



# SKIDS

THE SNOW FESTIVAL



# RULES

## 2026

## I. ORGANIZER

The association SKIDS - The Academy, with its headquarters in 39030 Marebbe, Str. al Plan Dessora, 42, VAT nr. 03335700211, organizes the kids and teenager race „SKIDS – The Snow Festival.”

The event is a promotional race open to every ski club including a giant slalom and a team parallel event with international participation. In addition to the ski races, there will be sporting activities in which the children and teenagers can participate.

## II. ADMITTED CATEGORIES

Only the following categories are admitted to SKIDS – The Snow Festival:

- ◇ **Super Baby** (age group 2018 - 2019)
- ◇ **Baby** (age group 2016 - 2017)
- ◇ **Cuccioli** (age group 2014 - 2015)
- ◇ **Ragazzi** (age group 2012 - 2013)
- ◇ **Allievi** (age group 2010 - 2011)

### REQUIREMENT:

All participating kids must be members of a nationally or internationally registered ski club.

All participants must provide a valid medical certificate for competitive sports, that has been issued by an accredited medical specialist.

With the enrolment every participant (parent) confirms to have a liability insurance.

## III. ENROLMENT GIANT SLALOM & PARTICIPATION IN THE EVENT

① **REGISTRATION:** Online at [www.skids-festival.com](http://www.skids-festival.com) until sunday, 22 march 2026 at 23:59, or until the maximum number of 800 participants is reached. A maximum of 30 children per club is allowed to participate, if there are more interested children, please let us know and we will do our best to give everyone a starting place!

① **FEES:** A single enrolment fee of Euro 35,00 applies to all participants, which must be paid by bank transfer at the same time as registration. Should there be any changes after enrolment, please send them directly to: [info@skids-festival.com](mailto:info@skids-festival.com). If there is more than one remittance due to changes, the bank charges must be paid by the club. In case of ascertained differing data of the competitions, racers are disqualified.

Only payment of the registration fee entitles the participant to take part.

The enrolment fee includes a starter package for every participant with the following content: participation in the giant slalom, different gadgets of our sponsors, 1 voucher for the pasta party on the city square on Saturday, event pictures, participation in the high-5-games

**PAYMENT:** Bank transfer    ① **REGISTRATION:** through the association

## IV. ENROLMENT SPECIAL COMPETITIONS    ROPE PULLING // PARALELL TEAMEVENT

① **REGISTRATION** Online until sunday, 22 march 2026 at 23:59 on [www.skids-festival.com](http://www.skids-festival.com)

The registration of **one team** per ski club is guaranteed and must be done via the registration file.

Each ski club can indicate its wish to register **an additional team**. As long as the maximum number of teams has not been reached, the remaining places will be allocated by lot at the team captains' meeting on thursday, 2. april 2026 (→ allocation of remaining places!)

### ① SUBMISSIONS FINAL TEAM LINE-UP: :

- ◇ **Parallel Teamevent:** The final names of the athletes must be submitted at the team captains' meeting on thursday, 2. april 2026 at 18:00.
- ◇ **Rope pulling:** No names need to be submitted for the rope pulling competition, only the total weight of the participating children per team counts. Weighing will take place on friday, 3. april from 14.00 at the town square.
- ① **PAYMENT** First team by bank transfer | Remaining places: Cash after team captains' meeting
- ◇ **Parallel Teamevent:** Euro 50,00 per team
- ◇ **Rope pulling** Euro 50,00 per team

## V. CANCELLATION OF PARTICIPATION

Cancellation of participation including a request for refund of the enrolment fee have to be sent in written form to [info@skids-festival.com](mailto:info@skids-festival.com) including a medical certificate explaining the impossibility of participation until 22th March 2026 the latest.



## VI. GIANT SLALOM | AGE GROUP 2010– 2019

### SETTING OF THE RACE COURSE:

For the setting of the race course the organizer is in charge. He is also responsible for the compliance with the regulations. The courses are set according to international rules and categories:

- ◇ Course 1: age group U8 - U10
- ◇ Course 2: age group U12 - U16

**EQUIPMENT:** The racers are obliged to wear a ski helmet. All participants registered with FISU must wear cut-resistant ski underwear.

**AWARDS:** The award ceremony takes place on Friday, 3th April 2026 at 17.00 on the city square in Sterzing. In case of bad weather a different location for the ceremony will be announced in advance.

