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## Race Rules

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## DEFINITIONS

**AGE:** The age of a competitor is regarded to be the same during the whole season and is the age the competitor reaches on the 31 December **in the middle** of the racing season (See Annex F.I.). The age of a dog is the age it reaches the day before the beginning of the competition it is entering.

**CHECK POINT:** A clearly defined and marked area adjacent to the trail, where drivers and officials only are admitted.

**CONTROL AREA:** A specially defined area before the start and after the finish where only authorized persons are allowed, unless otherwise authorized by the Race Marshal.

**DRIVER:** A person who drives a dog team entered in the race.

**EVENT:** A meeting of contestants for the purpose of competing in one event which may involve several classes.

**FINISH ZONE:** A specified stretch of the trail toward the finish line, minimum 800 meters, where special rules for passing apply (see §89 for Ski-Dogs and Canicross).

**GUIDELINES:** A rule or set of rules which are not mandatory but highly recommended.

**HANDLER:** A person assisting teams at start, after finish and at other locations authorized by the Race Marshal.

**HEAT:** A completion of the trail, or a part of same, after which the ongoing timing is discontinued.

**LINE:** The line to which the dog(s) is/are attached to pull the vehicle (sled, bike, scooter, rig) is made of different elements. The various elements together are called the **Gang Line**. The line running between the dogs (if more than one dog) is called the **Tow Line** or **Central Line**. The dog is attached to the tow line from the back of its harness by a **Tug Line** or **Tail Line** and may be attached from the collar to the tow line by a **Neck Line**.

**OFFICIAL:** A person appointed by the organizer or the Rules Enforcing Officers, authorized to perform, within prescribed limits, to act on their behalf.

**ORGANIZATION/ORGANIZER:** . The organization/organizer in charge of running the event: the race-giving organization/organizer (RGO).

**PULKA:** The pulka or the Ski-Dogs sled (small sled with short runners)

**RACE:** A competition in a specified class and may be comprised of one or more heats.

**RACE AREA:** All designated parking areas, spectator areas, team holding areas, start/finish chutes, officiating areas and the trail areas.

**RACE JUDGE:** Rules Enforcing Officer, has the same authority as the Race Marshal / Chief Judge, except in the question of disqualification. References to the Race Marshal in these Rules shall also apply for the Race Judge(s), when appropriate.

**RACE JURY:** The Race Jury includes the Race Marshal, the Race Judges and any other official the Race Marshal may wish to include.

**RACE MARSHAL (RM):** The Chief Judge, i.e. the person who shall have supreme authority at an event. The Race Marshal is the only official who can decide upon a disqualification.

**SEASON:** The racing season, the period within which all competitions shall be commenced and concluded, in principle from July until June of the following year in the northern hemisphere and from November until October of the following year in the southern hemisphere. However, organizers and technical organizers shall realize that local conditions (e.g., temperature, humidity etc.) may shorten this period in favor of the well being of the dogs.

**SLED:** The vehicle driven by the contestant and pulled by his/her dog team during the competition, also includes a pulka, a bike, a scooter, a rig when appropriate.

**SLED DOG:** A sled dog is a dog, irrespective of the breed or type, capable of being harnessed and of competing in one of the classes listed in the IFSS Regulations without a potential, beforehand, to be calculated risk, of harming the dog's well-being.

**STAKE-OUT AREA:** A specially defined area where dogs of participating teams shall be kept when not competing.

**STARTING CHUTE:** A specified stretch of the trail from the starting line, minimum 30 meters long and 4 meters wide, where help is allowed

**TECHNICAL ORGANIZER:** A body which, upon an agreement and in close co-operation with the organizer, has assumed responsibility..

**VEHICLE HOLDING AREA:** A specially defined area where the participants' vehicles shall be parked in case this cannot be combined with the stake out area.

**SHALL:** ..... Shall be construed as being imperative.

**SHOULD:** ..... Shall be construed as advisory.

**MAY:** ..... Shall be construed as being permissive.

In this Rule and other IFSS Regulations, where appropriate, the words "Competitor", "Contestant", "Driver", "Athlete", etc. shall include "the competitor and/or his/her dog(s)"; and the singular shall include the plural.

## **CHAPTER ONE (General Rules)**

(Applies to all classes)

Note: In case of discrepancy between general rules and special rules, the special rules shall prevail.

### **I. ENTRY RULES**

#### **1. Eligibility**

##### **1.1. Entries**

1.1.1 An entry for a race shall be submitted prior to the start of the race, subject to entry deadlines as determined by the organization.

1.1.2 The organization may reject any entry for just cause.

1.1.3 A liability insurance is mandatory for drivers and handlers covering the risks of sled dog racing and all consequences.

1.1.4 Entry for minor driver (usually below 18 years old) shall be co-signed by parents or guardians. With their signature they declare that they are of opinion that the minor driver is capable to participate in the total event and to safely cover the trail in the applicable class as established by the organizer. Consequently, their signature is a waiver through which they hold the organizer harmless regarding any claim, liability, any other expenses or accusations relative to the fact that the driver concerned is not an adult.

1.1.5 The Race Marshal may disallow entry of any driver, team or dog for just cause.

##### **1.2. Claim**

1.2.1 The competitor shall hold the organizer(s), judges, officials, sponsors, co- sponsors and other contributors to the organizer, (as distinguished from the individual competitor's sponsor) harmless from any claim or demand, based on any alleged action or non-action by the competitor, his/her dogs, agents, or others acting on his/her behalf. The competitor shall also release the organizer, judges, officials,

competition sponsors, their agents and employees from any claim or demand resulting from injury to the competitor, his/her dogs, or property, including but not limited to lost or dropped dogs and misplaced food and supplies.

1.2.2 Furthermore, the organizer has the unqualified and unrestricted authority with regards to pictures and the gathering of information on the competition and all participants involved, as well as to the use of such pictures and information for advertising, public relations or any other publicity purpose related to the competition.

## 2. Drivers

2.1 The driver starting a team in the first heat of a race shall drive that team throughout the race.

2.2 A change in driver can only be made once and only as the result of illness or injury to the authorized entrant and must have the approval of the Race Marshal. The substitute driver shall drive the team throughout the race.

2.3 Age of competitors:

2.3.1 In **Sled Sprint classes**, Ski-Dogs sprint events and **Dryland classes** the minimum and maximum ages shall be:

2.3.1.1 **Elite** classes: 19 years and above (16 years and above if there is no corresponding junior class)

2.3.1.2 Junior classes: 16 up to and including 20 years (A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the **Elite** class. That decision will apply to all classes).

2.3.1.3 Since the age rules for juniors until 2014 was 14-16 years in Dryland and sled classes, there will be an overlap time in Championships for these classes:

2014 championships: 14-20 years

2015 championships: 15-20 years

2016 championships: 16-20 years

2.3.1.4 Veteran class (Canicross and Bikejoring only): 40 years and above. Canicross and Bikejoring veteran competitors may request to compete in the corresponding **Elite** class.

2.3.2 In distance classes (including distance stage events) the minimum age for all competitors shall be sixteen (16) years.

2.3.3 Special rules for the different styles may define further age requirements or limitations or modify the age limits to meet the local practice.

2.3.4 In all competitions, except championships, there should be classes for young children. All classes are recommended from 11 years, with 1 dog in Ski-Dogs and Dryland, and maximum 2 dogs in sled.

2.4 Any driver disqualified in any heat of the race is not eligible to compete in the remainder of the race.

2.5 Drivers should attend the drivers' meeting held prior to the start of Sprint and Ski-Dogs races. The Race Marshal may waive this rule if a competitor is delayed due to unforeseen circumstances. However, in this case, the driver is responsible for obtaining a briefing from officials prior to the start of the competition.

2.6 Drivers shall attend the drivers' meeting held prior to the start of the Distance races as well as any other meeting officially announced in order to qualify to compete in the race. The Race Marshal may waive this rule if a competitor is delayed due to unforeseen circumstances. However, in this case, the driver is responsible for obtaining a briefing from officials prior to the start of the competition.

2.7 Drivers shall not hinder- or endanger the welfare of their dogs, the progress of the event or discredit the sled dog sports. Offenders shall be disqualified.

## 3. Dogs

- 3.1. Any team or dog coming to the starting line, which, in the opinion of the Race Marshal, is unfit or incapable of safely completing the trail, shall be disqualified.
- 3.2. Any team or dog not starting the first heat of the race shall not be eligible to compete in the remainder of the race.
- 3.3. Any team or dog disqualified in any heat of the race is in no case eligible to compete in the remainder of the race.
- 3.4. Eligibility of dogs is not restricted to certain breeds. Providing there are in a class at least five (5) teams starting the first heat of the race, the RGO may divide each class between Registered Nordic Breed (RNB) teams and other teams and even separate Registered Siberian Husky teams (RNB1) from other RNB teams (RNB2).
- 3.5. Dogs participating in a race must be at least twelve (12) months old. However, in certain classes a minimum age of 18 months is dictated.
  - 3.5.1 Dryland: 18 months in the Bikejoring and Scooter, 12 months in the other classes.
  - 3.5.2 Sprint: 18 months in the Unlimited class, 12 months in the other classes.
  - 3.5.3 Ski-Dogs: 18 months.
  - 3.5.4 Distance classes: 18 months.
- 3.6. Any dog having raced in one class of a race shall not be eligible to race in another class on the same day unless that other class is a relay (on snow or Dryland) or Canicross.
- 3.7. Dogs may be required to undergo a physical examination by a race veterinarian in order to be allowed to start.
4. Disease (see also Annex B II)
  - 4.1. No dog or equipment shall be brought from a kennel where rabies, distemper, hepatitis, leptospirosis or any other contagious disease exists.
  - 4.2. If the Race Veterinarian diagnoses any dog present in the race area to have a contagious disease, that team shall be disqualified and shall immediately leave the race area.
5. Identification
  - 5.1. In a race of more than one heat, each dog shall be marked for identification prior to the start of the first heat of the race. In case of microchip identification, the list of chip numbers shall be provided to the Race Marshal or his/her delegate as instructed by the Race Marshal or the race organizer.
  - 5.2. Dogs dropped from teams after the first heat of a race involving more than two (2) heats, shall be marked a second time to indicate their disqualification to run in subsequent heats either via direct dog marking or via a note on the team chip list.
  - 5.3. The contestants themselves are responsible for seeing to it that their team dogs are marked as prescribed prior to the start of the race
6. Medications administered to Dogs and Drivers
  - 6.1. Prohibited Drugs and Drug Testing  
IFSS Anti-Doping Rules and regulations shall apply. It includes the WADA regulations for athletes and the specific IFSS Regulations for dogs. (See [www.sleddogsport.net](http://www.sleddogsport.net))
  - 6.2. At races, no one is allowed to perform any medical treatment to the dogs without authorization by the official race veterinarian.
7. Equipment
  - 7.1. Inspection
    - 7.1.1.1. Drivers, teams and equipment shall be available for inspection in the stake-out or vehicle holding area at least ten (10) minutes before their scheduled time of departure unless otherwise announced by the Race Marshal.
    - 7.1.1.2. In distances races the teams and equipment shall be available for inspection in the stake-out or vehicle holding area or any other place as announced by the Race Marshal at least thirty (30) minutes before their scheduled time of departure.
    - 7.1.1.3. When the control is completed, no equipment shall be removed from the sled without the Race Marshals permission, and under supervision of same or of an authorized official.

- 7.1.2. A team in harness shall not be required to stand for inspection longer than six (6) minutes before the scheduled time of departure.
- 7.1.3. Inspection shall take place in an area that does not interfere with starting and finishing teams.
- 7.1.4. A team shall be available for inspection after each heat at the request of the Race Marshal or the designated Race Judge.
- 7.2. All equipment is subject to the approval of the Race Marshal. However, the competitors themselves are responsible that their equipment meets the requirements as per the rules and regulations.
- 8. Other Equipment.
  - 8.1. A muzzle or a collar that can be hooked as a full choke shall be prohibited.
  - 8.2. Whips are forbidden.
  - 8.3. A racing number for each driver shall be provided by the race-giving organization. The driver shall display this number on his/her person throughout the race, unless otherwise authorized by the RM.
  - 8.4. The competitor should not be wearing shoes that could be dangerous for dogs. Shoes with hardened spikes or studs of 1mm height maximum are allowed.
- 9. Finish Time Disqualification (Optional)
 

An eventual time disqualification shall be noted on the entry form, or in the invitation, indicating for which classes it shall apply.

## **II. START-FINISH RULES (see also Annex C I)**

- 10. Drawing and Rating
  - 10.1. In races with single or dual starts, the starting positions for the first heat of a race shall be determined by a drawing held prior to the race at a time and place designated by the organizer. Unless specifically defined in the rules and regulations or other applicable documents, the organizer is free to decide in which way the drawing shall be performed and if drivers shall attend or be represented.
  - 10.2. In case the organizer decides that drivers or team leaders shall attend the drawing, the drivers, their team leader or designated proxy of each team may draw their own starting position. In their absence, the starting position may be drawn by the Race Marshal or his/her representative. If the drivers or the team leaders agree, the drawing could also be performed via an at-random computer method, with, per class, a team leader or a driver pushing the button.
  - 10.3. The order of the draw shall not be changed, either by addition or substitution. Late entries shall be added in order of receipt.
  - 10.4. The drawing may, at the option of the organizer, be modified by seeding in accordance with a formula established by the organizer, subject to the approval of the IFSS.
  - 10.5. A class is rated separately only if there are at least five (5) teams starting in the first heat of that class.
- 11. Single Start Race
  - 11.1. The first day's starting positions shall be determined by the draw with Number 1 starting first, Number 2 starting second, etc.
  - 11.2. After the first heat, the starting positions shall be determined by the total elapsed time of the previous heat(s), with the fastest team starting first, the second fastest team starting second, etc.
    - 11.2.1 At the option of the organizer and when notified in the invitation or on the entry form, the elapsed time of the previous single heat shall determine the starting positions.
    - 11.2.2 At the option of the organizer, the starting intervals of the last day of a race may be identical to the differences in the total elapsed times of the participants, so that the order in which the participants are crossing the finish line also will reflect their finishing positions (chase- or pursuit start)
    - 11.2.3 At the option of the organizer, the competitors may all start at the same time (mass start). If the race includes seeded competitors they will start in the front line(s), the non-seeded competitors being on line(s) behind the seeded competitors.

