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World Pro Ski Tour™ Rules and Standards for Competition

The following rules and regulations will be applied to the World Pro Ski Tour (“WPST”) and all WPST events. It is the competitor’s obligation to know and understand each of the rules and standards.

The Event Organizer and Racer Board reserves the right to change, amend, add or delete any of the Official Rules and Standards of Competition, however the racer board will have veto right on any rule that affects the athletic nature of the event.

The Rules and Standards of Competitions shall be enforced by the WPST and the Jury. The Jury will have the final say concerning all aspects of competition (**WPST Rules Version 13.1; Dated 12/22/2024**)

MISSION STATEMENT

The World Pro Ski Tour® is a professional sports league featuring the popular “dual” format of alpine ski racing. By placing the racers side-by-side, spectators on-site, on TV and through live-streaming platforms can experience the most exciting format in alpine ski racing. The World Pro Ski Tour® offers a unique opportunity to all accomplished ski racers to further their careers, including national ski team members and Olympians (past and present), collegiate and journeymen in an environment that is focused on open competition.

I. BASIC RULES OF COMPETITION

All competitors participating in the WPST and WPST sanctioned events are expected and required to abide by all rules and regulations set herein. This will include both men and women athletes and events.

Each WPST member will be assigned a bib and bib number to be used for the qualification and dual race at the start of each WPST event, based on their current WPST standings. Tour members will also have their names printed on the bibs at each event. All non-members will be assigned a bib based on the time they register per event.

1. During the event, if an athlete loses their bib, or appears at the start without their bib, a replacement will be given, and a \$50 fee will be charged. If a racer does not appear at the start within 2 minutes of when the start referee has called for the athletes to load into the start position, they will forfeit the run and a maximum time differential will apply. Their opponent will be allowed to take both their runs on their assigned courses. If unforeseen circumstances arise and are outside of their control, a force majeure clause may apply.

Protests will be filed with, and only with, the Event Director or nearest Jury member immediately following the run. The assigned protocol for filing protests is outlined later in the rules guide (XIII Protests, XIV Fines & Other Rules). Any racers who do not follow the assigned protocol will have their protest dismissed.

II. RACER BOARD

1. The Racer Board will be comprised of five (5) members: Active Tour members; two (2) men, two (2) women, and one (1) Racer President. The Athlete Board decisions will be based on majority vote.
2. The Racer Board will be the voice of the Athletes at each race location. All discourse between the Athletes and the WPST Staff must run through the Racer

Board. Only the Athlete Representative, for each event, will bring the discussion to the Jury. The Jury will oversee any and all safety concerns and will make the final decision concerning the discussion.

3. For each member of the Racer Board will be named the Athlete Representative at each location. The Athlete Representative will be a member of the Race Jury to express the opinion of the Athletes. This Racer Board member will be named at the Athlete's Meeting before the Qualification Race at each event weekend.
4. If a Racer Board member cannot attend a race, a replacement will fill their spot for the weekend. This replacement will be chosen at the Athlete's Meeting by the remaining Racer Board members, who will notify the WPST Staff of the members of the Racer Board for the weekend.
5. Applications to the Racer Board will be made available at the end of the season. New members will be voted on by the current Racer Board. At least one (1) new member will be added to the Racer Board at least every two (2) seasons.

III. ATHLETE REGISTRATION

1. For 2025 Race Season, the WPST Athlete Online Registration will close on Wednesday at 5:00pm MST, one week prior to the race weekend.
2. Race weekend schedules and information will be emailed to all athletes preregistered, prior to each event weekend.
3. Entry Fee discounts will apply for early or season long registration payments. Prices may vary, email the race administration for more info.
4. Late Entry approval after registration closes, is at the discretion of the WPST. If late entries are accepted, a charged of 1.5 x entry fee may apply.
5. All Athletes will register on www.worldproskitour.com, through the Athlete Portal. The Online Registration is a 3-step process, all payments will be made online.
 - a. **New Athletes** will register as a Member or Non-Member. Go the Athlete Portal, create a username and password. Return the login page, sign in, then pay for the events you wish to compete in.
 - b. **Returning Athletes** will log into the Athlete Portal, sign in, then go to the events you want to compete in, and pay.
 - c. **Prize Money** will be paid through ACH payment services and deposited directly into your bank account. The ACH and W-9 tax forms will be sent out prior to the first event for US Athletes. Foreign athletes are required to complete and returned the ACH and W-8 Ben tax forms prior to the first competition. This process will only have to be completed once, during a season for all athletes.
6. Athlete in person registration and check in is required at each event and will be held the afternoon prior to the athlete meeting. This will complete the registration process, issuing bibs, ski area waivers and any additional information needed to compete the process before the qualifying race.
7. The Athlete's meetings will follow final athlete registration. These meetings will be

held in person, online options may apply. Athletes must be present or represented at the meeting. Athletes that are unable to attend the racer meeting due to force majeure, the athlete must be represented at the racer meeting.

IV. THE COURSES

A. Course Setting

1. The courses will be designated as Red Course, and Blue Course.
2. All gates will consist of two flex poles and a panel.
3. The two courses in the Super Slalom (SL) or Giant Slalom (GS) will be set as identically as possible using a triangulation method.
4. The Super Slalom (SL); approx. 15-meter radius.
5. The Giant Slalom (GS); approx. 23-meter radius.
6. Artificial jumps will be built into the course. The jump height can be built up to approximate 1.83 meters (6') in height.
7. The number of jumps shall be a minimum of one, and maximum of three for SL and GS. The number of jumps shall be determined by the Event Director, and the Technical Advisor and/or Chief of Course.
8. New courses may be set after the qualifying round at the Jury's discretion.
9. The courses will be set by the Event Director and assisted by the Technical Advisor and/or Chief of Course, assisted by select volunteers.

B. Course Approval

1. The Jury will begin course inspection at least one-half hour before the posted inspected time and be responsible for course approval. Any changes should be made before posted inspected time. Final course approval will be made by the Event Director.

C. Course Inspection

1. The courses will be open for inspection 1 hour prior to the start of the race or introductions. Racers are not allowed on the courses before that time.
2. Failure to follow the published rules will result in a Jury disciplinary action agreed upon by the Jury.
3. Skiing over the jumps at any time other than during actual competition is forbidden, except posted practice times and during maintenance as determined by the Jury.
4. Skiing through the course at any time other than during actual competition is forbidden, fines or disqualification may apply.
5. Racers are not allowed on the race hill prior to the official inspection time unless otherwise posted. Exceptions may apply (example; if only one run is available for both warm-up and events).
6. There will be **No** skiing around gates or between courses outside of actual competition. There will be no shadowing the course.

7. The use of the starting gates will only be allowed during posted start practice. This normally occurs at the beginning of the posted inspection time, and during competition.
8. There will be no alteration of any part of the race course, or the race hill by anyone other than the Event Director, Technical Advisor and/or Chief of Course.

