Bulletin 1

ISF Ski 2016
World Schools Championship

L’Aquila
Italy
22/02 – 27/02/2016
The Executive Committee (EC) of the International School Sport Federation (ISF) has decided to entrust the organisation of the World Schools Championship Ski 2016 to L’Aquila in Italy.

1. INVITATION

Invitations to participate in the World Championship are being sent to school sport organisations which are full or associate members of ISF and for information to members of the ISF EC, to members of the ISF Ski Technical Commission and to the International Ski Federation (FIS).

2. COMPOSITION OF TEAMS AND RULES FOR PARTICIPATION

2.1 The competition is open both to school teams and to selected teams. Selected teams are exceptional, see paragraph 9.2 (lowland countries).

2.2 There will be a competition organised for the following categories:

- School teams, boys, cross-country ski category 1 + 2
- School teams, girls, cross-country ski category 1 + 2
- School teams, boys, alpine ski category 1 + 2
- School teams, girls, alpine ski category 1 + 2

All students in the boys school team must have been enrolled at the same school since the beginning of school year 2015/2016.

All students in the girls school team must have been enrolled at the same school since the beginning of the school year 2015/2016.

All students in the selected teams (lowland countries) must have been enrolled at a school in the country they represent since the beginning of the school year 2015/2016.

Each student may only run in one team.
2.3 All students must have been born in the following years:
   (decision Executive Committee Rome 2014)
   category 2: 1999, 1998
   Neither older nor younger students will be accepted!

2.4 Each team shall be composed of 5 (five) students and 1 teacher/trainer.
   Each delegation shall nominate a Head of Delegation who shall be responsible
   for the team or teams in his/her delegation. He/she may not combine the
   functions of Head of Delegation and coach.
   A complete delegation will therefore include 50 (fifty) people maximum:
   1 Head of Delegation for Alpine Ski
   1 Head of Delegation for Cross-country Ski
   8 teachers
   40 competitors

2.5 Each participating country has the right to include a maximum of 2 additional
   adults whose function must be specified: doctor, physiotherapist, interpreter,
   security officer, ministry representative, journalist.....
   Any other additional person will not be considered part of the official
delegation and will not be accredited by the OC.

2.6 Skiers must be enrolled as full-time students at the school which they
   represent. They must be attending schools which provide a general education
   (General Competition Rules GCR - 7.3)
   The following are not eligible to participate (GCR - 7.7):
   a) Pupils of vocational schools who only attend that school as a complement
to their vocational training;
   b) School teams and pupils enrolled at schools which provide sports training
   without any general education;
   c) Part-time (e.g. afternoon) sports schools which take pupils from a variety
   of schools for training in one or more sports;
   d) Teams formed as part of clubs, companies, universities or other
   institutions.

2.7 Each participating team must be nominated officially by the organisation
   responsible for school sport and which is a member of ISF. Teams registered by
   a school principal will not be admitted.

3. PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Mon 22nd Feb  Welcome / Accreditation / Housing of teams / Training
              Meeting of the Heads of Delegation and Coaches
Tue 23rd Feb   Official Training
              Opening Ceremony in L’Aquila
Wed 24th Feb   Start of the competition
Thu 25th Feb   Competition
Fri 26th Feb   Cultural and Touristic Programme
               ‘Meeting of the Nations’ evening in L’Aquila
Sat 27th Feb   Departure of delegations
4. **TRAVEL**

Travel to and from Rome Fiumicino or Ciampino International Airport will be arranged and financed by each participating country.

5. **FINANCES AND INSURANCE**

5.1. In return for the entry fees which are fixed by the ISF Executive Committee, the Organising Committee will be responsible for board and lodging for participants for the duration of the championship, for the competition and the cultural programme activities and for all transport in connection with the official programme (arrival, departure, sports and cultural programmes).

5.2. In accordance with the rules laid down by ISF, the payment to be made to the organisers of the World Schools Championship amount to 50 EUR per person and per night for a maximum of 50 persons.

5.3. An additional ISF levy of 40 EUR per delegation member will be collected at the time of registration.

5.4. The total sum per person is therefore 250 EUR + 40 EUR = 290 EUR.

5.5. When the distance between L’Aquila (Italy) and the capital of a participating country on another continent exceeds 5000 kilometres the delegation may extend its stay by arriving one day earlier or leaving one day later at the normal daily fee (50 EUR).

