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1. Opening and Greeting

The host and President of the Slovakian Luge, **Mr. Josef Skvarek**, warmly welcomes the participants of the 66th FIL Congress and wishes a successful outcome.

Vice President **Zdenko Kriz** greets everyone in the name of the Slovakian National Olympic Committee

FIL President Josef Fendt himself also very warmly welcomes the Congress participants, thanks the Slovakian FIL President, as well as the Vice President of the Slovakian NOC for their friendly greeting and officially opens the 66th FIL Congress, which is being held in Slovakia for the 2nd time since the founding of the FIL. Special words of greeting are directed to **Mr. Hartmut Kardaetz**, the only personally present honorary FIL member, the newly elected or re-elected national presidents, Irina Gladkikh (head of winter sports in the sports department of the IOC), the representatives of the OC of the Winter Olympics 2022 in Beijing/CHN, the athletes' representatives, the representatives from the agencies RGS and Infront, the event organizers present, as well as guests and media representatives.

President J. Fendt **thanks the Slovakian luge federation and their President Josef Skvarek** and General Secretary **Viera Bachárová Findurová**, as well as the FIL office's staff for the great organization of the Congress

The Congress participants stand for a **moment of silence in remembrance** of the luge officials and former athletes who passed away in the last year. As representative, J. Fendt names **Steffi Martin** (Olympic Champion 1984 und 1988), **George Catrici** (long-time Vice President of the Moldavian Ski and Luge association) and **Günter Gscheidlinger** (General secretary of the German Bobsleigh and Sledding Sports Association for many years).

President J. Fendt explains that the invitations and the agenda were sent to the NF's within the required time frame and as there are no requests spoken, calls the Congress to order.

2. Roll Call and Right to Vote

Secretary General S. Romstad calls the roll. At the time of the opening of the Congress, there are 33 members/NF's with seat and vote in the meeting room.

3. Approval of the Minutes from the last Congress 2017 in Constanta/ROU

<p><u>Congress Resolution 01/18</u></p> <p>The minutes from the 65th FIL Congress are approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-unanimous-</p>
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4. Awards

President J. Fendt and Secretary General S. Romstad award the following honors:

Medal of Honor in Bronze:

- **Ed Moffat/CAN**
- **Drahoslav Husek/CZE**

The following award was given to the Canadian NF since the honored Walter Corey isn't present:

Medal of Honor in Silver:

- **Walter Corey/CAN**

5. Reports from the members of the Executive Board

President J. Fendt and General Secretary S. Romstad present their reports (**see enclosure 1 and 2**), while those from other Executive Board members are included in the dossier as at previous congresses.

President J. Fendt addresses the following topics in his report:

- Extremely exciting Olympic luge competitions 2018 in PyeongChang/KOR.
- Criticism due to the still not ensured subsequent use of the track in PyeongChang
- Very high level FIL luge events on AT and NT
- Organizational effort for the FIL is continuously increasing (WADA, Good Governance, Gender Equality, European General Data Protection Regulation, sport associations are more strongly involved in the IOC's Olympic preparations,...)
- Successful development programs AT (15000 vouchers for free training runs in 2017/18) und NT (Tourbus initiative inter alia with Patrick Pigneter)
- Anniversaries between the FIL and its sponsors and partners:
 - 25 years Viessmann
 - 15 years Eberspächer
 - 30 years UVEX (helmets AT)

Secretary General Svein Romstad, who decided to resign after 24 years in this position, gave a very emotional speech about all his various professional activities between 1994 – 2018. His darkest hour was without doubt the fatal accident of Nodar Kumaritashvili/GEO on the day of the opening ceremony of the Winter Olympics 2010 in Whistler/CAN. But there have been many highlights throughout his time as Secretary General: The admission of the Team Relay AT as a part of the Olympic competition program 2014 in Sochi, the introduction of the standard helmet on the artificial track, as well as the implementation of the AT voucher campaign. This was Svein Romstad's last speech as Secretary General of the FIL and the delegates sent him off with "Standing Ovations".

6. Discussion on the reports

- **Th. Schwab/GER** asks some officials specific questions concerning their working areas and their presentation in the congress dossier. Most officials gave satisfying answers.
- **D. Bell/USA** thanks S. Romstad for his long-standing work for the good of the FIL. He hopes that future Winter Olympics will be assigned to willing host cities that can guarantee sustainability.

7. Discussion on the motions

7.1 Motions to the Statutes

Th. Schwab/GER presents the motion “Expansion of the Executive Board by establishing the new position of a Vice President for Marketing”.

D. Bell/USA approves the implementation of a new VP in charge of Marketing.

President J. Fendt informs, that during this Congress only the concrete statute amendment motion can be voted on. If the Congress accepts this motion, a Vice President for Marketing will be chosen by vote during the Congress in 2019.

Congress Resolution 02/18

The Congress consents to the expansion of the FIL Executive Board with the position of a Vice President for Marketing.

**-33 in favor-
-0 abstention-
-0 against-**

Chris Mazdzer, the chairman of the athletes' commission, presented their motion of the changes to the statutes concerning an expansion of the Executive Board in the athletes' commission. He furthermore explained that this expansion will then fulfill all of the IOC's requirements. It will also make sure that there are at least two women in the athletes' commission.

Congress Resolution 03/18

The motion of the changes to the statutes “Change of the composition of the athletes' commission“ (see enclosure 3) is approved.

**-33 in favor-
-0 abstention-
-0 against-**

As the Chairman of the Legal Committee, **Dr. Christian Krähe** presents the motion of the changes to the statutes concerning the changing of the FIL's Anti-Doping Code: It shall be avoided that one and the same athlete gets tested twice on one day during FIL competitions. Due to this the number of tests won't be reduced. The next drawn or newly drawn athlete will be tested instead.

Congress Resolution 04/18

The motion of the changes to the statutes “Changing the FIL's Anti-Doping Code” (see enclosure 4) is approved.

**-32 in favor-
-0 abstention-
-1 against-**

7.2 Motions to the IRO

President J. Fendt reminds the Congress, that only IRO motions which were passed with a 2/3 majority by the expert commissions (exceptions: motions to §§, that are

within the Executive Board's responsibility), can be presented to the Congress for approval. He asks everyone to respect the FIL commissions' expertise. This should be kept in mind during the discussions about the IRO motions.

C. DelNegro and E. Fogelis present the motions No 1 – 31 (AT).

On request of several delegates the motion No 26 („...racing manager can impose sanctions...") will be discussed on Saturday after it is restated.

Congress Resolution 05/18

The motions on IRO No 1-25 and 27-31 (AT) are confirmed

(see enclosure 5).

**-33 in favor-
-0 abstention-
-0 against-**

In the following **C. DelNegro and E. Fogelis** thank the directors of the expert commissions **Maria Luise Rainer and Christian Eigentler as well as the previous members of the expert commissions** for their dedicated and constructive work for the luge sport.

Vice President P. Knauseder presents the motions No 1 – 9 (NT).

Congress Resolution 06/18

The motions on IRO No 1-9 (NT) are approved

(see enclosure 6).

**-33 in favor-
-0 abstention-
-0 against-**

Peter Knauseder thanks director **Andreas Castiglioni and all previous members of the expert commissions** for their dedicated and constructive work for the NT sport.

7.3 Other motions

3 motions were submitted for discussion.

President Josef Fendt makes a motion for the FIL's Executive Board: *“Prohibition of drinking bottles in the leaders box AT + NT”*. This motion, established by the working group Marketing and Publicity Campaign of the FIL, has the Executive Board's approval.

The President recommends approving this motion to the Congress.

Congress Resolution 06/18

The motion by the Executive / Working Group Marketing and Publicity Campaign on a prohibition of drinking bottles and branded objects in the

leaders box artificial track/natural track during competitions of the general class AT + NT (see enclosure 7) is approved.

**-31 in favor-
-2 abstention-
-0 against-**

As decided during the Congress 2017, a draft on the *minimum equipment of first-aid rooms at the tracks* has been prepared at the request of the Executive Board by the FIL Medical Commission and was coordinated with the IBSF. **Dr. Jörg Ellermeyer**, chairman of the FIL's medical commission, explained this motion. He points out that the proposed minimum equipment is necessary, not only for first aid in emergency cases with athletes, but also with spectators. He also mentions that a doctor who just happens to be there could use this equipment for professional primary care. Then followed by a constructive discussion, which can be summarized in the bullet points below:

- Embedding in the IRO, or not? Dr. Ch. Krähe says "YES", the track operators/ event organizer are responsible for the compliance with these regulations.
- Should this regulation also apply to natural tracks?
- National regulations (Italy) already require the existence of a defibrillator at many events.
- R. Manzenreiter (AUT), track operator in Innsbruck-Igls, recommends voting against this motion – for now. In his opinion, the track operators were not sufficiently integrated in the development of this list.
- S. Harris (CAN) informs, that in Canada other rules and regulations exist.
- Ch. Mazdzer appreciates all measures which can contribute to the athletes' safety.

President J. Fendt thanks Dr. J. Ellermeyer for his intensive efforts in this case – this has already been discussed for many years.

Then following decision is made:

Congress Resolution 07/18

The available draft concerning minimum equipment of first-aid facilities at the tracks, both NT and AT, (see enclosure 8) is fundamentally approved of. The Executive and the FIL Legal Committee works together on a procedure for the implementation (as suggestion, integration in the book of requirements for organizers,...).

**-30 in favor-
-2 abstentions-
-1 against-**

The National Federation of Sweden has made a motion to include "*Alpine- Luge*" as a new discipline in the FIL.

President J. Fendt informs the Congress that the Executive Board doesn't agree with this motion since this sport is to their knowledge only practiced within Sweden. Therefore it hasn't spread internationally and is a typical mass sport. The ISSU (International Sliding Sport Union) would be the responsible international federation for this sport, such as horn sledding and sport luge, which are embedded in the ISSU.

A. Söderberg (SWE) consequentially withdraws this motion.

8. Finances

8.1 Annual Statement (04/01/2017 – 03/31/2018)

VP H. Steyrer explains the **Annual Statement 2017/18**. He thanks the NF's delegates and the FIL's functionaries for their support in the implementation of the annual budget and for their understanding that not all wishes can be fulfilled. The annual accounts almost exactly correspond to the plans regarding the budgeted year-end.

Afterwards **VP H. Steyrer** reports on the status of the FIL's assets.

He provides information on the external audit of the FIL's assets, which will be sent to any interested national federations upon request.

8.2 Annual Budget Draft (04/01/2018 – 03/31/2019)

In his presentation about the 2018/2019 Annual Budget Draft, **VP H. Steyrer** points the again very high spending for the sports operations (athletes and travel cost subsidies, subsidies to the organizers, project "women's doubles").

VP H. Steyrer vividly explains, that **if the 2018/2019 budgeted end of year repeats itself, the FIL's financial reserves will be exhausted in a few years**. This is among other things due to the inconvenient EUR/USD exchange rate. However, as mentioned before the continuously increasing expenses are also a big problem. The IOC funds are paid out in USD.

Therefore, it is urgently needed to find ways to increase the FIL's revenue.

<p><u>Congress Resolution 08/18</u></p>
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<p>The 2017/18 Annual Statement is approved.</p>

<p>-33 in favor- -0 abstention- -0 against-</p>

<p><u>Congress Resolution 09/18</u></p>
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<p>The 2018/19 Annual Budget is approved.</p>
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<p>-33 in favor- -0 abstention -0 against-</p>
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President J. Fendt thanks **VP H. Steyrer** for his conscientious management of the **Finances for now over 22 years** and for the "precision landing" once again with the implementation of the 2017/2018 annual budget. Nowadays about 4500 booking cases are to be processed per year!

9. Report by the Legal Commission and relieving of the Executive

The Legal Commission's Chairman **D. Prentice** presents the audit report, in which the professional and cautious leadership of the Finances by VP H. Steyrer is specially emphasized.

He cordially thanks all members of the Executive Committee and the FIL office for the great cooperation and recommends the relieving of the Executive Board.

Congress Resolution 10/18

The FIL's Executive Board is relieved.

**-33 in favor -
-0 abstention-
-0 against -**

10. Determination of the Member Fee

Congress Resolution 11/18

As previous, the annual membership fee is set at € 100.

**-33 in favor-
-0 abstention-
-0 against -**

President J. Fendt closes the first meeting day.

Saturday, June 16, 2018

9.00 am

Since it is **Executive Board member Natalia Gart's** birthday she receives many congratulations and flowers presented by President J. Fendt.

General Secretary S. Romstad does the roll call.

At the beginning of the 2nd day of Congress there are 35 members/NFs with a seat and a vote present.

GS S. Romstad repeats the roll call.

- 33 Members with seat and vote (see enclosure 1)

11. Presentation by the OC of the Winter Olympics 2022 in Beijing/CHN

The OC's Luge-, Bob-, and Skeleton Manager for the Winter Olympics 2022, **Mr. Zhang Xudong ("Clive")** and Vice Sports Director **Mr. Yang Yang** inform all Congress members with a film and Power-Point presentation about the current state of the preparations for the Winter Olympics 2022.

President J. Fendt thanks them for detailed presentation. We can look forward to an architectural interesting new track at the Winter Olympics 2022.

12. Presentation by the OC's of the 2019 Championships

- World Championship AT in Winterberg/GER

Stephan Pieper (Director of the Recreation and Sports Center Winterberg Ltd) and **Hans Jürgen Köhne** (Chairman of the Bob and Sledding Club Hallenberg) present the 48th FIL Luge World Championship on artificial tracks taking place in Winterberg during February 2019. They inform the delegates about the current state of the preparatory operations and about the improvement measures, which are enhancing the local infrastructure.

President J. Fendt thanks Stephan Pieper and Hans-Jürgen Köhne and wishes good luck with the further preparations for this event.

13. Resolution to the motions (if not all already approved)

7.2 Motions to the IRO

The motion No 26 (AT) is read out to the congress for resolution in a content wise modified form.

Congress Resolution 12/18

The modified motion No 26 on the IRO artificial track is confirmed.

(see enclosure 5).

**-32 in favor-
-1 abstention-
-0 against-**

14. Awarding of the FIL Championships until 2022 at the latest

14.1 Presentation of the Applicants

There are no applications for the hosting of championships through 2022.

President Josef Fendt informs that the Junior World Championships AT 2022 is to be awarded. The following resolution is made by the Executive Boards:

Congress Resolution 13/18

The Junior World Championships AT 2022 will be re-tendered and presented again to the 2019 Congress for awarding.

**-33 in favor-
-0 abstention-
-0 against-**

Following **NT Championships** need to be awarded:

- Junior European Championships on NT 2019
- European Championships 2020

- Junior European Championships on NT 2021
- European Championships 2022
- Junior World Championships 2022

At the request of the Executive, the following resolution is made:

Congress Resolution 14/18

The European Championship 2022 and the Junior World Championships 2022 will be re-tendered and presented again to the 2019 Congress for awarding. The Junior European Championships 2019, the European Championships 2020 and the Junior European Championship 2021 will also be re-tendered and at the request of Commission NT, awarded by the Executive Board.

**-33 in favor-
-0 abstention-
-0 against-**

14.2 Vote

CANCELED

15. Elections (see enclosure 9)

President J. Fendt proposes the following people for the **Election Committee:**

- Dr. Ch. Krähe/GER (Chairman of the Legal Committee)
- V. Vavruskova (Member of the Control Commission)
- D. Prentice (Member of the Control Commission)

The NF's do not have any counter-proposals. Therefore, these three people are designated for the Election Committee.

Congress Resolution 15/18

The Election Committee consists of Dr. Ch. Krähe, V. Vavruskova, and D. Prentice.

**-33 in favor-
-0 abstention-
-0 against-**

President J. Fendt thanks the previous Executive for their trusting cooperation and the NF's for their support of his work..

He passes on the leadership of the Congress to the Election Committee.

The Election Committee designates **Dr. Ch. Krähe** as its leader.

First, it is voted on whether the election is permissible per acclamation (should there be only one candidate) and whether a relative majority suffices for election when there is more than one candidate.

Congress Resolution 16/18

The election of the positions by the 2014 Congress will be carried out as follows:

- when there is only 1 candidate for the position to be elected: acclamation
- when there is more than one candidate for the position to be elected: relative majority of the votes

-33 in favor-
-0 abstention-
-0 against -

Additionally, a substitute member for the election committee (for the election of the legal committee = court of arbitration) is elected:

Congress Resolution 17/18

Norbert Hiedl is the elected substitute member for the Election committee.

-33 in favor -
-0 abstention-
-0 against -

15.1 Members of the Executive Board

- **President**

Josef Fendt/GER is re-elected FIL President (uncontested) by acclamation.

- **Secretary General**

Einars Fogelis/LAT is elected Secretary General (uncontested) by acclamation.

- **Vice President Finances**

Harald Steyrer/AUT is re-elected VP Finance (uncontested) by acclamation.

- **Vice President Sport AT**

Claire DelNegro/USA is re-elected VP Sport AT (uncontested) by acclamation.

- **Vice President Technical Matters AT**

The following 2 nominations have been submitted:

- ° Walter Corey/CAN
- ° Armin Zöggeler/ITA

Stephen Harris/CAN speaks instead of Walter Corey who cannot be present due to a private obligation. He assures in Walter Corey's place that he will exercise his office with the best of his abilities and full commitment, if the Congress votes for him.

Armin Zöggeler personally introduces himself to the delegates by recounting his time as an extremely successful luge athlete and his previous work in the Italian federation. He also assures all delegates that, if he is elected, he will exercise his office with the best of his abilities and full commitment.