D. Course Changes or Maintenance

1. If you register and race in a WPST event, you must follow the Event Director and Jury's decisions to run the race and abide by the final decision from them. Coaches, athletes' affiliates, volunteers, etc. cannot adjust or change the course in anyway, and at any time. The Event Director and Jury decision is final. An athlete or athletes' disqualification could occur if ruled against them.
2. If safety is a concern on course, coaches, athletes' affiliates, volunteers, etc. must bring the issues to the attention of the Event Director and the Jury. A final decision will be made by the Event Director and the Jury, not by the athletes, affiliates, or volunteers.
3. If the Event Director and Jury make the decision that safety is an issue, and need to call the race, the options are as followed:
 - a. For the Finals - The top four (4) athletes will split the prize money according to their placement. First and second places prize money would be combined and divided, the same would go for the third and fourth places as well.
 - b. Any other time the race is called, depending on how far the race has advanced, the tour management will decide on how to split the prize money as accumulated to the point of cancellation.
4. If the Event Director and Jury make the decision to continue racing, an athlete has the option to withdraw from the event. They will be paid according to the position they have completed, and their opponent will advance to the next round.
5. If any course changes are necessary during the Dual Race, it will be done after the round is completed.
6. If any course change is necessary during a round of the Dual Race, then that round will be restarted. If any course changes are necessary during the Qualification Race, the first run would be restarted.
7. If there are scheduled breaks between the rounds of a Dual Race, the Event Director and the Jury may request maintenance or forerunners.
8. Should any course changes take place once the race has started, the racers will be either given time to inspect any such changes or be verbally told about the course changes by the Jury at the start (if minor).
9. Course Maintenance will be as needed, and equal on each course.
10. Course Slipping will be called by the Jury at their discretion. A starter will manage course slipping assignments, and equal number of slippers will take place both courses.

V. QUALIFICATION RACE

1. All athletes must participate in the Qualification races in order to compete in the Dual Races.
2. Athletes must start and finish one qualifying run, crossing the finish to get to be put into the dual bracket.
3. When only one Dual Race is scheduled for an event, the Qualification race will be of the same discipline.
4. When two or more Dual races are scheduled for an event, there may be a single Qualification race in any one of the scheduled disciplines, for all the Dual races in that event. The seeding method for the second event will use the final results from the first event. Ties will be broken by qualifying times if needed.
5. The qualification race course will be a Dual course. The racers will be split into two equal groups.
6. The qualification race is a timed competition, which is the elapsed time of the racers on their assigned course from the starting gate to the finish line.
7. Assigning start positions for qualifying will be from the overall point standings of the WPST. For the first race, the last season final standings will be used, otherwise, the current tour point standings will be used. After all WPST point holders (members) have been seeded, any remaining athletes will be seeded based upon the order that they signed up.
8. All athletes must participate in the qualifying event/events.
9. **2024-2025 Qualifying Time Method**

- a. **Qualifying 32**

The top 8 qualifiers from the first run of the red and blue courses are put into the "1st seed" of 1-16. After two runs of qualifying, the 1st seed will be ranked 1-16 based upon their single fastest time of the day from either course (e.g.: a first run qualifier have the opportunity to improve upon his or her ranking within the 1st seed with a faster 2nd run time, however, a first run qualifier will always remain in the 1st seed of top 16 first run qualifiers).

For the 2nd run, the top 8 qualifiers from each course (excluding first run qualifiers) will be put into the "2nd seed" of 17-32 and then ranked within that seed based on their best time of the day from the 1st and 2nd run.

- b. The second run start order will be the same as the first run start order. The courses will be switched, red to blue, blue to red.
- c. If a racer is not a WPST member, they will start after the WPST members in the order they signed up in (bib order).
- d. **Qualifying 16**

The top 4 qualifiers from the first run of the red and blue courses are put into the "1st seed" of 1-8. After two runs of qualifying, the 1st seed will be ranked 1-8 based upon their single fastest time of the day from either course. (e.g: a first run qualifier has the opportunity to improve upon his or her ranking within the 1st seed with a

faster 2nd run time, however, a first run qualifier will always remain in the 1st seed of top 8 first run qualifiers).

For the 2nd run, the top 4 qualifiers from each course (excluding first run qualifiers) will be put into the "2nd" seed of 9-16 and then ranked based upon their single fastest time of the day.

- e. The fastest qualifying racer from the 1st seed after two runs will be seeded #1 in the ladder, on the red course. The 2nd fastest qualifying racer from the 1st seed will be seeded #2 in the ladder, on the blue course. The pattern will repeat based on seeding positions provided in the seeding ladders (found on page 21/22).
 - f. After the 1st seed, the fastest qualifying racer from the 2nd seed will be seeded 17th (in the event of a 32-person ladder) on the Red Course, then the 2nd fastest 2nd seed racer will be seeded 18th on the Blue Course, etc. In the case of qualifying 16, the fastest 2nd seed racer will be seeded 9th on the Red, etc.
 - g. In the event that one or multiple racers DNF or DSQ both runs, but less than 32 (or 16) racers finish with a time, these racers will be inserted into the end of the bracket behind any racers with times. In the event that there are more racers without a time than spots remaining in the bracket, these racers will be drawn randomly.
10. If there is a tie for the last qualifying position in the second run on the same course, the racer with the faster first run time would qualify. If both racers are disqualified, or tied after the first run, a coin toss will take place, and/or the athletes will be drawn randomly.

11. Field Size

a. Qualifying 32

If the number of racers for the Qualification race is less than 32, the fastest qualifier(s) will be given a bye in the round of 32 bracket. The maximum number of byes in the round of 32 shall be 4. If fewer than 28 racers are entered into the qualifying races, then the first round of the Dual race shall be the round of 16.

b. Qualifying 16

If a qualification race is less than 16, the 4 fastest qualifier(s) will be given a bye in the round of 16 brackets. If fewer than 12 entered the qualifying races, then the first round of the Dual race shall be the round of 8.

- c. If the qualifying field is smaller than the dual bracket assigned to the event (i.e. less than 32/16/8) any athlete injured prior to the start of qualifying event must start and finish one qualifying run. The athlete must cross the finish to advance, to be placed into dual bracket.
- d. If the athlete can not finish one qualifying run, with a smaller field, they will not advance, receive any points or money from the dual bracket.

12. Alternates

The racers ranked 33 through 35, 17-19, and 9-11 from the qualification race will be named alternates. Alternates are expected to show up ready to race the

bracket, should a racer who qualified injure themselves or otherwise pull out of the race before the start. If a named alternated does not wish to stay for the bracket, they must notify the Jury and RA, who will remove them and pick the next ranked skier who did not qualify (See the alternate rules in section VII SEEDING, D-Dual Race, 5. Alternates).

