



## Combined 2017 - Format (Rules) for IFSC Event and Olympic Games

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### 1. COMBINED

#### General

1.1 These rules shall be read in conjunction with Section 3 (*General Rules*).

1.2 Competitions for the Combined event shall consist of:

1.2.1 A Qualification round with a fixed quota of 20 climbers in each category; and

1.2.2 A Final round with a fixed quota of 6 climbers in each category,

where each of the Qualification and Final rounds will combine competitions in the Speed discipline, the Boulder discipline and Lead discipline in that order.

1.3 Each competition forming part of the Combined event shall conform to the relevant provisions of Sections 6 (*Lead*), 7 (*Boulder*) and 8 (*Speed*) of these rules, with the amendments and additions noted in this Section 1 (*Combined*).

1.4 The Qualification and Final rounds of the Combined event shall be held on separate days.

1.5 The Qualification of the Combined event shall be organised such that:

1.5.1 Each competitor shall have a minimum [30] minutes recovery period between their last attempt in the Speed competition and the start of their attempts in the Boulder competition following; and

1.5.2 Each competitor shall have a minimum [120] minutes recovery period between their last attempt in the Boulder competition and the start of their attempt in the Lead competition following.

1.6 The Finals of the Combined event shall be organised such that:

- 1.6.1 Each competitor shall have a minimum [15] minutes recovery period between their last attempt in the Speed competition and the start of their attempts in the Boulder competition following; and
- 1.6.2 Each competitor shall have a minimum [15] minutes recovery period between their last attempt in the Boulder competition and the start of their attempt in the Lead competition following.

#### Qualification round format

- 1.7 The Qualification round of the Combined event shall:
  - 1.7.1 In respect of the Speed competition, conform to the provisions of Section 8 (*Speed*) of these rules, as these relate to the organisation and conduct of the qualification round for Speed competitions.
  - 1.7.2 In respect of the Boulder competition, conform to the provisions of Section 7 (*Boulder*) of these rules, as these relate to the organisation and conduct of the semi-final round for Boulder competitions.
  - 1.7.3 In respect of the Lead competition, conform to the provisions of Section 6 (*Lead*) of these rules, as these relate to the organisation and conduct of the semi-final round for Lead competitions.
- 1.8 The starting order for the Qualification round of the Combined event shall be as follow:
  - 1.8.1 In respect of the Boulder and Lead competitions, in the order of a Qualification Seeding calculated:
    - (a) Where competitors are qualified for the Combined event through a qualifying event in which Speed, Boulder and Lead competitions are held, the Overall Ranking for that event, calculated pursuant to paragraph 1.13 of these rules; and
    - (b) Where competitors are qualified for the Combined event through multiple qualifying events, following the Qualification System. Precedence of results published by the IOC i.e. World Championship results take precedence over Continental Championship results.

1.8.2 In respect of the Speed competitions, the starting order for the left lane (Lane A) shall be in the order of the Qualification Seeding. The starting order for the right lane (Lane B) shall be in the same order as for Lane A but with a stagger of 50%.

Final round format

1.9 The Final round of the Combined event shall:

1.9.1 In respect of the Speed competition, conform to the provisions of Section 8 (*Speed*) of these rules, as these relate to the organisation and conduct of the final round for Speed competitions.

1.9.2 In respect of the Boulder competition, conform to the provisions of Section 7 (*Boulder*) of these rules, as these relate to the organisation and conduct of the final round for Boulder competitions, save that.

1.9.3 In respect of the Lead competition, conform to the provisions of Section 6 (*Lead*) of these rules, as these relate to the organisation and conduct of the final round for Lead competitions.

1.10 The starting order for the Final round of the Combined event shall be as follow:

1.10.1 In respect of the Speed competition, in the order following (number references for races 1, 2 and 3 refer to the ranking of competitors from the Speed competition of the Qualification round):





i.e. Race 1 shall be between the Competitors ranked 1<sup>st</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> within the Speed competition of the Qualification Round.