11.2.4 At the option of the organizer, the starting position of the second and succeeding heats may be reversed with respect to the result of the previous heat (reverse start).

## 12. Dual Start Race

- 12.1. The first heat's starting positions shall be determined by the draw with Numbers 1 and 2 starting together first (pair 1), Numbers 3 and 4 starting together second (pair 2), etc.
- 12.2. The second heat's starting positions shall be determined by the first heat's times. At the option of the organizer:
  - a) Pair 1 shall consist of the best time and second best time of the previous heat, pair 2 shall consist of the third and the fourth best times of the previous heat, etc. or
  - b) The result list of the first heat will be divided into two groups, the first group consisting of the first half of the result list and second group of the second half of the result list. Pair 1 shall consist of the first teams of each group, pair 2 shall consist of the second teams of each group, etc.
- 12.3. In races of more than two heats, the elapsed time of the previous single heat will determine the starting positions using the grouping option defined in 12.2 above and decided for the second heat.

## 13. Time keeping and Equal Times

- 13.1. The time keeping shall be measured at one tenth of a second without any correction (see also 13.5 below).
- 13.2. At relay events not only the total time of the teams shall be recorded, but also the individual time of each participant.
- 13.3. If the elapsed time of two teams is identical, the order of start for those teams shall be the reverse order in which they started in the preceding heat.
- 13.4. Teams with equal times for the entire race shall be awarded the higher finishing position.
- 13.5. The purse and/or award for the tied place and the next lower place(s) shall be combined and divided equally among those teams tied for that place.

## 14. Mass Start and Pursuit Start

- 14.1. At the option of the organizer, mass start or pursuit start may be organized for specific classes and/or specific heats.
- 14.2. Mass start:
  - 14.2.1. All participants of the same class start at the same time on the same starting line. If they cannot all stay on one line, the Race Marshal shall set more lines as required. Seeded competitors, if any, shall stay on the first line(s) ahead of the non-seeded competitors.
  - 14.2.2. The starting area shall have one starting track per team. The distance between the starting tracks should be approximately 2 meters. The length of the starting tracks should be approximately 80 meters and shall end at a marked line.
  - 14.2.3. There shall be at least 10 meters between each starting line, distance to be adapted to the size of the teams.
  - 14.2.4. One assistant/ handler is allowed with 1-4 dogs and two with more than 4 dogs. The assistant(s) shall all stand on the left side of the team. At the moment of the start, these assistants shall stand stock still and face the starting teams until all teams have passed unless otherwise announced by the Race Marshal.
  - 14.2.5. Start signal is given by the starter with one or two flags and a marker showing a big 1(one). The size and the colors of the marker shall be as such, that the figure 1 is clearly visible for all competitors
  - 14.2.6. The starter stands in front of the starting area so that all starting participants are able to see the starter.
  - 14.2.7. Starting order is given in the following way:
    - 14.2.7.1. One minute before the start a sign "1" is shown.
    - 14.2.7.2. Thirty (30) seconds before the start, the starter's arm are to be positioned with the flag(s) over the head.

- 14.2.7.3 Fifteen (15) seconds before the start, the starter's arm are to be positioned with the flag(s) in a horizontal position.
- 14.2.7.4 The rapidly lowering of starter's arm with the flag(s) is the start signal.
- 14.2.8 If a team starts too early, it shall get a time penalty of 30 seconds.
- 14.2.9 A race judge is responsible for checking the violations. There shall be at least two race officials to check the starting line and at least two at the end of the starting chute tracks.
- 14.2.10 Mass start is not recommended in bikejoring, scooter and rig classes because of the potential risks for dogs and drivers caused by the equipment and the moving parts / wheels.
- 14.3 Pursuit start
  - 14.3.1 In the first race of the pursuit competition, the starting procedure is the single start procedure.
  - 14.3.2 In the second heat of the pursuit competition, the winner of the first heat starts first, the second ranked starts next, etc. The starting intervals are the same as the differences between the competitors' times from the first race results, rounded off upwards to whole seconds.
- 15. Starting Point and Time
  - 15.1 Starting Point
    - 15.1.1 In Sled classes, the brush bow of the sled should determine the starting point of the team.
    - 15.1.2 In Ski-Dogs and Canicross classes, the entire team, with the competitor holding his/her dogs by the collar or the harness, shall stay behind the starting line until the start signal has been given.
    - 15.1.3 In Dryland scooter, bikejoring and rig classes, the front wheel shall determine the starting point of the team and shall stay behind the starting line until the start signal has been given.
  - 15.2 Before the start, the starting team should come to a complete stop at the starting point defined in rule §15.1.
  - 15.3 Trail time for all teams shall begin at the scheduled time of departure.
  - 15.4 A team that fails to be in the starting position at its scheduled starting time or within half of the starting interval after the scheduled starting time shall be declared a late starting team, and shall receive a new starting time plus a time penalty of 3 (three) times the starting interval in its class. (Not applicable in Ski-Dogs, see §68)
    - 15.4.1 A late-starting team shall not be allowed to start until after the last team entered in its class has started, and after the prescribed starting interval.
    - 15.4.2 If more than one team is declared late, those teams shall start in the originally scheduled starting order.
    - 15.4.3 If a team is late to the starting line for its second scheduled time of departure for any one heat, that team shall be disqualified.
  - 15.5 When a team starts too early according to its scheduled time of departure, and neither the driver nor any of his/her designated handlers has initiated this, either by intention or negligence, that team's starting time shall be adjusted accordingly (see §68.4 for ski-dog classes).
  - 15.6 Except in cases defined in rule 15.5 above, a team starting too early according to its scheduled time of departure shall receive a time penalty of 3 (three) times the starting interval of the class. Its recorded racing time will start at the original scheduled starting time.
- 16. A team not clearing the Starting Chute (minimum distance, 30 meters) prior to the scheduled start of the next team may be disqualified.
- 17. Unless otherwise specified by the Race Marshal, assistance in the Starting Chute shall be allowed.
- 18. Finish
  - 18.1 A team shall have finished the heat when the first dog on the team crosses the finish line.



- Other timing methods are allowed, but only if all drivers or team leaders are officially informed on the applicable method before the first start of the race.
- 18.2. If a loose team crosses the finish line ahead of its driver, that team shall have finished when the driver reaches the finish line.
  - 18.3. When a dual starting chute is used as a finishing chute, a team may return on either trail.
  - 18.4. The team with the fastest total time of its class shall be declared the winner of that class.
  - 18.5. In case of equal timing whatever the positions of the dogs are the two competitors are tie (See 13.3 above)
  - 18.6. Finishing zone, where the “no right of way” applies, shall be 800 meters long (150 m for Ski-Dogs classes and Canicross)

### **III. TRAIL RULES (see also Annex D and E)**

#### 19. Following the Trail

- 19.1. A team and driver shall run the full course as established by the race-giving organization.
- 19.2. If a team leaves the trail, the driver shall return the team to the point at which they left the trail.

#### 20. Driving a Team

- 20.1. Any driver accepting a ride during the race on any vehicle other than his/her own means of transportation, shall be disqualified, unless in case of a loose team or dog.
- 20.2. A driver shall not interfere with a competing team.
- 20.3. Carrying a passenger at any time during the race shall be prohibited unless:
  - 20.3.1. Called for in the conditions of the race.
  - 20.3.2. Giving a ride to a driver in an emergency situation.

#### 21. Assistance on the Trail

- 21.1. All teams may receive similar assistance of any type from officials stationed at designated points along the trail as authorized by the Race Marshal. Only in case of a loose team or a team which is in clear and present danger to itself, to other teams or to persons, are officials and spectators allowed to take immediate action to secure the safety of the team. In all other cases, officials shall only act upon request of the driver for assistance, which is limited to controlling the dog(s) or to hold the sled/rig. The driver shall stop the team, clearly indicate which assistance is requested, and behave properly towards the officials.
- 21.2. Drivers running in the same heat may assist each other in any manner authorized by the Race Marshal.
- 21.3. No one shall assist a team by willfully pacing it.

#### 22. Loose Team and Dogs

- 22.1. All drivers must assume that a loose team or dog is an endangered team or dog.
- 22.2. A loose team or dog(s) shall not delay or interfere with another team.
- 22.3. The driver of a loose team shall overtake his/her team by the quickest means available to ensure the safety of the loose team.
  - 22.3.1. In the event that the driver cannot quickly and safely recover his/her team, the driver must accept assistance, including a ride when available, to recover his/her team. Failure to accept available assistance may result in disqualification of the driver of the loose team. The Race Marshal shall determine if a driver is to be disqualified.
  - 22.3.2. Any person(s) is (are) encouraged to stop and hold a loose team.
  - 22.3.3. All assistance must be reported to the race marshal directly after crossing the finish line. The Race Marshal decides if the team shall be penalized.
- 22.4. A loose team or dog may resume the trail without penalty provided the team/dog has completed the entire trail and the driver has received only authorized outside assistance.

#### 23. Right of Way

- 23.1. In a dual start, at the end of the chute, and whenever two trails join together, the team with the lead dog farthest ahead shall have the right of way.
- 23.2. When teams are passing in opposite directions on a single trail:
  - 23.2.1. The team travelling downhill shall have the right of way.

- 23.2.2. On level terrain, the Race Marshal shall determine and announce, prior to the start of the race, whether the incoming or outgoing team has the right of way.
- 23.3 In the “no-right-of-way” finishing zone, no team shall have the right of way over a finishing team.
- 23.4 During a heat starting with a pursuit start or a mass start, no team shall have the right of way during the entire heat. However, no team shall prevent another team from passing by blocking the trail, or interfering with the dog(s) of a passing team.
- 23.4
- 24. Passing
  - 24.1 When one team driver intends to pass another team, the passing team driver may request the right of way when the lead dog(s) come(s) within 15 meters of the sled of the overtaken team.
  - 24.2 The overtaken team driver shall make way for the passing team by steering the sled to one side of the trail, slowing his/her team and, if demanded by the overtaking team driver, stopping and keeping the team from moving forward. Stopping is not required in Ski-Dogs classes (see Chapter Three, §74) and in Dryland canicross, bikejoring and scooter classes (see Chapter Four, §79.3.5, 80.3.5, 81.3.4).
  - 24.3 If the passing team becomes tangled or bunched up in the course of the pass, to allow time to untangle and tighten lines, that team’s driver may require the overtaken team driver to remain stopped for up to one (1) minute in Unlimited and Limited Classes involving eight (8) or more dogs, one half (0.5) minute in all other classes. This rule does not apply to Canicross and Bikejoring classes.
  - 24.4 Once a team has been passed, that team shall not re-pass, so long as the driver in front is making an effort to keep his/her team moving forward until,
    - 24.4.1 in Unlimited or Limited Classes involving eight (8) or more dogs, after less than four (4) minutes or 1600 meters.
    - 24.4.2 in Limited Classes involving fewer than eight (8) dogs, after no less than two (2) minutes or 800 meters.
    - 24.4.3 at any lesser intervals whenever both drivers are in agreement.
    - 24.4.4 Rule 24.4 does not apply to Canicross and Bikejoring classes.
  - 24.5 After a pass has been completed, a team driver that has been passed need not hold his/her team while the other driver:
    - 24.5.1 repairs gear or
    - 24.5.2 unhooks and transfers a dog or dogs from one position in a team to another position in the team or
    - 24.5.3 goes off the race trail before the above mentioned distance or time interval has elapsed. Loading a dog in the sled constitutes changing a dog’s position in the team.
    - 24.5.4 For Canicross and Bikejoring holding is not required unless the passing resulted in animal welfare problems or a crash of the driver.
  - 24.6 A driver coming upon two or more teams stopped together may pass all such teams after making sure that the passing does not cause any danger for the overtaken teams. The stopped drivers shall make every effort to clear the trail for the moving team(s).
  - 24.7 Teams following each other shall maintain an interval of not less than one team length, except when passing or in the “no-right-of-way” Zone.
  - 24.8 When a team is overtaken in the No-right-of-way Zone, that team does not have to stop and yield the trail.
- 25. Temperatures
  - 25.1 Organizers and Race Marshals shall, in close cooperation with the race veterinarian, observe the guidelines as per Annex B III and B IV.

#### **IV. CONDUCT**

##### **26. Responsibility and Sportsmanship**

- 26.1 All drivers shall be responsible for the conduct of their dogs, their designated handler, and themselves whenever in the race area or on the trail.
- 26.2 Common sense and good sportsmanship shall prevail. If the Race Marshal determines that a driver's, handler's or team's conduct at any time in the race area or on the trail is detrimental to the sport/race, that team shall be disqualified.
- 26.3 In principle loose dogs are not allowed at the race area. However, the Race Marshal has the right to waive this rule if he is convinced that it is in the interests of the teams, and that drivers are in full control of their dogs. The latter meaning, that the loose dogs will not bother other dogs, the stakeout area, or equipment of participants or others.

In case the Race Marshal finds reason to waive the rule, he shall discuss the matter with the organizer and, if agreed upon, inform the drivers at the first drivers meeting, along with other possible supplementary regulations.

If a driver or his dog(s) infringes this rule, the driver shall be penalized with, at least, a warning.

#### 27. Abuse of Dogs

- 27.1 Abuse of dogs, with or without an implement, shall be prohibited. If a driver, in the opinion of the Race Marshal abuses a dog, that driver shall be disqualified.