VI. THE DUAL RACE

1. The **32** racers who qualify for the Dual Race are placed in the race ladder according to the seeding system used, 2024-2025 Qualifying Time Method. The ladder is designated with 1-32 seeded positions (example on page 20/21).
2. If a Qualification Race does not produce 32 racers, the seeding will be adjusted with up to four (4) byes. If the qualifying rounds produce less than 28, then the round of 16 ladder shall be used for the top 16 qualifiers.
3. A match-up in the Dual Race consists of two runs with the racers switching courses after the first run. This is known as "single elimination format."
4. Winners are determined by differential timing, which means the amount of the time that one racer beats the other after two runs. For run two, the racer who won run one will leave the start gate with that time differential advantage. The racer who crosses the finish line first on run two is the winner.

Example:

1st Run - Racer A on red course beats Racer B on blue course by .265

2nd Run - Racer A on blue course leaves the start .265 before Racer B on red course, Racer A beats Racer B by .166

Advances - Racer A advances to the next round by a margin of .166

5. The winner of each match-up advances to the next round, starting with the first round of 32, 16, or, 8 then advances to the next round of 16 or 8, and so on, up to the big, and small finals.
6. The two racers who lose in the semi-finals will compete for 3rd and 4th place in the small final, (consolation round) held as the first match-up in the finals.
7. Introduction of the racers will take place before the start of the round of 16. All racers in the competition must be present five minutes prior to the start of the introductions at the designated area. This could take place in the finish, at the bottom jump, or at the start. Athletes will be notified at the racer meeting where this will take place.
8. When introduced, the pair racers racing against each other in the round of 16, may meet in the finish, or ski alongside their assigned course and may not ski over the jumps for introductions only. If skiing down, directed by TV, the athletes will stop for the cameras in the finish area and then proceed to the start for their round.
9. **Ladder advancement through timed runs** - The Jury may decide to conduct two timed runs for advancements in early rounds if course conditions dictate, due to safety concerns with head-to-head racing.

VII. SEEDING

A. Qualification Race

The Start Order for the **Qualification Race** will be divided into Seeds.

B. Seeds

1. FIRST SEED

WPST Members with Points

Tour members start in order of ranking from the tour standings. #1 in the standings at the race will start on the Red Course, #2 on Blue, #3 on Red, etc.

2. SECOND SEED

WPST Members without Points

2nd Seed is compiled in the order of when they registered.

3. THIRD SEED

Non-Members of the WPST

3rd. Seed is compiled in the order of when they registered.

C. Additional Seeding Information

1. Racers will be ranked on the qualifying start list according to their current WPST ranking in the same event as the Qualification Race.
2. Each seed will be split in half with one half racing on the Red course and the other Blue course. Placing them on either the red or blue and continuing with pair 3 and 4 and so on until all ranked racers are placed.
3. The Start order for the first run in qualifying will begin with the First Seed, then Second Seed and the Third Seed to follow. The second run start order will be the same as the first run start order. The courses will be switched, red to blue, blue to red.
4. The first WPST events of the new race season, the final tour standings from the prior year for seeding will be used in the first the qualifying event.

D. Dual Race

1. The qualifying racers for the Dual Race will be seeded in the formatted race ladder (example pg. 21/22) by the Qualifying Time Method.
2. Seeding for the second race, when two races are held at the same venue (with one qualification). If there is a second race during the event weekend, the dual event will be seeded based off the first race placing. When there are multiple athletes tied for a given position point ranking (i.e. 5-8, 9-16 or 17-32), seeding will be based off of the qualification. The single fastest qualifying time, from the prior race, within the specific point ranking range will break the tie.
3. If there is a tie with the single qualifying time, the tie breaker would then come from their second qualifying time.
4. Seed and Draw Method, a seeding option if the other two methods are not available. The seeding would be done off tour standings for 32 qualifiers, placing the top 16 in the respected 1-16 positions, and drawing the remaining athletes in the 9-16 and 17-32 positions. This would be adjusted if 16 were qualifying and so on.

E. Alternates - Athlete Withdrawals

Any athlete who has qualified for a dual event and does not intend to compete, follow the

scenarios will apply.

1. Alternates – Qualifying, the Day before the Dual Event

- a. If the qualifying event is the day before the dual event, the cut off time is 7:30am for withdrawals the morning of the dual event, or the day of qualifying, to notify the Jury & Race Administrator that they are withdrawing.

2. Night Events – Qualifying, the Day before the Dual Event

- a. If the round of 32 is run during the day, prior to the night event, the withdrawal time will be at 2:00pm (Night events usually begin at 5:00pm).
- b. If no 32 round is run, and the round of 16 is run at night, 2:00pm will be the cut off time for withdrawals.

3. Alternates – Qualifying, the Same Day as the Dual Event

a. Day Events

If qualifying is the same day as the dual event, athletes must notify the Jury & Race Administrator immediately following qualifying that they will not start in the dual event.

b. Night Events

If the round of 32 is run after qualifying, during the day, the cut off time will be immediately after qualifying,

- c. If no 32 round is run, and the round of 16 is run at night, 2:00pm will be the cut off time for withdrawals. (Night events usually begin at 5:00pm)

4. Alternates - Seeding

- a. If an athlete withdraws one hour or less prior to the start, a bye will be given. If the athlete that withdraws is in the 31/32 or 16/15, positions from qualifying, the alternate will then be slotted in without reformatting the seeding.
- b. If an athlete withdraws in a higher seeding position 8/7 from qualifying (other than stated above), then the alternate being slotted in, the seeding will be redone done to accommodate the higher-ranking withdrawal, and placement of the alternate accordingly.
- c. No more than two alternates/byes can be placed in a dual ladder.
- d. Once the dual event has started, if an athlete withdraws, a bye will be given to the opposing athlete.

5. Alternates - Ties in Seeding

- a. The first alternate will be the non-qualifying racer with the fastest single time from either course, and so on. Withdrawn racers will be replaced by alternates prior to the start of the first round only.
- b. Regarding ties between alternate, if they both have the same single fastest run, the tiebreaker orders would be:
 - 1. Total Combined time
 - 2. Coin Flip

6. Alternates – Points & Money

- a. Any racer who withdraws immediately prior to the start of the race, due to injury, will receive the points and prize money for the first start round of either 32/16/8.
- b. If an athlete becomes injured and/or withdraws from the event after the current round is completed, they must go out of the start in the next round to collect points and money that would be awarded for the next round. Otherwise, points and money will be awarded for the round just having been completed.
- c. When a racer is unable to compete AFTER the alternate deadline has passed. Example, a racer gets hurt after 8AM and before the start of a “day” race, then 6.a applies.
- d. If the racer gets hurt during a round, then 6.b applies.
- e. The alternate must make it into the next round to be awarded prize money and points, less those awarded to the withdrawn racer.

7. Alternates – After first round

- a. After the round of 16; if a racer withdraws, their opponent will receive a bye, and advance to the next round.
- b. The racer who receives the bye will need to take their allocated runs, for TV purposes, unless otherwise approved by the Jury.

