

BALTIC CUP 2025/2026 ALPINE SKI COMPETITION RULES

1. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

- 1.1. Baltic Cup 2025/2026 Organizing Committee consists of the governing parties of the Latvian, Lithuanian and Estonian Ski Associations.

2. BALTIC CUP 2025/2026 COMPETITION CALENDAR

Date	Discipline	Category
Baltic Cup 1st stage, Snow Arena, Druskininkai, Lithuania		
4.11.	SL FIS ENL	U21, Elite
5.11.	SL FIS ENL	U21, Elite
7.11.	SSL	U12, U14, U16, M
8.11.	SL	U12, U14, U16, M
9.11.	PSL	U12, U14, U16, M
Baltic Cup 2nd stage, Vaike Munamagi, Otepaa, Estonia		
31.01.	GS	U12, U14, U16, M, PARA
1.02	SL	U12, U14, U16, M, PARA
Baltic Cup 3rd stage, Siguldas Pilsētas trase, Latvia		
13.02	SL FIS ENL	U21, Elite
13.02.	SL FIS ENL	U21, Elite
13.02	SG	U12, U14, U16, M
14.02.	GS	U12, U14, U16, M, PARA
15.02.	PSL	U12, U14, U16, M
Baltic Cup 4th stage, Siguldas Pilsētas trase, Latvia		
20.02.	SL FIS ENL	U21, Elite
20.02.	SL FIS ENL	U21, Elite
20.02.	SG	U12, U14, U16, M
21.02.	SL	U12, U14, U16, M, PARA
22.02.	PSL	U12, U14, U16, M
Baltic Cup 5th stage, Pozza di Fassa, Italy		
11.03.	SG NC LAT, AC NC LAT	U12, U14, U16, M
12.03.	GS NC LAT	U12, U14, U16, M, PARA
13.03.	U10 Combi race	U10
14.03.	SL NC LAT	U12, U14, U16, M, PARA

For the U10 competitions, separate competition regulations will apply, and the results will not be included in the U10 category season overall standings."

- 2.1. The competition calendar shall be prepared and published by the Organizing Committee.
- 2.2. The competition program and other information regarding the competition shall be available on the official website of the Latvian Ski Association at www.ski.lv, the official website of the Lithuanian Ski Association www.insaski.lt, and the official website of the Estonian Ski Association www.suusaliit.ee no later than 5 days prior to the competition.
- 2.3. The Jury (see Section 3) shall have the right to amend the competition program or cancel the competition if, on the day of the event, the climatic conditions on the course or the snow cover are not suitable for competition or endanger the participants.
- 2.4. The Jury, together with the Organizing Committee, may reschedule a cancelled competition to another date and time. In the event of rescheduling, the Organizing Committee shall inform the participants as soon as possible.
- 2.5. Competitions marked with "FIS" shall be published in the FIS calendar and shall be conducted strictly in accordance with the FIS International Ski Competition Rules (ICR). For all other competitions included in the Baltic Cup competition calendar, FIS points shall not be calculated.
- 2.6. Competitions marked with "NC" shall constitute the National Championships in the respective age categories.

3. JURY

- 3.1. The Jury is appointed by the Organizing Committee
- 3.2. The Jury consists of the following officials:
 - "Technical delegate" (only FIS)
 - "Race director" (only BC)
 - "Chief of race"
 - "Referee"

4. COMPETITORS

- 4.1. Baltic Cup 2024/2025 competitors are classified in the following categories:

Categorie	Birth year
Elite E	2009. and older
Juniors U21	2005.-2009.
Masters M	1991. and older
Group U16	2010.-2011.
Group U14	2012.-2013.
Group U12	2014.-2015.
Group U10	2016. and younger
PARA sitting, standing, vision disordered	One age category for PARA athletes

- 4.2. Only persons who have signed the Athlete's Declaration and paid the entry fee are eligible to participate in the competition.
- 4.3. The Athlete's Declaration must be signed by all participants. For participants under the age of 18, the Athlete's Declaration may be signed by a parent, guardian, coach, club representative and/or an official representative of the national federation, who by their signature confirm responsibility for the respective athlete.
- 4.4. The Jury shall have the right to limit the number of participants in the competition if circumstances arise that endanger the athletes.