° E. Moffat/CAN 16 votes

Further members of the Executive Board are therefore elected by secret ballot:

- ° Natalia Gart/RUS
- ° Dwight Bell/USA

- **Vice President Asia**

Jae-Ho Chung/KOR is re-elected Vice President Asia (uncontested) by acclamation.

- **Vice President Australia/Oceania**

Geoff Balme/NZL is re-elected Vice President for Oceania (uncontested) by acclamation.

All elected Executive Board members thank the Congress delegates for the trust shown and declare their dedication to contributing to the further development of the International Luge Sport in the next four years.

15.2 Members of the three expert commissions

The delegates accept the proposal of the electoral leader, which states that during the election of members of the three expert commissions and the members of the Working Group Development /Youth, the three or two candidates, respectively, with the most votes are considered elected (each NF can check three or two names respectively).

- Sport Commission Artificial Track

The following 10 nominations have been submitted:

Anna Andreeva (RUS)
 Kurt Brugger (ITA)
 Rene Friedl (AUT)
 Mark Grimmette (USA)
 Jo A. Koppang (NOR)
 Kyungyoung Lee (KOR)
 Norbert Loch (GER)
 Wolfgang Schädler (CHN)
 Wolfgang Staudinger (CAN)
 Atis Strenga (LAT)

Elected into the Sport Commission Artificial Track by secret ballot are: Kurt Brugger/ITA (15); Norbert Loch/GER (12); Wolfgang Staudinger/CAN (12)

- Technical Commission Artificial Track

The following 12 nominations have been submitted:

Albert Demchenko (RUS)

Bernhard Glass (CAN)
 Georg Hackl (GER)
 Oswald Haselrieder (ITA)
 Norbert Huber (CHN)
 Lubomir Mick (USA)
 Jon Owen (USA)
 Peter Penz (AUT)
 Martins Rubenis (LAT)
 Sungsik Shin (KOR)
 Marek Skowronski (POL)
 Anders Söderberg (SWE)

**Elected into the Technical Commission Artificial Track by secret ballot are:
 Lubomir Mick/USA (12); Georg Hackl/GER (12).
 After a successful second ballot due to a tie (each 9) between
 A. Demchenko/RUS and Marek Skowronski/POL: A. Demchenko/RUS (17)**

- Commission Natural Track

The following 8 nominations have been submitted:

Adam Jedrzejko (POL)
 Bruno Kammerlander (AUT)
 Andrey Knir (RUS)
 Evi Mitterstieler (ITA)
 Thomas Niemetz (GER)
 Tomas Perun (CZE)
 Michael Törnquist (SWE)
 Chris Wightman (CAN)

**Elected into the commission Natural Track by secret ballot are:
 Evi Mitterstieler/ITA (23); Bruno Kammerlander/AUT (17).
 After a successful second ballot due to a tie (each 11) between Thomas
 Niemetz/GER and Michael Törnquist/SWE: Thomas Niemetz/GER (17)**

15.3 Substitute member of the Control Commission

D. Prentice/GBR leaves the commission on a regular cycle.

According to the statutes the former substitute member **Günter Beck/LIE** automatically becomes a full member next to **Vlasta Vavruskova/CZE**.

One nomination for substitute member of the Control Commission has been submitted:

° Derek Prentice/GBR

Derek Prentice/GBR is unanimously elected substitute member of the Control Commission (uncontested) in an open vote.

15.4 Court of Arbitration

Election Leader Dr. Ch. Krähe informs the delegates, that there will be an open vote since there is always just one nominee for each position.

◦ Ben Heijmeijer/NL	Chairman
◦ Dr. Richard Moser/ITA	Vice Chairman
◦ Dr. Michael Bielowski/AUT	Member
◦ Gennadii Rodionov/RUS	Member
◦ Erin Warren/USA	Member

are elected unanimously in an open ballot.

15.5 FIL Legal Committee = FIL Ethical Commission

Election Leader Dr. Ch. Krähe passes his chairmanship for this election over to the election commission's substitute member **Norbert Hiedl**.

As before there is again only one nominee for each position – therefore it's again an open vote.

◦ Dr. Christian Krähe/GER	Chairman
◦ Dr. Andreas Ruetz/AUT	Member
◦ Dr. Alexander Shakhnazarov/RUS	Member

are elected unanimously in an open ballot.

15.6 FIL Ethics Authority

Election Leader Dr. Ch. Krähe informs that there is only one candidate for this position (Norbert Hiedl).

The re-election of Norbert Hiedl/GER is unanimously re-elected FIL Ethics Authority (uncontested) in an open vote.

15.7 Members of the Commission “Youth/Development Artificial Track”

The following 7 nominations have been submitted:

Mark Hatton/GBR
Hans-Jürgen Köhne (GER)
Dmitry Kasatkin (RUS)
Hans Kohala (SWE)
Sandra Lemberg (AUT)
Zintis Saicans (LAT)
Zianibeth Shattuck-Owen (USA)

Elected as member of the WG Development/Youth by secret ballot are: Mark Hatton/GBR (16); Hans-Jürgen Köhne/GER (16)
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President J. Fendt takes over the leadership of the Congress again and thanks all members of the Election Committee for their professional work and **greets Armin Zögeler and Dwight Bell very warmly as new members of the Executive Board.**

In the following, President Josef Fendt finds very personal words to acknowledge Svein Romstad's outstanding achievements as Secretary General of the FIL and their shared time in the luge sport. J. Fendt emphasizes

especially Svein's loyalty, reliability, and their relationship of trust which has made a big impact on their 24-year-long cooperation.

He informs the Congress about the unanimous decision, made by the Executive, to award Svein Romstad with the honorary membership of the FIL.

Congress Resolution 18/18

As an honor and an acknowledgement for his 24-year long work as the FIL's Secretary General, Svein Romstad is per acclamation awarded with the title "Honorary Member of the FIL".

President J. Fendt hands Svein Romstad the honorary certificate, as well as a present. Svein Romstad thanks all the delegates for such a great honor.

16. Setting of the location of the 2020 FIL Congress

There is one application from Berchtesgaden/GER for the 2020 FIL Congress.

Th. Schwab/GER reports: The German Bobsleigh and Sledding Sports Association would be delighted to organize a FIL Congress in Berchtesgaden again. The hotel Edelweiss would function as Congress hotel and the Congress location would be vis à vis on the opposite street side.

Congress Resolution 19/18

The 68th FIL Congress will take place in June 2020 in Berchtesgaden/GER.

-33 in favor-

-0 abstention-

-0 against-

President J. Fendt thanks Th. Schwab and the German Bobsleigh and Sledding Sports Association on behalf of the FIL for their willingness to organize the FIL Congress. The exact date of the 68th FIL Congress will be announced in time.

17. Miscellaneous

In Dr. Christian Krähe's report he points out that the FIL has inspection obligations in accordance to the WADA Anti-Doping Code. **All national federations** must have written in their statutes / regulations **the FIL (WADA) Anti-Doping Code in full**. An equivalent form is ready for all NF delegates to sign.

Dr. Ch. Krähe further informs the Congress about the **enormous effects the new European General Data Protection Regulations has caused**, also for the FIL, **since its inception at the end of May 2018**. This regulation is supposed to ensure the protection of personal data. There is as well an equivalent form ready for all NF delegates to sign. This shall ensure that the FIL, as well as third parties, FIL allies, (track operators, IOC, WADA, NADAs,...) are allowed to use federations and athlete's data for their own purposes. **Ch. Schweiger** demonstrates the effects of this regulation with the example "FIL Media Guide": Without the signing of this form any publication concerning the NF / the NF's athletes in this for the media important handbook wouldn't be possible, as well as no publications on the FIL website.

Th. Schwab/GER suggests considering the **implementation of an electronic license** in this context. All of these points could be included there.

In his closing words **President J. Fendt** thanks the organizers for the excellent Congress conditions, the delegates for the friendly and constructive atmosphere during the days in Bratislava, and the interpreters for their arduous work.

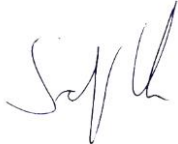
He presented Thank you gifts to:

- **Josef Svkvarek** – President of the Slovakian Federation
- **Viera Bachárová Findurová** – General Secretary of the Slovakian Federation
- **Christa Zander** - interpreter
- **Andreas Berning**- interpreter

Afterwards **President J. Fendt officially closes the 66th FIL Congress**. But not without reminding everyone to accept the Slovakian Federation's invitation. In the afternoon there will be a boat tour on the Danube and in the evening there will be a nice dinner. President J. Fendt also wishes everyone a safe journey home.

See you on June 14th & 15th 2019 in Ljubljana/SLO for the 67th FIL Congress!

For the minutes:



Christoph Schweiger

The President



Josef Fendt

Enclosures

Report by the President at the 66th FIL Congress 2018 in Bratislava, Slovakia

Ladies and Gentlemen, sports enthusiasts:

In reviewing the activities of the past year, I would primarily like to touch on the detailed reports in the FIL dossier from our Executive Board members, heads of committees, and experts, as well as a few other topics.

However, I would first like to again bring to mind our most recent, thoroughly enjoyable Congress in Constanta, Romania where we celebrated our 60th anniversary as the FIL. The high point of the last sports season was of course the Olympic Winter Games in PyeongChang, Korea. All of us bore witness to highly successful luge competitions that were unsurpassable and yielded many unexpected results. Our athletes' representative and Executive Board member, Chris Mazdzer from the USA, won a silver medal, the first Olympic medal in men's singles for the USLA. With Alex Gough (bronze) and the Team Relay (silver), Canada won Olympic medals in luge for the first time. And the Austrian Olympic champion in the men's singles, David Gleirscher, qualified at the last moment for the Olympic Games in the national team. These are all stories that provide a narrative for the sport and give it life. More stories and all of the results can be found in our newest edition of the FIL magazine which is also available here at the Congress.

Our sports facility, the Alpensia Sliding Center, has developed into a very attractive track with the assistance and supervision of our track construction experts from both international federations, the FIL and IBSF. In an article in a major German newspaper that is increasingly taking the Olympic Games to task, we read: "The bobsleigh and luge track in PyeongChang with key positions that demanded the all of even top nations offered two highly exciting weeks in every competition and came out the secret champion of the Olympics." Such positive commentary is of course music to our ears.

Especially because we are eager to reuse our Olympic sports facilities, it is unfortunate and incomprehensible that the Korean government, or whoever is responsible, has not provided a legacy plan, even though the IOC and international federations have requested one for years, apparently to no avail. We are one of the few international sports associations that, since 1976, still uses nearly all of the Olympic artificial bobsleigh and luge tracks for competitions. Regretfully, there is no organization or association in Korea with which we can talk about future competitions on the Olympic track in PyeongChang. This is unacceptable and violates the spirit of the Olympics. It is understandable that this has been criticized by the public and media. However, I strongly reject the accusation that we, the international associations, are responsible for this situation. We were prepared to continue using the PyeongChang Sliding Center for competitions, especially since the next Olympic Winter games in 2022 will take place next door in China. However, the conditions must be right, and the track must be operated properly with trained technical personnel.

The Olympic Winter Games in PyeongChang were thrilling and everyone responsible for them gave their best, yet we remain highly disappointed with regard to our failed efforts to reuse the track.

Nonetheless, there was more last season than just the Olympic Winter games; all the normal activities of our sport continued apace and were again highly successful overall. Athletes from 31 nations from four continents participated in a total of 31 FIL competitions in artificial track in the general class. There were 16 FIL competitions in the junior class. It is a bit unfortunate that only four event organizers were prepared to hold a Junior World Cup. The media and TV presence was also very positive.

A large portion of successful sports activities in the FIL were associated with our proven development programs in FIL schools, FIL Teams I and II, partner programs, track training vouchers (last a season witnessed a record of 15,000 vouchers), and many other supportive efforts. In this regard, I would recommend reading the extensive report by our Development Manager, Ioan Apostol.

Unfortunately, Ioan has decided to vacate the position for private reasons. This is regrettable; he was a highly effective and reliable member of staff for 16 years.

Nonetheless, we accept and respect Ioan's decision and wish him all the best in the future.

Ioan will however still be participating in luge as member of the Romanian Luge Association.

We will be revising all of the FIL's developmental programs and realigning the focus in some instances. Furthermore, this department will be under the management of the Vice President for Sport in the future.

I would also like to note that we celebrated our 40 year anniversary of the World Cup series in the preceding 2017/18 season; the first FIL World Cup season was in 1977/1988.

Unfortunately, this was not sufficiently advertised and recognized.

In any event, we also celebrated major anniversaries for our sponsors:

- *15 years with Eberspächer (at the World Cup in Igls with the head of the company Mr. Peters)*
- *25 years with Viessman (at the Olympic Games in PyeongChang with CEO Dr. Viessman who was also personally present)*
- *30 years collaboration with the FIL helmet manufacturer, Uvex (at the World Cup in Königssee with Mr. Birnbaum)*

I would also like to note our decades-long collaboration with the agencies Infront (currently with BMW) and RGS (Rudi Größwang). I would like to express my thanks to Christoph Mauer, who will no longer be directly responsible for us at the Infront agency in the future.

Happily, we have already concluded contract extensions with all of the above. This importance of this cannot be stressed enough since it is always a good thing to have such reliable partners over so many years in an unceasingly challenging market. The term “partner” is frequently used lightly in the world of marketing. However, in the case of our FIL partnerships, this term describes a genuine mutual relationship based on trust. A sponsor magazine wrote in a recent edition: “The FIL has extremely reliable sponsors”. This continuity also springs from the reliability on the part of the FIL. This is important to everyone since the income from our advertising contracts is reinvested in the sport, and this is what allows luge to carry on.

A major portion of the success of our last sports season was due to our event organizers. It is gratifying that we have organizers who invest their passion and experience to develop attractive programs to accompany exciting competitions. The level of our events has climbed another notch, and for the first time, nearly all of them have reached the top category. This is all very welcome, but it costs the FIL increasingly higher organizational subsidies. I would like to take time at this juncture to thank our evaluation committee for their meticulous and challenging work.

Last season, we were able to satisfy a wish that has been frequently expressed: we had an FIL fanfare composed by an orchestral composer from Boston. We will be using this fanfare for all official FIL competitions in the future. Thanks to our Vice President, Claire, for her successful efforts in this regard.

We have expended a great deal of effort for years to keep the FIL, the national federations and all their bodies free from scandal, and I am proud to report that our efforts have been successful. We aggressively seek to maintain all necessary standards and ethical rules. In this regard, all of us who are involved in sports of whatever type bear a clear responsibility for sports to remain credible in the public’s eye and to keep free from a negative image. Much to the contrary has unfortunately occurred, and we must pursue every avenue to keep the reputation of sports from being further damaged. We at the FIL are therefore committed to a “no tolerance” policy toward every type of unethical behaviour. Against this backdrop, we developed our own ethics code last year and established the post of ethics officer and an ethics committee.

Anti-doping measures are also part of this effort. For the first time, we in the FIL were confronted with this issue last season. The doping scandal in Russia and related matters did not leave the FIL untouched (McLaren Report, the Oswald Commission of the IOC). We had to satisfy the stringent requirements of WADA which required major organizational effort. It

would take up too much time to describe in detail all of the resulting negotiations and procedures. However, I can confirm that we satisfied all the legal requirements and completed all negotiations with our legal commission. I would like to extend heartfelt thanks to the Chairman of the Legal Department, Dr. Christian Krähe, to the Executive Director, Christoph Schweiger, and Stefanie Biermaier who bore the main responsibility for caring out all the tasks. WADA recently informed us that we have fully satisfied the WADA code up to this point in time. Nevertheless, an additional workshop with WADA has been announced.

As you already know from press releases, we have submitted requests to the IOC for the inclusion of new sports disciplines in the Olympic program. These would be artificial track for women's doubles and sprint competitions, and natural track luge. We have already had numerous meetings with the IOC Sports Department and with the Olympic Committee from Beijing. The IOC Executive Board will reach a decision taking into account proposals from the IOC Program Commission.

We have undertaken great efforts to develop natural track luge, especially in consideration of the request to the IOC, and to make natural track more popular. From my vantage point, things look promising. I would now like to address a few matters from the excellent report by Evi Mitterstieler on the current natural track development program (which also can be found in the Congress dossier). The FIL tour bus outreach was again highly successful, and it is highly commendable when top athletes such as Patrick Pigneter become actively involved. A larger coaching staff successfully managed the individual development programs which, happily, caused the number of participants in natural track races to increase (in particular youth and junior luge). All FIL races were able to be held even though two World Cups had to be postponed due to weather; a location could be found in each case. I think that natural track luge is developing well, although it remains to be seen if it has developed enough for to be included in the Olympic program.

As all Olympic international federations, we face ever greater challenges. The inclusion of international federations in discussions and decisions in the IOC, Olympic committees, etc. continues to increase. Our responsibilities are becoming more and more challenging and demanding. The professionals in the international federations are subject to increasing demands. However, we do not view this as a negative thing, and we will rise to meet these challenges.

In this regard, I would like to touch on just a few topics:

Good governance: We take good governance very seriously and have had to issue any number of position statements (for example on organizational structure, statutes, voting rights, gender equality on staff, transparency in various areas, etc.). I would like to thank our legal advisors, Dr. Christian Krähe and Norbert Hiedl, who have dedicated many hours of their free time together with our Christoph Schweiger to address this subject. After being

scrutinized by a relevant agency, we are evaluated and invited to answer questions. An exhaustive procedure, and we are up to the challenge.