### **V. RULES VIOLATIONS (See also the Annex A)**

#### 28. Reports by Race Officials

- 28.1 Race officials shall report over rule violations to the Race Marshal verbally, in person or by means of communication, immediately or directly following the heat in which the violation occurred. All verbal reports shall be followed by a written report, given to the Race Marshal in principle within one (1) hour of the completion of the concerned heats.
- 28.2 The Race Marshal shall act, at his/her/his discretion, on any overt violations witnessed and reported by race officials. The Race Marshal shall inform the reporting official(s) on his/her decision and possible further action.
- 28.3 When a Rules Enforcing Officer finds that a rules violation has occurred, s/he shall impose a penal reaction and report the incident to the RM who may also request a hearing".

#### 29. Reports by Race Contestants

- 29.1 Drivers wishing to report an alleged violation of the rules by another contestant shall notify the Race Marshal or the Race Marshal's representative immediately following the heat in which the incident occurred. Notification may be verbal.
- 29.2 All verbal reports shall be followed with a written report (see example of a protest form in appendix), given to the Race Marshal within one (1) hour of the completion of the participant's heat in which the alleged violation occurred.

#### 30. Protests and Hearings

- 30.1 Any driver implicated in a report of an alleged violation of the rules will be notified of the protest by the Race Marshal and provided access to copies of the written protests as soon as they become available but in all cases before any hearings are conducted.
- 30.2 Said hearing shall be conducted by the Race Marshal.
- 30.3 Contestants subject to a penal reaction from any Rules Enforcing Officer may appeal, i.e. request a hearing before the Race Jury.

#### 31. Disciplinary Action.

- 31.1 For violation of any IFSS Regulation, the Race Marshal shall either issue a verbal reprimand, a warning or disqualify the driver and team from the race.
- 31.2 No other disciplinary action shall be imposed, unless specifically defined in the Race Rules.
- 31.3 Decisions shall be announced as promptly as practical but no later than four (4) hours prior to the start of any ensuing heat(s).
- 31.4 Any disciplinary action following the final heat of the race shall be acted upon prior to the awards ceremony.
- 31.5 In the case of drug testing, the above time schedule does not apply to allow for laboratory findings and hearings, should the latter become necessary. No disqualification or other action will be taken against any contestant for alleged drug infractions pending the results of said tests.

- 31.6 Warnings and disqualifications shall be issued in the result list. All disciplinary actions shall be mentioned in the Race Marshal's report, with reference to the violated provision.
32. The decisions of the Race Marshal shall be final unless promptly appealed to the Appeals Jury if implemented (see 33 and 34 below) in cases concerning a contestant's further participation in the event.
33. Appeals Jury at World and Continental Championships.
- 33.1 Any decision of the Race Marshal affecting a contestant's participation in the event may be appealed to the IFSS Appeals Jury. Such appeal must be made as soon as practical following the official rendering of the decision. The appeal must be in writing in the English language and shall state the alleged infraction, the decision reached, the penalty imposed and what the contestant believes to be incorrect or unfair.
- 33.2 In World and Continental Championship events, the Appeals Jury shall consist of either three or five members depending on the number of IFSS officials assigned to take part (either one or two officials, appointed by the IFSS President) on the jury. The other members of the jury will be national team leaders elected to serve on the jury by the other national team leaders.
- 33.2.1 If two IFSS officials are appointed, then three team leaders will be elected.
- 33.2.2 If only one IFSS official is appointed, then only two national team leaders will be elected.
- 33.2.3 The two national team leaders receiving the next highest amounts of votes cast after those elected will serve as alternates in case one or more of the team leaders on the jury are required to decline their appointment due to a potential conflict of interest in any specific appeal.
- 33.2.4 The team leader members shall be elected by a secret vote of all team leaders. All team leaders are in principle eligible and no nominations will be held prior to the voting. All team leaders will receive a ballot with a place for either two or three names to be filled in. Team leaders may vote for themselves but may only cast one vote for any single name. The team leaders with the highest number of votes will fill the positions on the jury followed by the alternate positions.
- 33.2.5 The President shall designate which IFSS official is to serve as the chair of the Appeals Jury.
- 33.3 In principle drivers and /or member organizations may appeal the decision of the Appeal Committee via the IFSS Disciplinary Committee. However during an event the decision of the Appeal Committee will stay.
34. Appeals Jury at events other than World and Continental Championships
- 34.1 In events other than the World and Continental Championships, it is left to the choice of the organizer whether or not to implement a similar Appeals Jury. In last instance, the decision may be appealed via the applicable governing body of the member organization.
35. Appeals Jury investigation and decision
- 35.1 The jury shall conduct a new and independent investigation into the allegations.
- 35.2 The jury will render a decision following secret deliberations. They may affirm, overturn or modify the decision of the Race Marshal in any way necessary to achieve a correct and just outcome.
- 35.3 The jury will announce its decision as soon as possible so as not to interfere with the subsequent heats of the affected class.

## VI. ANIMAL WELFARE RULES

36. Supplementary to the various animal welfare measures as per the rules and procedures, the following rules apply:
- 36.1 All drivers shall guarantee- and be responsible for- the welfare of their dogs

- 36.2 Rule offences shall be corrected immediately, with the race rule 27.1 being decisive (dog abuse = disqualification). RGOs and RMs shall not hesitate to report serious offenders to a higher level.
37. Means of transportation.
- 37.1 All means of transportation for dogs shall guarantee protection against the weather (temperature, wind, rain etc.) as well as against exhaust gasses.
- 37.2 In case of the transport of one or two dogs without a box, the dogs shall never be transported loose and never be fastened via a line to the collar. For the safety of dogs always dog boxes are to be preferred.
- 37.3 A sufficient supply of fresh air and a good air circulation shall be present.
38. Dog boxes
- 38.1 In case of more than 2 dogs, the animals shall be transported in boxes. These shall be well- and safely constructed, preventing escape and / or injury of the dogs
- 38.2 Since dogs vary in size, the dimensions of the boxes are not strictly laid down. However for safety reasons boxes shall be neither too small nor too large. The box shall be large enough for the dog(s) to stretch out, stand up, turn around and to curl up.
- 38.3 In case countries do have official, specific regulations for dog boxes, the RGO shall, in case of an international event, publish the eventual deviating regulations in the race invitation.
- 38.4 The boxes shall be clean and dry. If hay or straw is used it shall be fresh. If other material is used it shall be as such as it cannot harm the dogs.
- 38.5 Inside the boxes, the dogs shall not be chained.
- 38.6 Dogs in their boxes shall never be unattended for a long period. If the driver / handler for some reason cannot meet this requirement, he / she shall make arrangements with somebody else (and leave a key)
39. Stake-outs etc.
- 39.1 Stake out chains / cables, drop chains / cables and other tie on means shall be so constructed that comfort and some freedom of movement is guaranteed. It shall be possible for the individual dog to lie down.
- 39.2 The chain / cable at which the dog is fastened shall never be such long that they could create dangerous situations for the dogs like tangling with another dog or even suffocation.
- 39.3 All material shall be in good condition preventing possible injury. The ends of cable lines shall be wrapped to prevent injury because of unravelling of the ends.
- 39.4 Dogs at stake outs or on drop-out chains shall be attended.
- 39.5 Drivers / handlers shall keep the stake out / parking area clean, leave no food and dispose of the dog droppings or other waste in containers available for that purpose. If no such containers are foreseen , one should take the garbage for disposal at another suitable place not disturbing other persons.

## **CHAPTER TWO**

### **Special Rules for Sled Sprint and Distance Classes**

#### **I. ENTRY RULES**

##### **40. Eligibility**

At the option of the race giving organization, competitions may be held in the following classes:

- 40.1 Classes in Sprint races

- 40.1.1 An **Unlimited Class Team (SpU)** shall consist of not less than seven (7) dogs in the first heat and not less than five (5) dogs in any subsequent heat for competitors from 16 years of age (Note 1).
- 40.1.2 A **Limited Ten-Dog Class Team (Sp10)** shall consist of no more than ten (10) dogs, not less than seven (7) dogs in the first heat and not less than five (5) dogs in any subsequent heat for competitors from 16 years of age (Note 1).
- 40.1.3 A Limited **Eight-Dog Class Team (Sp8)** shall consist of not more than eight (8) dogs, and not less than five (5) dogs for competitors from 16 years of age (Note 1).
- 40.1.4 A Limited **Six-Dog Class Team (Sp6)** shall consist of not more than six (6) dogs, and not less than four (4) dogs for competitors from 16 years of age (Note 1).
- 40.1.5 A Limited **Four-Dog Class Team (Sp4)** shall consist of not more than four (4) dogs, and not less than three (3) dogs for competitors from 19 years of age (Note 1).
- 40.1.6a A Limited **Four-Dog Junior Class Team (Sp4J)** shall consist of not more than four (4) dogs and not less than three (3) dogs for competitors from 16 to and including 20 years. (Note 1). A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the Elite class instead.
- 40.1.6b A limited **Four-Dog Youth Class Team (SP4Y)** is recommended from 14-16 years of age (Note 1). Minimum 3 dogs. This shall not be a championship class.
- 40.1.7 A limited **Two-Dog Class team (Sp2)** shall consist of not more than and not less than two (2) dogs for competitors from 14 years of age (Note 1). General rule 2.7 strictly applies to Sp2 class. This shall not be a championship class
- 40.1.8 A limited **Two-Dog Youth class team (Sp2Y)** shall consist of not more than and not less than two (2) dogs for competitors from 12 to 14 years of age (Note 1). This shall not be a championship class
- 40.1.9. After the first heat and each ensuing heat, a driver may voluntarily reduce the size of the team, subject to class minimums.
- 40.1.10 The Race Marshal may reduce the size of any team that s/he determines is too large for the designated driver.

A competitor shall not run in both Elite and junior classes during the same event.

#### 40.2 Classes in Distance races

- 40.2.1 A **6-dog Mid-Distance class Team (MD6)** shall consist of not more than six (6) dogs and not less than four (4) dogs for competitors from 16 years of age (Note 1).
- 40.2.2 A **12-dog Mid-Distance class Team (MD12)** shall consist of not more than twelve (12) dogs and not less than eight (8) dogs in the first heat and not less than seven (7) dogs in any subsequent heat for competitors from 16 years of age (Note 1).
- 40.2.3 A **Limited 8-dog Long Distance Class Team (LD8)** shall consist of not more than eight (8) dogs and not less than six (6) dogs in the first heat and not less than five (5) dogs in any subsequent heat for competitors from 16 years of age (Note 1).
- 40.2.4 An **Unlimited Long Distance Class (LDU) Team** shall consist of not less than eight (8) dogs in the first heat and not less than seven (7) dogs in any subsequent heat for competitors from 16 years of age (Note 1).
- 40.2.5 Upon request from the organizer, the IFSS may determine a maximum number of dogs in an Unlimited Class Team. The race invitation shall inform of an eventual limitation.

#### 40.3 Additional and optional rules:

- 40.3.1 At the option of the organization, each driver may have a rotation pool of dogs to choose from before each stage to meet the minimum/maximum requirements set for the class. The organization shall define the maximum number in the pool for each concerned class.
- 40.3.2 Each driver shall declare all the dogs included in his/her rotation pool. A driver may not exchange or add dogs once his/her pool of dogs has been declared and marked.

- 40.3.3 A race-giving organization may impose additional rules to meet requirements unique to local conditions **insofar as they do not conflict with the IFSS intentions or the Animal Welfare ideas.**

## 41. Equipment

### 41.1 Harnesses and Lines

- 41.1.1 All dogs shall be harnessed in single or double file.
- 41.1.2 All harnesses shall be well fitting and at least be padded around the neck and chest area. They shall be made from flexible fabrics.
- 41.1.3 All dogs shall be fastened to the **tow line, which shall be made of non rigid, flexible line,** with a neck line and a tail line with the exception of the leader(s), who may run without a neck line.
- 41.1.4 A snub line but may be carried on the sled but it shall not be used in any other manner than to tie down and hold the sled.
- 41.1.5 Chain lines are strictly prohibited. All other lines shall not endanger the dogs welfare and are subject to the approval of the Race Marshal (see §7.2).

### 41.2. Sleds

- 41.2.1 A sled shall be capable of adequately carrying the driver and in case of emergency a passenger, and have a basket with a hard bottom of minimum surface of 40 cm x 50 cm capable of safely carrying a dog.
- 41.2.2 A sled shall be equipped with an adequate brake, an adequate rubber braking pad fastened to the sled via a solid tip-up system, brushbow, one snow hook in Sp2, Sp4 and Sp6 classes, two snow hooks in all other classes , and an adequately ventilated dog bag.
- 41.2.3 The runners of the sled shall not have steel edges.
- 41.2.4 Sleds may be replaced between heats/stages and at designated checkpoints (Distance races).

### 41.3 Helmets and other safety equipment

- 41.3.1 For Junior class participants, with the exception of Ski Dogs and Canicross, a helmet is mandatory. For all other classes, with the same exception as above, helmets are strongly advised. **The helmet should be a model approved by a national test registry.**

**Helmets may be made mandatory by any Race Giving Organization, if they deem it necessary for safety and/or insurance purposes, via their Race Invitation.**

- 41.3.2 **It is not recommended to tie oneself to the sled or to the line. If one does, it is at his/her own risk and the tie line must be easy to undo by either using a loose loop around the wrist or a quick release.**

- 41.3.3 The Race Organizer may mandate additional special rules for safety equipment.

### 41.4 Other equipment

At the option of the organizer, additional mandatory equipment may be dictated. The race invitation shall list the equipment.

## II. TRAIL RULES (see also Annex D III on check points and rest stops)

### 42. Driving a Team

- 42.1 A driver may ride the sled, pedal or run as wished.
- 42.2. All dogs starting the heat shall complete the entire course, either hitched in the team or carried on the sled.
- 42.3. A dog becoming unfit after departure shall be carried completely in the dog bag of the sled to the finish unless specific drop checkpoints have been prepared along the trail and announced.
- 42.3.1. A dropped dog shall be fastened by a chain or cable to hold it in place until it is picked up by an authorized person.
- 42.3.2. Dropped dogs shall be disqualified to compete in the remainder of the race, unless the driver dropped a pool dog or dogs, at his/her discretion and according to the

requirements as per the rules. In this case, the driver, on his/her own discretion, may use dogs dropped by himself/herself again, provided the dogs are in good health. However, sick or injured dogs have to be reported to a race veterinarian.