VIII. SCORING SYSTEM

1. Athletes must be a tour member before the race begins to qualify for tour points, this includes the Speed Run.
2. Speed Run
 - a. In qualifying, the top three (3) tour qualifiers with the fastest combine times will be awarded points for the **Speed Runs**. These points will be applied toward the overall tour standings. The fastest qualifier will also receive bonus prize money.
 - b. When there is a cash award given for the fastest qualifier, “The Speed Run” will be awarded to a tour member with the fastest combined time after two runs. In case of a tie, the award will be split, and each athlete will be awarded the 5 tour points. The cash award will be announced prior to the start of the qualifying race.
 - c.

Fastest Combined Qualifier	5 Points	\$100 (example, TBD)
Second Fastest Combined Qualifier	3 Points	
Third Fastest Combined Qualifier	1 Point	
3. Tour Member Points
Points will be accumulative, the athlete with the most points at the end of the season, for both men and women will be crowned, Tour Champion. Points for the Dual Race will be awarded as follows:

1 st Place	35 points
2 nd Place	30 points
3 rd Place	25 points
4 th Place	20 points

5-8 Place	Quarter Finals	15 points
9-16 Place	Round of 16	10 points
17-32 Place	Round of 32	5 points

IX. STARTS

A. Qualification Race:

Starts will consist of Horse Gate timing and/or Independent Wand Starts

The Starting Cadence will be as follows:

- The Starter will ask each racer:
"RED COURSE READY;"
"BLUE COURSE READY;"
"RACERS READY!"
- The lights will give a countdown.
- Gates will open.

1. This Starting Cadence shall remain consistent.
2. The courses will have separate elapsed timing.
3. The Following Rules Shall Apply to the Qualification Race
 - a. If a racer is not present or ready for start, the next pair will run.
 - b. If that racer is still not ready within (2) minutes, the second time they are called to load into the start, they will be disqualified from that run and the racer they were paired with will take a solo run, unless unforeseen circumstances occur (force majeure).
4. Should a timing malfunction occur, the affected racers will be given an immediate re-run (or inserted when ready). This run should begin prior to the next seed start.
5. If a racer is interfered with during their run, they would receive an immediate re-run (inserted when ready). This run should be prior to the next seed start.
6. Re-runs will occur no later than the seed following the affected athlete.
7. If a racer is not ready to start, they must verbally acknowledge this to the starter when asked "Red Course Ready" or "Blue Course Ready".

8. Dual Race – The Horse Gate Starts through Doors

1. In the Dual Race, the start method is known as a Horse Gate Start.
2. For the first run of the race, the doors will open simultaneously.
3. For the second run of a race, the doors will have a delayed opening, for the loser of the first run, based on the amount of time behind the winner of the first run. This is known as a "delayed 2nd run start." The time will be rounded to the nearest 100th of a second (0.01) or by decision of the jury (e.g.: 23.234 → 23.23; 23.235 → 23.24).
4. The Maximum Time Differential will be approximately 3% of the number of direction changes of the course.
5. If a racer is not ready to start, they must verbally declare this to the starter when asked

if their course is ready.

6. The Cadence for both types will be as follows:

- The Starter will ask each racer:
 "RED COURSE READY;"
 "BLUE COURSE READY;"
 "RACERS READY!"
- The lights will give a countdown.
- Gates will open.

7. Once the Start Cadence has begun, a racer may not touch any part of the starting system other than the kickboard.

8. If a malfunction is called, both racers must stop and return to the start. If one racer fails to stop, they must return to the start as soon as possible. The restart will take place as soon as the racer is ready, and before the next round.

9. The Following Rules Shall Apply to The Dual Race:

1. If a racer is not present or ready for start, the next pair will run.
2. If that racer is still unable to start, they will be disqualified from that run, and the racer they were paired with will take a solo run, unless unforeseen circumstances occur (force majeure).

X. FINISHES

1. All racers must break the timing light at the finish line. Any racer failing to break the beam will be disqualified.
2. In the event of a timing malfunction during the race, the racers will take an immediate re-run on the same course.
3. Ties after two runs - A single run, run off will take place. The highest WPST seeded athlete would choose their course. If not a tour member, the tie would be by their singles fastest qualifying time, to choose the course.

XI. DISQUALIFICATIONS

A. Time Penalty

1. During the first run of a match-up in the dual race, a disqualification or failure to finish will result in the maximum time penalty being assessed to the offending racer.
2. During the second run of a match-up in the dual race, any racer who is disqualified or fails to finish will lose the match-up.
3. In the case of a DNF or DQ in the first run, the time penalty going into a 2nd run shall be the maximum time differential (IX.B.3.).
4. A racer who is beaten by more than the time differential will be awarded the maximum time differential for that run (IX.B.3.).

B. Disqualifications During the Qualification and Dual Races

1. The Jury

The Jury has final decision considering all aspects of race related articles. The Jury

shall be positioned on the hill where they have full view of the entire race course.

2. Interference

Any racer who skis into the other racer's course, causing contact to occur between either the racer's body and/or equipment, will be disqualified. Any racer who causes their competitor to alter their race line to avoid a collision will be disqualified for that run and given the maximum time differential.

- a. When a racer feels they have been interfered with, they may continue to ski the course and await Jury decision at the finish. The racer must find the nearest Jury member to request a re-run; however, if the Jury decides there has been no interference, the racer will be disqualified.
- b. If there has been interference or a disqualification, the Jury and the Event Director must make and announce the decision promptly, which shall be immediately posted on the results board at the finish.
- c. Crossing into the other racer's line without causing interference is not grounds for disqualification.
- d. Spraying snow into the other racer's body or face is not grounds for disqualification.
- e. Knocking a gate out into the other racer's course is not grounds for disqualification.
- f. If interference is caused because of a gate failure, a re-run may be granted by Jury decision. During Qualification Race, the affected parties seeking a re-run must protest to the Jury.
- g. Any racer whose feet and skis do not pass around the proper side of the turning pole will be disqualified.
- h. A racer who misses a gate can hike to the gate, as long as they don't impede the other racer.
- i. If a racer has fallen and has lost one ski or both skis, they may not continue their run and will be scored as a DNF. An athlete may complete their run with one pole or no poles. If an athlete veers off the course, they may hike to the missed gate and continue, providing they have not been otherwise disqualified.
- j. A racer may not re-enter the course after being disqualified.
- k. The racer who is disqualified on the second run of a match, will lose the match.
- l. Should both racers be disqualified during the second run, the winner will be the racer who made it further down the course.
- m. Should both racers disqualify at the same time and place; the run is considered a tie. The winner of the match is the racer that won the first run. If the first run was a tie, then the racers shall take a 3rd run in the same courses to determine the winner.
- n. Racers may employ any blocking technique they choose to move the gate out of

their path, including the “cross-blocking” technique. The toe piece of the bindings and the tips of the skis are the only things that must pass around the outside of the turning pole. Hooking an arm, or arms, through the gate panel is not grounds for disqualification. Official Jury members must watch both racers pass by each gate in their zone. If either racer does not pass by each gate with the toe piece of the bindings and the tips of the skis on the turning side of the gate, the observing Juror must radio the Technical Advisor and/or Chief of Course and report the infraction immediately.