Gender equality: The IOC has asked the international federations to have an equal number of women and men actively participate in the Olympic Games. Since we have more male athletes in our Olympic disciplines, we will either have to cut some of our men or add additional women. As part of a compromise, we will be introducing the new discipline of women's doubles at the next Youth Olympic Games in 2020 with the approval of the IOC. In order to realize this, we developed a new standard double sled in collaboration with a well-known sports equipment company. In the coming 2018/19 winter season, we officially launched the women's doubles in the Youth A sports calendar as a new World Cup discipline. Given the current level of enthusiasm, we can count on relatively large interest on the part of our national federations in this new event. Whether or not this event will be included in the 2022 Olympic Winter Games in Peking or in the 2026 games lies in the hands of the IOC.

A major challenge for everyone is the EU General Data Protection Regulation that has recently taken effect.

All sports organizations both inside and outside the EU are affected to the extent that they save or forward data on citizens living in the EU. The aim is to protect private data. However, this will direct off a great deal of time and energy from the work of the FIL. For example, the written approval of all athletes whose biographies appear on the website or the FIL media guide must be obtained beforehand in writing. Violations may be met with heavy penalties.

All of these additional requirements are highly burdensome to the administration of the FIL. Starting July 1, we will be hiring temporary workers to prepare us for our new FIL office in our new attractive facilities. We opened the new FIL headquarters in September of last year and are currently finishing up the exhibition rooms (which primarily arose from the initiative of our General Secretary, Svein Romstad).

In conclusion, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all sports enthusiasts, all the national federations, my Executive Board colleagues, the expert commissions and department heads, as well as the entire FIL office team under the management of Executive Director, Christoph Schweiger, for their positive and trustworthy collaboration.

Our General Secretary, Svein Romstad, of many years with whom I have worked closely, amicably and confidently for 24 years will not be running for office for professional reasons. After many years of being president, it is my desire to provide input and support in pending changes to the FIL, and I therefore have decided to again run for the office of President one more time. It would be my great pleasure if I can count on your support tomorrow in the elections.

Thank you very much for your kind attention; our departing General Secretary, Svein Romstad, will now be presenting his report.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO THE 2018 FIL CONGRESS (66th) IN
BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

For the last 24 years I have had the honor and privilege to serve as General Secretary of the FIL. As you all know I have made the difficult decision not to seek re-election at this year's congress. With the demands on my regular full-time job and those of General Secretary in today's modern sports world, it is simply too time challenging to serve in both capacities and provide the attention they both deserve and need. However, I leave the position as General Secretary satisfied that I helped change the FIL and made our sport better over that time.

As you can understand it is impossible at a moment like this not to think back over that time period and reflect. I therefore hope you will indulge me and allow me to use my report to you today to share some of my thoughts for my time as General Secretary.

President Fendt and I were elected to our respective positions at the same congress in 1994 in Rome, Italy. At that time the FIL was in the fledgling stages of creating an office with a staff of two; had no television agreements; very limited sponsors and an uncertain future in the Olympic Movement. Today, I am proud that we have our own federation headquarter, a full staff, a reserve fund, full sponsorship participation and solid television agreements in place.

Although I do not and cannot claim to take credit for several of the changes that have taken place during my time period, there are a few I have been a part of which I believe have had a profound impact on our sport and that I would like to highlight today. To me, the most important change was the introduction of the single entity helmet. I am truly convinced this has saved lives and prevented many serious injuries. For those who were around at that time, you will remember the eggshell helmets many of the athletes wore previously that offered absolutely no protection. This being the case, you would think that the introduction of a safer helmet would have been well received, but I can tell you it was a struggle to get it passed. Today, I could not image anyone being opposed to this change.

Another monumental program introduced in my time period was the track vouchers. Like the single entity helmet, this was the idea of President Fendt. Track vouchers, which today numbers over 12,000,

have allowed so many nations to get the runs they need in order to safely compete in our sport. We are an expensive sport, without these the track vouchers, many nations would be forced to cut down on training simply for economic reasons.

One of the most significant changes in my time where I can take some credit is the introduction of team relay into the Olympic Games. It was the first new discipline in the Olympic Games for luge in 50 years. Today we know it as probably the most exciting event we have at the Olympic Games. But again, its introduction was not easy. After having applied for its inclusion over several Olympic Games periods, we were headed for another rejection leading up to the Olympic program decisions for the Sochi Games. Through our many sources at the IOC we were given a tip that we would once again be rejected. With that information President Fendt and I flew to Mexico for the ANOC meeting to attempt to get a personal meeting with IOC President Rogge to see if we could change his mind prior to it being officially rejected again. Despite the ANOC meeting being a meeting for the NOCs worldwide and most of them trying to get a one-on-one meeting with the IOC President, we were able to meet him. In that meeting we were indeed able to convince the IOC President to give us one more look. With that, the IOC dispatch a team that upcoming winter season to review the team relay at our World Championships in Cesana. For those who were there, you will remember that we ended up having an issue where the start gate did not open and we had to cancel the event. Not exactly the showcase opportunity we had hoped for. Once again we had to do some expensive lobbying with the IOC in order to get another chance. This eventually came with the WC final in Sigulda with the IOC President in attendance. This event was a great success. When the decision to include team relay came later that year during the IOC Session in London, I will not forget the several IOC members we had been working with came up to President Fendt and myself prior to the announcement saying to us that they were not able to tell us the result of the IOC vote, but that we would be happy when we heard it. And they were right.

I was also very proud to have chaired the structure working group a few years back. The result of the recommendations of this group caused, among others, the streamline of the Executive Board and the various commissions. The reforms made by the FIL based on our recommendations can be seen throughout our organization today and have allowed us to operate much more efficiently.

It is also many years since I was tasked with the responsibility of overseeing the development program. Prior to taking this over, there were no organized application system for the national federations and no

set standards. As a result, financial and equipment support were often given at various times of the year based on how persistent a person would be. This made for a system difficult to control. Today we have eliminated most of this and through the application support system. We are now better able to track the progress of those receiving the support of the FIL and provide a concrete timeline when support will be provided. We have also been able to dramatically increase and expand the support given over the years being accommodations, transportation, equipment, flight support just to name a few. Although, in the end, there is never enough.

We still have many issues to resolve in the development program. We are at a stage where we are missing the link of being able to assist many of our athletes reaching the next level. This can only happen with a more specialized focus on those athletes through better coaching and equipment. I hope this will one day be the reality.

Ironically, perhaps the biggest task of the General Secretary is the one that often goes the most unnoticed and that is the dealings with the various stakeholders in the Olympic Movement. From IOC and its Executive Board, to Olympic Solidarity, AIOWF, ASOIF, GAIFS, SportAccord, WADA, to name a few, these are organizations that one way or another impact us and we have meetings with. I have always joked that my job as General Secretary typically begins when our winter season is over. There are so many meetings, all of which are important to us. I am proud and I believe I leave my role as General Secretary with the FIL stronger than ever in our relationship to these organizations within the Olympic Movement.

For all the good things that have happened in my time as General Secretary there has also been some difficult times. It is without a doubt that the most difficult, sad and tragic event was the death of Georgian athlete Nodar Kumaritashvili during training leading up to the 2010 Olympic Winter Games in Vancouver. It is an episode that will stay with me for the rest of my life. Yet the grief I feel about this is nothing in comparison to the grief the family (and you Felix) have experienced and continue to experience. One of the more moving events in my life was to travel to the Republic of Georgia to meet with his parents and go to his memorial and burial site. This tragic event in Whistler was also a time where I believe the FIL showed a true resiliency. From the difficult decision whether or not to cancel the event altogether to working up a solution that met with the acceptance of the various parties

involved, we were in the end able to stage the event. There were so many of you that stepped in to make it work despite the immense grief we all felt.

There are also unfinished tasks that I will leave behind. My biggest disappointment is not having achieved making Natural Track an Olympic discipline. Outside of President Fendt, I think few will appreciate how much time and effort we have spent trying to achieve this with the various stakeholders in the Olympic Movement. I was most hopeful of having reached this goal for the 2006 Olympic Winter Games in Torino when we had countless meetings and promises (even in writing) from the Organizing Committee to include it, only to be turned down at a later stage. With that said, I am pleasantly surprised by both the 2020 Olympic Youth Games in Lausanne and the 2022 Olympic Winter Games in Beijing for their earnest interest in including natural track in meaningful ways. I can only state that I truly believe that the inclusion of natural track in the Olympic Game will be a good thing for the FIL and it is an objective we must continue to fight for.

There are also so many people I would like to thank.

First I would like to start by thanking you, the national federations for the trust you have placed in me over these years. I would like to thank Ioan Apostol for his tremendous work and cooperation with me on the development program. I would like to thank Hans-Jürgen Köhne for his work on the Youth Commission. I would like to thank my fellow members of the Executive Board. You have been great to work with. I want to thank the FIL Staff for their tremendous administrative support and work. I would also like to thank my fellow colleagues on the Presidium. To you Harald, for always keeping an eye on our budgets and making sure that Sepp and I did not go crazy spending money. To you Christoph, for really doing the day to day operational and administrative tasks of a General Secretary.

Finally, I do want to single out one person and that is President Fendt. Dear Sepp, It has been amazing working with you. We have worked so close for so many years and I feel we have accomplished so much of what we spoke of in our early days. We have also over time built a strong personal relationship that will last a lifetime. A President and General Secretary must work so closely together in order to be the most effective – I think we have accomplished that. Thank you again for your partnership and friendship.

From being an athlete on the Norwegian luge team, to coaching the 1984 US Olympic Team in Sarajevo, being a Vice President of the USLA, serving 10 years on the FIL technical commission and 24 years as

your General Secretary, it has been a fantastic journey. I am so grateful for the support and the friendships I have made over that time and I look forward to continuing to be a part of this amazing FIL luge family.

Amendment to the 2018 FIL Statutes



Applicant: Athletes Commission

§4.12

Motion No. 2

Old Text:

4.12 Athletes' Representatives (Athletes' Commission)

- 4.12.1 The athletes who participate in FIL competitions in artificial track luge can nominate one candidate for Athletes' Representative each for the Sport Commission Artificial Track and for the Technical Commission Artificial Track. The athletes who participate in FIL competitions in natural track luge can nominate two candidates for the Commission Natural Track. Athletes can nominate candidates from their own NF or other NF's.
- 4.12.2 By the closing date of the first world Cup of the particular season, each athlete will be asked to nominate one candidate for the election positions according to section 4.12.1 in writing and to send or give his/her nomination to either the FIL office or to the FIL representative for this World Cup. The list of candidates will then be put in circulation by the FIL prior to January 1st of the election year. The election will take place at the World Championships of the post-Olympic season. Each NF has a vote during the election of the athletes' representative for the Sport Commission as well as a vote during the election of the athletes' representative to the Technical commission. The athlete with the highest number of votes for the respective Commission is the athletes' representative for the entire election period. In the event of a tie, an additional round of voting will be conducted by secret written ballot according to 4.12.4. Should this again result in a tie, then the vote will be decided by drawing of lots.
- 4.12.3 The athletes' representative must be an active athlete in the FIL World Cup or FIL Nations Cup/European Cup. An athlete is considered active if at the time of his/her nomination he/she has participated in at least three World Cup/Nations Cup/European Cup competitions or at least two FIL championships within the past 24 months. He/she loses his/her status as an active athlete if it is determined at the end of each competition season that he/she has not participated in at least three World Cup/Nations Cup/European Cup competitions or at least two FIL Championships within the past 24 months. If an athletes' representative has lost his/her status as an active athlete a new election of this athletes' representative will be held at the next opportunity according to 4.12.4 until the election of a new athletes' representative his/her predecessor will remain in office.
- 4.12.4 The election will take place in writing and votes will be counted by the FIL representative or Chairperson of the Jury attending the competition. The term of office for the respective athletes' representative is four years starting with his/her election. Athletes' representative who take over for their predecessor during a legislative period, hold the office until the end of the original term of office.
- 4.12.5 The elected members of the Athletes Commission elected a Chairperson from their own ranks, who must belong to one of the Olympic Luge disciplines.
- 4.12.6 The members of the Athletes' Commission who participate in artificial track luge will be invited to the Expert Commissions Artificial Track meetings at the expense of the FIL. The members of the Athletes' Commission who participate in natural track luge will be invited to the Expert Commission Natural Track meetings at the expense of

the FIL. The athletes Commission can submit Motions to the Executive Board, which can be explained by the chairperson at the Executive Board meeting directly before the Congress

New Text:

4.12 Athletes' Representatives (Athletes' Commission)

4.12.1 The athletes who participate in FIL competitions in both artificial track and natural track luge will nominate candidates to the FIL Athletes Commission, of which there must be a minimum of one male and one female. Athletes can nominate candidates from their own NF or other NFs. In both artificial track and natural track the male and female athlete with the most votes will be elected to the Athletes Commission. In addition to those four members a 5th member from artificial track will be added who will be the male or female with the highest total votes outside of the athletes currently elected.

4.12.2 By the closing date of the first World Cup of the particular season, each athlete will be asked to nominate one candidate for the election positions according to section 4.12.1 in writing and to send or give his/her nomination to either the FIL office or to the FIL representative for this World Cup. The list of candidates will then be put in circulation by the FIL prior to January 1st of the election year. The election will take place at the World Championships of the post-Olympic season for the athletes who will serve on the FIL Athletes Commission. The athlete with the highest number of votes for the respective position is the athletes' representative for the entire election period. In the event of a tie, an additional round of voting will be conducted by secret written ballot according to 4.12.4. Should this again result in a tie, then the vote will be decided by a drawing of lots

4.12.3 The athletes' representatives to the FIL Athletes Commission must be active in the FIL World Cup or FIL Nations Cup/European Cup and have never received any WADA sanction. An athlete is considered active if at the time of his/her nomination he/she has participated in at least three World Cup/Nations Cup/European Cup competitions or at least two FIL championships within the past 24 months. He/she loses his/her status as an active athlete if it is determined at the end of each competition season that he/she has not participated in at least three World Cup/Nations Cup/European Cup competitions or at least two FIL championships within the past 24 months unless an injury as determined by the FIL has caused them to do so. If an athletes' representative has lost his/her status as an active athlete they may still serve on the commission. In the situation that there are more than two non-active athletes there will be a new election of an athletes' representative determined by the FIL Athletes Commission that will be held at the next opportunity according to 4.12.4. Until the election of a new athletes' representative his/her predecessor will remain in office.

4.12.4 The election will take place in writing and votes will be counted by the FIL representative or Chairperson of the Jury attending the competition. The term of office for the respective athletes' representatives is four years starting with his/her election. Athletes' representatives, who take over for their predecessor during a legislative period, hold the office until the end of the original term of office.

4.12.5 The elected members of the Athletes' Commission elect a Chairperson from their own ranks, who must belong to one of the Olympic luge disciplines.

4.12.6 The Athletes' Commission will be invited to participate at the Expert Commissions at the expense of the FIL. The athletes commission will vote amongst themselves for which athlete will have a vote in the sports commission and technical commission (Artificial Track) and naturbahn commission for the whole term of their elected period. The additional athlete is invited to participate in the Artificial Track Commissions as an expert-but will have no vote. The Athletes' Commission chair will be invited to participate at all FIL Executive Board Meetings at the expense of the FIL. The chair athlete will be invited to the FIL Congress as well as one Commission Natural track athlete at the expense of the FIL. The Athletes' can submit motions to the Executive Board, which can be explained by the chairperson at the Executive Board meeting directly before the Congress.

Amendment to the 2018 FIL Statutes



Applicant: FIL Executive Board

FADC point 5.3

Motion No. 3

Old Text:

None – addition to FIL Anti-Doping Code point 5.3 – Event Testing

New Text:

5.3.3 For in-competition testing during the whole Event Period, athletes may only be tested once per day. If an athlete has already been tested once, he/she is to be replaced by the athlete on the next rank respectively by the athlete who is drawn as a substitute, depending on how the athlete was selected to be tested.

Reason:

Avoidance of multiple testing of an athlete on a competition day for the purpose of “Intelligence Testing”

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



X Artificial Track Natural Track X Sport Commission

**Applicant: Commission
Youth/Development**

IRO § 2 point 1.3.5
Drop result JAWC race

Motion No. 1

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

§ 2

1.3.5 Youth A Word Cup (YAWC)

◆min. 4 races

1 drop result in the event of 5 or more YAWC competitions

New Text:

§ 2

1.3.5 Youth A Word Cup (YAWC)

◆min. 4 races

Reason:

Based on the recommendation from the team captains at the FIL Youth Meeting in Altenberg, the drop result in Youth A World Cup should be cancelled. All coaches were in favor.

In the overall rankings the athletes and NFs who participate in the entire JAWC and bear the financial costs for it are “punished”.

There are shifts in the overall World Cup through the drop result.

The reason for the drop result was mostly due to school issues but this is no longer the decisive argument.

A large portion of school and education is now done through email and social media.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



X Artificial Track Natural Track X Sport Commission

Applicant: Commission Youth/Development

IRO § 3 point 3.4

Motion No. 2

Addition Youth A
Women's Doubles

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

3. Regulations for Eligibility

3.4 Junior World Cup / Youth A World Cup:

	Junior	Youth A	Together
Men's singles	6	6	maximum 10
Women's singles	5	5	maximum 8
Doubles	3	3	6

New Text:

3. Regulations for Eligibility

3.4 Junior World Cup / Youth A World Cup:

	Junior	Youth A	Together
Men's singles	6	6	maximum 10
Women's singles	5	5	maximum 8
Doubles	3	3	6
Doubles women		3	3

Reason:

The IOC has decided add the discipline Youth A women's doubles to the 2020 YOG in Lausanne/St. Moritz with 15 sled eligible to participate. The 2018/19 season already counts as part of the qualification phase for achieving the FIL minimum qualifications for the 2020 YOG.