## CHAPTER THREE

### Ski-Dogs

Special rules for pulka classes, skijoring and Ski-Dogs relays

#### I. ENTRY RULES

43. At the option of the race giving organization, competitions may be held in the following disciplines:
  - 43.1 1-dog and 2-dog Skijoring
  - 43.2 1-dog and 1-4 dog Pulka
  - 43.3 Combined race with skijoring and pulka stages.
  - 43.4 Relay with all legs in pulka style, skijoring or mixed.
44. The classes (except relay) shall be divided by men and women if there are at least 5 participants in the class. In case there are less than 5 participants per class in the separate classes, men and women classes could be combined in one class.
45. In multiple dog class, the drivers may reduce their team if wanted. If the team is reduced, the driver may not add that dog back in subsequent stages (unless authorized otherwise by the Race Marshal or in supplementary regulations.). A participant is allowed to reduce the team only between stages.
46. The Race Marshal may reduce the size of any team determined to be too large for the designated driver.

#### II. SKIJORING

47. A Skijoring team consists of a competitor, racing solely on skis and being connected to one or two harnessed dogs via a snub line.

#### 48. Classes

At the option of the race giving organization, competitions may be held in the following classes:

- 48.1 One Dog Class Skijoring Men for competitors from 19 years and above. (SM1)
- 48.2 One Dog Class Skijoring Women for competitors from 19 years and above. (SW1)
- 48.3 One Dog Class Skijoring Junior Men for competitors from 16 up to and including 20 years. (A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the Elite class instead). (SMJ)
- 48.4 One Dog Class Skijoring Junior Women for competitors from 16 up to and including 20 years. (A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the Elite class instead). (SWJ)
- 48.5 Two Dog Class Skijoring Men (minimum 1 dog, maximum 2 dogs) for competitors from 19 years and above. (SM2)
- 48.6 Two Dog Class Skijoring Women (minimum 1 dog, maximum 2 dogs) for competitors from 19 years and above. (SW2)
- 48.7 Mid Distance Two Dog Class Skijoring Men (minimum 1 dog, maximum 2 dogs) for competitors from 19 years and above. (MDSM)
- 48.8 Mid Distance Two Dog Class Skijoring Women (minimum 1 dog, maximum 2 dogs) for competitors from 19 years and above. (MDSW)
- 48.9 Children's classes with competitors being younger than per §2.3.2.2. may also be held with One-dog team only.

A competitor shall not run in both Elite and junior classes during the same event.

#### 49. Equipment

- 49.1 All dogs shall be harnessed in a single file or in pairs and shall be attached to the driver by a snub line with shock absorber at all time.
- 49.2 The snub line shall be attached to the driver by a hip belt (at least 7 cm wide over the spine). The belt shall have an open hook in order to make it easy to release the line, or a quick release connection (panic-snap).
- 49.3 It is prohibited to have any form of metal hook or ring at the driver's end of the line.
- 49.4 The length of the expanded snub line should be a minimum of 2.5 meters and a maximum of 3.5 meters.



- 49.5 A neckline shall be used in two-dog classes.
- 49.6 Only cross-country skis without steel edges or sharp tips and non-dangerous for the dog(s) may be used.
- 49.7 The equipment shall be available for inspection by the race officials before and after the race.
- 49.8 All entrants shall be responsible for seeing that their equipment meets the requirement of these rules.

50. Start, trail and finish rules.

(See the Common rules for Ski-Dogs races: § VI. Start Rules; §VII. Trail Rules; §VIII. Finish rules)

### III. PULKA

51. A Pulka team consists of a competitor, racing solely on skis and being connected with a pulka pulled by harnessed dog(s).

52. Classes

At the option of the race giving organization, competitions may be held in the following classes:

- 52.1 One Dog Class Pulka Men for competitors from 19 years and above. (PM1)
- 52.2 One Dog Class Pulka Women for competitors from 19 years and above. (PW1)
- 52.3 One Dog Class Pulka Junior Men for competitors from 16 up to and including 20 years. (A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the Elite class instead). (PMJ)
- 52.4 One Dog Class Pulka Junior Women for competitors from 16 up to and including 20 years. (A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the Elite class instead). (PWJ)
- 52.5 One-Four Dog Class Pulka Men for competitors from 19 years and above. (PM4)
- 52.6 One-Four Dog Class Pulka Women for competitors from 19 years and above. (PW4)
- 52.7 Mid Distance One-Four Dog Class Pulka Men (minimum 1 dog, maximum 4 dogs) for competitors from 19 years and above. (MDPM)
- 52.8 Mid Distance One-Four Dog Class Pulka Women (minimum 1 dog, maximum 4 dogs) for competitors from 19 years and above. (MDPW)

A competitor shall not run in both Elite and junior classes during the same event.

53. Equipment

- 53.1 All dogs shall be harnessed in single or double file.
- 53.2 The pulka shall be:
  - 53.2.1 Connected with one or two solid shafts to the dog (s) closest to the pulka or sled (wheeldogs) so that it is not possible for the pulka or sled to overrun a harnessed dog(s).
  - 53.2.2 So constructed that the runners do not create any risk of harming the dog(s).
  - 53.2.3 Equipped with the possibility of fastening the load securely;
  - 53.2.4 Equipped with a hand brake, if there are more than two dogs in the team;
  - 53.2.5 Equipped with a snub line with shock absorber.
- 53.3. The total load to be carried shall be:
  - 53.3.1 For a one (1) dog team the total load to be carried shall be: weight of the dog (adjusted upward to the nearest kilo) x 0.7. The Pulka weight is adjusted upward to the nearest half kilo.
  - 53.3.2 For a two (2) dog team the total load to be carried shall be: the gross weight of the dogs (adjusted upward to the nearest kilo) x 0.7. The Pulka weight is adjusted upward to the nearest half kilo.
  - 53.3.3 For a three (3) dog team the total load to be carried shall be: the gross weight of the dogs (adjusted upward to the nearest kilo) x 0.6. The Pulka weight is adjusted upward to the nearest half kilo.
  - 53.3.4 For a four (4) dog team the total load to be carried shall be: the gross weight of the dogs (adjusted upward to the nearest kilo) x 0.5. The Pulka weight is adjusted upward to the nearest half kilo.
- 53.4 The load consists of: pulka, shafts, harness(es), lines and the additional weight.

- 53.5 The additional weight shall be furnished by the participant him/herself.
- 53.6 The snub line shall be attached to the driver by a hip belt (at least 7 cm wide over the spine). The belt shall have an open hook in order to make it easy to release the line or a quick release connection (panic-snap).
- 53.7 Only cross-country skis without steel edges or sharp tips and non dangerous for the dog(s) may be used.
- 53.8 The equipment shall be available for inspection by the race officials before the race, and for inspection and pulka weight control after the race.
- 53.9 All entrants shall be responsible for seeing that their equipment meets the requirement of these rules.

54. Start, trail and finish rules.

(See the Common rules for Ski-Dogs races: §VI. Start Rules; §VII. Trail Rules; §VIII. Finish rules)

#### IV. COMBINED RACE

55. Combined race is a Ski-Dogs event consisting of one heat with pulka and one heat with skijoring, run by the same team.

56. Classes

At the option of the race giving organization, competitions may be held in the following classes:

- 56.1 One Dog Class Combined Men for competitors from 19 years and above. (CM)
- 56.2 One Dog Class Combined Women for competitors from 19 years and above. (CW)
- 56.3. One Dog Class Combined Junior Men for competitors from 16 up to and including 20 years. (A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the Elite class instead). (CMJ)
- 56.4 One Dog Class Combined Junior Women for competitors from 16 up to and including 20 years. (A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the Elite class instead). (CWJ)

A competitor shall not run in both Elite and junior classes during the same event.

57. Equipment

(See the Equipment Rules for Skijoring §49 and Pulka §53.)

58. Start, Trail and Finish rules

At the option of the Organizer the combined race may be held in two different variations:

- 58.1 Mass start and pit-stop
  - 58.1.1 The start of the first heat is regulated by the Mass start Rules as per §69. After the first heat the competitors go directly into a pit-stop at the change over-area (see §59) and change to skijoring.
  - 58.1.2 The total race time is the time from the start of the mass start until the participants cross the finish line after the second heat.
- 58.2 Pursuit race
  - 58.2.1. After the first heat, the competitors have a rest. The duration of the rest is determined by the Organizer. Pursuit start Rule §65 defines the start order of the second heat.
  - 58.2.2. The total race time is the sum of the results of the two heats.
- 58.3. Trail Rules (see the Common §VII: Trail Rules for Ski-Dogs races).
- 58.4. Finish Rules (see the Common §VIII: Finish Rules for Ski-Dogs races).

59. Combined Change-over Area (See drawing in the Appendix for example)

- 59.1. The change-over area shall be a marked area, length approximately 20-50 meters, width approximately 15 meters. It begins at the finish line and ends at a marked line across the trail.
- 59.2. The dog is to be held by the shaft or harness in the change-over area.
- 59.3 The participant shall change equipment from pulka to skijoring (or on the contrary) in his/her designated pit and leave all equipment in that pit.
- 59.4 It is not allowed for the participants to receive any help in the change-over area.

#### V. SKI-DOGS RELAY

60. A relay race is a one-day competition, which involves relay teams of at least three participants.

61. At the option of the race giving organization, the relay will include stages of:

- 61.1 pulka only,
  - 61.2 skijoring only,
  - 61.3 mixed skijoring and pulka. In that case the race giving organization will specify in advance which legs of the relay will be run in each discipline.
62. Each participant runs the trail once. After the finish line the participant changes over to the next participant in the relay team, who may then start.
63. The relay team that reaches the finish line first after all stages is the winner of the relay competition.
64. Relay Team
- 64.1 The participants in a relay team shall in principle be representatives of the same organization or country. At the option of the race giving organization, a mixed team of organizations or countries may be allowed full participation, but they shall never be awarded with titles and the corresponding prizes at IFSS World Championships.  
Note: National organizations are, during their events, at all times free to decide on awarding mixed teams.
  - 64.2 Only one-dog teams are allowed in relay races.
  - 64.3 Each Relay team may consist of men, women and juniors.
  - 64.4 Separate relay competition may be organized for men, women and juniors.
65. Relay Entries
- 65.1 The name of the participants in each relay team and the order in which they start shall be handed over to the race office at least 60 minutes before the start or otherwise as timely informed by the race marshal.
66. Areas for Start, Trail, Change-Over and Finish in Relay Race (See drawing of change-over area in Appendix)
- 66.1 Starting, change-over and finish area do not have to be the same location.
  - 66.2 Relay Starting area meets the requirements for the mass start area (see the Common Mass start Rules for Ski-Dogs §69).
  - 66.3 The Trail of the Relay Race meets the requirements for the common trail rules (see the Common Trail Rules for Ski-Dogs §VII).
  - 66.4 Relay Change-Over Area
    - 66.4.1 The change-over area shall be a marked area, length approximately 20-50 meters, width approximately 15 meters. It is to be preferred that the change over area is made at an angle to the incoming trail (see examples attached).
    - 66.4.2 The change-over area begins at the finish line and ends at a marked line across the trail.
  - 66.5 Change-over procedure
    - 66.5.1 A race official shall give a signal (e.g. the speaker announcing the starting number) to every team leader or assistant when an incoming team is approximately 1 km from the change-over area.
    - 66.5.2 The signal has to be clear for the team leaders or assistants, who shall be located at a special sector of the change-over area.
    - 66.5.3 An incoming participant shall release the dog as soon as the dog has passed the finish line.
    - 66.5.4 The team assistant should take charge of the dog.
    - 66.5.5 The participant continues into the change-over area and touches the next participant of his/her team with his/her hand.
    - 66.5.6 The change-over shall take place within the change-over area. A race official shall control the change-over.
    - 66.5.7 It is not allowed for participants to receive any help in the change-over area except as already provided for in §66.5.4 above.
  - 66.6 Relay Finish rules meet the requirements for the common Finish rules (see the Common Finish Rules for Ski-Dogs §VIII.).
67. Relay Timing

- 67.1. Time is measured from the starting order “Go” until the last participant of the team crosses the finish line.
- 67.2. Time is also measured the moment each individual participant passes the finish line. Therefore, it is advised to equip relay teams with bibs, which mention, besides the team number, also the starting position of each individual team member (e.g. 1<sup>1</sup>· 1<sup>2</sup> etc.)

## **VI. COMMON START RULES FOR SKI-DOGS RACES**

### **68. Individual Start Rules**

- 68.1. Individual Start chute is a specified stretch of the trail from the starting line, minimum 30 meters length and 4 meters width.
- 68.2. The competitor and the dog(s) shall wait behind the starting line until the start signal has been given.
- 68.3. The starting interval between the participants shall be 30 seconds or 1 minute.
- 68.4. If the team starts before the start signal is given, it will be called back for a proper start. This start will be allowed as soon as possible, but cannot take place within 10 seconds before or within 10 seconds after another team’s scheduled start.
- 68.5. If the team is late to the start, it will be allowed to start whenever it is ready, except for ten seconds before or after another starting team
- 68.6. In both cases, the time shall be kept as if the team had started on time, but the starter shall make a note of the real starting time.

### **69. Mass start:**

- 69.1. See General rules §14.2 for Mass Start general rules with the following additional rule:
- 69.2. The competitors must lead their dogs by the shackle or harness along the starting track and must keep skis and poles parallel.
- 69.3. If a competitor does not hold his/her dog as instructed in §69.2, s/he shall get a warning. If, in this situation, another competitor had to stop or was delayed, the offender should be disqualified.