XII. ADDITIONAL ON HILL RULES

1. WPST will allow any athlete over the age of 16 to compete. Athletes between 16–18 years of age require a parental waiver signature and approval to race.
2. There will be no additions, deletions or changes to the rules while an event is in progress. An event is considered in progress once a Qualification Race starts.

XIII. PROTESTS & JURY

1. The Jury

1. Shall consist of five (5) members, including the Event Director (who is the head of the Jury), the Start Referee, the Finish Referee, Technical Advisor and/or Chief of Course, and a representative of the Racer Board.

2. Protests

1. All protests must be made by a racer in person. The racer may use an interpreter.
2. When a racer wishes to protest, the racer may finish the run before making the protest immediately to the Finish Referee or the nearest Jury member. Protests referring to the start should be made to the Start Referee. All protests must take place immediately.
3. The racer making the protest should also inform a member of the Racer Board directly that a protest has been made. The Racer Board will communicate with the Jury for a final decision.
4. The protesting racer may be fined up to one hundred U.S. dollars (\$100), should the outcome of the protest meeting go against the protesting athlete. The final decision for a fine will be made by a Jury vote.
5. Final decisions pertaining to all race aspects will be made by the Jury.

XIV. FINES AND OTHER RULES

a. Fines

1. Each racer is responsible for their own behavior.
2. The Event Director, Racer Board and Tour Officials may impose fines. All money must be paid in U.S. dollars to the WPST to be held in a separate account for the Racer Board.
3. Any racer whose behavior reflects badly on the WPST can be fined and/or suspended. The final decision will be made by the discretion of the Jury.
4. Any racer’s abuse of banners, race officials, ski area personal, spectators, fellow competitors or tour personnel can be fined. The final decision will be made by the discretion of the Jury.

5. Any racer who intentionally obstructs the progress of an event will be fined and/or suspended. The final decision will be made by the discretion of the Jury.
6. Any throwing of equipment in the race area may result in a fine. The final decision will be made by the discretion of the Jury.
7. An appeal of any fine or suspension may be made by the racer in question, to the Jury, whose decision will be final.
8. Once a Qualification race, or Dual event begin, there will be no rule changes.

b. Additional Rules

1. Rule Changes - Athlete board will meet with management to discuss suggested rules changes. Management will review, and if approved the changes would take effect the following event weekend.
2. Any racer wishing to compete; must be present at registration, at the racer meeting or be pre-registered and represented at the meeting. Racers shall make best efforts to attend registration and meeting.
3. All official functions, awards ceremonies, press conferences and parties must be attended by designated race qualifiers. Athletes must show up for their scheduled autograph signings, as well as other schedule events. If unable to attend, they should notify promptly, so a replacement can attend.
4. A Rookie is any racer who has not competed in more than one (1) WPST event prior to the beginning of the current year.
5. Any violation of these rules shall be up to the Jury's discretion regarding disciplinary action.
6. Gender Policy - An athlete must compete as their recognized biological genetic gender at birth for either the men or women's events.
7. Athlete Equipment - The WPST highly recommends the use of helmets and cut-resistant base layers. A helmet design for skiing and snowboarding with CEN or ASTM certification is allowed.

XV. PURSES

1. The amount of the Purse and its distribution will be determined by the WPST. All race qualifiers must receive an award at least equal to the amount of the entry fee.
2. When a purse is offered for the combined results of two or more races, the placing will be determined by the total accumulated points in those races.
 - a. Ties will be broken by the highest finishes.
 - b. If a tie still exists for first place, a runoff will take place consisting of two runs, alternating courses on the same courses as the last race. Assignment to Red or Blue Courses will be determined by a coin toss.
 - c. If a runoff is not possible, the award will be split.

XVI. PAY-OUT CHART

1. The WPST has the final discretion to formulate the Pay-Out Chart based on the available purse for the race or other considerations.
2. As a general guideline, based upon a \$32,000 purse **example** below, the pay-out would be as follows: Prize money may vary.

1 st	\$10,000	31.25%
2 nd	\$5,000	15.625%
3 rd	\$3,000	9.375%
4 th	\$2,000	6.25%
1/8	\$4,000/4	1.25% (\$1000 per racer not advancing out of round of 8)
1/16	\$4,000/8	1.25% (\$500 per racer not advancing out of round of 16)
1/32	\$4,000/16	1.25% (\$250 per racer not advancing out of round of 32)
3. All athletes must sign up for ACH electronic payments through the WPST for prize money earned. This will be mandatory for racers to compete in any WPST event, unless otherwise agreed upon.
4. Athletes are 1099 self-employed independent contractors and responsible for their own taxes and submissions to the IRS. They must complete a W-9 (Request for Taxpayer Identification Number & Certification form) and submit to the WPST prior to competing at the first scheduled event to receive their 1099-Misc form.
5. International Racers are subjected to a 30% tax and must complete a W-8BEN form (Certificate of Foreign Status of Beneficial Owner for United States Tax Withholding and Reporting - Individuals) International Athletes must submit this form to the WPST prior to competing at their first event.

XVII. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS - Special Event Rules of Competition

A. Entry Qualifications

1. Athletes must be a Tour Member to qualify to race in the World Championships.

B. Qualifying Seeding

1. Normal Qualifying Rules apply

C. Dual Race Ladder Seeding

1. First Dual Event: Seeding based off of the Qualifying Time Method
2. Second Dual Event: Seeding based off of the Final results of the first event.
3. If either of these options are not available, the Seed and Draw method can be used.

D. Points and Prize Money Breakdown

1. Point Breakdown
 - a. The standard point breakdown applies (i.e. page 9)
2. Speed Run
 - a. The standard rules apply.
 - b. Speed Run points will count for each qualifying event held and will be included in the overall point totals.
 - c. When there is a cash award given for the fastest qualifier, "The Speed Run"

will be awarded to a tour member with the fastest combined time after two runs. In case of a tie, the award will be split. Each athlete will be awarded 5 tour points each.

3. Prize Money and Bonuses

- a. Prize money and bonuses will vary.

4. Ties For the Overall World Champions

- a. When a purse is offered for the combined results of two or more races, the placing will be determined by the total accumulated points in those races. If a tie occurs between the top two athletes after two events:
 - 1. Ties will be broken by the highest single finish.
 - 2. If tie still exists for first place overall, the award and prize money will be split.

All other rules apply if not specifically outlined in this section.