For this reason the discipline Youth A women's doubles should be added to the World Cup calendar and staged starting in the 2018/19 season.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

None as all other rules apply to the Youth A World Cup and the disciplines in general. The question is if § 3 point 1 disciplines needs to be changed or if "doubles" suffices.

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track Sport Commission Technical Commission

Applicant: SVK, ARG, CZE

IRO § 3, 6.5

Motion No. 3

Old Text:

6.5.1. Nations Cup / Qualification for World Cup

The Nations Cup is carried out at every World Cup Event.

- Nations Cup and Qualification for the World Cup race will be carried out in one run.
- The qualification will take place if more than 17 man, 12 women, 12 doubles

(with out additional starters) are at the start.

- If the field of participants is smaller than the number of participants allowed to participate in the WC, then the result from the Nations Cup is drawn on to determine the start position in the WC race (last ranked – to first ranked athlete)

- Should an athlete not reach an end time, then he will be allocated the last start position before the seeded group. Should more than one athlete crash, than the start order of the crashed athletes will be drawn by the jury.

6.5.4. Qualification for the World Cup races

The fastest 17 men, 12 women and 12 doubles will qualify for participation in World Cup races. In the absence of athletes of the seeded group, the qualified participants will be increased by this number.

* Additional starters cannot qualify for the World Cup race.

6.5.5. Participation in World Cup races

	Men (32)	Women (24)	Doubles (24)
Seeded Group	15	12	12
Qualification / NC	17	12	12

The size of the field will be adjusted only by a tie in points or placing and also in the case of the absence of athletes of the seeded group.

New Text:

6.5.1. Nations Cup / Qualification for World Cup

The Nations Cup is carried out at every World Cup Event.

- Nations Cup and Qualification for the World Cup race will be carried out in one run.
- The qualification will take place if more than 17 man, **16 women**, 12 doubles

(whithout additional starters) are at the start.

- If the field of participants is smaller than the number of participants allowed to participate in the WC, then the result from the Nations Cup is drawn on to determine the start position in the WC race (last ranked – to first ranked athlete)

- Should an athlete not reach an end time, then he will be allocated the last start position before the seeded group. Should more than one athlete crash, than the start order of the crashed athletes will be drawn by the jury.

6.5.4. Qualification for the World Cup races

The fastest 17 men, **16 women** and 12 doubles will qualify for participation in World Cup races. In the absence of athletes of the seeded group, the qualified participants will be increased by this number.

* Additional starters cannot qualify for the World Cup race.

6.5.5. Participation in World Cup races

	Men (32)	Women (28)	Doubles (24)
Seeded Group	15	12	12
Qualification / NC	17	16	12

The size of the field will be adjusted only by a tie in points or placing and also in the case of the absence of athletes of the seeded group.

Reason: In recent years, the number of competing female athletes has increased significantly in World Cups, as well as their level has increased significantly. What is more, if each country participating in the World Cup can submit:

- 5 men
- 4 women
- 3 doubles

and in men there is 32 competing athletes, 24 doubles, so it would be logical, that in women it should be 28 competing athletes.

With such a high sporting potential of the leading countries in Luge, maintaining the current limit of competing female athletes can narrow down the rivalry to 6 countries in World Cups, what in our opinion wouldn't be beneficial for further development of Luge.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: AUT

IRO § 3, 6.6.3

Motion No. 4

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

6.6.3 Competition format

- a) Starting order: After placement / qualification in the World Cup race in reverse start order
(Rank 15 - 1);
- b) Start: original start heights (without starting gate) with a shortened measurement path Start -
Finish (flying start);
- c) The start has to be done within 20 seconds in singles and within 35 seconds in doubles after the start release;
- d) Time measurement starts about 100 to 150 meters after the start ramp;
- e) Finish cell (light beam) unchanged;
- f) No coaches in the starting area/zone; except in the case of a technical defect
- g) During the competition, only the next-starting athlete is allowed to enter the starting area;
- h) the start order of the disciplines will be defined in the daily schedule;
- i) All disciplines start successional; there is no track preparation between disciplines.

New Text:

6.6.3 Competition format

- a) Starting order: After placement / qualification in the World Cup race in reverse start order
(Rank 15 - 1);
- b) Start: original start heights (without starting gate) with a shortened measurement path Start -
Finish (flying start);
- c) The start has to be done within 20 seconds in singles and within 35 seconds in doubles after the start release;
- d) Time measurement starts about 100 to 150 meters after the start ramp;
- e) Finish cell (light beam) unchanged;
- f) No coaches in the starting area/zone; except in the case of a technical defect
- g) During the competition, only the next-starting athlete is allowed to enter the starting area;
- h) the start order of the disciplines will be defined in the daily schedule;
- i) All disciplines start successional; there is no track preparation between disciplines.
- j) When the start height changes, intermediate track preparation is possible depending on the weather.

Reason:

Because the condition of the track degrades sharply in bad weather conditions, intermediate track preparation before the men or women or doubles start is sensible. The distances are very short and heavier athletes have an advantage here.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: AUT 06 / TC 01

IRO § 3, 6.7.10

Motion No. 5

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

6.7.10 Measurements Finish touch pad:

- Diameter: 38.5 cm (measured horizontally),
- Height: 60 cm (measured vertically)
- Distance between track and touch pad: 100 cm, measured vertically from the ice surface to the bottom edge of the touch pad.
- Distance from the start handles to the start gate: within 30 - 50 cm

New Text:

6.7.10 Measurements Finish touch pad:

- Diameter: 38.5 cm (measured horizontally),
- Height: 60 cm (measured vertically)
- Distance between track and touch pad: **100 cm +/- 2 cm**, measured vertically from the ice surface to the bottom edge of the touch pad.
- Distance from the start handles to the start gate: within 30 - 50 cm

Reason:

The finish touch pad will continue to be adjusted to 100 cm by the Technical Delegate, however a possible tolerance of +/-2cm is provided for.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track Sport Commission

**Applicant: Commission
Youth/Development**

**IRO § 3 point 6.8.1
Grid race**

Motion No. 6

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

6.8.1 Grid Race (Junior World Cup)

In the Grid Race (1 run) the start positions for the JWC race are determined.

- a) The Grid Race replaces the seventh (last) training run for the Juniors.
- b) The start positions for the JWC race are awarded through the ranking in the Grid race.
- c) Start order according to the current list of seeded athletes 1 - end
 - ♦ Group A 1 - 12, seeded group
 - ♦ Group B 13 - x, according to the seeded list
 - ♦ Rest group athletes without JWC points (draw at the end of the start list)
- d) In the case of a tie in points, the start order is drawn.

Start numbers JWC:

- a) The start number allocation for the JWC race takes place through the placement in the Grid race.
- b) The athletes of group A approached the starting places 1 - 12 and the athletes of the B and the rest group starting places 13 - end.
- c) The B and rest groups are considered to be a group together.
- d) In the case of a crash, the athlete receives the last start number assigned to his group.
- e) In the case of a disqualification, the athlete is assigned to the last grid position in the field of participants.
- f) In the case of multiple defaults (DNF,DSQ), the start order of these athletes will be drawn
- g) At a double World Cup, one grid race is staged for the first World Cup.
- h) The starting order for the second World Cup is determined by the results of the first World Cup (1 - end).
- i) Should the Grid Race not take place, the start order for the JWC in group A is drawn, group B starts according to the placement in the current overall World Cup. The rest group is drawn.
- j) Start order 1st JWC, if the Grid Race does not take place:
 - ♦ Group A, - Group B, - athletes required to move up *, - rest group.

New Text:

Grid race should be removed as it is no longer staged.

Reason:

Due to the large number of participants and the new discipline to be added, Youth A women's doubles and possibly Junior women's doubles, the grid race should be cancelled as more time for training is then created. Furthermore, the event organizers are given a break with the cancellation of the competition.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

§ 3 point 6.8.2 / § 3 point 6.8.3 / § 9 point 3.6

IRO Amendment 2018



X Artificial Track Natural Track X Sport Commission

**Applicant: Commission
Youth/Development**

**IRO § 3 point 6.9.1
Procedure JWCh**

Motion No. 7

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

§ 3

6.9 Junior World Championships (JWCh)

6.9.1. Procedure JWCh

- 6 official training runs for all athletes
- + Preliminary run for the non-seeded athletes
- + final training for the seeded athletes (1 run)

The seeded final training is held in the disciplines. Start order according to the current JWC point standings, places 1 - 12 (men, women and doubles).

New Text:

§ 3

6.9 Junior World Championships (JWCh)

6.9.1. Procedure JWCh

- **5** official training runs for all athletes
- **+ Preliminary run for the non-seeded athletes (training run)**
- + final training for the seeded athletes (1 run)

The seeded final training is held in the disciplines. Start order according to the current JWC point standings, places 1 - 12 (men, women and doubles).

Reason:

At the JWCh (**training run**) should be added to the preliminary run because there is a discussion every year with the event organizers if it is a training run and if the athletes are allowed to participate in the preliminary run if they have not yet achieved the 7% in training. For the seeded athletes, final training is stated. The official training runs should be adjusted to be the same as the JWC.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Technical Commission

IRO § 4 Pt.1.1.7

Motion No. 8

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

Race Director

1.1.7 In case of violations against the IRO, the race director will make the initial necessary decisions.

He/she is obligated to personally convince himself/herself of the offence.

Items or corresponding pieces of evidence for a possible disqualification must be submitted to him/her by the judges, jury and respective technical delegate (§ 11, 1.2).

New Text:

Race Director

1.1.7 In case of violations against the IRO, the race director will make the initial necessary decisions **in consultation with the TD.**

- **Items or pieces of evidence for a possible disqualification must be documented by the judges or TD.**

Reason:

During the race, the race director is in time-keeping in order to supervise all procedures. Therefore it is often very difficult for the RD to personally convince himself of the offence. The goal here is a procedure for rule violations which is based on practice.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Tech. Commission

IRO § 4 Pt.1.4.1

Motion No. 9

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

1.4 Chief of Track

1.4.1 The chief of track is responsible for flawless maintenance of the track during training and competition.

He hands over the track to the technical delegate.

New Text:

1.4 Chief of Track

1.4.1 The chief of track is responsible for flawless maintenance of the track during training and competition.

Reason:

In practice, the track is not handed over to the TD. In this case the goal is a procedure based on current practice.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Technical Commission

IRO § 4 Pt.3.3.3

Motion No. 10

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

3.3.3 Technical Delegates

Before each training and competition run, the technical delegates must inspect the track and the facilities and will transfer the track to the race director only when the inspection has justified it and when the chief of track has handed the track over to the technical delegate.

New Text:

3.3.3 Technical Delegates

Before the first training session of every day or before the first competition run of every competition day, the technical delegates must inspect the track for temporary structures. After completing the inspection, the track is handed over to the race director. Any temporary structures built or changed after the inspection are to be reported to the TD for inspection.

Reason:

Procedure for declaring the track clear based on current practice.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Technical Commission

IRO § 5 Pt. 1.2

Motion No. 11

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

1.1 The weights including attached accessories are:

Sled	Minimum	Maximum	Basis for calculation
Singles	21 kg	25 kg	23 kg
Doubles	25 kg	30 kg	27 kg
Youth Sled B		16 kg	
Youth Sled		14 kg	
Youth Doubles		24 kg	

- Increased weight of the sled (> 23 kg or > 27 kg) must be subtracted from the AW (additional weight) or RC (race clothing).
- Athletes belonging to the Youth Class B who are starting in the Youth Class A with a 14 kg youth sled (in singles) or with a 16 kg youth B sled and/or a 24 kg youth sled (in doubles) may not adjust the missing weight on the sled through additional weight.

New Text:

1.2 The weights including attached accessories are:

Sled	Minimum	Maximum	Basis for calculation
Singles General Class	21 kg	25 kg	23 kg
Singles Juniors, Youth A	21kg	25 kg	23 kg
Singles Youth B		16 kg	
Singles < Youth B		14 kg	
Doubles General Class	25 kg	30 kg	27 kg
Doubles Juniors, Youth A	25 kg	30 kg	27 kg
Doubles Youth B		24 kg	

- Increased weight of the sled (> 23 kg or > 27 kg) must be subtracted from the AW (additional weight) or RC (race clothing).
- Missing sled weight (<23 kg or <27 kg respectively) may not be compensated with the AW (additional weight) or the RC (race clothing).
- Athletes belonging to the Youth Class B who are starting in the Youth Class A with a 14 kg youth sled (in singles) or with a 16 kg youth B sled and/or a 24 kg youth sled (in doubles) may not adjust the missing weight on the sled through additional weight.

Reason:

This motion contains a more detailed description of the sled types and a clarification of the sled weight specifications. These changes should bring clarity for athletes, coaches, and officials.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Tech. Commission

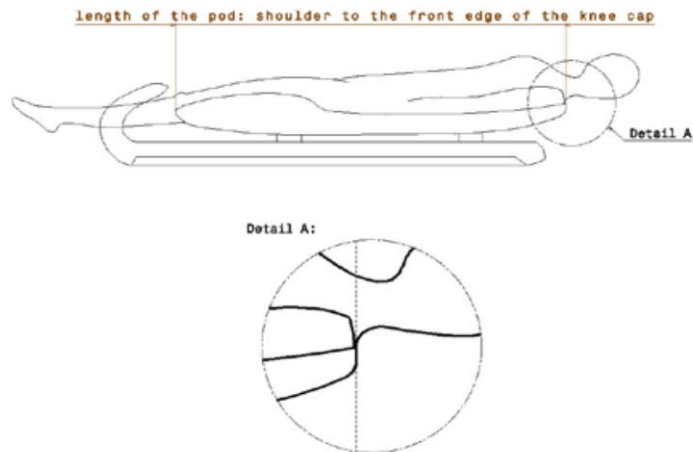
IRO § 5 Pt. 1.3.1

Motion No. 12

Translation (original language German)

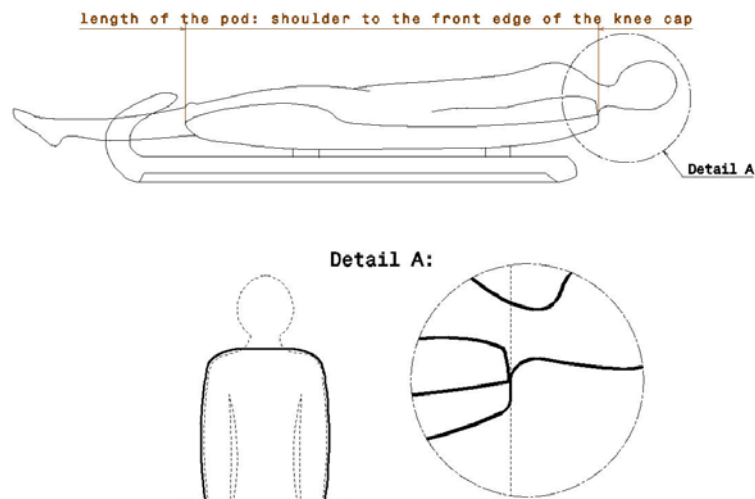
Old Text:

1.3.1 singles pod



New Text:

1.3.1 singles pod



Reason:

Replacement of picture 1

Improved presentation by means of a technical drawing

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Tech. Commission

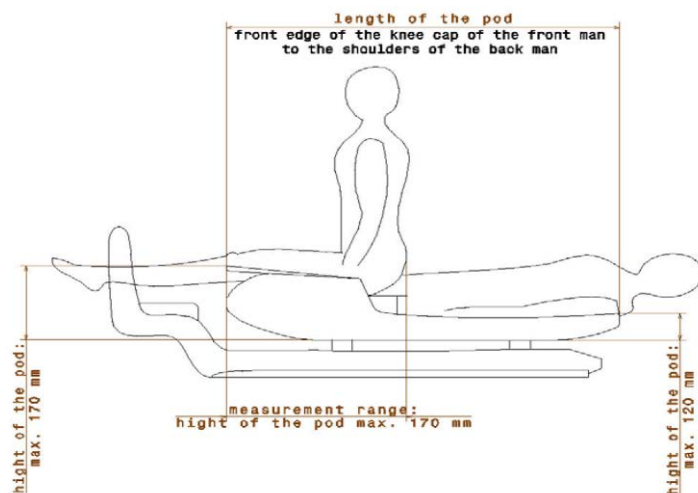
IRO § 5 Pt. 1.3.2

Motion No. 13

Translation (original language German)

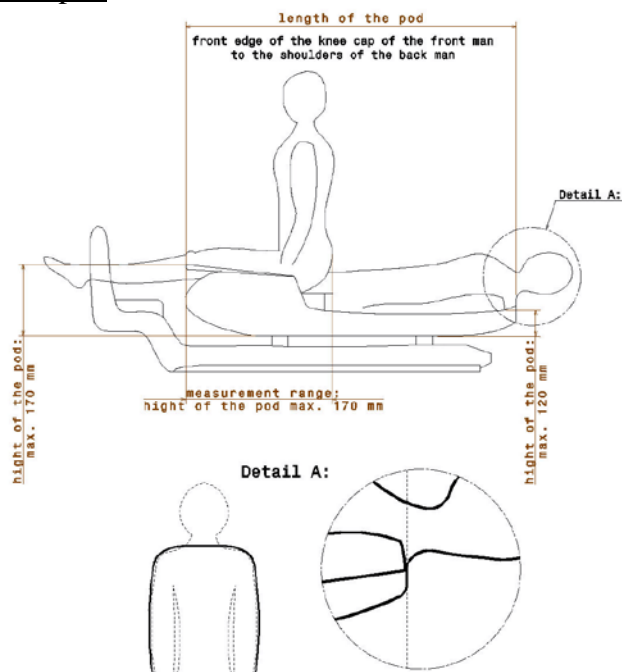
Old Text:

1.3.2 Doubles pod



New Text:

1.3.2 Doubles pod



Reason:

Replacement of picture 1

Improved presentation by means of a technical drawing

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



X Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Technical Commission

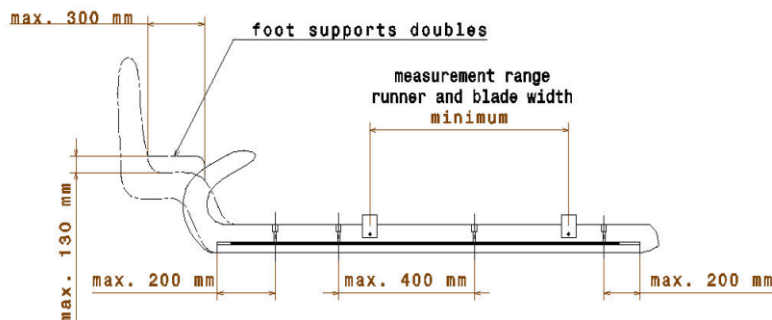
IRO § 5 Pt. 1.3.3

Motion No. 14

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

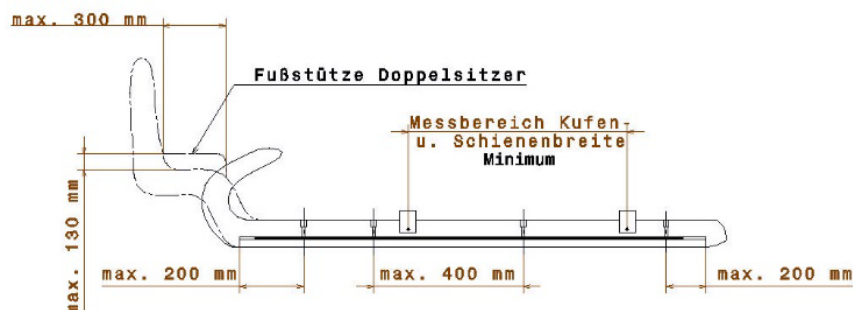
1.3.3 Runner



- The foot supports for the back man of the doubles sled must not be longer than 300 mm. The allowed height of the runner in that area is not allowed to exceed 130 mm (sketch 1a). The width of the runner is not allowed to exceed 50 mm.
- The first and last screw/bolt mounting the steel to the runner must be within 200 mm from the beginning and the end of the steel.
- The mounting screws/bolts may not be further than 400 mm apart.
- The runner must be at least 25 mm wide from the area of the middle of the rear bridge to the middle of the forward bridge.

New Text:

1.3.3 Runner



- The foot supports for the back man of the doubles sled must not be longer than 300 mm. The allowed height of the runner in that area is not allowed to exceed 130 mm (sketch 1a). The width of the runner is not allowed to exceed 50 mm.
- The first and last screw/bolt mounting the steel to the runner must be within 200 mm from the beginning and the end of the steel.
- The mounting screws/bolts may not be further than 400 mm apart.

- d) The runner must be at least 25 mm wide from the area of the middle of the rear bridge to the middle of the forward bridge.
- e) The runner may be comprised of two or more parts. These parts must be force-fitted with screws/bolts and must not adjust or change when sliding.
- f) The runner horns must be at least 270 mm high.

Reason:

Replacement of picture 1.

Better depiction with technical drawing.

With the introduction of a minimum height for the runner horns and a description of the construction of the runner if it is comprised of more than one part, fairness and safety should be ensured for all athletes.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Tech. Commission

IRO § 5 Pt. 1.3.3.1

Motion No. 15

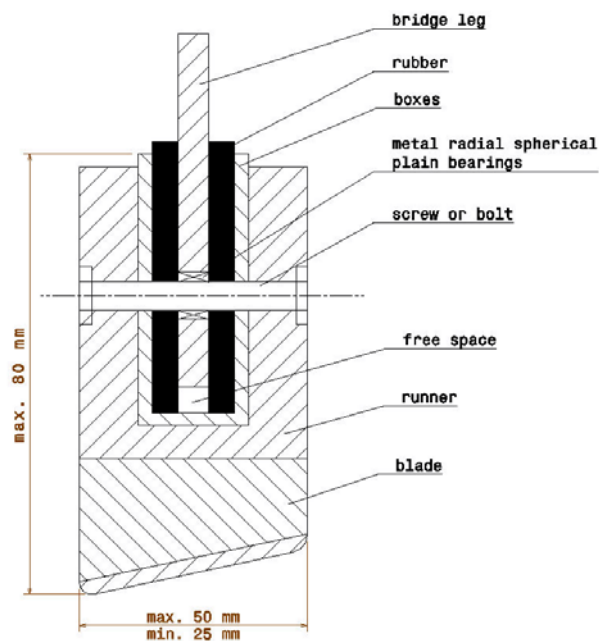
Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

No continuing numbering

New Text:

1.3.3.1 Bridge box



- The dimensions of the runner plus blade must not exceed 50 mm in width and 80 mm in height.
- The weight of the upper-part of the sled (bridges with pod seat) must be connected all the way through on each leg of the bridge with a screw or a bolt.
- The mobility of the four bridge legs in the area of the screws or bolts is allowed by using a radial spherical bearing and/or a through-hole.
- The rubber inserts which cover the leg of the bridge must be open on the bottom so that the stipulated free space is given
- Any use of rubber and springs in this area with the exception of the rubber insert which covers the bridge leg is prohibited.

Reason:

Editing of the numbering

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Technical Commission

IRO § 5 Pt. 1.3.8

Motion No. 16

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

1.3.8 Connection runner, steel (steel screws/bolts, steel-screws/bolts-connector)

New Text:

Correction in spelling in the German IRO. Not relevant to the English version

Reason:

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track

Natural Track

Applicant: Working Group Marketing and Public Relations Campaign/Executive Board

IRO § 7

Motion No. 17

Old Text:

§7 Advertising Regulations

1. Applicability, Measuring Procedure

1.1 Applicability

All these regulations are valid during FIL competitions as well as for media and PR activities and are applicable to athletes and officials.

1.2 Measuring Procedure

- a) The size of a commercial marking or trademark is the surface within a line following the actual surrounding of the integrated marking.
- b) If the trademark is integrated within an area of different color, the total area of the different color is to be measured.
- c) The correctness of the measuring of the size of the trademark will be under the responsibility of the National Federations.
- d) At FIL competitions, the race director, technical delegates and jury have the right to carry out control measurements at any time.

2. Race Clothing

- a) Articles of clothing may carry manufacturers' identifications and/or trademarks of other sponsors.
- b) The total surface of the trademarks together on the clothing (except head coverings, gloves and shoes) of one person shall not exceed 450 sq cm.
- c) The complete surface can be divided into ten parts at the most.
- d) The complete surface of a single part may not exceed 100 sq cm.
- e) Trademarks of the same sponsor may not appear one above the other or one beside the other.
- f) The markings on the clothing will be measured when the clothing is not worn.
- g) The respective National Federation is responsible for maintaining the advertising regulations.
- h) The use of a manufacturer's specific graphic design - even though this design may also be registered - will not be counted as advertising spaces.

3. Safety Helmet

- Athletes' safety helmets may display two (2) trademarks of the manufacturer with a maximum size of 15 sq cm, one each side, placed over the ears.
- The advertising surface on the front of helmets may only be used by the FIL (60 sq cm).

- It is permitted to wear a national emblem on the helmet (max. 30 sq cm) and also the name of the athlete (maximum twice, height of the writing maximum each 15 mm) at the back of the helmet without obstructing the official FIL advertising.

4. Visor

- Visor straps have to conform to commercially available products.
- The width of the visor strap is limited to 4 cm.

5. Caps, Headbands, and other Headgear

Caps, headbands, and other headgear may each have a maximum of three (3) trademarks of the manufacturer and/or other sponsors, with a total surface of 90 sq cm maximum.

6. Start Numbers

- Advertising inscriptions on start numbers are permitted.
- The advertising surface must be smaller than the section bearing the start number.
- During FIL Championships and World Cups of the General Class, the start number bibs provided by the FIL sponsor have to be worn during the official training.

7. Luge Shoe

- Luge shoes may only show one manufacturer's trademark of 15 sq cm in size on each shoe.
- The trademarks can be divided in two parts..

8. Gloves

- Gloves may only show one manufacturer's trademark on each glove.
- The marking can be divided into two parts.
- The total surface of the commercial marking per glove is limited to 15 sq cm.

9. Racing Sled

- On the entire sled, in addition to the manufacturer's trademark, a maximum of six commercial markings may be displayed; maximum of three trademarks on the bottom of the sled.
- The size of the advertising surface on the bottom of the sled may not exceed 900 sq cm.

10. Athlete

Advertising with athletes is only allowed with permission of the National Federation responsible.

Name, title, and picture of the athletes can only be used once for each advertisement.

11. Forbidden Advertisement

Provided there are no stricter national laws, following advertisement is prohibited:

1. on the athlete and sled: advertising for tobacco, illegal drugs or alcohol.
Exception: advertising for non-alcoholic beer and, regarding athletes of age (18), advertising for products with an alcohol percentage of less than 10 %.

2. at the sports venue and on bibs: advertising for tobacco, illegal drugs or products with an alcohol percentage of more than 10 %. The FIL Executive Board can allow an exception of this prohibition following a request from the event organizer or the venue operator.
3. advertising conveying religious, racial or any other discrimination.

New Text:

§7 Advertising Regulations

1. Applicability, Measuring Procedure, Approval of Advertising Surfaces, Inspections

1.1 Applicability

- a) All these regulations are valid during FIL competitions as well as for media and PR activities within the scope of FIL competitions and are applicable to athletes and officials.
- b) The respective NF is responsible for complying with the advertising regulations (§7).

1.2 Measuring Procedure

- a) ~~The size of a commercial marking or trademark is the surface within a line following the actual surrounding of the integrated marking.~~
A rectangle is used to calculate the size of the advertising surface. The width (A) and height (B) of the trademark determine the sides of the rectangle.



- b) If the trademark is integrated within an area of different color, the total area of the different color is to be measured.
- e) ~~The correctness of the measuring of the size of the trademark will be under the responsibility of the National Federations.~~
- c) The markings on the clothing will be measured when the clothing is not worn.
- d) ~~At FIL competitions, the race director, technical delegates and jury have the right to carry out control measurements at any time.~~

1.3 Approval of Advertising Surfaces

By August 31 of each sport year, the layout of all advertising in its original shape, size and color has to be submitted electronically to the Technical Director for inspection and approval. In case of timely submission and compliance with the rules, written approval is issued.

1.4. Inspections of the Advertising Surfaces

At FIL competitions the Technical Delegates are authorized to initiate inspections of the advertising surfaces any time.

In case of violations of the advertising rules a disqualification may be issued by the race director.

2. Sizes of Advertising Surfaces

2.1 Race Clothing and other Clothing worn at the Field of Play

- a) Articles of clothing may carry manufacturers' identifications and/or trademarks of other sponsors.
 - b) The total surface of the trademarks together on the clothing (except head coverings, gloves and shoes) of one person shall not exceed ~~450~~ 600 sq cm.
 - c) The complete surface can be divided into ~~ten~~ eleven parts at the most.
 - d) The complete surface of a single part may not exceed ~~100~~ 200 sq cm.
 - e) Trademarks of the same sponsor may not appear one above the other or one beside the other.
- ~~a) The markings on the clothing will be measured when the clothing is not worn.~~
~~b) The respective National Federation is responsible for maintaining the advertising regulations.~~
- e)a) The use of a manufacturer's specific graphic design - even though this design may also be registered - will not be counted as advertising spaces.

32.2. Safety Helmet

- ~~The Athletes'~~ safety helmets may display two (2) trademarks of the manufacturer with a maximum size of 15 sq cm, one each side, placed over the ears.
- The advertising surface on the front of helmets may only be used by the FIL (~~60~~ 70 sq cm). If the FIL transfers this advertising surface to the National Federations the branch exclusivity of the FIL main sponsors has to be respected.
- It is permitted to wear a national emblem on the helmet (max. 30 sq cm) and also the name of the athlete (maximum twice, height of the writing maximum each 15 mm) at the back of the helmet without obstructing the official FIL advertising.

42.3. Visor

- Visor straps have to conform to commercially available products.
- The width of the visor strap is limited to 4 cm.

52.4. Caps, Headbands, and other Headgear

Caps, headbands, and other headgear may each have a maximum of three (3) trademarks of the manufacturer and/or other sponsors, with a total surface of ~~90~~ 100 sq cm maximum.

62.5. Start Numbers

- Advertising inscriptions on start numbers are permitted. These may only be used by the FIL.
- ~~—The advertising surface must be smaller than the section bearing the start number.~~
- During FIL Championships and World Cups of the General Class, the start number bibs provided by the FIL ~~sponsor~~ have to be worn during the official training.

72.6. Luge Shoe

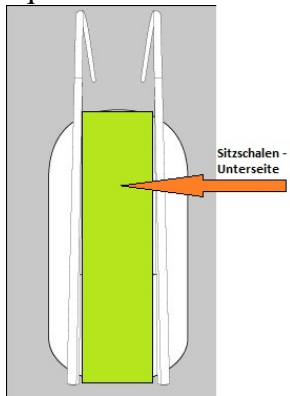
- ~~—Luge shoes may only show one manufacturer's trademark of 15 sq cm in size on each shoe.~~
- ~~—The trademarks can be divided in two parts.~~
- The advertising surface on the luge shoes may only be used by the FIL.

2.7. Gloves

- Gloves may only show one manufacturer's trademark on each glove.
- The marking can be divided into two parts.
- The total surface of the commercial marking per glove is limited to 15 sq cm.

92.8. Racing Sled

- On the entire sled, in addition to the manufacturer's trademark, a maximum of six commercial markings may be displayed; maximum of three trademarks on the bottom of the sled.
- The size of the advertising surface on the bottom of the sled may not exceed ~~900~~ 1000 sq cm.



10.3. Athlete

Advertising with athletes is only allowed with permission of the National Federation responsible.

Name, title, and picture of the athletes can only be used once for each advertisement.

11.4. Forbidden Advertisement

Provided there are no stricter national laws, following advertisement is prohibited:

1. on the athlete and sled: advertising for tobacco, illegal drugs or alcohol. Exception: advertising for non-alcoholic beer and, regarding athletes of age (18), advertising for products with an alcohol percentage of less than 10 %.
2. at the sports venue and on bibs: advertising for tobacco, illegal drugs or products with an alcohol percentage of more than 10 %. The FIL Executive Board can allow an exception of this prohibition following a request from the event organizer or the venue operator.
3. advertising conveying religious, racial or any other discrimination.

Reason:

The motion by the Marketing WG is based on a proposal by the Technical Director comprising particularly the calculation of the advertising surface using a rectangle and the introduction of an approval procedure. As irregular shapes are difficult to measure the calculation with a rectangle as it is also applied e.g. by the IOC (Rule 50), will simplify measurement and inspection considerably and avoid discussions. As irregular shapes will be calculated with a

greater surface using a rectangle the maximum sizes were increased by approx. 10%. For race and warm clothing the maximum sizes were increased beyond that in order to allow athletes more advertising opportunities (as used by other international federations, e.g. IBSF).

Regarding the new rule for branch exclusivity of the helmet advertising: With regard to the helmet design the Marketing WG recommends allowing multi-colored helmet designs in spite of possible advertising messages e.g. by the arrangement of colors (e.g. Red Bull helmet), with the sponsor logo and text/letters being limited to the advertising surface at the front of the helmet. Reason: Very difficult to assess and inspect; besides this, such helmets are also used in alpine skiing, ski jumping, bobsleigh and skeleton. However, this could be problematic in case the sponsor is a competitor of one of the FIL main sponsors.

In addition, the new wording contains some editorial changes and adaptations to the realities.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

None

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track Sport Commission

**Applicant: Commission
Youth/Development**

IRO § 8 point 2.1
Paid training

Motion No. 18

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

2. Paid training

2.1 Two days before the beginning of official training, organizers of FIL World Championships (General Class) and Junior World Championships are obligated to offer paid training.

- The track must be prepared before each group's training.
- Paid training is to be coordinated and supervised by the Sports Director/technical delegate.
- National Federations have to register for the paid training one week prior to the beginning of that training.

Junior/Youth A World Cup:

- At least one day with a training session of at least three runs must be offered before the official training.

New Text:

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Junior/Youth A World Cup:

- At least one day with a training session of at least **two** runs must be offered before the official training.

Reason:

Due to the number of participants, it is almost no longer possible to offer 3 runs of paid training. The change must adjust to the current situation and counteract protests.

Furthermore, new disciplines like Youth A women's doubles are being added and then it will no longer be possible to offer 3 paid training runs.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

§ 8 point 3.2.2

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track Sport Commission

**Applicant: Commission
Youth/Development**

IRO § 8 point 3.2.2
official training

Motion No. 19

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

3. Official Training

3.2.2 During Junior/Youth A World Cups and Junior World Championships, seven (7) official training runs have to be provided free of charge.

New Text:

3. Official Training

3.2.2 During Junior/Youth A World Cups and Junior World Championships, **six** official training runs have to be provided free of charge.

Systematic training is possible within the official training.