- 1.10.2 In respect of the Boulder competition, the starting order shall be the reverse of the ranking order from the preceding Speed competition, i.e. the highest (best) ranked competitor shall start last.
- 1.10.3 In respect of the Lead competition, the starting order shall be the reverse of the interim Overall Ranking calculated following the completion of the preceding Speed and Boulder competitions, i.e. the highest (best) ranked competitor shall start last.

## Ranking

### 1.11 Ranking within individual competitions

Ranking within each competition forming part of the Combined event shall be calculated as follow:

- 1.11.1 In respect of the Speed competition, according the provisions of Section 8 (*Speed*) of these rules with the following amendments and additions:
  - (a) in the event that two or more climbers are tied in the Speed competition of the Qualification round, the relative ranking of the tied competitors shall be determined by comparing the second (greater) time recorded by each competitor. Where in respect of any tie-break comparison:
    - (i) one or more competitors have no second time, such competitors shall be ranked behind any competitors having a second time; and
    - (ii) where more than one competitor has no second time, the relative ranking of the tied competitors shall be determined by conducting additional runs on the left (Lane A) lane to break the tie.
  - (b) In respect of the Speed competition in the Final round:
    - (i) The winner of race 6 shall be ranked first, and the loser of that race second;
    - (ii) The winner of race 5 shall be ranked third, and the loser of that race fourth;



- (iii) The remaining competitors shall be ranked by comparing their time in the first stage of the round. If both remaining competitors have the same time, their relative ranking shall be determined by comparing their Final Seedings.

1.11.2 In respect of the Boulder competition, according the provisions of Section 7 (*Boulder*) of these rules with the following amendments and additions:

- (a) in the event that two or more climbers are tied in the Boulder competition of the Final round, the relative ranking of the tied competitors shall be determined by comparing the Final Seeding of the relevant competitors.

1.11.3 In respect of the Lead competition, according the provisions of Section 6 (*Lead*) of these rules with the following amendments and additions:

- (a) in the event that two or more climbers are tied in the Lead competition of the Qualification round, the relative ranking of the tied competitors shall be determined by comparing their climbing times on the route (lower time is better);
- (b) in the event that two or more climbers are tied in the Lead competition of the Final round, the relative ranking of the tied competitors shall be determined:
  - (i) by comparing their climbing times on the Final route (lower time is better); and
  - (ii) where following (i) any competitors remain tied, the relative ranking of the tied competitors shall be determined by comparing the Final Seeding of the relevant competitors.

#### Overall Ranking

1.12 An Overall Ranking for the Combined event shall be calculated following the conclusion of each round for each participating category of competitors.

1.13 Only competitors having started in all three competitions shall given an Overall Ranking, calculated as follows:

1.13.1 Each competitor shall be awarded "Ranking Points" for each completed competition:



- (a) where the competitor has a unique ranking in the competition relative, equal to that ranking; or
  - (b) where two or more competitors are tied in an event, by comparing the Final Seeding of the relevant competitors.
- 1.13.2 A Ranking Point Total shall be calculated for each relevant competitor by multiplying together the Ranking Points awarded for each competition.
- 1.13.3 Each competitor shall be ranked in ascending order of the Ranking Point Total calculated for each competitor (i.e. lower values are better), provided that where any competitors have the same Ranking Point Total, the relative Overall Ranking of the tied competitors shall be determined:
- (a) by comparing the head-to-head performance of such competitors; and
  - (b) in respect of the Overall Ranking for the Final round only, where such head-to-head comparison cannot break the tie(s), by comparing the Final Seeding of the relevant competitors.
- 1.14 An interim Overall Ranking should be calculated following the conclusion of the Speed and Boulder competitions in each round of the Combined event for each participating category of competitors, in which case only the results of these two competitions shall be used for the calculation.