

# **Venue Rules For Attending Events Of Various FIS World Cup Competitions in Austria and of the IBU World Cup in Hochfilzen Season 2022/23**

These Venue Rules shall apply to the following events:

- FIS Summer GP Hinzenbach
- IBU World Cup Biathlon Hochfilzen
- FIS World Cup Nordic Combined and Ski Jumping Ramsau
- FIS Nordic World Ski Championships Seefeld
- FIS World Cup Ski Jumping Hinzenbach
- FIS World Cup Snowboard Cross Montafon
- FIS World Cup Ski Cross and Snowboard Cross Reiteralp
- FIS World Cup Free Ski Slopestyle Stubai
- FIS World Cup Snowboard Alpine Simonhöhe

## **1. General**

In particular, for safety reasons all spectators and other people authorised to access the Event (hereinafter called “Attendee”) undertake to carefully read and to observe the following guidelines and provisions of the Venue Rules. The Attendee acknowledges awareness and legitimacy of the Venue Rules once the ticket is validated and the Attendee enters the Venue.

## **2. Scope and Duration of the Venue Rules**

- 2.1 The Venue Rules are designed to guide the Attendees through their stay at the event, from entering the Venue till leaving the Venue. “Venue” includes all areas used for the event. In case the event provides for security checks, the Attendee enters the Venue by passing the security check and leaves the Venue through the exit.
- 2.2 The Venue Rules shall be valid from the time the Attendee enters the Venue until the time the last Attendee leaves the Venue after the Event.

## **3. Purpose of the Venue Rules**

The purpose of the Venue Rules is:

- to prevent danger or harm to people and objects;
- to observe all legal and official rules valid during the Event;
- to protect the Venue from vandalism;
- to ensure a trouble-free event.

## **4. Entry to the Venue**

- 4.1 All persons entering the Venue must comply with the orders of the police, the fire brigade, the security and rescue service as well as the stadium announcer. Anyone who intentionally or negligently fails to comply with these instructions may be removed from the Venue by the security service or the police.
- 4.2 Entry to the Venue can only be gained with a valid ticket or accreditation. Tickets become void as soon as the Attendee leaves the Venue during the event unless the Organiser provides a system (e.g., re-scan of ticket, stamp, ...) valid for re-entering the respective event. Access control and security check will be carried out at all access points to the Venue during all events. Upon request, an Attendee must show proof of his or her identity with appropriate ID.
- 4.3 All persons entering the Venue must present the ticket to the security personnel and upon request, hand it over for inspection or produce another authorisation.
- 4.4 When entering the Venue, every Attendee must present the ticket to the security personnel and upon request, hand it over for inspection or produce another authorisation. Upon request of the security service, the Attendee must present proof of his/her identity throughout his/her entire stay at the Venue. Failure to do so may result in the Attendee being refused from entering the Venue or being asked to leave the Venue. Validity and use of tickets are specified in the Organiser's General Terms and conditions.
- 4.5 All persons seeking entrance to the Venue acknowledge the Organiser's right to search any person and their belongings for hazardous or otherwise prohibited items. The search may include clothing, bags, and other items. For this purpose, technical aids and devices can be used. The search must be conducted by a person of the same sex.
- 4.6 Stewards and security officers are entitled to refuse entry to the Venue to any person refusing to submit to such a search or compromising the purpose of the Venue Rules due to a particular personal condition (e.g., alcohol or drug consumption). The same applies to any person carrying hazardous or otherwise prohibited items (see Point 4.9 ). In such a case, claim for refund will not be entertained. It is at the steward's or officer's discretion whether to permit entry to the Venue, if the hazardous or otherwise prohibited items are left outside the Venue.
- 4.7 Any illegal items will be confiscated and handed to the police together with the personal data of the items' owner.
- 4.8 Items prohibited under these Venue Rules may be deposited at designated places at one's own risk. This shall not constitute a safekeeping agreement. No liability is assumed for lost, misplaced, or damaged items. The items not collected can be disposed of or used for a purpose chosen by the Organiser.
- 4.9 Prohibited items include:

- a) illegal items of any kind (e.g. ,narcotics);
- b) pyrotechnical items of any kind;
- c) weapons of any kind and objects that have a weapon-like effect, such as knives, darts, etc;
- d) commercial, racist, sexist, homophobic, provocative, insulting, impious, political, or religious items or items damaging the Event's reputation (e.g., banners, signs, flyers). Specifically prohibited are indirect advertising activities, trying to use the media presence of the Event without being an accredited sponsor of the Event (Ambush-Marketing). Security officers and stewards are entitled to take away any such items;
- e) poles of wood (except hand flags: max. length 100 cm, diameter less than 1 cm) or metal of any kind. Other kinds of poles such as flagpoles of flexible plastic (e.g., KIR pipes) or telescopic flagpoles and selfie sticks longer than 1,20 m and more than 2 cm in diameter. Sticks and other mobility aids are only allowed for fragile persons;
- f) bulky items of any kind (e.g., bicycle, scooter), except when used by handicapped persons in designated areas. Baby carriages and toboggans shall only be allowed for zone tickets, but not for tickets on the stands. Baby carriages and toboggans may never obstruct the path and/or other Attendees. Toboggans may only be pulled when on the Venue, tobogganing on the terrain is prohibited. Moreover, when moving downhill baby carriages and toboggans must be handled in such a way as to not endanger or hurt other Attendees. In case of doubt, baby carriages and toboggans have to be carried. In the event of evacuation, toboggans and baby carriages shall not be used anymore and shall be placed away from the stream of visitors due to the high risk of stumble and injury. In such a case, small children shall be carried. The Organiser and security, however, are authorised to prohibit baby carriages and toboggans anytime for safety reasons (e.g., bad weather, large crowds of visitors).
- g) weapons and ammunition of any kind;
- h) glass of any kind (e.g., glasses, bottles);
- i) bottles/containers and the like of material other than glass (PET etc.) from 0.5 litres in capacity;
- j) lasers of any kind (laser pointer) and extremely loud items (e.g., megaphones and air horn); only official fan clubs shall be allowed to bring along noise producing items (e.g., instruments) if registered three days prior to the Event; these noise producing items shall only be used at the designated area during the Event and without endangering or disturbing any third party;
- k) drones and other flying objects (it is also prohibited to operate drones and other flying objects from outside the Venue);
- l) animals: except guide dogs and service dogs;
- m) other hazardous items of any kind.

4.10 In cases of doubt security officers and stewards shall decide whether such items are prohibited or not.

- 4.11 Banners of cloth without fixed frame are allowed if they do not block the other spectators' view to the piste or the finishing area. Security officers and stewards are entitled to remove disturbing banners.
- 4.12 Any person entering the Venue shall adhere to all relevant legal, governmental and/or regulations decreed by the Organiser to prevent the spread of COVID-19 (especially evidence of low epidemiological risk group ("3G" rule: "geimpft, getestet, genesen – vaccinated, tested, recovered"), wearing of FFP2 masks without valve, keeping minimum distance or other safety measures). Anyone violating these safety measures will either be denied access or must leave the venue without reimbursement of the ticket; such violations may result in criminal proceedings.

## **5. Stay**

- 5.1 Only persons with a valid ticket or other authorisation (accreditation) or who can otherwise prove their right to enter the premises are permitted to stay within the Venue Area. At all times whilst present at the Venue, persons must produce their tickets on request of the police or steward.
- 5.2 Any person entering the Venue must not behave in such a way as to harm, endanger or harass others. All facilities of the Venue must be used in a careful and considerate manner.
- 5.3 Any person entering the Venue must not behave in such a way as to compromise the course of the Event. It is prohibited to enter the competition zone or disturb the course of the competition in any way (e.g., throwing of snowballs or other items at the athletes or competition zone, unauthorised entering of the competition zone). In case of non-compliance, the Organiser may seek damages from the person concerned.
- 5.4 Any person entering the Venue must not drop any litter (garbage, packing materials or empty bottles), but put it in the garbage bins. The recycling rules have to be observed.
- 5.5 Any person entering the Venue must take the seat allocated on the ticket and may only use the designated entrances.  
If safety distance to other Attendees is regulated by law and/or the Organiser to prevent the spread of COVID-19, it must be observed strictly.  
For safety and defence reasons, Ticket Holders undertake to follow the instructions of the police and security officers, even if asked to take a seat or move to a sector other than the one allocated on the ticket.
- 5.6 All entrances, exits and emergency exits must be kept clear. Notwithstanding these Venue Rules further rules may be issued in exceptional cases to prevent or avoid threat to life, health, or property. Any instructions given by the police, or the security officers must be followed.
- 5.7 It is prohibited:
- a) to disrupt public safety and order;

- b) to carry prohibited items of any kind;
- c) to harass, scare or endanger other persons, especially athletes while preparing for and during the competition;
- d) to misuse alarm systems, emergency calls or emergency signals;
- e) to damage or litter the Venue or its infrastructure;
- f) to cause public nuisance or to offend common decency;
- g) any behaviour contradicting the Venue Rules (see Point 3);
- h) smoking on the premises of the Venue is subject to the legal provisions.