### **70. Pursuit start**

- 70.1. In the first heat of the pursuit competition, the starting procedure is in accordance with race rule §63.above.
- 70.2. The competitor and the dog(s) shall wait behind the starting line until the start signal has been given.
- 70.3. See General rules §14.3 for Pursuit start general rules.

## **VII. COMMON TRAIL RULES FOR SKI-DOGS RACES**

- 71. The driver shall follow his/her dog(s) on skis
- 72. The driver is not allowed to pace the dog(s) by running ahead of the team.
- 73. Pulling the dog or forcing the dog to move forward by any means is strictly forbidden. Assisting the dog(s) by pulling or pushing the pulka or the sled is permitted. Assistance in watering or feeding dogs is permitted. The race Marshal shall designate specific spots on the trail where such help may be given.
- 74. During the overtaking procedure on the command “TRAIL,” the overtaken team shall make way for the passing team by moving on behind the dog(s) on the same side of the trail, shall not be skating and shall keep the skis and poles parallel to the trail.
- 75. If a dog becomes unfit or stops advancing for any reason, the competitor is not permitted to finish the heat.
- 76. The trail for individual start should be 4 meters wide and the last 150m should be 6 meters wide.

The trail for mass start should be 6 meters wide and the last 150m should be 8 meters wide.

## **VIII. COMMON FINISH CHUTE FOR SKI-DOGS RACES**

- 77. A marker, placed 150 meters before the finish line defines the “no-right-of-way” finishing zone in which the Ski-Dogs driver and his/her dog are obliged to hold the same side of the trail and no team shall have the right of way over a finishing team. The passing procedure, as per §69 above is no longer applicable

## CHAPTER FOUR DRYLAND STYLE

### I. ENTRY RULES

#### 78. Entry Rules

- 78.1 At the option of the race-giving organization, competitions may be held in the following disciplines:
  - 78.1.1 Canicross,
  - 78.1.2 Bikejöring one dog,
  - 78.1.3 1 and 2-dog Scooter,
  - 78.1.4 4-, 6-, 8-dog Rig
  - 78.1.5 Relay in canicross and/or bikejöring.
- 78.2 After the first heat and each ensuing heat, a driver may voluntarily reduce the size of the team, subject to class minimums. See also the RR 5.
- 78.3 The Race Marshal may reduce the size of any team determined to be too large for the designated driver.
- 78.4 Any dog having raced in one class of a dryland race shall not be eligible to race in a second class on the same day, unless the second class is canicross.

### II. CANICROSS

#### 79. Canicross

A Canicross team consists of a competitor, racing solely on foot, and one dog.

##### 79.1 Classes

At the option of the race giving organization, competitions may be held in the following classes:

- 79.1.1 Canicross junior men (DCMJ) and Canicross Junior women (DCWJ) for competitors from 16 up to and including 20 years of age (Note 1). A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the Elite class instead.
  - 79.1.2 Canicross Elite men (DCM) and Canicross Elite women (DCW) for competitors from 19 up to and including 39 years of age and older (Note 1).
  - 79.1.3 Canicross veteran men (DCMV) and Canicross veteran women (DCWV) for competitors from 40 years of age and older (Note 1). A competitor shall not run in both Elite and veteran classes during the same event.
  - 79.1.4 A competitor shall not run in both Elite and veteran classes during the same event.
  - 79.1.5 Relay competitions with women and men teams for competitors from 16 years of age.
  - 79.1.6 Children classes with competitors being younger than per §79.1.1 above may also be held but not as Championship classes.
- ##### 79.2 Equipment
- 79.2.1 The dog shall be attached to the driver by a snub line with shock absorber at all time. The snub line shall be attached to the driver by a hip belt or any other harness type equipment (at least 7 cm wide over the spine). It is prohibited to have any form of metal hook or ring at the driver's end of the line. The expanded snub line shouldn't be less than 2 meters and shouldn't exceed 3 meters in length.
- ##### 79.3 Start, Trail and Finish Rules
- 79.3.1 The competitor and the dog shall wait behind the starting line until the start signal has been given.
  - 79.3.2 The driver shall not pace the dogs by running ahead of or force the dog to run in any way.
  - 79.3.3 Pulling the dog or forcing the dog to move forward by any means is strictly forbidden.
  - 79.3.4 If a dog becomes unfit or refuses to advance for any reason, the competitor is not permitted to finish the heat.

- 79.3.5 During the overtaking procedure, the overtaken team shall make unimpeded way for the passing team. On the command “TRAIL,” the participant and the dog are obliged to hold the same side of the trail and slow down.
- 79.3.6 If a mass start is organized, all the competitors of the same class shall wait together behind the starting line holding their dog by the collar or the harness. If they cannot all stay on one line, they shall set more lines as required. Seeded competitors, if any, shall stay on the first line(s) ahead of the non-seeded competitors.
- 79.3.7 Finish rules: See Race Rules, Chapter One, II.18.

### III. BIKEJÖRING

#### 80. Bikejöring One Dog

A Bikejöring one dog team consists of a driver pedalling a bicycle and one dog.

##### 80.1 Classes

At the option of the race giving organization, competitions may be held in the following classes:

- 80.1.1 Bikejöring junior men (DBMJ) and Bikejöring junior women (DBWJ) for competitors from 16 up to and including 20 years. A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the Elite class instead.
- 80.1.2 Bikejöring Elite men (DBM) and Bikejöring Elite women (DBW) for competitors from 19 up to and including 39 years of age and older (Note 1).
- 80.1.3 Bikejöring veteran men (DBMV) and Bikejöring veteran women (DBWV) for competitors from 40 years of age (Note 1). A competitor shall not run in both Elite and veteran classes during the same event.
- 80.1.4 In all competitions, except championships, there should be classes for young children. Recommended from 11 years.

##### 80.2 Equipment

- 80.2.1 The dog shall be attached to the bicycle or to the driver by a snub line with shock absorber not less than 2.5 meters expanded and not exceeding 3 meters in length expanded in front of the bike. If the line is attached to the driver, it should be by a hip belt (at least 7 cm wide over the spine). It is prohibited to have any form of metal hook or ring at the driver’s end of the line.
- 80.2.2 The bicycle shall be equipped with an efficient brake on each wheel.
- 80.2.3 All drivers must wear a helmet approved by a national test registry. Wearing gloves is recommended.
- 80.2.4 Studded tires are not allowed on bikes

##### 80.3 Start, Trail and Finish Rules

- 80.3.1 The front wheel of the bicycle shall determine the starting point of the team and shall stay before the starting line until the start signal has been given.
- 80.3.2 The driver shall not pace the dog by driving ahead.
- 80.3.3 Pulling the dog or forcing the dog to move forward by any means is strictly forbidden.
- 80.3.4 If a dog becomes unfit or refuses to advance for any reason, the driver is not permitted to finish the heat.
- 80.3.5 During the overtaking procedure, the overtaken team shall make unimpeded way for the passing team. On the command “TRAIL,” the participant and the dog are obliged to hold the same side of the trail and stop pedaling.
- 80.3.6 Finish rules: See Race Rules, Chapter One, II.18.

## IV. SCOOTER

### 81. Scooter

#### 81.1 Classes

At the option of the race giving organization, competitions may be held in the following classes:

- 81.1.1 Scooter one dog junior (DSJ) for competitors from 16 up to and including 20 years (Note 1). A 19 or 20 year-old competitor may choose to run in the Elite class instead. A Scooter one dog team consists of a driver riding a two-wheeled scooter-type vehicle pulled by one dog.
- 81.1.2 Providing that there are enough competitors for both categories, Scooter one dog class shall be divided into men (DSM1) and women (DSW1) categories.
- 81.1.3 Scooter 2-dog (DS2) for competitors 19 years and older (Note 1).
- 81.1.4 A Scooter 2-dog team consists of a driver riding a two-wheeled scooter-type vehicle pulled by one or two dogs.
- 81.1.5 Bicycles without pedal mechanisms and bicycles with the pedal mechanisms blocked will be allowed.
- 81.1.6 Light three-wheeled rigs will be allowed in the Scooter 2-dog class
- 81.1.7 In all competitions, except championships, there should be classes for young children. Recommended from 11 years, maximum 1 dog.

#### 81.2 Equipment

- 81.2.1 The dog shall be attached to the scooter by a snub line with shock absorber not less than 2.5 meters expanded and not exceeding 3 meters in length expanded in front of the scooter.
- 81.2.2 A neckline shall be used in two-dog classes
- 81.2.3 The scooter shall be equipped with an efficient brake on each wheel.
- 81.2.4 The minimum wheels diameter shall be 12 inches (30 cm).
- 81.2.5 All drivers must wear a helmet approved by a national test registry. Wearing gloves is recommended.
- 81.2.6 Studded tires are not allowed on scooters

#### 81.3 Start, Trail and Finish Rules

- 81.3.1 The front wheel of the scooter shall determine the starting point of the team and shall stay before the starting line until the start signal has been given.
- 81.3.2 The driver shall ride the scooter behind his/her dogs.
- 81.3.3 If a dog becomes unfit or refuses to advance for any reason, the driver is not permitted to finish the heat.
- 81.3.4 During the overtaking procedure the overtaken team shall make unimpeded way for the passing team. On the command "TRAIL," the participant and the dog are obliged to hold the same side of the trail and slow down.
- 81.3.5 Finish rules: See Race Rules, Chapter One, II.18.

## V. RIG CLASSES

### 82. Rig Classes

#### 82.1 Classes

At the option of the race giving organization, competitions may be held in the following classes:

- 82.1.1 **4-Dog rig (DR4):** A limited Four-Dog rig shall consist of not more than four (4) dogs and not less than three (3) dogs for competitors from 19 years of age (Note 1).
- 82.1.2 **6-Dog rig (DR6):** A limited Six-Dog rig shall consist of not more than six (6) dogs and not less than four (4) dogs for competitors from 19 years of age (Note 1).
- 82.1.3 **8-Dog rig (DR8):** A limited Eight-Dog rig shall consist of not more than eight (8) dogs and not less than five (5) dogs for competitors from 19 years of age (Note 1).

#### 82.2 Equipment

- 82.2.1 All dogs shall be harnessed in single or double file.
- 82.2.2 All dogs shall be fastened to the tow line, which shall be made of non rigid, flexible line, with a neck line and a tail line with the exception of the leader(s), who may run without a neck line.
- 82.2.3 The rig in 4-Dog class may either have three (3) or four (4) wheels. The 4-wheeled rig shall be used in DR6 and DR8 classes, except when it is mentioned in the race invitation that 3-wheelers are allowed in other than the 4-dog classes. The minimum wheels diameter shall be 12 inches (30 cm).  
All rigs shall be equipped with:
  - 82.2.3.1 An efficient brake on the back wheels. Having brakes in the front wheels is recommended.
  - 82.2.3.2 A locking brake (handbrake) which can be blocked.
  - 82.2.3.3 Sufficient drop chains or cables to tether dogs at the dropping check points.
  - 82.2.3.4 All drivers must wear a helmet approved by a national test registry. Wearing gloves is recommended.
  - 82.2.3.5 Studded tires are not allowed on rigs
- 82.2.4 The following weights are recommended minimums for rigs:
  - 4-Dog class: 25 kg
  - 6-Dog class: 35 kg
  - 8-Dog class: 45 kg
 Independent from the above-mentioned weights, rigs shall be well and safely constructed, adapted to the number of dogs in the team, be stable and shall, as much as possible, guarantee the safety of dogs and drivers.
- 82.3 Start, Trail and Finish Rules
  - 82.3.1 The front wheel(s) shall determine the starting point of the team and shall stay before the starting line until the start signal has been given.
  - 82.3.2 The driver may ride the rig, pedal or run as wished.
  - 82.3.3 The driver shall not pace the dogs by running ahead or force the dog to run in any way.
  - 82.3.4 Dog drop check points shall be provided at least every 3 km and may be combined with normal check points. They shall be equipped with a stake-out and water. Dogs dropped at check points shall not be allowed to start in succeeding heats. If no possibilities are provided to drop dogs and a dog becomes unfit or refuses to advance for any reason, the driver is not permitted to finish the heat. For safety reasons, the transport of a dog on the rig is strictly forbidden in all classes.
  - 82.3.5 During the overtaking procedure the overtaken team shall make unimpeded way for the passing team. On the command "TRAIL," the overtaken team is obliged to hold the same side of the trail and slow down. On the command "STOP," the overtaken team is obliged to stop movement forward. § 23 of Chapter One, III Trail Rules applies.
  - 82.3.6 Finish rules: See Race Rules, Chapter One, II.18.

## VI. RELAY

### 83. Relay

- 83.1 The Dryland Relay is a one-day competition and consists of minimum 2 legs.
- 83.2 The Relay may be:
  - 83.2.1 Canicross Relay: Each Relay team may consist of men and women, Elites and juniors.
  - 83.2.2 Mixed Relay: The Relay legs are canicross and bikejöring or scooter. The bikejöring or scooter must be the last leg only. Each Relay team may consist of men and women, Elites and juniors (only for the canicross team member(s)).
  - 83.2.3 Separate relay competition may be organized for men, women and juniors.