Reason:

Due to the number of participants, it is almost no longer possible to offer 7 official training runs. The change must adjust to the current situation and counteract protests. Furthermore, new disciplines like Youth A women's doubles are being added and then it will no longer be possible to offer 7 official training runs.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

§ 8 point 2.1

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: AUT

IRO § 8 3.2.3

Motion No. 20

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

3.2.3 The start order for the NFs for training will be drawn at the first team captain's meeting. Before the draw, it will be determined by the race director which nation in the drawn start order will begin the respective training run.

New Text:

3.2.3

The size and starting order of the training groups will be set by the Sport Director in a weekly schedule for the competition.

Reason:

Completely remove. Hasn't been done in the World Cup for years.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Sport Commission

IRO § 8, 3.3.1.

Motion No. 21

a,c,d,e

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

3.3 Rules for World Cup training

3.3.1. Number of training runs

a, At the first World Cup of a season, all athletes are offered an equal number of training runs (at least 6 runs).

c, Athletes, who cannot qualify through the Nations Cup for the WC race, receive 9 training runs at the next WC.

d, All other registered participants for the World Cup will receive 6 training runs on two or three days of training;

e, Systematic training can be held on the first training day as part of the 6 or 9 runs offered.

New Text:

3.3 Rules for World Cup training

3.3.1. Number of training runs

a, At the first World Cup of a season, all athletes are offered an equal number of training runs (at least **5** runs).

c, Athletes, who cannot qualify through the Nations Cup for the WC race, receive **7** training runs at the next WC.

d, All other registered participants for the World Cup will receive **5** training runs on two or three days of training;

e, Systematic training can be held on the first training day as part of the **5** or **7** runs offered.

Reason:

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Technical Commission

IRO § 8 Point 5

Motion No. 22

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

5. Individual Supplemental Weights

5.1 Additional weights may be carried in singles' competitions for women, men, junior women and junior men, youth A women and men as well as in doubles, General Class, Junior Class, and Youth A Class.

5.1.1 The maximum amount of additional weight permitted is as follows:

- ◆ Women, Junior Women, Youth A Men 10 kg
- ◆ Men, Junior Men 13 kg
- ◆ Youth A Women 8 kg
- ◆ Doubles (General Class, Junior Class and Youth A Class) 10 kg

5.1.2 **Men** may use additional weight amounting to **100%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 90 kg.

5.1.3 **Women** may use additional weight amounting to **100%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 75 kg.

5.1.4 **Doubles athletes in General Class** may use additional weight amounting to **75%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 90 kg.
Additional weight is not allowed if the body weight of the front person and back person together exceeds **180 kg**.

If one of the partners weighs more than 90 kg, the weight exceeding the 90 kg mark will be added to the lighter partner.

If there should still be a difference between the partner's weight and the 90 kg mark, the difference can be compensated according to the weight table.

5.1.5 **Junior men** may use additional weight amounting to **75%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 90 kg.

5.1.6 **Junior women** may use additional weight amounting to **75%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 75 kg.

5.1.7 **Youth A men** may use additional weight amounting to **75%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 75 kg.

5.1.8 **Youth A women** may use additional weight amounting to **50%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 70 kg.

5.1.9 **Doubles athletes in Junior Class** may use additional weight amounting to **50%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 90 kg.
Additional weight is not allowed if the body weight of the front person and back person together exceeds **180 kg**.

If one of the partners weighs more than 90 kg, the weight exceeding the 90 kg mark will be added to the lighter partner.

If there should still be a difference between the partner's weight and the 90 kg mark, the difference can be compensated according to the weight table.

5.1.10 **Youth A doubles** athletes may use additional weight amounting to **50%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 75 kg.

Additional weight is not allowed if the body weight of the front person and back person

together exceeds **150 kg**.

If one of the partners weighs more than 75 kg, the weight exceeding the 75 kg mark will be added to the lighter partner.

If there should still be a difference between the partner's weight and the 75 kg mark, the difference can be compensated according to the weight table.

5.1.11 The additional weight must be worn by each competitor individually. Under no circumstances may additional weight be attached to the sled.

5.1.12 The weight of the race clothing may amount to 4 kg and may be compensated for in all disciplines.

New Text:

5. Individual Supplemental Weights

5.1 Additional weights may be **used** in singles' competitions for women, men, junior women and junior men, youth A women and men as well as in doubles in the General Class, Junior Class, and Youth A Class.

Basis for calculation

Singles:

discipline	base weight	weight compensation
Men	90 kg	100 %
Junior men	90 kg	75 %
Youth A men	75 kg	75 %
Women	75 kg	100 %
Junior women	75 kg	75 %
Youth A women	70 kg	50 %

Doubles:

discipline	base weight	weight compensation	max. weight athlete pair
General class	90 kg	75 %	180 kg
Junior class	90 kg	50 %	180 kg
Youth A class	75 kg	50 %	150 kg

5.1.1 The maximum amount of additional weight permitted is as follows:

- ♦ Women, Junior Women, Youth A Men 10 kg
- ♦ Men, Junior Men 13 kg
- ♦ Youth A Women 8 kg
- ♦ Doubles (General, Junior, and Youth A Classes) 10 kg

5.1.2 **Men** may use additional weight amounting to **100%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 90 kg.

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Additional weight is not allowed if the body weight of the front person and back person together exceeds **180 kg**.

If one of the partners weighs more than 90 kg, the weight exceeding the 90 kg mark will be added to the lighter partner.

If there should still be a difference between the partner's weight and the 90 kg mark, the difference can be compensated according to the weight table.

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5.1.7 Doubles athletes in Junior Class may use additional weight amounting to **50%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 90 kg.

Additional weight is not allowed if the body weight of the front person and back person together exceeds **180 kg**.

If one of the partners weighs more than 90 kg, the weight exceeding the 90 kg mark will be added to the lighter partner.

If there should still be a difference between the partner's weight and the 90 kg mark, the difference can be compensated according to the weight table.

5.1.8 Youth A men may use additional weight amounting to **75%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 75 kg.

5.1.9 Youth A women may use additional weight amounting to **50%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 70 kg.

5.1.10 **Youth A doubles men** athletes may use additional weight amounting to **50%** of the difference between body weight and a base weight of 75 kg.

Additional weight is not allowed if the body weight of the front person and back person together exceeds **150 kg**.

If one of the partners weighs more than 75 kg, the weight exceeding the 75 kg mark will be added to the lighter partner.

If there should still be a difference between this male athlete's weight and the 75 kg mark, the difference can be compensated according to the weight table.

If there should still be a difference between this female athlete's weight and the 70 kg mark, the difference can be compensated according to the weight table.

5.2 The additional weight must be worn by each competitor individually. Under no circumstances may additional weight be attached to the sled.

5.3 The weight of the race clothing may amount to 4 kg and may be compensated for in all disciplines.

Reason:

Editorial changes

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track Sport Commission

**Applicant: Commission
Youth/Development**

IRO § 9 point 3.6
Draw Youth A WC

Motion No. 23

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

3.6 Youth A World Cup

- The seeded group A (1 - 12) will be drawn by name.
- There is no draw for the group B. The start order results from the overall Youth A World Cup ranking (§ 3, 5.4).
- A necessary draw for athletes with the same number of points will be done by the jury.
- The remaining group will be drawn.

New Text:

3.6 Youth A World Cup

- The seeded group A (1 - 12) **starts in reverse order place 12 – 1.**
- **The start order** in group B **results** from the overall Youth A World Cup ranking place 13 - end (§ 3, 5.4).
- A necessary draw for athletes with the same number of points will be done by the jury.
- The remaining group will be drawn **by the jury.**
- **This also applies to the 2nd race at a double World Cup.**

Reason:

The draw in the seeded group should be cancelled.
There is no clear rule for the start order at a double World Cup in Youth A World Cup, therefore the addition to the paragraph.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

§ 3, 6.8.4

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track Sport Commission

**Applicant: Commission
Youth/Development**

**IRO § 9 point 3.6
Draw JWC**

Motion No. 24

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

3.6 Junior World Cup

- No draw for the seeded group A
(draw only upon a default in the Grid Race)
- The start numbers are assigned according to the placement in the Grid Race (§ 3,6.8.1)

New Text:

3.6 Junior World Cup

- The seeded group A (1 - 12) **starts in reverse order place 12 – 1.**
- **In group B, the start order results from** the overall Junior World Cup ranking place 13 - end (§ 3, 5.4).
- A necessary draw for athletes with the same number of points will be done by the jury.
- The remaining group will be drawn **by the jury.**
- **This also applies to the 2nd race at a double World Cup.**

Reason:

If the grid race is cancelled, the draw for the JWC needs a new rule.
The start order for a double World Cup in the Junior World Cup is not clearly regulated, therefore the addition in the paragraph.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

§ 3 point 6.8.1 / § 3 point 6.8.2

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: GER

IRO § 10, 1.3

Motion No. 25

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

1.3 Command to Start

In competition, the start must take place within thirty (30) seconds after the "Track is Clear" notice for singles and within 45 seconds after the "Track is Clear" notice for doubles.

New Text:

1.3 Command to Start

In competition, the start must take place within thirty (30) seconds after the "Track is Clear" notice for singles and within 45 seconds after the "Track is Clear" notice for doubles.

In training, the start must take place within 20 seconds after the "Track is Clear" notice for singles and within 35 seconds after the "Track is Clear" notice for doubles.

Reason:

Faster and more time-saving training schedule

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Technical Commission

IRO § 11 Pt. 1

Motion No. 26

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

1. Violation of Rules

- 1.1 A disqualification can be declared by the race director if athletes or teams have violated regulations in the IRO and if the violation is detected between the beginning of training and the end of the competition including all inspections required by the IRO (§ 4, 1.1.7).

New Text:

1. Violation of Rules

- 1.1 If athletes are in contravention of the IRO regulations during the competition, the race director disqualifies them.

Reason:

Specification for more clarity

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Sport Commission

IRO § 11, 2.2.4

Motion No. 27

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

2.2.4 In case of a disqualification, the written protest must be submitted within 10 minutes after receipt of the report according to § 11, 1.2.7. In all other cases, it must be submitted 10 minutes after completing the official training, the competition, or other protest reasons.

New Text:

2.2.4 **Addition:** **Verbal notification of the intention to submit a protest must be given within 5 minutes and** the written protest must be submitted within 10 minutes after the conclusion of the official training, the competition run, or other protest reasons. In case of a disqualification, the written protest must be submitted within 10 minutes after receipt of the report according to § 11, 1.2.7.

Reason:

Earlier and faster publication/release of the results list to the media and others.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

§11, 1.2.7

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Technical Commission

IRO § Anlage 1

Motion No. 28

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

Supplement 1 Regulation for Artificial Luge Tracks

2. Definition

Existing IRO text

3.4 Start facilities

Existing IRO text

3.5 Safety Regulations*

Existing IRO text

* there is a typo in the numbering in the 2016 IRO

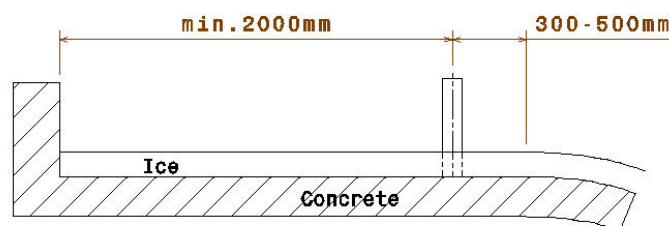
New Text:

2. Definition

- 2.1 Artificial luge tracks are luge tracks which have been specially constructed for the sport of luge by means of specific construction measures.
- 2.2 A difference is made between artificial luge tracks with or without refrigeration system.
- 2.3 Combined bobsleigh and luge tracks are tracks which have been specially constructed for the sport of bobsleigh and luge by means of specific construction measures.
~~A difference is made between tracks with or without refrigeration system.~~
- 2.4 Shortened tracks are artificial luge tracks with or without a refrigeration system with a minimum length of 400 m. They are suitable for international competitions.

3.4 Start facilities

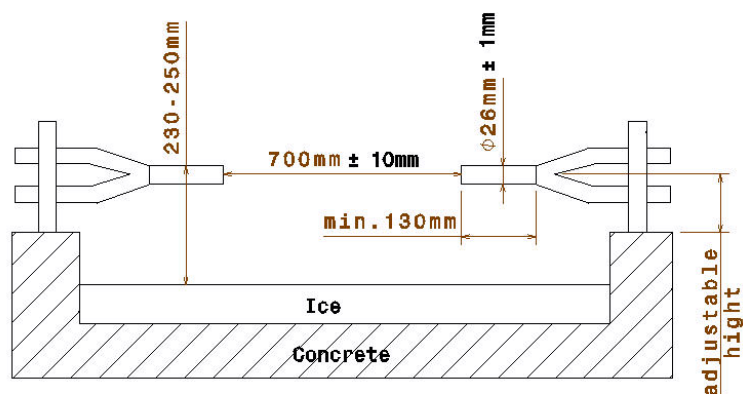
For men, women, doubles, juniors and youth events, the track must be equipped with all the necessary starting structures to guarantee normal execution in all disciplines. During FIL competitions, it must be possible to close off the starting zone. The individual components of the start facility are:



- ◆ For men, women, doubles, juniors and youth events, the track must be equipped with all the necessary starting structures to guarantee normal execution in all disciplines. During FIL competitions, it must be possible to close off the starting zone. The

individual components of the start facility are:

- ♦ a horizontal iced surface on which the sitting position on the sled may be taken by the athlete. Length of the horizontal iced surface to the start handles: at least 2000 mm.
- ♦ Length of the horizontal iced surface to the start handles to the beginning of the descent: **300 mm – 500 mm.**
- ♦ Two start handles adjustable in height on either side of the start are which may be used by the athletes to increase the speed of their start.



- ♦ From the ice to the upper edge of the handles at an equal height: 230 mm – 250 mm.
- ♦ Inside distance between the two handles: **700 mm +/-10 mm**
- ♦ Length of the handle: **at least 130 mm**
- ♦ Diameter of the handle: **26 mm +/-1mm**
- ♦ The surface of the handle must be grooved.
- ♦ The construction of the start handle should be so solid that it cannot be bent upon the athlete's pull off.
- ♦ The start light barrier must be installed between 5 m and 10 m after the start handles. The start time (from start light barrier to next light barrier) should exceed 3 seconds; if this is not possible, it should be taken immediately after the first curve.
- ♦ Light barriers must be installed in a height of 300 mm above the bottom of the track measured from the concrete. The height must be between 20 cm and 25 cm on the iced track.
- ♦ **The placement will be inspected by the TD.**

3.5 Safety Regulations

- ♦ The track layout and components such as curves, walls, bridges, tunnels, transportation set-ups, etc. as well as all facilities originally belonging to the track must be provided in such a way, that the safety of the user is guaranteed to the greatest extent possible.
- ♦ **Permanent facilities and constructs described above are inspected in the framework of the homologation by the FIL Track Construction Commission.**
- ♦ **Temporary structures on the track body at FIL events are regulated in the Guidelines for Temporary Structures and are inspected by the Technical Delegate.**
- ♦ If the safety regulations on a track are neglected so that the participants in FIL competitions are exposed to atypical danger to their health, the track may only be released by the technical delegate for further use if these deficiencies are remedied. If the steps taken are not sufficient in order to guarantee that the internationally recognized safety standards are followed during a competition, the jury, in agreement with the technical delegates is empowered to shorten the track.

Reason:

This motion contains adjustments in the areas

Definition: reiterations were deleted and the numbering was changed.

Start facilities: practice based adjustment in the measurements with the addition of tolerances. Adjustment of the technical drawings.

Safety regulations: separation of constructs that are inspected during homologation and temporary structures that are inspected by the technical delegates. A draft of the Guidelines for Temporary Structures is being submitted to the FIL Executive Board.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: WG Olympic Rules

IRO Supplement 4

Motion No. 29

Old Text:

none

New Text:

2.3.1

All persons selected for the positions listed in section 2.3 that are required to be used for the Olympic track International Training Weeks, the Olympic Test Event, and the Olympic Games must be submitted by name to the FIL for final approval before becoming active in their positions.

Reason:

The FIL will maintain final control over all people involved with the field of play.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Technical Commission

IRO supplement 5

Motion No. 30

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

Supplement 5 individual weight allowances

Men's doubles

Existing IRO text

New Text:

Supplement 5 individual weight allowances

Doubles general class

Existing IRO text

Reason:

Editing

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



X Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: Tech. Commission

IRO Supplement 6

Motion No. 31

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

none

New Text:

Supplement 6 additional rules for Youth A women's doubles

§ 5 Sled, equipment, and inspections Youth A women's doubles

1. General regulations on the sled

- All components of the standard sled with the exception of the steels may only be obtained from one manufacturer.

1.2 The weights including attached accessories are:

<i>Sled</i>	<i>Minimum</i>	<i>Maximum</i>	<i>Basis for calculation</i>
<i>Doubles Youth A women</i>	<i>25 kg</i>	<i>30 kg</i>	<i>27 kg</i>

1.3.2 Women's doubles pod

- The original pod must be used.
- Pod form may not be changed with the exception of repairs and cutouts.
- The pod construction may not be changed.
- The seat construction may not be changed, however it is permitted to change the position of the raised seat.
- The front woman's belts are to be worn underneath the race suit.
- The closure system of the belts may not be changed.