5. ENTRIES

- 5.1. Entries for Baltic Cup competitions that are non-FIS races may be submitted by an individual, a club, or a team representative acting on behalf of the athlete. Applications must be submitted via the official website of the Latvian Ski Association at www.ski.lv. Applications must be submitted at least 48 hours before the start of the first race of each stage, but no later than the deadline indicated in the application form.
- 5.1.1. In exceptional cases the organizer has the right to accept a late entry only if it's possible from organizational circumstances. In such cases a double entry fee will be charged.
- 5.2. Entries for Baltic Cup FIS competitions shall be submitted in accordance with the ICR. All applications must be submitted in such a way that the Organizing Committee receives them before the final entry deadline. Organizers must have a final and complete list no later than 24 hours before the draw of the respective competition.
- 5.2.1. ICR rules to be observed with regard to applications for FIS competitions:
- 215.2 National Ski Associations are not permitted to enter and draw the same competitors in more than one competition on the same day.
- 215.3 Only National Ski Associations are entitled to make entries for international competitions. Each entry must include:
- 215.3.1 the code number, surname, first name, year of birth, and National Ski Association;
 - 215.3.2 the exact title of the competition for which the entry is being made.
- 215.5 An entry by a National Ski Association constitutes an agreement between the competitor and the organizer and is governed by the Athlete's Declaration.
- 5.2.2. For competitions listed in the FIS calendar, countries may enter their athletes only in accordance with the respective FIS quotas, and the organizer expects no more than one team captain per nation per gender.
- 5.2.3. For Baltic Cup U12, U14, U16, and M categories, the Jury has the right to apply quota limits for participants from nations not represented by the Organizing Committee. Such a quota limit shall be a maximum of 30 women and 30 men in total across all age groups per discipline. This quota limit shall apply if the total number of registered participants in one competition, in one gender, exceeds 140.
- 5.3. The responsibility of the team representative is to return all competition materials provided by the Organizing Committee to the athletes (bib, lift pass(es), ticket(s), etc.). Otherwise, the Organizing Committee shall have the right to issue an invoice in double amount to the club or the national federation for the damages incurred.

6. ENTRY FEES

- 6.1. The entry fee for each individual competition determined by the Organizing Committee for the Baltic Cup competitions for categories U12,U14,U16,M, PARA is 25,- EUR. For FIS level competitions according to the negotiations between the nations of the Scandinavian region which are determined by the "Scandinavian agreement" the entry fee is 30,- EUR. Detailed information on entry fees and lift tickets is provided in the official invitation.
- 6.2. If the competition is cancelled after the final draw as a result of a Jury decision, the entry fee shall not be refunded.

7. COMPETITION PROCEDURE

- 7.1. All FIS competitions shall be conducted strictly in accordance with the ICR.
- 7.2. All competitions that are non-FIS races shall be conducted in accordance with the "Baltic Cup Competition Rules."

Two runs shall be held in Giant Slalom (GS), Slalom (SL), and Alpine Combined (AC) disciplines, and one run in the Super-G (SG) discipline. For the U12, U14, U16, and M categories, the starting order for the second run shall be determined by the result of the first run, except for the top 5 competitors, who shall start in reverse order.

8. GROUP DRAW AND STARTING ORDER

- 8.1. For all FIS competitions, the grouping and starting order shall be determined in accordance with the ICR.
- 8.2. For all competitions that are non-FIS races, the Baltic Cup ranking shall be used for seeding the participants:
 - 8.2.1. The starting order of the participants shall be determined by their Baltic Cup points (sum of SL, GS, SG, and AC).
 - 8.2.2. The first group of 5 best-ranked participants shall be drawn. The number of participants in the first group may be increased if two or more participants share 5th place.
 - 8.2.3. All other participants shall start in order according to their Baltic Cup points. All participants without Baltic Cup points shall be drawn in the last group.
 - 8.2.4. In the first stage, the classification of participants shall be based on the overall standings of the previous Baltic Cup season. Participants moving from one age group to another shall be seeded according to their year of birth, with the oldest athletes in the new age group starting first.