- 83.3 Each participant and each dog shall run the trail only once. After the finish line, the participant changes over to the next participant in the relay team, who may then start.
- 83.4 The relay team that reaches the finish line first after all legs is the winner of the relay competition.
- 83.5 Relay Team
  - 83.5.1 The participants in a relay team shall be representatives of the same organization or country. At the option of the race giving organization, a mixed team of organizations or countries may be allowed, but these teams are not part of the official result list.
  - 83.5.2 Only one-dog teams are allowed in relay races.
- 83.6 Relay Entries
  - 83.6.1 The name of the participants in each relay team and the order in which they start shall be handed over to the race office at least 60 minutes before the start or any other time schedule defined by the organization.
- 83.7 Areas for Start, Change-Over and Finish in Relay Race
  - 83.7.1 Starting, change-over and finish area do not have to be the same location.
  - 83.7.2 Starting area:
    - 83.7.2.1 The starting area will be the same as for a canicross mass start.
    - 83.7.2.2 The length of the starting tracks should be at least 50 meters and shall end at a marked line.
  - 83.7.3 Relay Change-Over Area
    - 83.7.3.1 The change-over area should be a marked area, length approximately 10-30 meters, width approximately 10 meters.  
It is an advantage that the change-over area is made at an angle to the incoming trail, to avoid the incoming trail's being in the same direction as the outgoing trail.
    - 83.7.3.2 The change-over area begins at the finish line and ends at a marked line across the trail.
- 83.8 Relay Starting Procedure
  - 83.8.1 All participants of the first leg start at the same time.
  - 83.8.2 The participant and the dog stay before the starting line.
  - 83.8.3 The team assistants shall leave the Starting area by 30 seconds before the start.
  - 83.8.4 The participant has to hold the dog by the harness until the start signal.
  - 83.8.5 Start signal is given by the starter with one flag.
  - 83.8.6 The starter stands in front of the starting area so that all starting participants are able to see the starter.
  - 83.8.7 Starting order is given in the following way:
    - 83.8.7.1 One minute before the start a sign "1" is shown.
    - 83.8.7.2 Thirty (30) seconds before the start, the starter's arm are to be positioned with the flag over the head.
    - 83.8.7.3 Fifteen (15) seconds before the start, the starter's arm are positioned with the flag in a horizontal position.
    - 83.8.7.4 "Go," the starter's arm with the flags are rapidly lowered.
- 83.9 Relay Starting Restrictions.
  - 81.9.1 If a participant starts too early, he/she shall get a time penalty of 30 seconds.
- 83.10 Relay Change-Over Procedure
  - 83.10.1 A race official shall give a signal (e.g. the speaker announcing the starting number) to every team leader when an incoming team is not less than 500 meters from the change-over area.
  - 83.10.2 The signal has to be clear for the team leaders, who shall be located along the change-over area.
  - 83.10.3 An incoming participant shall release the dog as soon as the dog has passed the finish line and personally hand over the dog to the team assistant. The dog shall not be let loose at any time. The team assistant should take care of the dog.

- 83.10.4 The change-over cannot take place until the dog of the incoming team member is held by the assistant.
- 83.10.5 The participant continues into the change-over area and touches the next participant of his/her team with his/her hand.
- 83.10.6 The change-over shall take place within the change-over area. A race official shall control the change-over.
- 83.10.7 The assistant in the change-over area for outgoing participants is allowed only for the bikejoring or scooter leg. Assistants shall not hamper other outgoing participants.
- 83.11 The Trail of the Relay Race
  - 83.11.1 The entire trail should be, and the last 150 meters shall be, sufficiently wide for two bikejoring participants (minimum 6 meters).
- 83.12 Relay Timing
  - 83.12.1 Time is measured from the starting order “Go” until the last participant of the team reaches the finish line.
  - 83.12.2 Time is also measured the moment each individual participant passes the finish line.

## **VII. DISTANCES**

84. The distances: See Annex D II.

## **VIII. TEMPERATURES**

85. Temperatures: See Annex B III.

## **IX. AGES OF DOGS**

86. Ages of Dogs

The dogs shall be at least 12 months old on the first day of the competition in the Canicross, and Rig classes and at least 18 months old in Scooter and Bikejoring classes.

*Note 1:* The age of a competitor is considered the same during a racing season. It is the age the competitor reaches on the 31 December **in the middle of** the racing season. See Annex F.I.

## ANNEX

### A. RULES ENFORCEMENT

#### A.I. Rules Enforcing Officers

1. Race Judges are the Rules Enforcing Officers at an event. Rules Enforcing Officers shall be appointed and exercise their assignments according to the IFSS Officials Regulations.
2. A Race Judge should have an IFSS Race Judge License but shall have at least a Race Judge License from an IFSS recognized body.
3. Two of the Race Judges shall be appointed Race Marshal and Chief Judge, respectively. The Race Marshal shall have the ultimate authority, and the ultimate responsibility, at the event. The Race Marshal is the only official who can decide upon a disqualification.
4. All Race Judges shall have the full authority to enforce all Race Regulations, within the prescribed limits.
5. References to the Race Marshal in IFSS Regulations also apply for Race Judges, when appropriate.
6. A Race Judge may delegate parts of his/her authority to designated officials, except the authority to impose penal measures.
7. At World Championships and Continental Championships no Rules Enforcing Officer may be a participant of the event. During other events the Race Marshal is not allowed to participate but the other judges may. If so, they shall not judge in the class they entered and also take no part in the deliberations of said class.
8. [Details on the appointment and the obligations of IFSS judges are available on the IFSS Race Judge Regulations and licensing procedures which are also interesting and binding for organizers and member organizations.](#)

#### A.II. Race Jury and Appeals Jury (see also Race Rules 28 through 35)

8. The Race Judges shall constitute the Race Jury of the event. The Race Marshal shall be the Race Jury's chairperson.
9. The Race Jury shall be summoned by its chairperson...
  - 9.1. when requested by one of its members,
  - 9.2. for a hearing,
  - 9.3. for reviewing a rules violation which might lead to a disqualification.
10. The Race Jury decides whether its deliberations shall be held in a closed session or not.
11. The Race Jury shall decide on the eventual choice of penal measures in all cases laid before it. The Race Jury's chairperson shall have a casting vote in case of a tie. In the question of a disqualification, the chairperson may vote differently with his/her casting vote.
  - 11.1 In World Championships, the Appeals Jury may be appealed to by a team leader when a decision of the Race Marshal is affecting the participation of a contestant in the event.
  - 11.2 The Appeals Jury shall consist of three or five members depending on the number of officials assigned to take part (either one or two appointed by the IFSS President) on the Appeals Jury. The other members of the Appeals Jury will be national team leaders elected to serve on the Appeals Jury by the other team leaders.

#### A.III. Penal Measures

12. If the violated race regulation does not mandate any unconditional reaction, the choice of penal measures shall be made according to the following:
  - 12.1 *Reprimand*: for a minor rules infraction with no consequences for any participant, and being the contestant's first offence in the event.
  - 12.2 *Warning*: for a minor or negligent infraction of the race regulations, which does not give the contestant any significant advantage and entails no significant disadvantage to his/her fellow contestants, and is not deemed detrimental to the sport.
  - 12.3 *Disqualification*:
    - 12.3.1 when the contestant intentionally, or by gross negligence, violates the race regulations, and this has given him/her an advantage, or any of his/her fellow contestants a disadvantage,

- 12.3.2 in case of a recurrence, when the contestant has already been given a warning or reprimand for the same or similar offence,
  - 12.3.3 in case of repeated offenses, showing that the contestant is not capable of, or willing to, pay heed to the race regulations.
  - 12.3.4 in case of dog abuse with or without implement.
  - 12.3.5 Time disqualification: An eventual time disqualification shall be noted on the entry form, or in the invitation, indicating the factor and for which classes it shall apply. If a time disqualification rule applies and the prescribed limit is exceeded, that team shall not be allowed to compete in subsequent heats.
13. Other Penal Procedures
- 13.1 The violator shall be given a short written notice. A reprimand may be verbal.
  - 13.2 Contestants subject to a penal reaction from any Rules Enforcing Officer may appeal, i.e. request a hearing before the Race Jury.

## **B. ELIGIBILITY**

### **B.I. Entries**

- 14. The race shall be open to entries from members of all IFSS recognized member federations, except those refused by the organizer for just cause. Organizers are entitled to open their races to drivers from non-IFSS member organizations if they feel it to be benefiting the sports and/or IFSS. Participants to the IFSS World Championships shall be nominated by their respective national IFSS member federations.
- 15. An entry for a race shall be submitted prior to the start of the race, subject to entry deadlines as determined by the organizer. See also Race Rule 1.1.4.
- 16. Handicapped drivers shall be encouraged to participate. However their participation shall not hinder or endanger other competitors or dogs, including the dog(s) of the handicapped competitor. The RM shall decide on possible participation of the handicapped driver and, if required, a helper, and always inspect the equipment. The overall safety for the handicapped driver and his/her dog(s) shall prevail. If the RM feels that it would benefit the handicapped driver and the total race to start the handicapped team as last in the class, s/he has the right to do so in all heats of the race, taking into account that the team shall be ranked according to its total results.

Note: It is also possible to start the handicapped team a certain time before the first team, but then, there is always the risk on hindering overtaking teams in case of problems, and the handicapped driver may feel he/she is more or less racing outside the field. If starting last, he/she has always the chance to overtake one or more teams.

### **B.II. Disease**

- 17. Race veterinarians are present throughout the race to monitor the health and welfare of all dogs, advise drivers in caring for their dogs' medical needs, and provide veterinary treatment for dropped dogs, if necessary.
- 18. The race veterinarian in conjunction with the Race Marshal or race judge may rule a dog(s) unfit to start or continue in the race and to remove the dog(s) from the race for medical or other reasons. If the Race Veterinarian diagnoses any dog present in the race area to have a contagious disease, that dog shall be disqualified and the competitor shall immediately leave the race site with all his/her dogs.
- 19. All dogs participating in a race shall be vaccinated according to the IFSS Animal Welfare Committee's recommendations. The IFSS Chief Veterinarian has, by recommendation as of April 16, 2007, suggested that the mandatory vaccinations shall be: Rabies Virus, Canine Parvovirus, Distemper and Canine Kennel Cough Complex (bordetella parainfluenza virus, canine adenovirus 2). All dogs should be vaccinated within 12 months in all cases and more than 21 days before the race in the case of prime vaccination. Vaccinations need to be done in accordance with regulations of the host country in which the race is taking place.

### **B.III. Temperatures at Dryland races – Guidelines**

- 20. At dryland races there shall be a thermometer and a hygrometer in the starting area. They shall be readily visible, placed in the shade, at 50 centimeters (20 inches) above ground level.

21. The minimum and maximum temperatures and humidity shall be noted during the entire race.
22. Given the minima and maxima, trail conditions and local circumstances (e.g. humidity), the following guidelines are available for decisions to be taken by the race giving organization and the race marshal for the well-being of the dogs:
  - 22.1 Temperatures below 18°C for Canicross and 16°C for all other classes and with a humidity below 85 %: normal competition.
  - 22.2 Temperatures above 16°C, but below 18°C: the distances shall not exceed the minimums given in §79 below. This maximum temperature is set at 22°C for Bikejoring classes and at 25°C for Canicross classes.
  - 22.3 Temperatures above 18°C, but below 22°C: the distance shall not exceed 1.5 kilometers for demonstration purpose only except for Bikejoring and Canicross (see §38.2 above).
  - 22.4 Temperatures above 22°C: no team shall be harnessed except for Canicross (see §38.2 above)
  - 22.5 If the temperature reaches 18°C, the race marshal shall call a meeting with the race veterinarian(s) in order to decide upon whether the race shall be delayed or cancelled. The veterinarian's opinion shall be preponderant in case of different opinions. Animal welfare shall always be the major deciding factor.
  - 22.6 Depending on the race trail (i.e. large section under the sun) or other facts, the Race Marshal may impose shorter distances or other measures if this is favoring the sports, even if the maximum temperatures above are not reached.

#### **B.IV. Extreme low Temperatures at snow races – Guidelines**

23. In the event of extreme low temperatures, the jury together with the Organizing Committee and the team leaders shall decide if the race should be cancelled, have a delay on the starting time or reduce the race distance. Any National Federation standards must be considered in making the final decision.

### **C. START AND FINISH**

#### **C.I. Starting Intervals**

24. The starting intervals should be
  - 24.1 one half (.) or one (1) minute in Ski-Dogs classes, canicross, bikejoring.
  - 24.2 one (1) or two (2) minutes in limited classes involving eight dogs or less, Scooter 1 and 2 dogs.
  - 24.3 two (2) or three (3) minutes in classes involving ten dogs or more.
25. Interval Options
  - 25.1 The organizer may decide to use the longer starting interval in the first heat, and the shorter interval in the ensuing heat(s).
  - 25.2 At the option of the race-giving organization, the drivers may all start at the same time (mass start).
  - 25.3 at the option of the organizer, the drivers may start the last heat of a race with an interval time corresponding with the actual time difference, rounded upwards to whole seconds between his and the predecessor's team (Chase/pursuit starts)

#### **C.II. Relays**

26. A relay is a competition between relay teams comprised of at least three dog teams running the same trail in sequence. No driver or dog shall complete more than one heat.
27. The relay start shall be a mass start. The first heat drivers of the relay teams shall start side-by-side on the starting line.
28. In relay events, Number 1 shall start in the center position of the Starting Line, Number 2 shall have the position to the right of Number 1, Number 3 shall have the position to the left of Number 1, etc.
29. The Starting Chute should preferably be so wide as to allow for all first heat drivers to start side by side. If this is not possible, subsequent starting teams shall start on a secondary Starting Line 5 (five) meters behind the starting line according to the same system as under Section 74. If seeding is performed, no seeded group shall be larger than the maximum number of teams there is room for side-by-side.
30. The Relay Starting Chute should be as wide as the starting area for a distance of minimum one hundred (100) meters (30 m for Canicross relay), and narrowing to the normal lane width over a distance of a minimum additional one hundred (100) meters (30 m for Canicross relay).

31. The Exchange Chute shall cover a distance from the Finish Line on the outgoing trail of minimum thirty (30) meters, and shall, as a minimum, be ten (10) meters wide. In Pulka Style events, the Exchange Chute should have an angle of 45 to 90 degrees on the Finish Line.

