Wednesday in November based on the National BL.

The filename will reflect the season and list number, e.g., NAT2703.txt is the third list for the 2026-2027 season.

4.2.2.1-CAN During the current period, for competitors with valid National BL points, the National NL will reflect the average of a competitor's two best results in each event only if those points are better than the National BL, and better than their previous National NL points during the season, i.e., national NL points will not increase during the season.

4.2.2.2-CAN **No BL points**

During the current period, if a competitor does not have National BL points and one result, their National NL points will be calculated as the single result + 20%.

4.2.2.3-CAN Fewer results than required and National BL points

During the current period, if a competitor has valid National BL points in an event and obtains only one result then the National BL points will remain valid and be used.

4.2.4-CAN Validity Period

The validity period of the results is the current season.

4.5 Category Adder and Minimum/Maximum-Value

4.5.1-CAN ADDER = 0
Z-value = 0.00
Minimum penalty = 0.00
Maximum penalty = 500.00
Maximum points = 500.00

The national F values are the same as the FIS F values.
See 1st page at https://www.fis-ski.com/DB/alpine-skiing/fis-points-lists.html.
KK F value = average of SL and GS F value

5.3 Printing Deadlines and Validity of the Individual Lists

The printing deadline is Tuesday at 23:00 MT. The validity dates are Wednesday until the following Tuesday.

6 Instructions for Organizers and Technical Delegates

6.1-CAN Electronic Data Transmission for national results

The national results must be transmitted electronically at https://alpinepoints.ca/results/upload/login/, using the FIS Data Exchange XML Protocol (ftp://ftp.fis-ski.com/Software/XML/) with the following adjustments:

FIS Results XML	National Results XML
<Fisresults><AL_race><AL_raceinfo><Usedfislist>	<Fisresults><AL_race><AL_raceinfo><Usednatlist>
<Fisresults><AL_race><AL_classified><AL_ranked><Competitor><Fiscode>	<Fisresults><AL_race><AL_classified><AL_ranked><Competitor><Natcode>
<Fisresults><AL_race><AL_notclassified><AL_notranked><Competitor><Fiscode>	<Fisresults><AL_race><AL_notclassified><AL_notranked><Competitor><Natcode>

The Technical Delegate should supervise the correct transmission of the results, and the Technical Delegate should check if the results on the website are correct. For assistance, contact the PTSO or alpinepoints@alpinecanada.org.

6.1 ***Electronic Data Transmission of FIS race results*** *The results must be transmitted electronically and in the FIS format (email:* ***alpineresults@fis-ski.com****). The Technical Delegate must supervise the correct transmission of the results and make a corresponding report online immediately after the event and the Technical Delegate must check if the results on the website are correct. Results without Technical Delegate and Timing reports will be no longer included in the FIS points list.*

6.1.1 *Composition of the file name for the transmission of* ***FIS*** *race results:*
- Nation of OC (three letters as listed in the FIS ICR)
- Codex (according to the FIS Calendar)
After the point: - xml
e.g. sample file name *CAN1234.xml*, where 1234 is the codex

7 Quotas

7.1.7-CAN For CAN-USA country group: maximum 15 for the other nation, for FIS races organised in CAN or USA.

7.1.8-CAN CANADIAN ENTRIES IN FIS RACES IN CANADA

Within the total number of Canadian entries allowed in the FIS race (referred to as $FIS\ QUOTA_{CAN}$), which is governed by FIS rules, the allocation is as follows:

7.1.8.1-CAN **FIS Races in Canada, including Quebec Super Series Races only** (for Quebec non-Super Series FIS Races, see 7.1.8.2-CAN)

- CAST and CAST D athletes are given first consideration and are not part of any provincial allocation.
- The allocation for each of the following provinces is ten: BC AB ON QC.
- The allocation for the other provinces as a group combined is ten.
- ***11 days before*** the first team captains' meeting, the list of Canadian athletes intended for the race series, excluding CAST and CAST D, will be ranked by their current FIS points and the "top 30" will be identified for **each** event in the series (SL, GS, SG, or DH).
    a. If a PTSO has more than 10 athletes in the "top 30", their allocation will be increased to the number of athletes they have in the "top 30".
    - NOTE: This is not an increase in general for the PTSO. If a "top 30" athlete is pulled from the PTSO allocation, the PTSO allocation will decrease accordingly, but will not fall below ten. If the number of "top 30" athletes in the allocation falls below ten, the PTSO may fill the allocation with other athletes, up to ten.
- Any remaining entries, up to an overall maximum of $FIS\ QUOTA_{CAN}$, are available to the host PTSO to allocate as they choose.

7.1.8.2-CAN **Quebec non-Super Series FIS Races**

- The allocation for each of the following provinces is ten: BC AB ON QC.
- The allocation for the other provinces as a group combined is ten.
- Any remaining entries, up to an overall maximum of $FIS\ QUOTA_{CAN}$, are available to the host PTSO to allocate as they choose.