XVIII. WORLD PRO SKI TOUR INFORMATION

A. Office address

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www.worldproskitour.com

B. Operations Contact Information

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Barrett Stein, Director of Events
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Kevin Clarke, Tour Announcer, Special Events Coordinator
603-986-0839, kevinclarke@roadrunner.com

John Jacobs, Technical Advisor & Equipment Director
518-744-9460, jjacobs@reliableracing.com

XX. ATHLETE RELEASE FORMS

Athletes are required to sign releases prior to racing in any event hosted by the WPST. This includes both men and women athletes. Samples on the following pages.

- a. Standard Member Athlete Contract
- b. Standard Non-Member Athlete Contract
- c. Addendum A: WPST Athlete Release & Indemnification Agreement
- d. Ski Area Releases (not enclosed, will vary with each ski area)

STANDARD TOUR MEMBER ATHLETE CONTRACT (Men/Women)

For the 2024-2025 season, all athletes will be ranked as tour members.

STANDARD TOUR MEMBER CONTRACT BETWEEN ATHLETE and WPST (hereinafter the "Agreement") is made and entered into as of _____ (the "Effective Date"), by and

between: 1) _____, with a place of residence at _____

_____ hereinafter "ATHLETE");

2) **World Pro Ski Tour, LLC** A limited liability company incorporated under the laws of Delaware and having a principal place of business at 3070 West 63rd Ave, Westminster, CO 80221 ("WPST").

WHERE IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED

Season: The ATHLETE shall participate in the WPST **2024-2025** season.

Obligations: The ATHLETE shall compete for WPST in single elimination race tournaments ("the Event") during the **2024-2025** season.

Membership Fee: For the **2024-2025**, all athletes will be ranked as tour members. There will be no additional fees for membership this season.

Member Benefits:

- Customized Race Bib
- Discounted Race Entrance Fees
- Accumulate points for the overall season towards the Tour Champion Title
- Accumulate points for the overall season towards the Rookie of the Year Title
- Speed Run winner cash prize
- Priority seeding ahead of non-members in each event
- Ability to vote for the WPST Racer Board
- 15% commission on any sponsorship brought to WPST
- Participate in the World Championships

Entrance Fee: In order to compete in each event weekend, an entrance fee of \$150 per race (x 2 events per weekend \$300) is required (fees are subject to change).
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Prize Money: WPST will post the amount and distribution of prize money prior to each Event for ATHLETE to review. Prize Money will be paid to qualifying athletes within 14 days of the Event.

Race Rules and Format: ATHLETE agrees to abide by all applicable rules and regulations promulgated by WPST and provided to the ATHLETE and posted on WPST's website. Athlete agrees that WPST, in its sole discretion, will determine the race format.

Advertising/Sponsoring: ATHLETE agrees that no wording, symbol, picture, design, name, advertising or informational material shall appear on their person, or upon their apparel, or other clothing worn by ATHLETE, during the Event, without prior approval of WPST and/or the Racer Board which will not be unreasonably withheld with due consideration and sensitivity to the racers own rights of endorsement and publicity to promote products or services on a fee basis. Any markings that contain or refer to products or services that are illegal, obscene or indecent, including, without limitation, any content or advertisements related to tobacco, firearms, weapons, political campaigns, political and/or social cause messaging, gambling or sexual pharmaceuticals will be disallowed. Subject to the above, ATHLETE shall provide their own uniform/apparel when competing in the Event unless stipulated otherwise by the WPST.

Intellectual Property Rights: All rights including but not limited to intellectual property rights deriving from and relating to the Event shall belong to WPST. ATHLETE acknowledges that WPST shall be the sole owner of all such rights in perpetuity in regards to the Event, to retain, use and license for any purpose, in perpetuity and at its sole option, including but not limited to licensing, merchandising, publicity, sponsorship, and promotional purposes, including, without limitation, in newspapers, magazines, video games, licensed products, Event programs, broadcasts and telecasts, any and all digital media outlets (podcasts, webcasts, blogs, social network websites, etc.), and all other publicity and advertising in all media whether now existing or created in the future.

ATHLETE shall engage in all promotional activities for WPST, including, but not limited to, the Event organized or designated by WPST. As such, ATHLETE grants to WPST and any other sponsors or organizers of the Event, individually and collectively, the right to use their name, image, picture, signature, and biographical information (collectively the “**Likeness**”) for licensing, merchandising, publicity, sponsorship, and promotional purposes, including, without limitation, in newspapers, magazines, video games, licensed products, Event programs, broadcasts and telecasts, any and all digital media outlets (podcasts, webcasts, blogs, social network websites, etc.), and all other publicity and advertising in all media whether now existing or created in the future. ATHLETE agrees that their image may be captured for still photographs, motion pictures, video, or television to be used by WPST worldwide in its sole discretion in perpetuity. This clause shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement.

Confidentiality: The Athlete shall keep the contents of this agreement strictly confidential and not divulge to any person, firm or corporation the contents of this contract. The obligation of the confidentiality shall remain in place for a period of three years.

Governing Law: This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the state of Delaware, without regard to its otherwise applicable principles of conflicts of laws or choice of law that would result in the application of the substantive or procedural law of any other jurisdiction.

Severability: Notwithstanding that any provision of this Agreement may prove to be illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction the other provisions of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect. In the event that any provision is held to be illegal in any jurisdiction then the provision shall be amended so as to be legal in that jurisdiction and to be as similar as possible to the original provision.

Entire Agreement: This Agreement shall be integrated with and incorporated into any other agreements required by specific venues. In the event of any conflict between the Standard Athlete Contract and an agreement with a specific venue, the venue agreement shall govern and control.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Standard Member Contract as of the date of the date last written below.

WORLD PRO SKI TOUR, LLC _____ signature Name: Designation: Date:
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MEMBER ATHLETE _____ signature Name: Date:

STANDARD NON-MEMBER ATHLETE CONTRACT (Men/Women)

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STANDARD NON-TOUR MEMBER CONTRACT BETWEEN ATHLETE and WPST (hereinafter the "Agreement") is made and entered into as of _____ (the "Effective Date"), by and

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WHERE IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED

Season: The ATHLETE shall participate in the WPST **2024-2025** season.

Obligations: The ATHLETE shall compete for WPST in a single elimination race tournament ("the Event").

Entrance Fee: In order to compete in the event, an entrance fee of \$_____ is required at execution of this Agreement (fees subject to change).

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WORLD PRO SKI TOUR, LLC _____ signature Name: Designation: Date:
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ATHLETE _____ signature Name: Date:
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ADDENDUM A
WORLD PRO SKI TOUR ATHLETE RELEASE & INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

I acknowledge that skiing, or any sporting event, is an extreme test of a person's physical and mental limits and carries with it the potential for death, serious injury, or property loss. I hereby assume full responsibility for the risks of bodily injury, death or property damage as a result of participating, officiating, observing, working or otherwise being involved in a skiing event whether caused by negligence of another or otherwise.

