

# 6<sup>th</sup> European Formation Skiing Championships Samnaun 2021

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#### 1. General information

- 1.1** The holiday region Samnaun is organizing the Formations-European Championships.
- 1.2** The Formations-European Championships will be held every year in Samnaun.
- 1.3** The objective of the Formations-European Championships is the election of the European Champions in ski formations. The various competitions are intended to demonstrate the versatility of showcase skiing and snow sports of all kinds.
- 1.4** The World Championships are to include the following competitions:  
a) Formations  
Additional trials can be organised in the future.
- 1.5** Participation is open to all ski instructors, ski clubs and institutions that are related to winter sports. There is no limitation of nations or institutions.
- 1.6** The Registration review and final admission to the competitions is handled by the competition jury which is appointed before the event. It will be headed by the race director. Further members of the jury are the head of judges and the head of ski slopes.
- 1.7** Prizes will be provided by the organizer.

**1.8** The competition jury monitors compliance with the rules and the proper implementation of the championships. The jury is also responsible for necessary changes to the rules which are absolutely necessary at short notice due to unforeseen circumstances.

## **2. Competition rules**

### **2.1 Description**

The formation driving consists of a qualification with a freely selectable freestyle run and a mandatory routine given by the competition jury and a final of the best teams with a freely selectable freestyle run. The freely selectable runs should convince the jury and the spectators with a combination of technical and playful elements.

The mandatory figure will be published by mid-January of the event year.

### **2.2 Participation is open to**

- Formations teams from Europe
- Teams from other continents are welcome
- Each team consists of 6 skiers, plus a maximum of 4 reserve skiers
- The maximum of 10 registered skiers in a team – and only these 10 – may be deployed in various ways. Exceptions may be decided by the competition jury.

### **2.3 Categories**

- Kids/Youth: at least 4 skiers must be of age 16 or younger (birth year 2004 or younger)
- Women (only women teams)
- Men/Mixed (men or mixed teams)

### **2.4 Competition mode**

The qualification consists of 3 runs:

- the given mandatory routine, which is driven once each on Saturday and Sunday.  
The worse rating from these two rides will be deleted.
- one free selectable routine with technical elements.

The 5 best Kids/Youth-teams, the 5 best Women-teams and the 12 best-ranked Men/Mixed-teams are admitted to the final. In the final round a freely selectable routine with show elements and show interludes is ridden.

## 2.5 Starting positions

Lots will be drawn for the starting positions of the first heat. In the second heat the teams will start in the reverse of the starting order of the first heat. For the starting positions in the third heat, lots will be drawn again. In the finals, teams will start in the reverse of the ranking consisting of the evaluations of the better mandatory and the free selectable routine. The Kids/Youth-category always starts first, followed by the Women-category and finally the Men/mixed-category.

## 2.6 Equipment

It is mandatory to wear a helmet.

## 2.7 Scoring

- The overall impression is scored, including technique, synchronicity, symmetry, dynamics, originality and difficulty. Consideration of dynamics will be paramount, whilst synchronicity must not be lost. Each juror awards scores from 6 to 10. Tenths of a point (e.g. 8,7; 8,8; 8,9; ...) may be awarded. The best and worst scores will be deleted.
- The scores will be announced directly on the slope.
- Details on the rating will be published with the information sent about the mandatory run and at the team leader meeting.
- The points are tallied after each run. The winning team will be the one that has accumulated the greatest number of points after four runs.
- If, after four runs, two teams have obtained the same number of points, the scores of the mandatory run shall decide the winner. If a draw remains at this point, the results that were stricken out will be reinstated to decide a winner.

## 2.8 Scoring jury

The scoring jury consists of 6 members: 1 coordinator of the jury and 5 scoring jurors appointed by the competition jury. Nations with the most teams at the start are entitled to a place on the jury.

## 2.9 Music

- Each team should announce its own music to its formation (mandatory routine and freestyle runs).
- For those teams that do not bring their own music, the organizer will play music at their discretion.

## 2.10 Titles

- Winner Kids/Youth-category: **Formations European Champions Kids/Youth**
- Winner Women: **Formations European Champions Women**
- Winner Mixed/Men: **Formations European Champions Mixed/Men**

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