## **D. THE TRAIL**

### **D.I. Trail requirements**

32. The trail shall be safe for dogs and drivers. When laying out the trail, special attention shall be shown on turns and downhill stretches. The entire trail shall be constructed with consideration to the fastest and biggest teams expected to participate.
33. The trail should not cross itself. Teams may follow the same trail a second time. In that case, the route shall not go through the start or finish area on the repeat traverse. If it is unavoidable that the teams must follow the same trail more than twice, the organizer is responsible to announce this prior to the race in the race invitation. The deviation from this rule is allowable only due to unpredictable circumstances.
34. Trails shall, to the optimal extent possible, be broadly constructed to facilitate passing.
35. There should be sufficient space between the lanes so that teams are unable to distract each other.
36. Trails should be shielded from parking lots and parked cars.
37. Trails should not cross a traffic-laden road on the same level. However, if this cannot be avoided, there shall be a prior permission to block off the road during the competition. Dependable control shall be on hand and the trail should cross the road in a 90 degree angle;
38. In Sled Sprint Races, the trail shall be designed so that speed is prioritized **and should be wide enough to enable one team to overtake another team.**
39. The Starting Chute shall be at least 30 meters long and be so organized that a team can be entirely removed from the trail.
40. The Finishing Zone shall be at least 800 meters long (150 m for Ski-Dogs classes and Canicross), wide enough for passing and with no sharp turns.
41. The starting and finish lines shall be clearly defined.
42. Trails for Ski-Dogs shall, whenever possible, be different from that of Sled.
43. Ski-Dogs trails should be laid out in hilly terrain with special attention so that the trail also shall be a test of the contestant's skiing skills. It should be wide enough for two skiers to skate side by side in the Finishing Zone and for a skating skier to overtake a competitor on parallel skis on the rest of the trail.
44. In Dryland races, watering points shall be provided at least every 3 km along the trails, so that the dogs may be watered and cooled.
45. **Distance races**
  - 45.1 If weather conditions, in the opinion of the RM or the organizer, dictate that the race cannot be run according to the basic criteria for the sport, the race may be postponed. If conditions as mentioned occur after the start, the race may be temporarily "frozen". This shall be done at a check-point or ahead of the location of the first driver. All drivers shall be held back for an identical period of time.
  - 45.2 The organizer and the RM shall, without unnecessary delay, inform all drivers of decisions, and reason for same, made according to § 45.1
  - 45.3 **Mandatory stops**
    - 45.3.1 Race with a total distance of 300 to 600 km shall at least have a total of 8 hrs mandatory stops, to be distributed at the local organizer's discretion.
    - 45.3.2 Races with a total distance of more than 600 km shall at least have a total of 12 hrs mandatory stops, to be distributed at the local organizer's discretion.

### **D.II. Trail distances**

#### **46. Sprint and Ski-Dogs Races.**

- 46.1 Heat distances need not be identical each day of an event, but the shortest trails shall be run first. Subsequent days' heat distances shall not exceed one hundred and fifty (150)% of the first day's trail length. The shortest and longest possible distances for each heat will be indicated on the invitation.
- 46.2 **Minimum/Maximum Trail Distances:**

- 46.2.1 **Minimum and recommended distances:**  
**Unlimited Class:** 20 km (12.5 miles). Recommendation: 20 km (12.5 miles) up to the last full weekend in January, and 24 km (15 miles) thereafter.  
**Eight/Ten-Dog Class:** 14 km (9 miles). Recommendation: 14 km (9 miles) up to the last full weekend in January and 16 km (10 miles) thereafter.  
**Six-Dog Class:** 9 km (6 miles). Recommendation: 9 km (6 miles) up to the last full weekend in January and 12 km (7.5 miles) thereafter.  
**Four-Dog Class:** 6 km (4 miles). Recommendation: 6 km (4 miles) up to the last full weekend in January and 8 km (5 miles) thereafter.  
**Two-dog Class:** 5 km (3.2 miles)  
**Ski-Dogs:** 5 to 25 km (3.1 to 15.6 miles) for the women and 10 to 25 km (6.2 to 15.6 miles) for the men.  
**Relays:** Each heat: a minimum of five (5) km (3.1 miles)
- 46.2.2 **Special circumstances:**  
If special circumstances dictate that the length of the trail be decreased or increased, the decrease or increase shall never be more than 25% in any class.

47. **Distance Races**

**For all classes:**

**Mid-Distance:** Between 80 and 250 km (50 and 156 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 40 km (25 miles)/stage for multi-stage races.

**Long-Distance:** More than 250 km (156 miles) with, in principle, an average of at least 80 km (50 miles)/stage for multi-stage races.

48. **Dryland races: Distances (per heat or stage)**

- 48.1 Canicross **Elites** and veterans: minimum 2 km, maximum 8 km (1.2 to 5 miles)  
48.2 Canicross juniors: minimum 1 km, maximum 4 km (0.6 to 2.5 miles)  
48.3 Relay (each leg): minimum 0.5 km, maximum 4 km (0.3 to 2.5 miles)  
48.4 1-dog Bikejoring class: minimum of 2 km, maximum of 10 km (1.2 to 6.2 miles)  
48.5 1-dog Scooter class: minimum of 2 km, maximum of 8 km (1.2 to 5 miles)  
48.6 2-dog Scooter class: minimum of 2 km, maximum of 8 km (1.2 to 5 miles)  
48.7 4-dog Rig class: minimum of 4 km, maximum of 8 km (2.5 to 5 miles)  
48.8 6-dog Rig class: minimum of 5 km, maximum of 10 km (3.1 to 6.2 miles)  
48.9 8-dog Rig class: minimum of 5 km, maximum of 12 km (3.1 to 7.5 miles)

**D.III. Check points and rest stops**

49. Camps and rest stops

- 49.1 Litter shall not be left on or along the trail, but be carried to the finish, check point or a deposit along the trail as determined by the organizer.  
49.2 Camps and rest stops shall be established well off the trail. Dogs and equipment shall not be left on the trail and the driver shall not stay on the trail more than necessary.  
49.3 Check points, camps and rest stops shall be cleared and tidied up before departure.

50. Check points

- 50.1 Drivers shall report at check points before proceeding.  
50.2 In the event of an unmanned check point, and if the organizer has given no advise as to such an event, the driver, if possible, shall see to it that it may later be established that he/she has been at the check point and advise officials at the next manned check point of his/her action.  
50.3 Dropped dogs  
50.3.1 Dogs taken out of a team shall only be dropped at designated check points.  
50.3.2 Dropped dogs shall be tagged with:  
- The driver's name and bib number  
- The reason for dropping the dog  
50.3.3 Dropped dogs shall be leashed with a chain or similar until they are picked up.

50.4

- 50.4.1 The Race Marshal, an authorized official or the race veterinarian may detain a team in order to repair or replace equipment deemed unsafe for the driver and/or the dogs.
- 50.4.2 The Race Marshal, an authorized official or the race veterinarian may detain a team deemed temporarily unfit to proceed.
- 50.4.3 The Race Marshal, an authorized official or the race veterinarian may remove a team or dogs deemed unfit to complete the competition.
- 50.5 When a driver arrives at a check point with less than the required number of dogs in the team, that team shall be disqualified. The Race Marshal, an authorized official or race veterinarian shall determine if and to what extent the team may proceed to a location where the team will be picked up.
- 50.6 Offers for accommodation, et cetera, for dogs and drivers at check points shall be identical for all participants.
- 50.7 Supplies and equipment
  - 50.7.1 At the option of the organizer, participants may, before the race, leave supplies and equipment at check points.
  - 50.7.2 The organizer determines at which check points supplies may be deposited and the routine for same.
  - 50.7.3 The above provisions do not have any effects on the requirements for mandatory equipment to be carried on the sled.
  - 50.7.4 A race may require different mandatory equipment. This shall be listed in special rules for the race.

## **E. TRAIL MARKING**

### **E.I. General**

- 51. The trail shall be marked with a sufficient number of clearly visible markers, so placed that there will be no doubt for the driver where to go.
- 52. All Trail Markers shall be at least 25 cm in diameter or length per side.
- 53. Only one side of the sign shall be colored to indicate the proper direction of travel.
- 54. Trail markers shall be placed about one (1) meter beyond the edge of the trail, and from 60 to 120 cm above the surface of the trail.
- 55. All markers shall be visible as far ahead as possible and at least 50 m.
- 56. Markers applicable for a certain class, or certain classes, only, shall be marked with the class(es)' identification or with the trail distance of the concerned class(es) by white letters in the centre of the marker. Information on elapsed distance shall be indicated by a black number on a white sign directly above a blue marker on the same stake. The class identifications shall be easily seen and read by the sportsmen/women. The identification shall be explained at the musher meeting prior the race.
- 57. Information on remaining distance shall be indicated by a black negative number on a white sign directly below a blue marker on the same stake.
- 58. Markers shall not be so placed, or made of such a material, that they might constitute a danger for dogs or drivers.

### **E.II. Red Markers** (Turn markers, preferably of round shape).

- 59. Red Markers shall be used at all intersections and crossings involving turns. The markers shall be placed about 20 meters ahead of the point in question at the same side of the trail as to which the teams shall turn.
- 60. The same procedure shall also be applied for all blind turns on the trail.

### **E.III. Blue Markers** (Straight ahead or Confirmation markers, preferably of square shape).

- 61. Blue markers may be placed on either side of the trail.
- 62. Blue markers used to indicate the correct trail after a crossing or turn shall be placed about 20 m beyond, and should be visible when approaching, the point in question.
- 63. Blue markers **shall** be used:
  - 63.1 at intersections or crossings when the trail is going straight through. The sign shall be placed about 20 meters ahead of the intersection.
  - 63.2 beyond turns, which apply only to a certain class, or certain classes. Such blue markers shall have



the same class identification as the red turn marker.

64. Blue markers **should** be used:
  - 64.1 beyond all intersections, turns or blind corners, which are marked with a red marker.
  - 64.2 every full kilometer along the entire trail. At least every five (5) kilometers they should be marked with the elapsed or remaining distance.

#### **E.IV. Yellow Markers** (Caution markers, preferably of triangle shape).

65. Yellow markers may be placed on either side of the trail. Yellow markers indicate portions of the trail, where slow, cautious passage is recommended, e.g. steep downhill, really sharp turns, icy spots. Yellow markers shall be placed about 20 meters ahead of the caution area.
66. If the caution area covers a length of the trail, two yellow markers shall be placed on the same stake at the beginning of the caution area. The end of the caution area shall be indicated with one yellow marker with a diagonal red or black cross.
67. All yellow markers shall be presented and explained at the Team Captain and/or drivers Meeting and they shall be indicated on the trail map.

#### **E.V. Checkpoint Markers**

68. Checkpoints shall be indicated with rectangular white signs with black letters.

#### **E.VI. Other Markers**

69. The end of the Starting Chute shall be indicated by markers on both sides of the trail.
70. A white marker shall be placed at the start of the Finishing Chute with the distance remaining (usually 150 m for Ski-Dogs classes and Canicross and 800 m for all other classes before the finish line) to indicate the beginning of the “No-right-of-way” zone.
71. Portions of the trail, where the correct trail is not clearly visible, may be marked with additional markings. Such additional marking shall never be considered a replacement for ordinary marking according to this Rule.
72. Marking for night heats. In addition to the trail marking described above, each marker should be equipped with light-reflecting material (minimum 25 cm<sup>2</sup>).
73. Other markers as prescribed in 59 up to and including 70 above are only allowed if all drivers have been informed before the first start. At IFSS events the technical organizer shall obtain IFSS permission to use different markers.

#### **E.VII. Trail Blocking.**

74. At trail crossings considered so difficult that even good teams may have problems, blockings shall be used in addition to marking.
75. A blocking shall appear as a physical hindrance for the dogs but shall not constitute any danger for dogs, drivers or equipment.
76. At trail crossings where different classes shall follow different trails, there shall be a Trail Steward, performing the necessary changes of the blockings after each class and, as necessary, directing/assisting teams to the correct trail.
77. The presence of a blocking or a Trail Steward does not allow for ordinary marking to be omitted.

#### **F.I. Age of the athletes for each class.**

For the season 2014/2015 the competitors must be born in the following years:

<u>On snow Class</u>	<u>Born in</u>	<u>Dryland Classes</u>	<u>Born in</u>
Sp2Y	2000 through 2002 included	DCMJ, DCWJ	1994 through 1998 included *
Sp2	2000 and before	DCM, DCW	1975 through 1995 included
Sp4Y	1998 through 2000 included	DCMV, DCWV	1974 and before
Sp4J	1994 through 1998 included *	DBMJ, DBWJ	1994 through 1998 included *
Sp4	1995 and before	DBM, DBW	1975 through 1995 included
Sp 6, 8, U	1998 and before	DBMV, DBWV	1974 and before