7.1.8.3-CAN ACA and PTSOs can agree to special PTSO allocations for certain FIS events in Canada, to be published in advance of the event in question.

7.1.8.4-CAN For Nor-Am races, CAST, CAST D, and PTSO teams are given first consideration. Others are ranked by FIS points.

7.5.3-CAN **NC NJC**

- CAST and CAST D athletes are given first consideration and are not part of any provincial allocation.
- The allocation for each of the following provinces is twenty: BC AB ON QC.
- The allocation for the other provinces as a group combined is ten.
- If the host province is BC AB ON QC, the host province will have an additional allocation of ten.
- Any remaining entries are available to the host province to allocate as they choose.

OFFICIALS

REQUIREMENT FOR OFFICIALS' CERTIFICATION

To be recognized as a certified Official, an individual must be registered as a member of a PTSO and maintain their registration on an annual basis including with the national Officials tracking and certification database. Registration can be done at the ski club level, or through the official's home PTSO. Membership includes Certified General Liability insurance while the Official is involved with race competitions/events/activities and working within their certification level. All officials are also required to ensure they are meeting the safe sport standards applicable to their official's level certification and the event in which they are participating in.

NATIONAL OFFICIALS PROGRAM CERTIFICATION

The national alpine officials' program is a structured and integrated program consisting of four levels of alpine Officials and four levels of Technical Delegates.

The following are the various levels of alpine Officials: After Level 1 – each requires specific practical experience to move on to the next Level.

- **Level 1** - entry-level course providing overall introduction to race organization and the various Officials positions
- **Level 2** – a detailed introduction to alpine ski racing and the roles and duties of various Officials positions. Specific practical experience is required.
- **Level 3** - designed for Officials with considerable practical experience, covers the duties of senior Officials, course preparation, maintenance, and setting, as well as calculations of points and penalties
- **Level 4** - be recommended to the ACA Officials Working Group by the PTSO Officials Chair. Level 4 Officials are the most experienced Officials, having showed a superior level of ability.
- **Regional Technical Delegate** – Level 2 Official requires certification following recommendation by the Divisional and PTSO Officials Chair
- **PTSO Technical Delegate – Technical** (T) Level 3 Official requires certification following recommendation by PTSO Officials Chair
- **PTSO Technical Delegate – Technical/Speed** (T/S) above qualification with speed experience and recommended by PTSO Officials Chair
- **National Technical Delegate** - PTSO Technical Delegate (T) &/or (T/S) or licensed FIS Technical Delegate recommended by the PTSO Officials Chair to the ACA Officials Working Group

MAINTENANCE OF CURRENT LEVEL OF CERTIFICATION

Upon qualification, the initial period of certification is as follows:

Level 1 & 2	Three years
Level 3	Three years
Level 4	Two years

Once obtaining a specific level of certification, there are practical and, in some cases, other requirements to maintain certification after the initial period of certification has expired i.e. if an Official does not meet the criteria, then the certification is not extended past the initial certification period.

Minimum Requirements:

Level 1:	Activity as an Official
Level 2:	4 race days in a 3-year period and update every 2 years*****
Level 3:	4 race days a year and update every 2 years*
Level 4:	4 race days a year, at the Technical Delegate or Chief level or to the satisfaction of the Official Chair and Update every 2 years*

***** The Update is at the discretion of the PTSO Officials Chair.

Note: Officials who do not meet these criteria will lose their official status and be removed from the Officials List.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICIALS

FIS

Chief of Race	Level 3 Official
Start Referee	Level 2 Official
Finish Referee	Level 2 Official
Chief of Course	Level 2 Official
Chief of Gate Judges	Level 2 Official

NON-FIS SPEED

Technical Delegate	PTSO Speed Technical Delegate
Chief of Race	Level 2 Official
Referee	CSC Development Level (Trained) and Level 2 Official, or PTSO Speed Technical Delegate
Assistant Referee	Same as for Referee, except CSC coach certification not mandatory
Start Referee	Level 2 Official
Finish Referee	Level 2 Official

NON-FIS TECHNICAL

Technical Delegate	PTSO Technical Delegate
Chief of Race	Level 2 Official
Referee	CSC Entry Level (Trained) and Level 2 Official, or PTSO Technical Delegate
Start Referee	Level 2 Official
Finish Referee	Level 2 Official

NON-POINT RACES

It is recommended that the execution of races in this category follow the organization structure described in section 4.3 with an assigned Technical Delegate and a Jury. It is understood that in the interest of promoting alpine racing at the grass roots, it is not always practical to do so. To that end, the use of Technical Advisors (Level 2 and higher Officials with practical race experience to assist Entry Level events is recommended. The host Club executive should assign an experienced club Official as a technical advisor to work with the ROC and assist with planning and completion of EL race event.