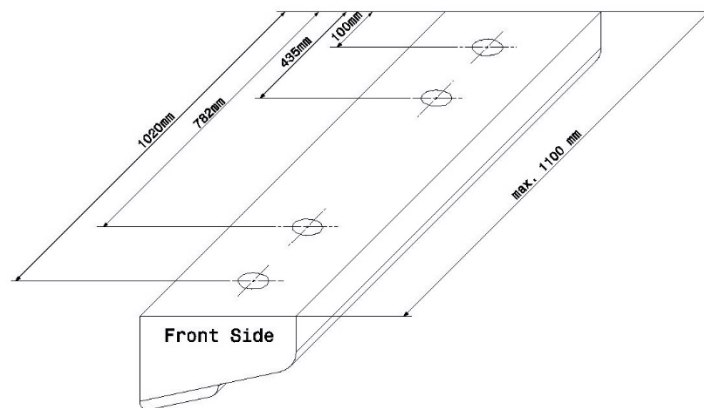
1.3.3 Women's doubles runner

- The original runners must be used.
- The runner form may not be changed on the outside with the exception of repairs and evening out the radius.
- Cutting out the foot supports is permitted.
- The runner construction may not be changed.
- 4 steel screws/bolts M 8
- No additional drilling in the runner is permitted.
- Braking device runner

1.3.4 Doubles bridges

- The original bridges must be used.
- The distance between the runners must measure 415 to 450 mm.
- The connection between the pod and the bridges may not be changed. However, various inserts with the same measurements can be used to adjust hardness.
- The connection between bridges and runners may not be changed. However, various hardnesses with the same measurements (rubber inserts that cover the bridge foot) can be used.

1.3.5 Women's doubles steels



- The steel may not be longer than 1100 mm.
- 4 steel screws/bolts M 8.
- The hole scheme may not be changed.

§ 8 Training, weigh-in, individual supplemental weights Youth A women's doubles

5. Individual supplemental weights

- ♦ The use of additional weights is permitted in doubles competitions in the Youth A women's class.

♦ **Basis for calculation**

Doubles:

discipline	base weight	weight compensation	max. weight athlete pair
Youth A women	70 kg	50 %	140 kg

- ♦ The maximum amount of additional weight permitted is (AW)
 - doubles (Youth A women) 8 kg
- ♦ **Doubles Youth A women** may use additional weight amounting to **50%** of the difference between body weight (KG) and a base weight (BW) of 70 kg. Additional weight is not allowed if the combined BW of the front woman and back woman exceeds **140 kg**.
If one of the partners weighs more than 70 kg, the weight exceeding the 70 kg mark will be added to the lighter partner.

Weight table:

AW= 50% of the difference between 70 kg and BW (max. 8 kg)

TW = BW + AW + 4 kg RC

Body weight	Additional weight	Race clothing	Total weight	Total
BW in kg	AW in kg	RC in kg	TW in kg	with sled
54,0	8,0	4,0	66,0	93,0
54,1	8,0	4,0	66,1	93,1
54,2	7,9	4,0	66,1	93,1
54,3	7,9	4,0	66,2	93,2
54,4	7,8	4,0	66,2	93,2
54,5	7,8	4,0	66,3	93,3
54,6	7,7	4,0	66,3	93,3
54,7	7,7	4,0	66,4	93,4
54,8	7,6	4,0	66,4	93,4
54,9	7,6	4,0	66,5	93,5
55,0	7,5	4,0	66,5	93,5
55,1	7,5	4,0	66,6	93,6
55,2	7,4	4,0	66,6	93,6
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60,9	4,6	4,0	69,5	96,5
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61,5	4,3	4,0	69,8	96,8
61,6	4,2	4,0	69,8	96,8
61,7	4,2	4,0	69,9	96,9
61,8	4,1	4,0	69,9	96,9
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62,3	3,9	4,0	70,2	97,2
62,4	3,8	4,0	70,2	97,2
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63,8	3,1	4,0	70,9	97,9
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66,7	1,7	4,0	72,4	99,4
66,8	1,6	4,0	72,4	99,4
66,9	1,6	4,0	72,5	99,5
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67,4	1,3	4,0	72,7	99,7
67,5	1,3	4,0	72,8	99,8
67,6	1,2	4,0	72,8	99,8

67,7	1,2	4,0	72,9	99,9
67,8	1,1	4,0	72,9	99,9
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68,3	0,9	4,0	73,2	100,2
68,4	0,8	4,0	73,2	100,2
68,5	0,8	4,0	73,3	100,3
68,6	0,7	4,0	73,3	100,3
68,7	0,7	4,0	73,4	100,4
68,8	0,6	4,0	73,4	100,4
68,9	0,6	4,0	73,5	100,5
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69,1	0,5	4,0	73,6	100,6
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69,4	0,3	4,0	73,7	100,7
69,5	0,3	4,0	73,8	100,8
69,6	0,2	4,0	73,8	100,8
69,7	0,2	4,0	73,9	100,9
69,8	0,1	4,0	73,9	100,9
69,9	0,1	4,0	74,0	101,0
70,0	0,0	4,0	74,0	101,0

Reason:

These regulations are written as a supplement and are valid in addition to the rules in the 2018 IRO. It contains: general regulations on the sled, weight of the sled, amendments to the sled, runners, bridges, steels, and §8 individual weight supplements.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

none

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: NT Commission

IRO § 2

Motion No. 1

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

1. FIL Competitions

1.1 Luge competitions in Olympic Winter Games

1.2. FIL Championships

World Championships	in uneven years
Junior World Championships	in even years
Continental Championships	in even years
North American Championships	annually
Continental Championships for juniors	in uneven years

The championships are numbered sequentially, including awarded championships that have been cancelled:

21st World Championship 2017
34th Jr. European Championship 2017
11th Junior World Championship 2018
27th European Championship 2018

New Text:

1. FIL Competitions

1.2 Luge competitions in Olympic Winter Games

1.2. FIL Championships

World Championships (WCh) annually

Junior World Championships (JWC) annually

U23 World Championships (“Race in Race” FIL-WCh) annually

Continental Championships (“Race in Race” World Cup) every two years in uneven years:

- European Championships (ECh) as “Race in Race” / WC
- America Pacific Championships (APCh) as “Race in Race” / WC
- Asia Championships (ACh) as “Race in Race” / WC

The championships are numbered sequentially, including awarded championships that have been cancelled:

22nd World Championship 2019
35th Jr. European Championship 2019
12th Junior World Championship 2020
28th European Championship 2020

Reason:

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: NT Commission

IRO § 3

Motion No. 2

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

3. Age Group Regulations

3.1 FIL competitions are held for the following age groups:

- Novice I
- Novice II
- Youth I
- Youth II
- Juniors I
- Juniors II
- General class

3.2 Age cohort for the individual age classes:

Novice I	Minimum age	Year of the event - 7
Novice I	Maximum age	Year of the event - 8
Novice II	Minimum age	Year of the event - 9
Novice II	Maximum age	Year of the event - 10
Youth I	Minimum age	Year of the event - 11
Youth I	Maximum age	Year of the event - 12
Youth II	Minimum age	Year of the event - 13
Youth II	Maximum age	Year of the event - 14
Juniors I	Minimum age	Year of the event - 15
Juniors I	Maximum age	Year of the event - 17
Juniors II	Minimum age	Year of the event - 18
Juniors II	Maximum age	Year of the event - 20
General class	Minimum age	Year of the event - 21

(minimum age and maximum age = age cohorts)

For competitions that occur at the beginning of the season (July 1 — December 31), athletes are assigned to the cohort to which they will belong for competitions taking place after the following January 1.

New Text:

3. Age Group Regulations

3.1 FIL competitions are held for the following age groups:

- Youth 1
- Youth 2
- Youth 3
- Youth 4
- Juniors I

- Juniors II
- General class

3.2 Age cohort for the individual age classes:

Youth 1	Minimum age	Year of the event - 7
Youth 1	Maximum age	Year of the event - 8
Youth 2	Minimum age	Year of the event - 9
Youth 2	Maximum age	Year of the event - 10
Youth 3	Minimum age	Year of the event - 11
Youth 3	Maximum age	Year of the event - 12
Youth 4	Minimum age	Year of the event - 13
Youth 4	Maximum age	Year of the event - 14
Juniors I	Minimum age	Year of the event - 15
Juniors I	Maximum age	Year of the event - 17
Juniors II	Minimum age	Year of the event - 18
Juniors II	Maximum age	Year of the event - 20
General class	Minimum age	Year of the event - 21

(minimum age and maximum age = age cohorts)

For competitions that occur at the beginning of the season (July 1 — December 31), athletes are assigned to the cohort to which they will belong for competitions taking place after the following January 1.

Reason:

Simplification

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

- § 3.2.7
- § 3.2.8
- § 5.1.3

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: NT Commission

IRO § 3

Motion No. 3

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

5.3 Team Competition

5.3.1 A team must consist of one woman, one man and a doubles (a total of four athletes per country). Teams with athletes from different nations are not permitted.
For each race, each nation can appoint different athletes to the team (see §10 Para. 1.6.3, Team starting procedure and Drawing 4).

§10 Para. 1.6.3.1 Starting order

1.6.3.1 Starting order:

All three sleds of the team (women's, men's, doubles) start one after the other.

New Text:

5.4 Team Competition

5.3.1 A team must consist of **three singles athletes with at least one women and one man registered in the team (a total of three athletes per country)**. Teams with athletes from different nations are not permitted.

For each race, each nation can appoint different athletes to the team (see §10 Para. 1.6.3, Team starting procedure and Drawing 4).

§10 Para. 1.6.3.1 Starting order

1.6.3.1 Starting order:

All three sleds of the team (**1st woman, 2nd man, 3rd woman or man**) start one after the other.

Reason:

In order to improve the team competition and offer more nations the opportunity to make teams we submit the new rule as follows:

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: NT Commission

IRO § 5

Motion No. 4

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

1.4.5 Height of the middle section of the forward bridge:
maximum 200 mm - measurement C

New Text:

1.4.5 The middle section of the forward bridge (pin) may not extend over the structure.
measurement C

Reason:

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: NT Commission

IRO § 5

Motion No. 5

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

2.3 Helmets

All athletes must wear a helmet. Each athlete who takes part in an FIL competition must wear a helmet that meets the safety provisions of his or her national federation. The outer ear must be covered by the uniform helmet material. Constructions for letting in sound are allowed (full shell with openings for hearing) (see the illustration of the helmet type).

New Text:

2.3 Helmets

All athletes must wear a helmet. Each athlete who takes part in an FIL competition must wear a helmet that meets at least the EN1077 standard or a comparable standard. The indication of the standard must be visible. The outer ear must be covered by the uniform helmet material. Constructions for letting in sound are allowed (full shell with openings for hearing). Additional constructions are prohibited. Every NF is responsible for complying with the safety regulations. See the illustration of the helmet type.

Reason:

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track

Natural Track

Applicant: Working Group Marketing and Public Relations Campaign/Executive Board

IRO § 7

Motion No. 6

Old Text:

§7 Advertising

1. Applicability, Measuring Procedure

1.1 Applicability

All these regulations are in force during FIL competitions, as well as for media and PR activities and are applicable to athletes and officials.

1.2 Measuring

The size of a commercial marking or trademark is the surface within a line following the actual outline of the integrated marking.

If the trademark is integrated within an area of different color, the total area of the different color is to be measured.

The adherence to the proper size of the trademark will be under the responsibility of the NFs. At FIL competitions, the Race Director, Technical Delegates and Jury have the right to carry out inspection measurements at any time.

2. Race Clothing

Articles of clothing may carry manufacturers' identifications and/or trademarks of other sponsors.

The total surface area of the trademarks together on the clothing (except head coverings, gloves, and shoes) of one person shall not exceed 350 sq cm.

The complete surface can be divided into 8 parts at the most. The complete surface of a single part may not exceed 100 sq cm.

The trademarks of the same sponsor may not appear one above the other or one beside the other.

The NFs may decide the placing of the trademarks.

The markings on the clothing will be measured when the clothing is not worn.

The respective NF is responsible for maintaining the advertising regulations. (plus the specifications approved in 2005)

3. Safety Helmets

Athletes' safety helmets may display two (2) trademarks of the manufacturer with a maximum size of 15 sq cm, one each side, placed over the ears.

The advertising surface on the front of helmets may only be used by the FIL (60 sq cm).

A national emblem (max. 30 sq cm) is permitted on the helmet and also the name of the athlete (maximum twice and the height of the lettering is limited to a maximum of 15 mm) without obstructing the official FIL advertising.

4. Goggles

Goggle straps shall correspond to the commercially available design.

The width of a goggle's strap shall not measure more than 4 cm.

In the case of double straps, only one strap may carry the trademark.

5. Caps, Headbands and other Headgear

Caps, headbands and other headgear may each have a maximum of three (3) trademarks of the manufacturer and/or other sponsors, with a maximum total surface of 90 sq cm.

6. Start Numbers

Advertising labels on start number bibs are permitted. The advertising surface must be smaller than the section bearing the start number.

In doubles competition, both athletes shall wear start numbers.

During FIL Championships of the general class and during WCs, the start number bibs provided by the FIL sponsor have to be worn during the official training as well.

7. Racing Shoe

Racing shoes may only show one manufacturer's trademark on each shoe.

The size and quantity of the manufacturer's logo on the shoe must not exceed the size and quantity of a product which is publicly available.

8. Gloves

Gloves may only show one manufacturer's trademark on each glove, size 15 sq cm. The trademark can be divided into two parts.

9. Sled

In addition to the manufacturer's trademark, a maximum of (five) 5 commercial trademarks may be displayed on the entire sled, of which a maximum of (two) 2 trademarks may be displayed on the bottom of the seat mat.

The size of the advertising surface on the bottom of the seat mat may not exceed 900 sq cm.

10. Athlete

Advertising with athletes is only allowed with the permission of the responsible NF.

The name, title and picture from the athletes can only be used once for each advertisement.

11. Forbidden Advertising

Provided there are no stricter national laws, following advertisement is prohibited:

1. on the athlete and sled: advertising for tobacco, illegal drugs or alcohol.
Exception: advertising for non-alcoholic beer and, regarding athletes of age (18), advertising for products with an alcoholic percentage of less than 10 %.
2. at the sports venue and on bibs: advertising for tobacco, illegal drugs or products with an alcoholic percentage of more than 10 %. The FIL Executive Board can allow an exception of this prohibition following a request from the event organizer or the venue operator.
3. advertising conveying religious, racial or any other discrimination.

New Text:

§7 Advertising

1. Applicability, Measuring Procedure, Inspections

1.1 Applicability

All these regulations are in force during FIL competitions, as well as for media and PR activities within the scope of FIL competitions and are applicable to athletes and officials. The respective NF is responsible for complying with the advertising regulations (§7).

1.2 Measuring Procedure

~~The size of a commercial marking or trademark is the surface within a line following the actual outline of the integrated marking.~~

A rectangle is used to calculate the size of the advertising surface. The width (A) and height (B) of the trademark determine the sides of the rectangle.



If the trademark is integrated within an area of different color, the total area of the different color is to be measured.

~~The markings on the clothing will be measured when the clothing is not worn.~~

~~The adherence to the proper size of the trademark will be under the responsibility of the NFs. At FIL competitions, the Race Director, Technical Delegates and Jury have the right to carry out inspection measurements at any time.~~

1.3. Inspections of the Advertising Surfaces

At FIL competitions the Technical Delegates are authorized to initiate inspections of the advertising surfaces any time.

In case of violations of the advertising rules a disqualification may be issued by the race director.

2. Sizes of Advertising Surfaces

2.1 Race Clothing and other Clothing worn at the Field of Play

Articles of clothing may carry manufacturers' identifications and/or trademarks of other sponsors.

The total surface area of the trademarks together on the clothing (except head coverings, gloves, and shoes) of one person shall not exceed 350 600 sq cm.

The complete surface can be divided into 8 11 parts at the most.

The complete surface of a single part may not exceed 100 200 sq cm.

The trademarks of the same sponsor may not appear one above the other or one beside the other.

The NFs may decide the placing of the trademarks.

~~The markings on the clothing will be measured when the clothing is not worn.~~

~~The respective NF is responsible for maintaining the advertising regulations. (plus the specifications approved in 2005)~~

3.2.2 Safety Helmets

~~The Athletes'~~ safety helmets may display two (2) trademarks of the manufacturer with a maximum size of 15 sq cm, one each side, placed over the ears.

The advertising surface on the front of helmets may only be used by the FIL (~~60~~ 70 sq cm). A national emblem (max. 30 sq cm) is permitted on the helmet and also the name of the athlete (maximum twice and the height of the lettering is limited to a maximum of 15 mm) without obstructing the official FIL advertising.

4.2.3 Goggles

Goggle straps shall correspond to the commercially available design.

The width of a goggle's strap shall not measure more than 4 cm.

In the case of double straps, only one strap may carry the trademark.

5.2.4 Caps, Headbands and other Headgear

Caps, headbands and other headgear may each have a maximum of three (3) trademarks of the manufacturer and/or other sponsors, with a maximum total surface of ~~90~~ 100 sq cm.

6.2.5 Start Numbers

Advertising labels on start number bibs are permitted. These may only be used by the FIL. The advertising surface must be smaller than the section bearing the start number.

In doubles competition, both athletes shall wear start numbers.

During FIL Championships of the general class and during WCs, the start number bibs provided by the FIL ~~sponsor~~ have to be worn during the official training as well.

7.2.6 Racing Shoe

Racing shoes may only show one manufacturer's trademark on each shoe.

The size and quantity of the manufacturer's logo on the shoe must not exceed the size and quantity of a product which is publicly available.

8.2.7 Gloves

Gloves may only show one manufacturer's trademark on each glove, size 15 sq cm. The trademark can be divided into two parts.

9.2.8 Sled

In addition to the manufacturer's trademark, a maximum of (~~five six~~) 5-6 commercial trademarks may be displayed on the entire sled, of which a maximum of (two) 2 trademarks may be displayed on the bottom of the seat mat.

The size of the advertising surface on the bottom of the seat mat may not exceed ~~900~~ 1000 sq cm.