5.8 Driving and parking on the premises of the Venue is only allowed with special authorization. Respective restrictions must be observed. Road traffic regulations are in effect on the premises of the Venue.

5.9 In case of cancellation or discontinuation of the Event, Attendees must leave the Venue immediately and in an orderly manner. In case of thunderstorms with lightning, hail, storm warning and similar natural events, Attendees must immediately comply with any instructions given by the stewards and security officers. Attendees not complying with the given instructions by stewards and security officers, in particular by not leaving the Venue, act solely on their own risk. The Organiser does not assume any liability for damages of any kind, which result out of disregarding the instructions given by the responsible stewards and security officers.

5.10 After the Event has ended, all Attendees must leave the premises of the Venue immediately and in an orderly manner.

## **6. Liability**

6.1 Caution: the Venue is alpine terrain! Attendees must adjust behaviour, clothing, shoes, and equipment to the special conditions of wintery terrain.

6.2 The spectator area along the course (e.g., racecourse, cross-country skiing trail, landing hill) is located in steep, wintery terrain; access is limited and at his/her own risk; directions and control barriers must be observed.

6.3 The Attendee is made aware of the fact that the noise at the event can be very high and may pose a risk to the hearing/health of the Attendee. The spectator has to take appropriate precautions. This in particular applies to children and individuals with sensitive hearing.

6.4 Anyone visiting an Event does so at his/her own risk. The Organiser shall be held liable in compliance with the Terms and Conditions. Accidents, damages, and injuries shall immediately be reported to the Organiser at the facilities intended for such incidents.

## **7. Non-compliance**

- 7.1 Stewards and security officers are entitled to remove any person failing to comply with the Venue Rules from the Venue, especially if he/she is a risk to the safety or the security of the Event. Further claims by the Organiser (e.g., claim for compensation) are subject to change.
- 7.2 Any criminal and administrative offenses will be reported to the police.

## **8. Filming, Photography and Taping**

- 8.1 Ticket Holders consent to being photographed, filmed, or taped for journalistic purposes (cf. § 9 Austrian Data Protection Act), which may then be commercialised (TV and radio broadcasts, photo, video, audio etc.). If the Ticket Holder appears on photographs, films, recordings or images authorised by the Organiser, s/he agrees that the Organiser or third parties appointed and/or authorised by the Organiser (e.g. TV stations) shall have the right to broadcast, publish, license by every current or future technical procedure and use any such photographs, films, recordings or images of a Ticket Holder, without requirement of the payment of money, without limits of time and space or other form of consideration in perpetuity provided that the personal interest of the Ticket Holder is not improperly offended. In this context the Organiser is entitled to grant third party right of utilisation.
- 8.2 Ticket Holders consent to video surveillance in all spectator areas due to safety reasons and to sanction violations of the law or the Venue Rules. This is legitimate due to § 12 para 3 Z 2 of the Austrian Data Protection Act, since video recordings are necessary to preventively protect persons and objects at publicly accessible places, which are subject to the Organiser's domestic authority. The footage is automatically deleted after 72 hours unless it is needed for conservation of evidence or needed to be forwarded to the competent authority, court, or national security authority.
- 8.3 Images, video and sound recordings, descriptions, results and/or statistics of the Event taken by a Ticket Holder cannot be used for any purpose other than for private and domestic purposes and a Ticket Holder may not license, broadcast or publish video and/or sound recordings on the internet, radio, TV or other present or future technologies, and may not exploit images, video and/or sound recordings for commercial purposes under any circumstances.
- 8.4 The Ticket Holder shall grant the Organiser the right of utilisation on pictures or videos showing scenes of a sports competition as soon s/he exploits these commercially (e.g., monetised YouTube channel).

## **9. Final Provisions**

These Venue Rules shall be made available to the Attendees (on the Organiser's website [www.oesv.at](http://www.oesv.at) / [www.skiaustriaticket.at](http://www.skiaustriaticket.at), on linked Internet platforms, summaries are posted at the box-offices and in the Venue).