9. PROTESTS

- 9.1. The type of protest, the place of submission, and the submission deadline are defined in ICR § 640, 641, 642, and 643.
- 9.2. Protests must be submitted in writing to the Race Director or the Chief of race.
- 9.3. Only team representatives who have been designated as team captains at the first team captains' meeting are authorized to submit a protest.
- 9.4. Each protest must be accompanied by a deposit of EUR 100.00. The deposit shall be refunded if the protest is justified and upheld; otherwise, it shall be retained by the Organizing Committee.
- 9.5. Protests shall be decided by the Jury members by a simple majority vote. The decision is final.

10. AWARD CEREMONY

- 10.1. In the U12, U14, U16, and M categories, the top three competitors in each competition shall be awarded Baltic Cup trophies. Competitors placed 4th to 6th shall be awarded diplomas. In PSL competitions, competitors placed 4th to 8th shall be awarded diplomas.
- 10.2. In the Elite and U21 categories, the top three competitors in each competition shall be awarded Baltic Cup trophies.
- 10.3. Competitors who do not attend the award ceremony shall forfeit their right to any prizes due to them, including monetary and material awards. In exceptional cases, a competitor may be represented by another team member; however, such a person shall not be entitled to stand on the podium in their place.

11. OVERALL STANDINGS

- 11.1. The Baltic Cup overall standings shall be calculated after the final competitions of the season in the U12, U14, U16, M, and PARA categories.
- 11.2. Athletes receive overall points in all competitions included in the Baltic Cup calendar. The overall standings shall be calculated by summing all points earned during the season. Overall points shall be awarded according to the following table:

place	points	place	points	place	points	place	points	place	points
1	100	7	36	13	20	19	12	25	6
2	80	8	32	14	18	20	11	26	5
3	60	9	29	15	16	21	10	27	4
4	50	10	26	16	15	22	9	28	3
5	45	11	24	17	14	23	8	29	2
6	40	12	22	18	13	24	7	30	1
31st + gets 1 point									

- 11.3. The top three athletes in the overall standings shall be awarded Baltic Cup overall trophies. Athletes placed 4th, 5th, and 6th in the overall standings shall be awarded diplomas.
- 11.4. If two or more athletes place equally within the top 30 in a competition, those athletes shall receive overall points corresponding to the place achieved.
- 11.5. If two or more athletes have the same total points in the overall standings, they shall be ranked according to the number of 1st places, then 2nd places, 3rd places, and so on.

12. ADVERTISING

- 12.1. The Organizing Committee holds the exclusive advertising rights during the Baltic Cup competitions.
- 12.2. Any type of advertising must be approved by the Organizing Committee.

13. INSURANCE

- 13.1. All athletes must be insured with sufficient coverage to cover accident, transport, and rescue costs, including competition-related risks. All participants compete at their own risk.
- 13.2. The clubs (for U12, U14, U16, and M competitions) and the National Federations (for FIS competitions) represented by the participants are responsible for ensuring that their athletes entered and delegated to the competition are properly insured.
- 13.3. National Federations or their athletes must be able to present proof of insurance at any time upon request by the Organizing Committee or its representative.

14. MISCELLANEOUS

- 14.1. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to make changes to these rules.
- 14.2. Any decisions regarding situations not covered by these rules shall be made by the Organizing Committee.
- 14.3. The official communication language of the Baltic Cup is English.
- 14.4. All participants must conduct themselves in a polite and sportsmanlike manner towards the representatives of the Organizing Committee, officials, and the public.

- 14.5. It is the duty of participants and their representatives to comply with the regulations of the Baltic Cup host countries, regions, or ski resorts regarding entry, stay, and return home.
- 14.6. The Competition Jury has the right to disqualify a participant or revoke an accreditation already issued if the participant violates any of the provisions of these rules.