10.3. Athlete

Advertising with athletes is only allowed with the permission of the responsible NF.

The name, title and picture from the athletes can only be used once for each advertisement.

11.4. Forbidden Advertising

Provided there are no stricter national laws, following advertisement is prohibited:

1. on the athlete and sled: advertising for tobacco, illegal drugs or alcohol.
Exception: advertising for non-alcoholic beer and, regarding athletes of age (18), advertising for products with an alcoholic percentage of less than 10 %.
2. at the sports venue and on bibs: advertising for tobacco, illegal drugs or products with an alcoholic percentage of more than 10 %. The FIL Executive Board can allow an exception of this prohibition following a request from the event organizer or the venue operator.
3. advertising conveying religious, racial or any other discrimination.

Reason:

Please refer to motion 1 artificial track. Exception: For natural track luge, the approval procedure is not favored and the branch exclusivity of the helmet advertising is not considered necessary (different sponsor situation).

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

None

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: NT Commission

IRO § 8

Motion No. 7

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

2. General Regulations

2.1 Official Training Runs

2.1.1 At least one forerunner must always be available at the start for each training run.
The forerunner must not use the track as an after-runner at the end of any training run.

	Singles	Doubles
FIL championships	at least 2	at least 2
FIL championships	at least 1	at least 1
Other FIL championships	at least 1	at least 1

New Text:

2. General Regulations

2.1 Official Training Runs

2.1.1 At least one forerunner must always be available at the start for each training run.
The forerunner must not use the track as an after-runner at the end of any training run.

	Singles	Doubles
FIL championships	at least 2	at least 2
FIL junior championships	at least 2	1
World Cups	at least 1	at least 1
Junior World Cups	at least 1	1
Other FIL competitions	at least 1	at least 1
Other FIL junior competitions	at least 1	1

Reason:

Following numerous discussions in winter, the issue of doubles was also dealt with by the commission. The commission decided to reduce the number of training and competition runs by one for the juniors, JWC, and championships based on the knowledge gained the past few years.

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: NT Commission

IRO § 10

Motion No. 8

Translation (original language German)

Old Text:

2.5 Pursuit Competition

2.5.5 Men's competition runs:

1st round:

The starting order is based on the qualification times. The athletes with the slowest time start first, etc.

If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

26 competes against 25, the winner advances

24 against 23

22 against 21

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leader, i.e., the one who had the better time in the previous round).

13 men remain; four lucky losers are then added who also advance to the second round.

The lucky losers are the four athletes who lost their direct dual but have the fastest four times in the ranking of the losers.

If the times are equal in fourth place, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

Of the 17 men, the athlete with the slowest time is dropped so that 16 men qualify for the next round. In the event of equal times, the athlete with the slowest qualification time is dropped.

If both athletes of a pair are dropped or are disqualified, an additional lucky loser advances to the next round.

2nd round:

16 starters (12 direct winners plus 4 lucky losers)

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the first round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

16 competes against 15, the winner advances

14 against 13

12 against 11

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leader, i.e., the one who had the better time in the previous round).

8 men remain; two lucky losers are then added who also advance to the third round.

The lucky losers are the two athletes who lost their direct dual but have the fastest two times in the ranking of the losers.

If the times are equal in second place, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

3rd round:

10 starters (8 direct winners plus 2 lucky losers)

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the second round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round (finals)

10 against 9, the winner advances

8 against 7

6 against 5

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leader, i.e., the one who had the better time in the previous round).

5 men are left; one lucky loser is added — the fastest athlete who was dropped in the direct comparison.

If the times are equal, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

4th round (finals):

6 starters

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the third round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

In the finals for the last six athletes, the starting order is based on time, i.e., the sixth, followed by the fifth, etc.

The ranking is based on the times; there are no direction duels in the final round.

If the times are equivalent, a discretionary placement is made for the respective rank.

2.5.6 Women's competition runs:

1st round:

The starting order is based on the qualification times. The athletes with the slowest time start first, etc.

If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

16 competes against 15, the winner advances

14 against 13

12 against 11

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leader, i.e., the one who had the better time in the previous round).

8 women remain; two lucky losers are then added who also advance to the third round.

The lucky losers are the two athletes who lost their direct dual but have the fastest two times in the ranking of the losers.

If the times are equal in second place, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

If both athletes of a pair are dropped or are disqualified, an additional lucky loser advances to the next round.

2nd round:

10 starters (8 direct winners plus 2 lucky losers)

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the first round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

10 competes against 9, the winner advances

8 against 7

6 against 5

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leader, i.e., the one who had the better time in the previous round).

5 women remain; one lucky loser is then added who also advance to the third round.

If the times are equal, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

3rd round (finals):

6 starters

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the second round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

In the finals for the last six athletes, the starting order is based on time, i.e., the sixth, followed by the fifth, etc.

The ranking is based on the times; there are no direction duels in the final round.

If the times are equivalent, a discretionary placement is made for the respective rank.

2.5.7 Doubles competition runs:

1st round:

The starting order is based on the qualification times. The doubles with the slowest time start first, etc.

If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

16 competes against 15, the winner advances

14 against 13

12 against 11

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leaders, i.e., the ones who had the better time in the previous round).

8 doubles remain; two lucky losers are then added who also advance to the third round.

The lucky losers are the two athletes who lost their direct dual but have the fastest two times in the ranking of the losers.

If the times are equal in second place, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

If both doubles of a pair are dropped or are disqualified, an additional lucky loser advances to the next round.

2nd round:

10 starters (8 direct winners plus 2 lucky losers)

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the first round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

10 competes against 9, the winner advances

8 against 7

6 against 5

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leaders, i.e., the ones who had the better time in the previous round).

5 doubles remain; one lucky loser is then added who also advance to the third round.

If the times are equal, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

3rd round (finals):

6 starters

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the second round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

In the finals for the last six athletes, the starting order is based on time, i.e., the sixth, followed by the fifth, etc.

The ranking is based on the times; there are no direct duels in the final round.
If the times are equivalent, a discretionary placement is made for the respective rank.

New Text:

2.5 Pursuit Competition

2.5.5 Men's competition runs:

1st round:

The starting order is based on the qualification times. The athletes with the slowest time start first, etc.

If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

26 competes against 1, the winner advances

25 against 2

24 against 3

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leader, i.e., the one who had the better time in the previous round).

13 men remain; three lucky losers are then added who also advance to the second round.

The lucky losers are the three athletes who lost their direct dual but have the fastest four times in the ranking of the losers.

If the times are equal in third place, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

16 men qualify for the next round. In the event of equal times, the athlete with the slowest qualification time is dropped.

If both athletes of a pair are dropped or are disqualified, an additional lucky loser advances to the next round.

2nd round:

16 starters (13 direct winners plus 3 lucky losers)

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the first round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

16 competes against 1, the winner advances

15 against 2

14 against 3

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leader, i.e., the one who had the better time in the previous round).

8 men remain; two lucky losers are then added who also advance to the third round.

The lucky losers are the two athletes who lost their direct dual but have the fastest two times in the ranking of the losers.

If the times are equal in second place, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

3rd round:

10 starters (8 direct winners plus 2 lucky losers)

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the second round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round (finals)

10 against 1, the winner advances

9 against 2

8 against 3

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leader, i.e., the one who had the better time in the previous round).

5 men are left; one lucky loser is added — the fastest athlete who was dropped in the direct comparison.

If the times are equal, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

4th round (finals):

6 starters

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the third round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

In the finals for the last six athletes, the starting order is based on time, i.e., the sixth, followed by the fifth, etc.

The ranking is based on the times; there are no direction duels in the final round.

If the times are equivalent, a discretionary placement is made for the respective rank.

2.5.6 Women's competition runs:

1st round:

The starting order is based on the qualification times. The athletes with the slowest time start first, etc.

If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

16 competes against 1, the winner advances

15 against 2

14 against 3

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leader, i.e., the one who had the better time in the previous round).

8 women remain; two lucky losers are then added who also advance to the third round.

The lucky losers are the two athletes who lost their direct dual but have the fastest two times in the ranking of the losers.

If the times are equal in second place, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

If both athletes of a pair are dropped or are disqualified, an additional lucky loser advances to the next round.

2nd round:

10 starters (8 direct winners plus 2 lucky losers)

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the first round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

10 competes against 1, the winner advances

9 against 2

8 against 3

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leader, i.e., the one who had the better time in the previous round).

5 women remain; one lucky loser is then added who also advance to the third round.

If the times are equal, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

3rd round (finals):

6 starters

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the second round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

In the finals for the last six athletes, the starting order is based on time, i.e., the sixth, followed by the fifth, etc.

The ranking is based on the times; there are no direction duels in the final round.

If the times are equivalent, a discretionary placement is made for the respective rank.

2.5.7 Doubles competition runs:

1st round:

The starting order is based on the qualification times. The doubles with the slowest time start first, etc.

If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

16 competes against 1, the winner advances

15 against 2

14 against 3

etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leaders, i.e., the ones who had the better time in the previous round).

8 doubles remain; two lucky losers are then added who also advance to the third round.

The lucky losers are the two athletes who lost their direct dual but have the fastest two times in the ranking of the losers.

If the times are equal in second place, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

If both doubles of a pair are dropped or are disqualified, an additional lucky loser advances to the next round.

2nd round:

10 starters (8 direct winners plus 2 lucky losers)

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the first round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

Advancement to the next round:

10 competes against 1, the winner advances

9 against 2

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etc.

If the times are equal, the athlete advances who started second in the dual (the leaders, i.e., the ones who had the better time in the previous round).

5 doubles remain; one lucky loser is then added who also advance to the third round.

If the times are equal, the fastest qualification time serves as the tiebreaker.

3rd round (finals):

6 starters

Starting order:

The starting order is based on the times from the second round. If the times are the same, the computer decides the draw.

In the finals for the last six athletes, the starting order is based on time, i.e., the sixth, followed by the fifth, etc.

The ranking is based on the times; there are no direct duels in the final round.

If the times are equivalent, a discretionary placement is made for the respective rank.

Reason:

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

IRO Amendment 2018



Artificial Track Natural Track

Applicant: NT Commission

IRO § 5

Motion No. 9

Old Text:

§ 5 Sled and Equipment

1.7 Measured Areas

The above specified measurements and dimensions must be maintained over the entire sled.

New Text:

§ 5 Sled and Equipment

1.7 Measured Areas

The above specified measurements and dimensions must be maintained over the entire sled, **except for the gauge measurement 400/450 mm. This measurement is measured from the middle of the front bridge to the middle of the back bridge (see paragraph 1.4.1).**

Reason:

Based on the change(s), which sections are to be supplemented?

General Motion to the 2018 FIL Congress



Applicant: WG Marketing & Public Relations Campaign

Motion No. 1

Motion:

The WG AG Marketing and Public Relations Campaign recommends to the FIL Executive Board to no longer tolerate athletes taking drinking bottles and other branded items to the Leader's Box and sanction violations at FIL Championships and World Cups in the general class artificial track and natural track from the 2018/2019 season on.

Reason:

Expansion of last year's resolution regarding flower and awards ceremonies, which has proven itself.

Protection of the FIL's main sponsors who contribute greatly to the financing of our events.

Athletes tend to overstate their own sponsor (on the drinking bottle) against the FIL's main sponsors, while the service the athletes get in return for the presence from their sponsors is often comparatively small.

The WG thinks that these advertising opportunities on drinking bottles and other items is not specified under §7 of the IRO and thus not permissible under the current rules. Therefore it is not necessary to announce a ban, but the compliance with the IRO has to be ensured, also by sanctioning violations.

General Motion to the 2018 FIL Congress



Applicant: Medical Commission

Motion No. 2

Motion:

First Aid Room Minimal Standards

This is the list of the minimal standards / equipment that are needed in the first aid / emergency room at the sliding centers:

- a.** Cardiac resuscitation equipment including AED
- b.** Routine first aid supplies needed for wound care management (sterile and unsterile disposable gloves – various sizes; wound disinfectant; 1 -2 bandage scissors; wound gauze min. 2 Packages; compresses, sterile wound dressings; large sterile wound coverings; gauze bandages; short- stretch bandages; band-aid set/box; adhesive retention tape)
- c.** Suture kit for simple laceration care
- d.** Assorted splints, slings, and crutches needed for acute fracture stabilization
- e.** 1-2 rescue stretcher, 1 (folding) scoop stretcher, 1 spine board (backboard) or vacuum mattress
- f.** Cervical collars (Stif Nec) / stabilization – various sizes
- g.** Oxygen tank with supplies (Ambu bag with masks in different sizes; Guedel tube set – different sizes)
- h.** Emergency IV (- intravenous fluid therapy) equipment and normal saline infusion
- i.** Emergency medication kit, which includes medications needed for acute asthma attack, allergic reaction, cardiac event and pain control
- j.** The first aid room must be heated, dry and clean
- k.** The room must be of an appropriate size and amount of supplies need for the type of event and size of event
- l.** Telephone list (-> emergency dispatch center / emergency physician / emergency service, hospitals, helicopter...
- m.** Room furnishings: 1 examination table, 1 table, chairs for at least 2 – 3 people, adequate lightning
- n.** The room must have running water, sink, soap and hand disinfectant
- o.** The room should have privacy from spectators and media
- p.** The room must be clearly marked as first aid /emergency care room
- q.** Monitored connection to track video is recommended, so staff can have live feed to ensure quick response to crashes and injuries
- r.** Available over the counter medication additional for GI distress, pain and allergy
- s.** There must be easy access to room for emergency vehicle and ambulance

This list is the minimal equipment needed and can be added to by the local organizing committee.

Reason:

According to the 2017 FIL Congress Constanza, Romania resolution and at the request of the FIL Medical Commission and the FIL Track Construction Commission a list of FIL minimum standards for first aid room equipment at the track is to be submitted to the 2018 Congress in order to ensure optimal emergency medical care to the athletes (coaches, spectators) during training and competition!

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**Nominations of Candidates for the Election of
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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with the FIL statutes, section 4.5.3, I would like to inform you on the nominations of candidates for the election of the FIL Executive Board that we received on time:

- **President**
 - Josef Fendt / GER
- **Secretary General**
 - Einars Fogelis / LAT
- **Vice-President Finance**
 - Harald Steyrer / AUT
- **Vice-President Sport Artificial Track**
 - Claire DelNegro / USA
- **Vice-President Technical Matter Artificial Track**
 - Walter Corey / CAN
 - Armin Zöggeler / ITA
- **Vice-President Natural Track**
 - Peter Knauseder / AUT
 - Natalia Gart / RUS
- **Members at large**
 - Edward Moffat / CAN
 - Harald Rolfsen / NOR
 - Geoff Balme / NZL
 - Natalia Gart / RUS (if not elected as Vice President Natural Track)
 - Dwight Bell / USA
- **Vice-President Asia**
 - Jieun Park / KOR
- **Vice-President Oceania**
 - Geoff Balme / NZL (if not elected as a Member at large)

Remark:

- **Please adhere to section 11.6 of the Rules of Procedure :**
„ Absent persons may be elected if a written statement of the candidate indicating their willingness to accept the office has been submitted to the chief election official before the election. This is not valid for the election of the members of the four expert commissions, according to point 4.7 of the statutes, and of the members of the working group „Development/Youth“, according to point 4.10 of the statutes. The confirmation of the delegate of the corresponding National Federation is sufficient here“.

With kind regards,



Christoph Schweiger
Executive Director

cc: members of the Executive Board



Nominations of Candidates for the Election of the 66th FIL Congress 2018 in Bratislava/SVK

Court of Arbitration

- **Chairman**
 - Ben Heijmeijer/NED
- **Substitute Chairman**
 - Dr. Richard Moser/ITA
- **Assessor** (3 persons)
 - Dr. Michael Bielowski/AUT
 - Gennadii Rodionov/RUS
 - Erin Warren/USA

Control Commission

- **Substitute Member**
 - Derek Prentice/GBR

Committee for Legal Affairs - FIL Ethics Commission

- **Chairman**
 - Dr. Christian Krähe/GER
- **Members**
 - Dr. Andreas Ruetz/AUT
 - Dr. Alexander Shakhnazarov/RUS

Ethics Authority

- Norbert Hiedl/GER

Expert Commissions (3 members each)

- **Sport Commission AT**
 - Anna Andreeva/RUS
 - Kurt Brugger/ITA
 - Rene Friedl/AUT
 - Mark Grimmette/USA
 - Jo A. Koppang/NOR
 - Kyungyoung Lee/KOR
 - Norbert Loch/GER
 - Wolfgang Schädler/CHN
 - Wolfgang Staudinger/CAN
 - Atis Strenga/LAT

- **Techn. Commission AT**

- Albert Demchenko/RUS
- Bernhard Glass/CAN
- Georg Hackl/GER
- Oswald Haselrieder/ITA
- Norbert Huber/CHN
- Lubomir Mick/USA
- Jon Owen/USA
- Peter Penz/AUT
- Martins Rubenis/LAT
- Sungsik Shin/KOR
- Marek Skowronski/POL
- Anders Söderberg/SWE

- **Commission NT**

- Adam Jedrzejko/POL
- Bruno Kammerlander/AUT
- Andrey Knir/RUS
- Evi Mitterstieler/ITA
- Thomas Niemetz/GER
- Tomas Perun/CZE
- Michael Törnquist/SWE
- Chris Wightman/CAN

Commission „Youth/Development“ AT (2 members)

- Mark Hatton/GBR
- Hans-Jürgen Köhne/GER
- Dmitry Kasatkin/RUS
- Hans Kohala/SWE
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Director General



Mrs. Maximova V.L.