- ◇ **AGE GROUP U8:** All kids will be invited on stage and awarded regardless of their achieved result – all kids are winners in this category.
- ◇ **AGE GROUP U10-U12:** In the giant slalom all finishers between the places 1 to 10 of every category will be awarded on stage. The first five will be awarded a 2-day-winter-camp with a former world cup athlete
- ◇ **AGE GROUP U14-U16:** In the giant slalom all finishers between the places 1 to 6 of every category will be awarded on stage. The first three will be awarded a 2-day-summer-camp with a former world cup athlete
- ◇ **Race Tiger U8 & U10:** The fastest and youngest athlete in the TOP 10 of each category (w&m) will win. This 4 kids receive skis, ski boots, bindings, and a ski day with a Völkl World Cup athlete.

## VII. STARTING ORDER ALL CATEGORIES

The starting order for the different race categories will be randomly selected by the computer, without taking into account previous results.

## VIII. BIB & STARTER BAG DISTRIBUTION

The **bib numbers** are handed out to the respective coaches/guardians at the team captain's meeting on Thursday, 2nd April 2026 at 18:00. It is also possible to get the bib numbers in the race office in the same morning of the race day, if that is communicated in advance. A change of the registration, particularly a sign-out of racers is no longer possible at this stage.

The bib numbers of the giant slalom are present and do not have to be returned after the race.

Team bib numbers of the parallel event get handed out at the race office from 6:30 on the day of the event (Saturday). They must be returned at the finish area after the race.

**Starter package** can be picked up individually at the race office at the Monte Cavallo valley station during the race office opening hours:

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|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| ◇ Wednesday, 01.04 | 8:00 - 9:00   12:00 - 16:00  | Friday, 03.04   | 6:30 - 9:00   12:00-15:00 |
| ◇ Thursday, 02.04  | 8:00 - 12:00   13:00 - 16:00 | Saturday, 04.04 | 6:30 - 9:00   13:00-15:00 |

## IX. COURSE OF RACE

During the races no guardians and parents are allowed on the race slope. In case of crashes or injuries the athletes are taken care of by the slope staff on the race slope and then handed over to parents or guardians outside the race course. If necessary, a rescue team will be organized for the transport.

## X. TEAM PARALLEL EVENT AGE GROUP 2010– 2019

① **REGISTRATION:** see point IV

① **CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION:** see point IV

A maximum of 60 teams can take part in the parallel team event.

Priority is given to those teams whose members also participated in the giant slalom on Saturday. If the maximum number of teams is still not reached, then also teams that would like to exclusively take part in the parallel event are allowed.

① **TEAM FORMATION:**

**Team size:** The overall team is limited to 5 members of the same ski club

The added age of the 5 team members can amount to a maximum of **58years**. The total amount of years is calculated in the following way:

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| ◇ age group 2019 = 7 years  | age group 2015 = 11 years | age group 2011 = 15 years |
| ◇ age group 2018 = 8 years  | age group 2014 = 12 years | age group 2010 = 16 years |
| ◇ age group 2017 = 9 years  | age group 2013 = 13 years |                           |
| ◇ age group 2016 = 10 years | age group 2012 = 14 years |                           |

*f.ex. 2010 (15) + 2012 (13) + 2014 (11) + 2015 (10) + 2016 (9)= 58*



The racers are only allowed to start in ONE of the registered teams, the exchange of racers between teams is NOT ALLOWED. A team is disqualified if an unregistered racer starts for them.

### GENERAL RULES

- ◇ Course setting with giant slalom gates.
- ◇ The gate distance will be approximately 15 - 18 m.
- ◇ Correct passing of the race course: both ski-tips as well as skishoes need to pass the gate in the correct sense of rotation.
- ◇ Every team starts according to their bib numbers.

### REASONS FOR DISQUALIFICATION (IMMEDIATELY AND WITHOUT PROTEST AT THE CHIEF OF COMPETITION):

- ◇ change of the race course
- ◇ obstruction of the opponent, with or without intention
- ◇ passing a gate in the wrong direction
- ◇ If the ride/course is interrupted with a stop

The opposing team is promoted immediately due to the disqualifying reasons mentioned above, regardless of whether it later suffers a disqualification.

### QUALIFICATION RUN | SINGLE FORMAT - TIMES ARE SUMMED UP

- ◇ The teams participate in a qualification run either on the red or the blue course which is drawn by lot.
- ◇ Every kid starts individually. The measured times will be added at the end.
- ◇ One result is discarded (slowest time measurement). Should 2 kids fall and not continue to race, then the team is disqualified.
- ◇ Is the run of a team obstructed by the opposing team, then the chief of competition will decide about the amount of obstruction, f.es. a possible disqualification.
- ◇ The 8 fastest teams on both the red and blue course qualify for the next bracket.
- ◇ The organisation reserves the right to eventually stage just one qualification of 8 teams.