I hereby take the following action for myself, my children, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors, and assigns: a.) I agree to waive, release and discharge WPST, all participating ski areas and corporations, event promoters, coaches, operators, officials, sponsors, advertisers, real estate owners, lessors and lessees of the premises, and the officers, directors, employees, volunteers and agents thereof (hereinafter "Releasees") from any and all claims or liabilities for death or personal injury or damages of any kind, which arise out of or relate to my participation in, observation of, work for, or any other involvement in or my traveling to and from the event, EVEN IF CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, that is, their failure to exercise reasonable care; b.) I agree not to sue any of the Releasees mentioned above for any of the claims or liabilities that I have waived, released, or discharged herein; and c.) I agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any claims made or liabilities assessed against them. Should any claim or action be asserted in contravention of this agreement, I or my successor shall be liable for all expenses including LEGAL FEES incurred by the Releasees.

This waiver, release and indemnification agreement specifically embraces each and every event sanctioned, authorized, or promoted by the persons or entities mentioned above during the entire season and applies to each and every event.

I hereby authorize any licensed physician, emergency medical technician, hospital or other medical or health care facility to treat me for the purpose of attempting to treat or relieve any injuries received arising out of or relating to a WPST skiing event. I authorized any such medical provider to perform all procedures deemed medically advisable in attempting to treat or relieve any such injuries. I consent to the administration of anesthesia as deemed advisable. I realize and appreciate that there is a possibility of complications and unforeseen consequences in any medical treatment, and I assume any such risk for and on behalf of myself.

If any claim or action is brought, I agree that it shall be submitted to the jurisdiction of the Superior Court of Delaware or the U.S. District Court of Delaware and no other jurisdiction, and it shall be governed by the laws of the State of Delaware.

In the event that any provision(s) of this waiver is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid and unenforceable, the remaining terms and provisions herein shall continue in full force and effect.

I hereby affirm that I am eighteen (18) years of age or older, I have read and voluntarily signed this document, and I understand its contents.

ATHLETE

-----signature

Name:

Date:



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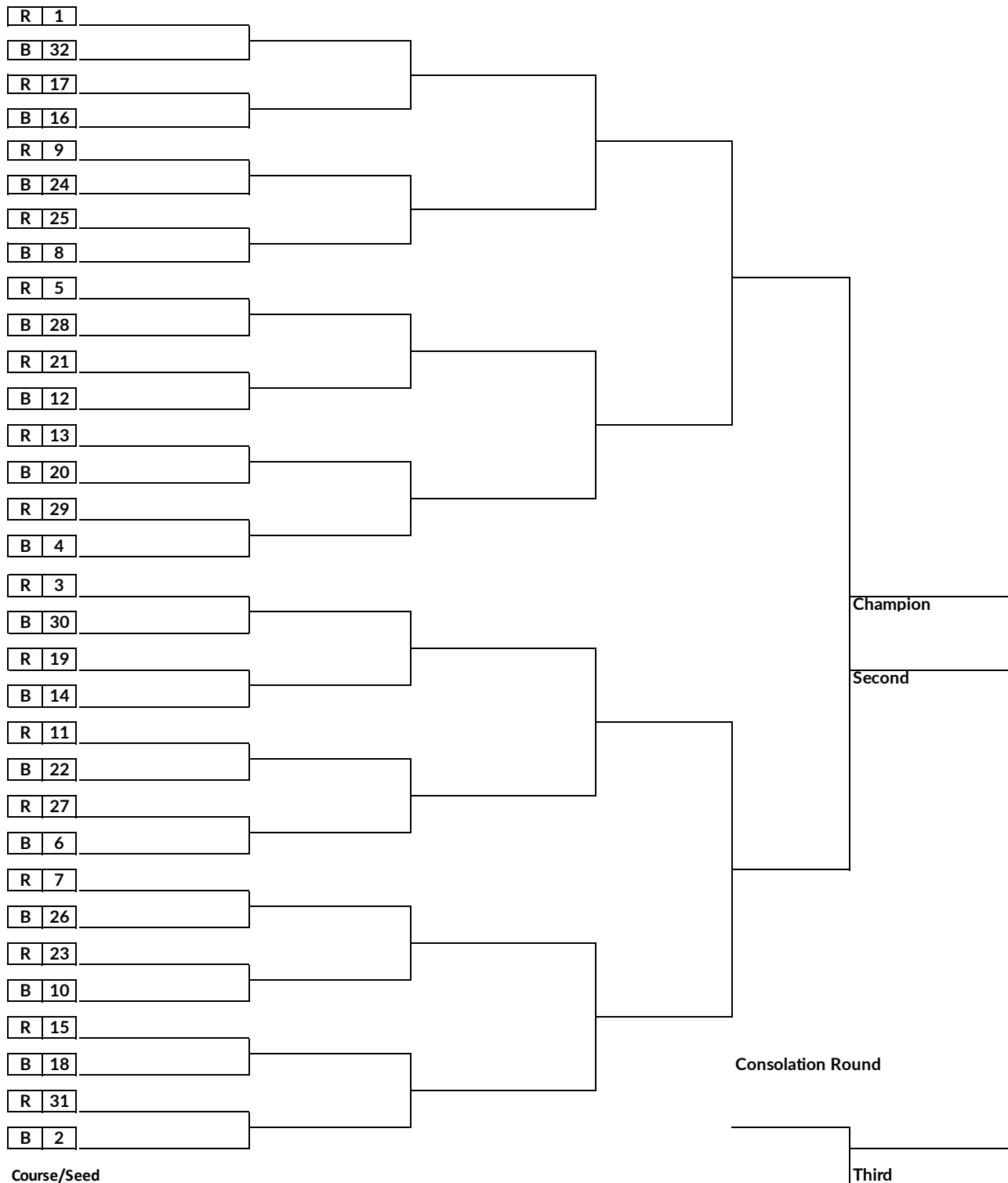
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Course/Seed

