

# NATIONS CUP

## THE NATIONS CUP 2024-25

Elevating the Future of Alpine Skiing

### 2024-25 RACE CALENDAR

15<sup>th</sup> December 2024



2x Giant Slalom

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025



4x Super G

8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025



2x Slalom

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2025



1x Giant Slalom & 1x Slalom

15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> April 2025



1x Giant Slalom & 1x Slalom

All events will be held in **Reiteralm, Austria**, in association with **WSV Pichl Reiteralm Ski Club**, and **Reiteralm Bergbahn**. We would like to extend a huge thank you to all of the staff at Reiteralm Bergbahn and WSV Pichl Reiteralm in making this series possible.

The race calendar may be subject to changes throughout the winter, at the discretion of the race organisers and jury for each event. The series schedule is aimed at providing racers with equal opportunities to compete in the three disciplines available at U10 - U16 level. We highly recommend that all competitors have representation at each Team Captains Meeting in case of programme changes.

If you have any questions about the information provided in this invitation, please contact [Jordan.fellows@teamevolution.eu](mailto:Jordan.fellows@teamevolution.eu)

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## RULES

All Nations Cup events will be BASS seeded races for British U16 and U14 competitors, and unseeded races for U12, U10 and International competitors. Nations Cup races will be run under the latest BCR rules (FIS ICR as amended by GBS), with minor adjustments made to the start order.

### Results & Nations Cup Points

At the end of each event, racers who finish in the top 15 in each category will be awarded Nations Cup Points as shown in the table below. In the technical events of Slalom and Giant Slalom, the results, prizes and Nations Cup Points for U10s and U12s will be awarded on the fastest time of two runs. For U14s and U16s, the results, prizes and Nations Cup Points are awarded on the total time of two runs added together. All U14 and U16 racers are required to complete both runs to be listed on the official results in the technical events. In speed events, the results, prizes and Nations Cup Points for U10s, U12s, U14s and U16s are awarded on the single best time to count.

Position	Cup Points	Position	Cup Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	25	9 <sup>th</sup>	7
2 <sup>nd</sup>	20	10 <sup>th</sup>	6
3 <sup>rd</sup>	15	11 <sup>th</sup>	5
4 <sup>th</sup>	12	12 <sup>th</sup>	4
5 <sup>th</sup>	11	13 <sup>th</sup>	3
6 <sup>th</sup>	10	14 <sup>th</sup>	2
7 <sup>th</sup>	9	15 <sup>th</sup>	1
8 <sup>th</sup>	8		

Across the 12 races in the Nations Cup series, racers will accumulate Nations Cup Points each time they finish in the top 15 in their category. Nations Cup Points are updated on the final day of each month from December to April, with live cup standings published on the Team Evolution website, available for all to see.

### The Start Order

The start order for each race is based on the latest Nations Cup standings prior to each event.

Each racer begins the first month of each season with zero Nations Cup Points, and as a result, the start lists for any events in December are randomly drawn for each category. Any events from January 1<sup>st</sup> onwards utilise the most recent Nations Cup Points list available at the beginning of the month. Using a cup points system will allow racers from all nations to be integrated into a performance based start list. This will allow us to run high quality international events where racers from all nations can compete on a level playing field. The Organising Committee have worked alongside the British TD forum to ensure that producing the start list in this way does not affect BASS seeding opportunities for British racers.

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## Start Order for Technical Events

### Run 1

In each category, the 15 racers with the best Nations Cup Points will start in a random draw at the beginning of the start list. From there, the following racers will start in descending Nations Cup Points order. Any racers without Nations Cup Points will be placed into a randomly draw at the end of the start list. This procedure will be followed for both genders in U10s, U12s, U14s and U16s independently.

### Run 2

For U10s and U12s, the start order for run 2 will be a full reverse of the start order from run 1. The racer who started first in their category on run 1, will then start last in their category on run 2.

For U14s and U16s, the top 30 racers in each category after the first run will start run 2 in reverse time order using a “top 30 flip”. Racers placed 31<sup>st</sup> onwards will then start in the second run ascending time order. U14 and U16 racers must complete their first run in order to have a second.

Again, all racers are required to complete both runs to be listed on the official results in technical events.

## Start Order for Speed Events

For speed events, the Nations Cup will run U10s and U12s together in one race, and U14s and U16s together in another, splitting the field by gender. The Nations Cup Points for each category will have equal weight when determining the start order (i.e. a U14 racer will start ahead of a U16 racer if they have better Nations Cup Points, regardless of the age category).

The start list will then be drawn in the same format as the technical events, beginning with a top 15 random draw, followed by racers in descending cup points order, followed by a random draw for those racers without Nations Cup Points.

## BASS SEEDING

All Nations Cup events will be BASS seeded races for British U16 and U14 competitors, and unseeded races for U12, U10 and International competitors.

For U16 racers, BASS points will be awarded based on the combined time of both runs added together in the technical events, and the fastest single run time in the speed events, following the current BCR rules.

For U14 racers, only the first run of each race will be eligible for BASS seeding.

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## COMPETITION CATEGORIES

Categories	Years of Birth
U10 Female & U10 Male	2015 & 2016
U12 Female & U12 Male	2013 & 2014
U14 Female & U14 Male	2011 & 2012
U16 Female & U16 Male	2009 & 2010

## PRIZES

For technical events, prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each gender and age category, based on the total time of two runs added together.

For speed events, prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each gender and age category, based on the single fastest time.

At the end of the series, prizes will be awarded for the racers placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the overall standings in each category, based on the Nations Cup Points accumulated across the 12 races.

The prize ceremony will take place in the finish area approximately 30 minutes after the final racer at each event. Further information on the schedule for each event will be given at the Team Captains Meeting.

## ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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## COMMUNICATIONS

All coaches, staff, athlete's and parents are strongly encouraged to join the Nations Cup Whatsapp group by or scanning the QR code below: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/CW9YsbXRGjTDhVlifHbkRy>

### Nations Cup 2024/25 WhatsApp Group



## RACE ENTRY DETAILS

The Nations Cup is open to competitors from all countries. British competitors must be registered with their Home Nation. Foreign Nationals must provide copies of passports and their relevant National Governing Body registration forms when requested.

All entries must be made via the online entry system at: <https://teamevolution.eu/nations-cup-entry/>

### Nations Cup 2024/25 Entries



**The entry fee for all Nations Cup events is €35, per competitor, per event, irrespective of nationality.** Entries fees must be paid at the Team Captains Meeting prior to the first race of each round. Competitors are required to pay the entry in full at the Team Captains Meeting. The Organising Committee reserves the right to remove a competitor from the race if their entry fee is not paid in full. Entries must be paid in cash, in Euros. We do not accept card transactions, bank transfers or invoices.

Official online entry for each event will close at 21:00, two days prior to the start of each event. For example, for Nations Cup Round 1 & 2 on December 15<sup>th</sup>, the official entry will close at 21:00 on December 13<sup>th</sup>.

An Acceptance List showing the entries received by the closing date for each event will be published on [www.gbski.com](http://www.gbski.com), and will also be published into the Whatsapp group.

Late entries may be accepted in resort, dependent on the number of entries already received, and the

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snow conditions. Late entries received after the closing date for each event will incur a penalty of €15.00 per competitor, per race. Decisions on late entries are at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

**We wish to thank WSV Pichl Reiteralm and Reiteralm Bergbahn for their ongoing support in a portion of covering event costs, allowing us to run these events.**

## LIFT CARDS

Lift cards are available to be purchased for coaches, competitors, and parents at the Reiteralm Bergbahn ticket office.

Lift cards are not included in the entry fee.

Single use passes are available from the ticket office for those who wish to use the gondola for access to the race piste as a pedestrian or spectator. These can be purchased from the SilverJet ticket office.

## PERSONAL INSURANCE & LIABILITY

All competitors must have a current insurance policy that permits them to ski race. The Organising Committee may require proof of insurance such as a valid governing body race licence, or an independent certificate of insurance. Race insurance is entirely the responsibility of the competitor, and all entries are made with the understanding that any costs resulting from an incorrect, or a lack of, insurance policy lie with the competitor.

The Organising Committee reserves the right to refuse entry to skiers who cannot demonstrate a minimum level of competence. Suitable evidence may include previous race results or certification from a coach.

## REFUNDS

In the case of withdrawal from any event due to injury, refunds of 50% may be available on production of a doctor's note or certificate, at the discretion of the organisers.

There will be no refunds available if races are cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances such as weather, snow conditions or injuries.

Refunds will also be refused if the race programme, discipline or schedule are changed either during, or after the Team Captains Meeting. Coaches and racers are encouraged to arrive at the events with sufficient equipment to adapt to a changing race schedule.

## COURSE SETTING, JURY & VOLUNTEERS

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The Nations Cup is an international race series, and as such, coaches from all countries are encouraged to take an active role in the events.

To ensure the race meets the BCR standards for seeding and insurance, the jury will be formed of British officials, including the TD, Timing & Calculations and Race Secretary. Positions such as the Referee and Assistant Referee will be nominated at the Team Captains Meeting prior to each event, and are open to coaches from any nation.

Course sets will be allocated to different nations prior to each event, with priority given to nations with a larger entry. Each nation should nominate a coach at the Team Captains Meeting to represent their racers.

All Nations Cup events are run in partnership with WSV Pichl Reiteralalm Ski Club, who will provide a small hill team to manage the organisation and safety of the race. WSV Pichl Reiteralalm Ski Club will also provide a medical team for each event.

Outside of this, we would also greatly appreciate any help from volunteers who wish to be involved in running the events. Positions including finish referee, gate judge, provisional timing-board, commentators & bib collection are available. If you are interested in helping, please contact the race secretary. A free lift card, which covers skiing within the region, will be provided for those helping with the organisation and running of Nations Cup events.

## PHOTOGRAPHY & MEDIA

Official photographers and cameramen will be present during the event. If you do not wish to be photographed or filmed at the event, or for your image to be used for promotional purposes, please inform the race secretary in writing before the event.

Team Evolution and the Nations Cup reserves the right to use any media captured during the events for the purposes of promotion and advertisement.

Any photographs taken at the event will be available to purchase online after the race. The contact details for the photographer will be provided at the relevant Team Captains Meeting, and also in the Whatsapp group.

## TRAVEL

Reiteralalm is easily accessible via road from Munich Airport (2.5 hours) or Salzburg Airport (1 hour). During the winter months, British Airways offers routes from London, with connections available for those flying from Edinburgh. Jet2 flies from Manchester and EasyJet, Ryanair and Wizz Air from Luton.

For competitors travelling from central Europe, the address for the Reiteralm ticket office and Teams Captain location is: **Gleming 34, 8973, Schladming, Austria**. Access to the Muldenlift and Gasselhohe race pistes is gained via the SilverJet Gondola, and ample parking is available at the bottom of this lift.

## ACCOMMODATION

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Schladming, which is in the same ski area as Reiteralm and is connected by ski lifts as well as by road, has a variety of apartments, pensions, hotels & luxury accommodation on offer to suit all budgets. Please contact the tourist office for more information: <http://www.schladming-dachstein.at/en>

For those with access to a car, the town of Radstadt is only 10 minutes away. There you will find a range of accommodation options, as well as access to more of the Ski Amade area. Within Radstadt, special prices are offered at the Hotel Post and Apartment Tauernblick.

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