



U14 Rules & Regulations

1. The Whistler Cup Festival is a Slalom, Giant Slalom and Team Relay competition for U14 Ski Racers belonging to a Country, Province and/or a Club registered with a National Ski Federation. The Whistler Cup is organized by the Whistler Mountain Ski Club in association with Whistler Blackcomb and approved by the FIS, Alpine Canada Alpin and BC Alpine.
2. The male and female categories for 2025 are children born in the years 2011/2012
3. The courses will be set according to the provisions of the regulations in force as follows:
 - Slalom:** Refer to ICR 800.
 - Giant Slalom:** Refer to ICR 900
 - Team Relay:** Refer to ICR 1220
4. Official representatives chosen by each recognized Country, Province or Club may participate in the Whistler Cup U14 Festival. Each team may participate with a maximum of 6 athletes (3 girls and 3 boys). All the participants must be members of their own club, provincial or national team and registered with their respective national ski federation. They must be insured and hold a written consent signed by their parents.
5. All rules and regulations of the Whistler Cup are governed by the ICR unless otherwise stated. F.I.S. regulations are observed for anything not mentioned here.
6. Please refer to the current race notice for fees and deadlines.
7. All athletes, coaches and parents are required to make their own accommodation arrangements.
8. The start order for each discipline is generated by a computer random draw within each seed.
9. **Draw Rules (for GS and SL):**
 - Teams will be seeded as follows:
 - A. International teams (1) and Canadian provincial teams (1)
 - B. International teams (2) and Canadian provincial teams (2).
 - C. International, provincial, or state teams
 - D. Clubs
 - E. WMSC athletes and all over quota club athletes
 - Athletes are seeded in the order they are to run. Athletes must accrue points for the team that they are registered in and may not switch teams during the event.

10. Event Rules

- The U14 events are governed by FIS rules
- It is the responsibility of coaches and clubs to be familiar with the rules, particularly with regards to equipment and helmets:
https://assets.fis-ski.com/f/252177/x/8c2b2decbd/specifications_for_alpine_competition_equipment_03-07-2024.pdf
- Helmets must be worn at all times by athletes, coaches, support staff and volunteers.
- No smoking on any Whistler Blackcomb property.
- When necessary, athletes will have lift priority on Garbanzo Chair to return to the race Start for the Team Relay (No snowmobile transport available).

11. Awards

- There are individual awards for the slalom and giant slalom and team awards for the Team Relay.
- An award (Nations Cup) will be presented to the Nation/Province/Club that accumulates the most points over the 3 events.
- The U14 Nancy Greene & the U14 Dave Murray trophies for the best performance by a Canadian female and male will be awarded, calculated from the results of the SL and GS. The Team Relay does not count towards these trophies. In the event of a tie, both athletes will be awarded the trophy.

U14 Team Relay Rules

A. Type of event & running of the event

- The race will be conducted as a parallel event.
- GS gates and panels will be used.
- Predetermined teams of between 4 to 6 racers will compete in a double knockout ladder format.
- This is a head to head relay race. All the racers from each team will line up at the start. The first racers will race one another. When one racer on a team crosses the finish line, the next racer on that team starts the course. The first team to have all racers finish is declared the winner.
- If there are teams who are short one racer the first racer of the opposing team will race a “ghost”, and once that racer crosses the finish, the next racers on each team start the race. This will allow for the last set of racers in the relay to compete head to head to the finish.
- Once a team suffers 2 team relay losses, they are out of the competition and must hand their bibs in.
- Hiking will be allowed in the spirit of the race, so long as it doesn't interfere with racers on the opposing course.

- In the event of a stop start because of a crash, the team that crashed will lose that race-relay.
- In the event that a gate panel comes off and cannot be replaced in time for the next racer, the race will continue and the athletes must pass the gate correctly (ICR art. 661.4).
- Cross Blocking is highly discouraged at this level.
- Athletes must cycle around as a team to Garbanzo chair and make their way back to the start as soon as possible. Please do not speed. If one team member loses their lift privileges due to speeding or skiing back to the lift unsafely, their team will be disqualified.

B. Team Assignment

- Athletes will be assigned to teams randomly, split evenly by gender.
- Coaches will be assigned to teams.

C. Seeding of the Teams

- Teams will be RANDOMLY SEEDED, and the draw will be announced at the Team Captain's meeting the night prior to each U14 event (or beforehand using WhatsApp)
- Seeds 1-8 (depending on number of teams) may have a bye in the first round.
- The first race of round one will be Seed 17 vs Seed 16. Athletes pay attention to the scoreboard and know your team number and teammates.
- Team list and draw to be made available at the Team Captains meetings the evening prior to racing.

D. Reasons for disqualifications:

- False start
- Changing from one course to another
- Interfering with the opponent, voluntary or not
- Not passing through a gate correctly (ICR art 661.)

Whistler Cup Festival Points Rules

The 2025 Whistler Cup Festival will be distributing points only to eligible racers using the World Cup race points system for up to the top 30 athletes in each race. Points will be totaled across the Giant Slalom and Slalom events by team and gender to determine the winner of the Festival.

Classification

The Nations Cup is presented to the team with the greatest accumulated points in the GS and SL events.

Competitors ranking 1st to 30th are awarded points in accordance with the following schedule for SL & GS.

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