### FINAL RUNS | RELAY FORMAT

- ◇ If a racer passes the finish line, the start gate opens automatically for the next. The total time of all 5 racers counts.
- ◇ In case of a crash or fall of a racer (and the impossibility to go on), the start gate opens 5 seconds after the opponent has crossed the finish line.
- ◇ Should the racers on both courses fall, then the one that passed more gates gets on.
- ◇ If the score is 1:1 after both heats, the total times of both heats are decisive. The team with the best overall time in the final sum of the times of both heats qualifies for the next round. In the event of a tie, the fastest qualifying time counts (in the case of different heats, the qualifying placing). If this also happens to be identical, a play-off will take place, the courses being drawn by lot.
- ◇ Each team competes against another team according to the following scheme. Every team race on both the red and blue course and both times are added.

#### 1/8 FINALS

1	2ND BLU	7TH RED
2	3RD BLU	6TH RED
3	4RD BLU	5TH RED
4	8TH BLU	1ST RED
5	1ST BLU	8TH RED
6	5TH BLU	4TH RED
7	6TH BLU	3RD RED
8	7TH BLU	2ND RED

#### 1/2 FINALS

13	WINNER 9	WINNER 10
14	WINNER 11	WINNER 12

#### 1/4 FINALS

9	WINNER 1	WINNER 2
10	WINNER 3	WINNER 4
11	WINNER 5	WINNER 6
12	WINNER 7	WINNER 8

#### SMALL FINAL | Place 3 & 4

LOOSER 13	LOOSER 14
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#### BIG FINAL | Place 1 & 2

WINNER 13	WINNER 14
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### AWARD:

- ◇ The award ceremony takes place on Saturday, 4th April 2026 right after the race on the mountain station of the Monte Cavallo.
- ◇ The winner team gets invited to see a World Cup race live. Included are per team (up to 6 people) the overnight stay, ski pass, World Cup tickets as well as an exclusive "Behind the Scenes" - Tour
- ◇ The last 4 teams get awarded



## XI. TEAM ROPE PULLING AGE GROUP 2010–2019

**ENROLMENT:** A maximum of 64 teams can participate. See point IV

### CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION PER TEAM:

- ◇ In case of an uneven number of registered teams, one team will be chosen at random to immediately get into the next round.
- ◇ For further provisions see point V.

### FORMATION BY TEAM:

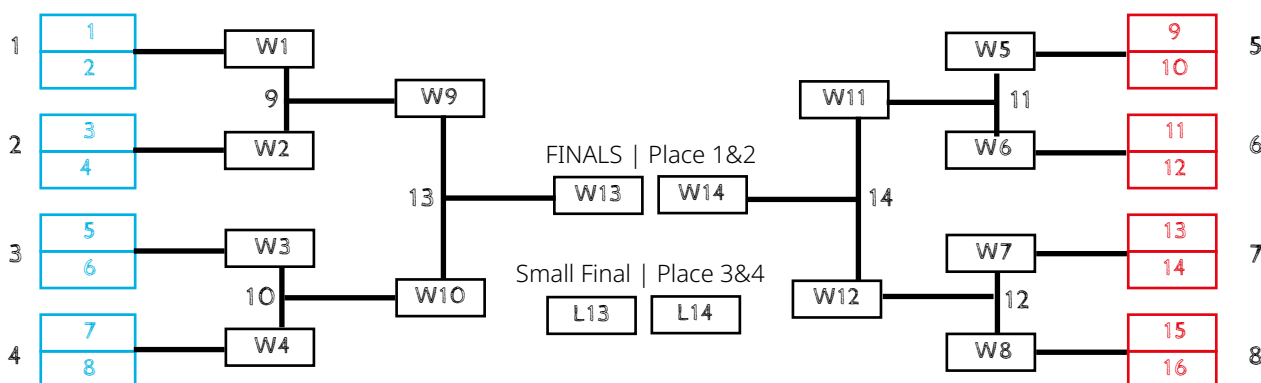
- ◇ The number of the team members is indefinite, but limited to a **TOTAL WEIGHT of 200kg** per team.
- ◇ Each child is allowed to participate in only one team
- ◇ The children must all belong to the same club

**GENERAL RULES:** All teams must be weighed before the competition (Friday, 03.04 at 2pm) and all kids are tagged with numbers and colours.

**EQUIPMENT:** Street shoes are compulsory, gloves are allowed as protection (but no spikes, no ski boots).

### QUALIFICATION

- ◇ The teams are drawn by lot
- ◇ There is either a system with 32 or 64 teams
- ◇ Each draw is a knockout draw. The team that is the first to pull the pennant/marker over the line (behind them) wins.
- ◇ Two parallel lines are drawn until the quarter-finals. From the semi-finals onwards, one line is drawn
- ◇ System see example 16 teams



### AWARDS

- ◇ The award ceremony takes place on Friday, 3th April 2026 on the city square.
- ◇ Prizes will be awarded to places 1-4. The main prize are 2 SUMMER TEAM DAYS days for 20 people at Monte Cavallo & in Vipiteno..