Consolation Round

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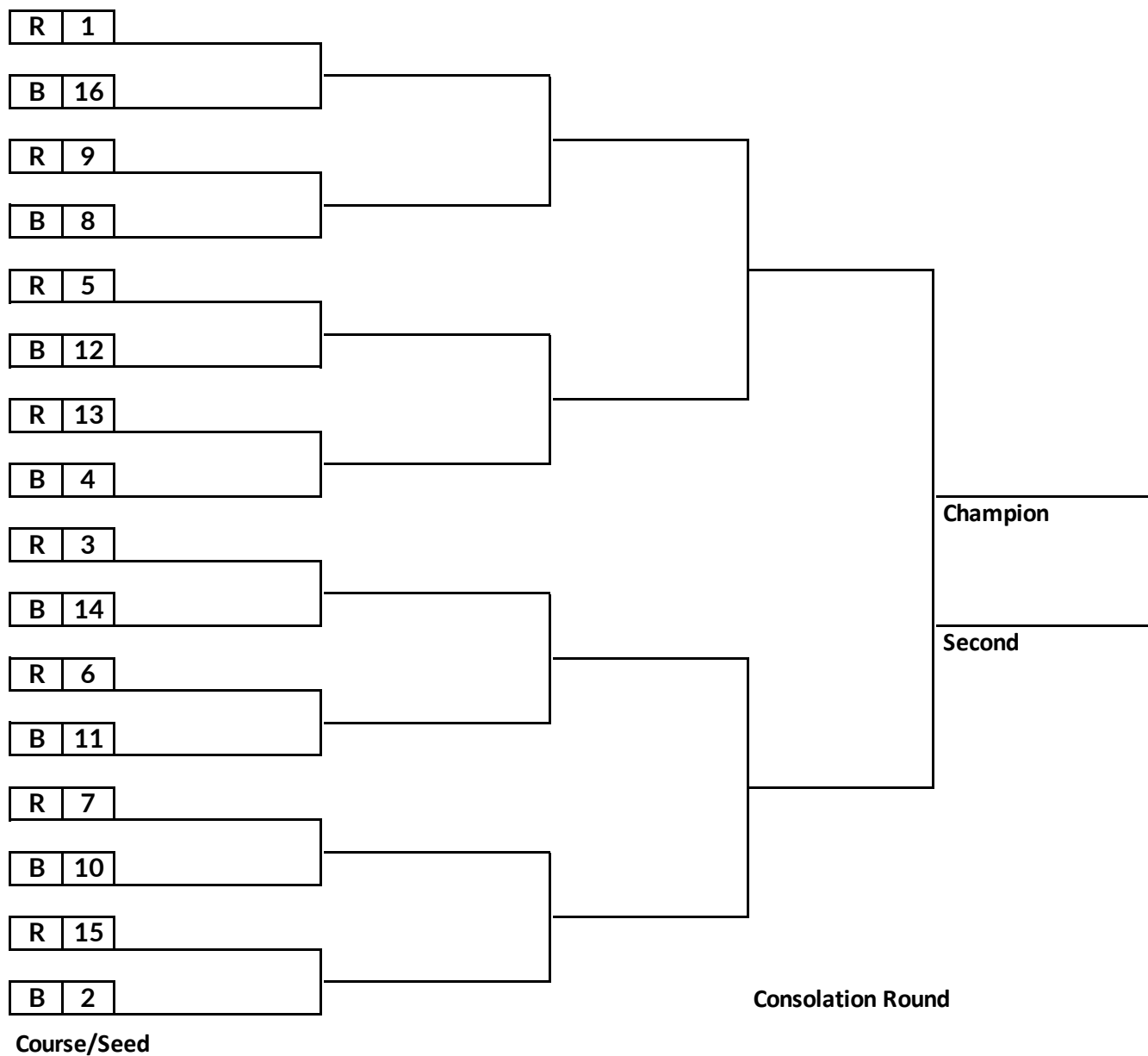
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QUARTER FINALS SEMI FINALS FINALS

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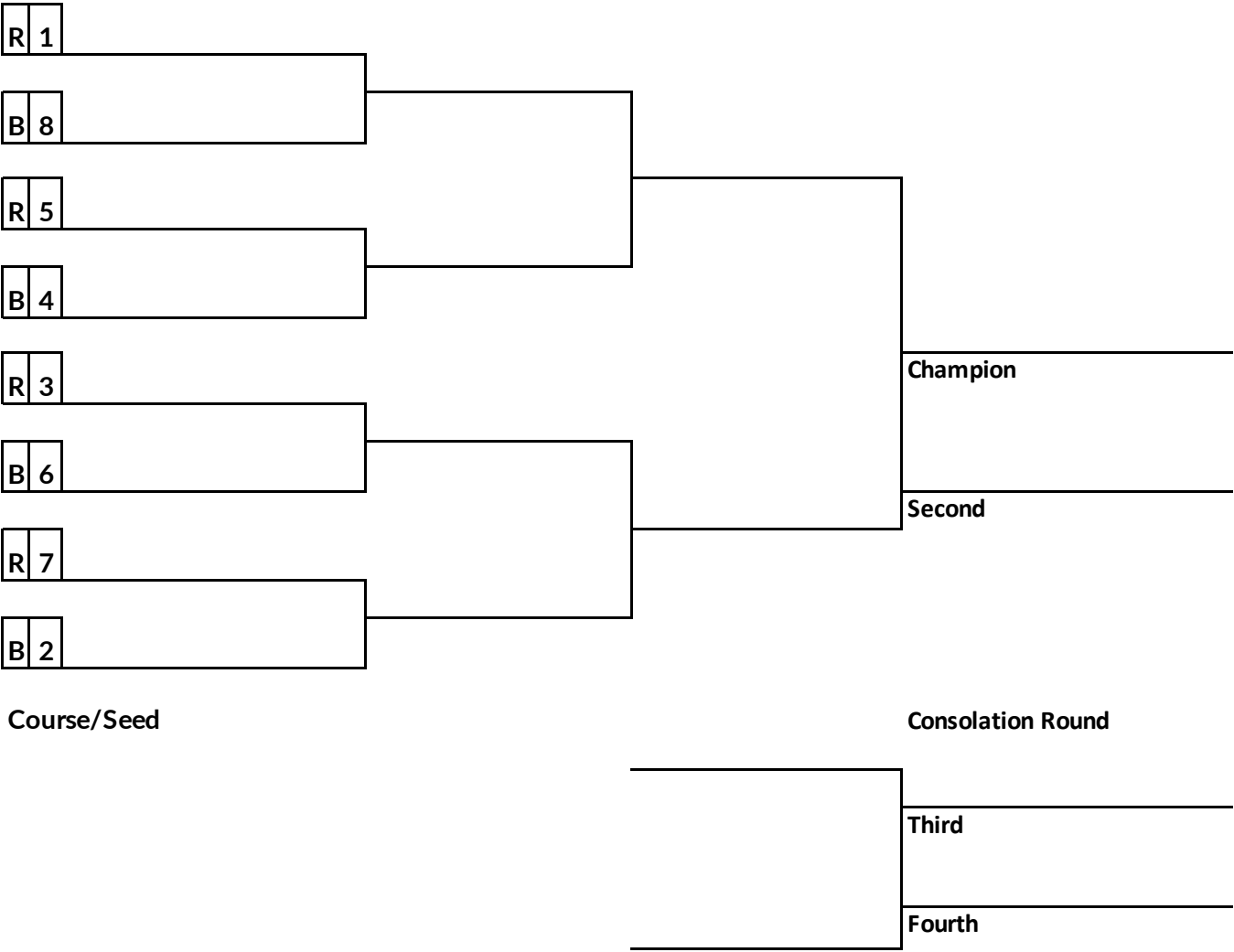
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QUARTER FINALS

SEMI FINALS

FINALS

PODIUM



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B

6

R

7

B

2

Course/Seed

Champion

Second

Consolation Round

Third

Fourth

Maximum differntial will be .60 (Example: First run .60 (.32) second run differential)