5.6. For two additional adults the following regulation applies:
   - for a single room 100 EUR per night,
   - for a double/twin room (2 additional persons) 50 EUR per night each,
   - for a double/twin room (1 additional person + teacher/coach) 50 EUR per night each.

Requests are to be made by the country concerned.

5.7. If the delegation travels by bus, the driver of the bus will be considered a member of the delegation and will be charged 50 EUR per night.

5.8. The organisation of an extended stay for the delegation (before or after the event) is a matter for the country concerned. It shall not be the responsibility of the Organising Committee.

5.9. Each country is required to effect an insurance for each member of its delegation. At a minimum the insurance is to cover civil liability, material damage and medical costs.

6. **DEPOSIT**

6.1. Along with the entry, each country must pay a deposit of 100 EUR per person as confirmation of the entry.
The deposit must be sent as a single payment for the whole delegation by the organisation responsible for school sport (federation, trust, ministry, ...). Payments by individual schools will not be accepted. The sum of the deposit will be deducted from the total cost of participation.

The sum of the deposit is non-refundable in the event of non-participation unless the delegation has informed the organisers before the group draw or in case of force majeure. The latter instance will require the approval of the ISF Management Committee.

6.2. The ISF Secretariat is responsible for collecting all deposits before 30th November 2015.

6.3. The deposit is to be paid into the following account:

Name of the bank: BNP Paribas Fortis
Address: Warandeberg 3, 1000 Brussels, Belgium
BIC (Swift Code): GEBABEBB
Payee: ISF, Boomgaardstraat 22 B39, 2600 – Berchem / Antwerpen, Belgium.
IBAN: BE03 0015 2130 7984
Reference: ISF Ski 2016 + name of the participating country

6.4. The balance in cash in EUR is to be paid on arrival in L’Aquila - Italy (bank- and credit cards will not be accepted) or may be paid by 15th February 2016 at the latest in EUR to the organisers’ bank account as published in the third bulletin.

6.5. All bank charges (for both deposit and balance) are to be met by participating countries!

7. COMMITMENTS TO BE HONOURED BY DELEGATIONS

7.1. Each participant is required to be present throughout the duration of the event.

7.2. Each participant is obliged to take part also in all of the non-sport activities.

7.3. Each team undertakes to compete against all other participating teams.

7.4. Each participant undertakes to compete against all other participants.

7.5. The absence of any member of a participating team from any part of the entire sport programme, opening-, prize-giving and closing ceremonies and socio-cultural programme may result in the team being excluded from the results.

8. DOPING

Dope testing (for use of banned substances) can take place during the competition according to current law / procedures in Italy. If selected for testing a competitor may be accompanied by an adult.
If a competitor is following a course of medical treatment he or she must obtain certification to that effect and inform the organisers immediately upon arrival.

9. TECHNICAL RULES

9.1 The competition will be run according to current ISF and FIS rules under the direction of the ISF Technical Commission Ski.

9.2 The teams from the following list of ‘lowland countries’ which have unfavourable training conditions can be composed of 5 students from different schools: Belgium, Cyprus, Denmark, Great Britain, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Hungary. Other countries with similar conditions may, at the discretion of the Technical Commission, be accorded the same status.

9.3 Details of technical regulations and competition formats will be annexed to bulletins 2 and 3.

9.4 Prize-giving

Each participant will receive a commemorative certificate. The teams finishing first, second and third will be rewarded with medals and trophies.

The ISF Joy of Moving Award will be awarded to a delegation by the Disciplinary Commission following consultation with the Technical Commission ISF, the Organising Committee and the delegations.

10. COMMUNICATION

To follow the updates, pictures, videos, etc. about the world schools championship, you can follow the official ISF Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/isfsports
If you want to interact with twitter, you can join the Official Twitter Page: https://twitter.com/isfsports and the Official #ISFWSC2016
To follow the general information about the place, pictures, bulletins, etc. you can check on the Official Website: http://www.isfsports.org/

11. REGISTRATION

The electronic entry registration form (click here) should be duly completed on behalf of the organisation responsible for school sport as soon as possible but at the latest by 30th September 2015.

You can enter ERAS with the username and password used for the events 2015.

If you need a new username and password, please contact the ISF secretariat isf@isfsports.org.

PLEASE PAY THE DEPOSIT BY 30th NOVEMBER 2015.
Looking forward to meeting you in Italy in February 2016

on behalf of the Organising Committee

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