## XII. SKIDS TROPHY SKI CLUB PRIZE

### WHAT COUNTS (1+2)

**1.** The 2 best athletes per category (U10 | U12 | U14 | U16) per club, both male and female, will be added together separately per club. This means that 16 athletes per club are available for selection. From these, the 10 best placings will be used for the ranking. The points are calculated using the FIS Alpine Skiing points system. (1st place = 100 points, 2nd place = 80 points, 3rd place = 60 points, etc.)

**2.** Two points are awarded per registered child (all categories). There are no additional points for the rope pull and the team parallel slalom.

### AWARDS

- ◇ The award ceremony will take place on Friday, 3rd April 2026 at 17:00 on the town square in Vipiteno.
- ◇ The club with the most points in the giant slalom will win two special TEAM DAYS at the Audi FIS Ski World Cup Kronplatz for the entire club (25 people). The exact content is still to be defined.

## XIII. MEDICAL SUPPORT

The slope service is informed and responsible for the first-aid on the slopes. The headquarters of the White Cross in Sterzing will also be informed about the event in advance.



## XIV. PARADE „BEST STYLE AWARD“ BY ENERGIA PURA

The so called „Best Style Award“ by Energia Pura is awarded in the context of the parade and opening ceremony. An independent jury, that consists of a representative of the host club, a former and present World Cup athlete and a representative of the company Energia Pura is going to allot points for:

- ◊ the appearance of the participants,
- ◊ the team clothing,
- ◊ originality and connection to skiing & place of origin
- ◊ team spirit

All ski clubs are welcomed to bring their own club signs/logos to the parade behind which the club members walk at the opening ceremony. Large, elaborate “fabrications” are not allowed.

The jury members award points on a scale from 1-10. In case of a draw, the winner is drawn by lot.

**Award ceremony: 1st place** - The best styled association gets 10 racing suits that you can design yourself & voucher worth € 1,000 (at a purchase value of € 2,500)

## XV. HOTEL PRICES

① **For hotel bookings** and further information please contact [info@sterzing.com](mailto:info@sterzing.com);  
Telephone number: +39 0472 765 325

## XVI. PRICES OF THE SKIPASS

All kids and teenagers, as well as their parents and coaches who participate in the SKIDS Snow Festival, get a special discount between 4-6th April 2024 when acquiring the ski pass. The fees for the day ski pass are:

- ◊ **children U8:** free
- ◊ **children U10:** Euro 22,00
- ◊ **coaches:** free (per 8 children), otherwise Euro 22,00
- ◊ **parents:** Euro 41,00

① **ACQUISITION OF SKI PASS:** The ski pass can be directly bought and collected at the cash desks of the Rosskopf cableway.

For training during the race week (29.03-31.03.) all SKIDS participants, their coaches and parents will receive special group prices. Please request via [info@rosskopf.com](mailto:info@rosskopf.com)

## XVII. PARTICIPANTS' DUTY

All participants commit themselves to respect and follow the before mentioned rules, instructions, and regulations of the organizer. Moreover, the participants oblige themselves to adopt a fair and sporty behaviour.

## XIII. PROGRAM CHANGES

The organizer reserves the right to make changes to the program.

## XIX. LIABILITY OF THE ORGANIZER

The organizer excludes every type of liability for any damages, that might be caused during the event named SKIDS - The Snow Festival, apart from those that have been committed with intent or wanton negligence according to art. 1218 of the civil code and art. 1176, parag. 2 of the civil code.

Every participant competes in the different events on his/her own responsibility or that of the coaches and parents.

In regard to spectators, a non-contractual liability is applied (art. 2050 c.c. or 2043 c.c.).

## XX. PRIVACY

With the consent for the processing of their personal data the participant authorizes the organizer explicitly to also convey the data to third parties. The data must be complete and readable also for the purpose of insurances.

With the consent for the processing of personal data the participant authorizes the organizer explicitly to also convey the data to third parties, that offer services in connection with the organizer, as for example the delivery of the acquired gadgets by the participant, the time measurement, the making and publication of the ranking as well as the taking photos and filming of the participants.

## XXI. STAGING CONDITIONS AND CANCELLATION OF THE EVENT

The conditions of the slopes are weather-dependent and can be different from racer to racer.

In case of bad snow conditions the races can be rescheduled, or shortened, the enrollment fee will in this case not be refunded. The organizer reserves the right to make modifications to the programme.

Should the event be cancelled due to circumstances beyond our control, the enrolment fee will be transferred to the next edition of the SKIDS Snow Festival.



## SKIDS — THE ACADEMY

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