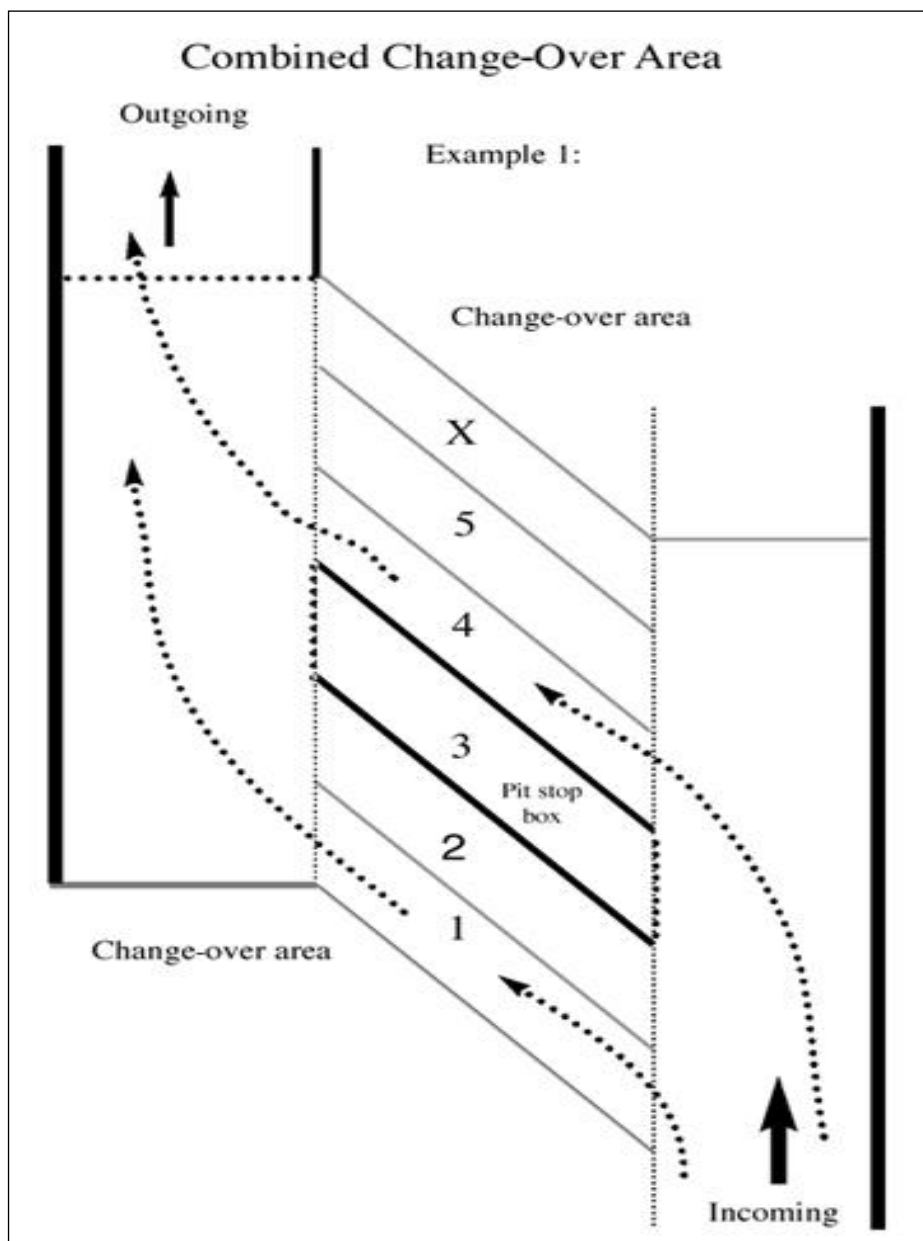
MD6, MD12	1998 and before	DS1J	1994 through 1998 included *
SMJ, SWJ	1994 through 1998 included	DS1, DS2	1995 and before
SM1, SW1	1995 and before	DR4, 6, 8	1995 and before
SM2, SW2	1995 and before		
PMJ, PWJ	1994 through 1998 included		
PM1, PW1	1995 and before		
PM4, PW4	1995 and before		
CMJ, CWJ	1994 through 1998 included		
CMC, CW	1995 and before		
MDSM, MDSW	1995 and before		
MDPM, MDPW	1995 and before		

Note \* (see Race Rule 2.3.1.3):

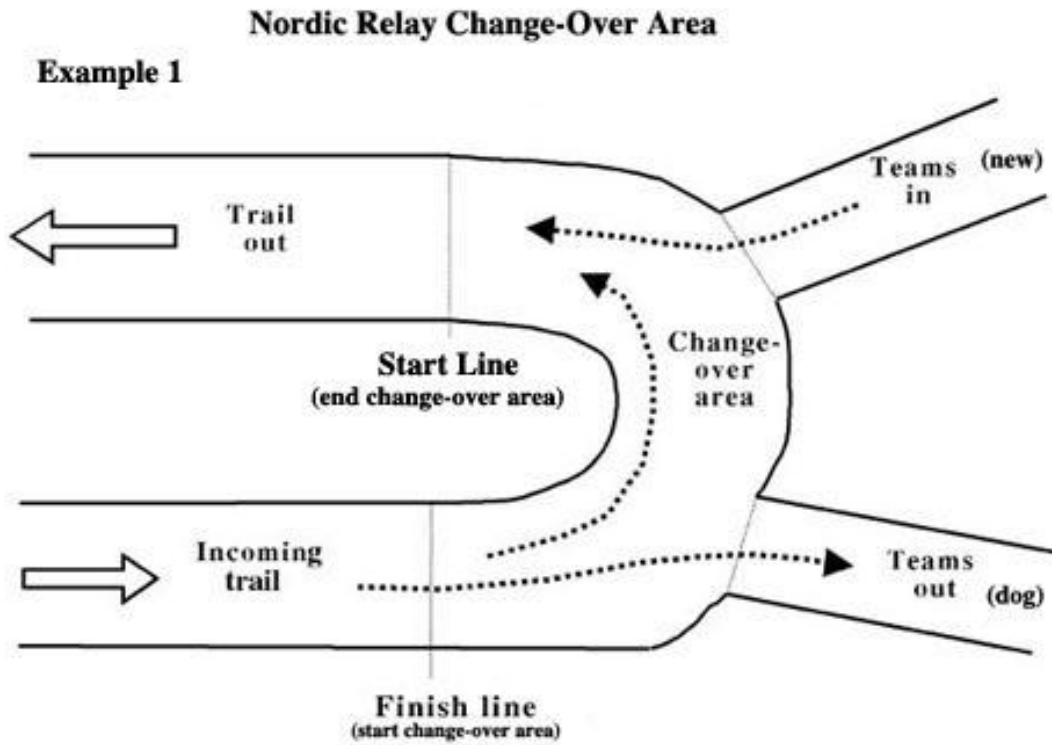
- For the European Championships Dryland 2014, the lower age limit is 2000
- For the World Championships on snow and Dryland 2015, the lower age limit is 1999.

# APPENDIX

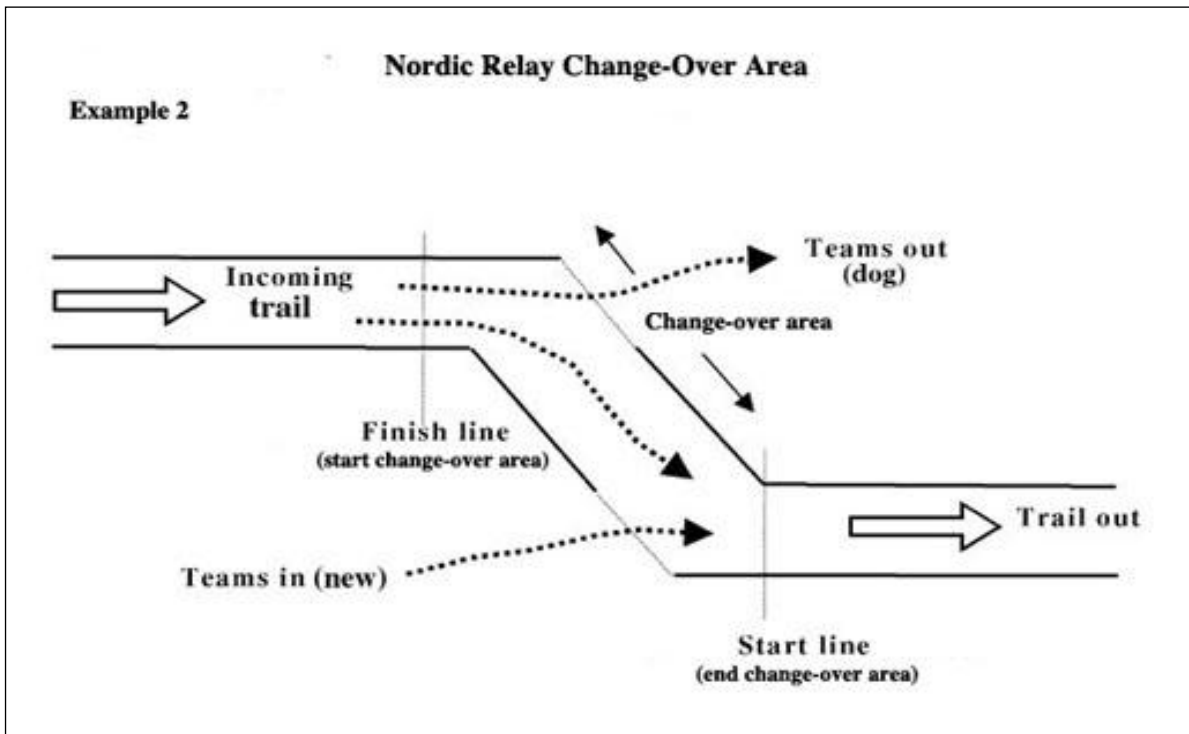
## I. Ski-Dogs Combined Change-Over Area



## II. Ski-Dogs Relay Change-Over Area, Example 1



## III. Ski-Dogs Relay Change-Over Area, Example 2



#### IV. Ski-Dogs Pulka Weight Charts

##### 1 + 2 Dog Team

dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka
14	10,0	26	18,5	38	27,0	49	34,5	61	43,0	73	51,5
15	10,5	27	19,0	39	27,5	50	35,0	62	43,5	74	52,0
16	11,5	28	20,0	40	28,0	51	36,0	63	44,5	75	52,5
17	12,0	29	20,5	41	29,0	52	36,5	64	45,0	76	53,5
18	13,0	30	21,0	42	29,5	53	37,5	65	45,5	77	54,0
19	13,5	31	22,0	43	30,5	54	38,0	66	46,5	78	55,0
20	14,0	32	22,5	44	31,0	55	38,5	67	47,0	79	55,5
21	15,0	33	23,5	45	31,5	56	39,5	68	48,0	80	56,0
22	15,5	34	24,0	46	32,5	57	40,0	69	48,5	81	57,0
23	16,5	35	24,5	47	33,0	58	41,0	70	49,0		
24	17,0	36	25,0	48	34,0	59	41,5	71	50,0		
25	17,5	37	26,0			60	42,0	72	50,5		

##### 3-Dog Team

dog	(pulka)	dog	(pulka)	dog	(pulka)	dog	(pulka)	dog	(pulka)	dog	(pulka)	dog	(pulka)
45	27,0	57	34,5	69	41,5	81	49,0	93	56,0	105	63,0	117	70,5
46	28,0	58	35,0	70	42,0	82	49,5	94	56,5	106	64,0	118	71,0
47	28,5	59	35,5	71	43,0	83	50,0	95	57,0	107	64,5	119	71,5
48	29,0	60	36,0	72	43,5	84	50,5	96	58,0	108	65,0	120	72,0
49	29,5	61	37,0	73	44,0	85	51,0	97	58,5	109	65,5	121	73,0
50	30,0	62	37,5	74	44,5	86	52,0	98	59,0	110	66,0	122	73,5
51	31,0	63	38,0	75	45,0	87	52,5	99	59,5	111	67,0	123	74,0
52	31,5	64	38,5	76	46,0	88	53,0	100	60,0	112	67,5	124	74,5
53	32,0	65	39,0	77	46,5	89	53,5	101	61,0	113	68,0		
54	32,5	66	40,0	78	47,0	90	54,0	102	61,5	114	68,5		
55	33,0	67	40,5	79	47,5	91	55,0	103	62,0	115	69,0		
56	34,0	68	41,0	80	48,0	92	55,5	104	62,5	116	70,0		

##### 4-Dog Team

dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka	dog(s)	pulka
61	30,5	81	40,5	93	46,5	109	54,5	129	64,5	149	74,5	169	84,5		
62	31,0	82	41,0	94	47,0	110	55,0	130	65,0	150	75,0	170	85,0		
63	31,5	83	41,5	95	47,5	111	55,5	131	65,5	151	75,5	171	85,5		
64	32,0	84	42,0	96	48,0	112	56,0	132	66,0	152	76,0	172	86,0		
65	32,5	85	42,5	97	48,5	113	56,5	133	66,5	153	76,5	173	86,5		
66	33,0	86	43,0	98	49,0	114	57,0	134	67,0	154	77,0	174	87,0		
67	33,5	87	43,5	99	49,5	115	57,5	135	67,5	155	77,5	175	87,5		
68	34,0	88	44,0	100	50,0	116	58,0	136	68,0	156	78,0	176	88,0		
69	34,5	89	44,5	101	50,5	117	58,5	137	68,5	157	78,5	177	88,5		
70	35,0	90	45,0	102	51,0	118	59,0	138	69,0	158	79,0	178	89,0		
71	35,5	91	45,5	103	51,5	119	59,5	139	69,5	159	79,5	179	89,5		
72	36,0	92	46,0	104	52,0	120	60,0	140	70,0	160	80,0	180	90,0		
73	36,5	93	46,5	105	52,5	121	60,5	141	70,5	161	80,5				
74	37,0	94	47,0	106	53,0	122	61,0	142	71,0	162	81,0				
75	37,5	95	47,5	107	53,5	123	61,5	143	71,5	163	81,5				
76	38,0	96	48,0	108	54,0	124	62,0	144	72,0	164	82,0				
77	38,5	89	44,5	105	52,5	125	62,5	145	72,5	165	82,5				
78	38,0	90	45,0	106	53,0	126	63,0	146	73,0	166	83,0				
79	39,5	91	45,5	107	53,5	127	63,5	147	73,5	167	83,5				
80	40,0	92	46,0	108	54,0	128	64,0	148	74,0	168	84,0				

## IFSS Race Protest Form

Name of Competition		Date of Competition	
Place of Competition (City, Province, Country)			
Name		Bib Number	
Postal Address			
City, Province		Country	
Phone Number (mobile)		Phone Number (Landline)	
Class	Indicate (check):		
	Dryland	Sled Sprint	Ski-Dogs
	Distance		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Protest Against: (Name or Entity)		Bib Number	
Describe the action(s) or incident and mention which rule(s) is/are infringed.			
Witnesses			
Name		Bib Number	
Signature			
Name		Bib Number	
Signature			

This form must be handed to the Race Marshall within one hour after the protester has finished.

Date	Time
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Team Leader's Name	Country
Leader's Mobile Phone Number	

Signature of Protester
Signature of Race Marshall