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Article	Existing rule	New rule
General	Juniors become U21 Youths 2 become U19 Youths 1 become U17	Transition to the new label
1.4.4 1.4.5 1.4.10 	Competition Specifications	Individual Junior M/W: 45 sec. shooting penalty for a missed shot
1.4.11 	Specifications for Single Mixed Relay, Super Sprint and Mass Start 60 ...After the first loop, the first 30 athletes (bib 1-30) ski up to the range for their first bout of shooting, the remaining 30 athletes (bib 31-60) continue for a second loop on the course without shooting. They must continue to ski on the course without passing the range. After the second loop, the procedure is vice versa: the second 30 athletes (bib 31-60) shoot their first bout of shooting. The first 30 athletes (bib 1-30) continue skiing without shooting or passing the range. After all athletes have conducted their first shooting bouts (in acc. with Art. 8.2.1), the competition is organized as in a pursuit, i.e. the first athlete coming up to the range for the second prone shooting will be directed to lane 1, the second ranked athlete to lane 2, etc....	Specifications for Single Mixed Relay, Super Sprint and Mass Start 60 ... After the first loop, the first 30 athletes (bib 1-30) ski up to the range for their first bout of shooting, the remaining 30 athletes (bib 31-60) continue for a second loop on the course without shooting. They must continue to ski on the course without passing the range. After the second loop, the procedure is vice versa: the second 30 athletes (bib 31-60) shoot their first bout of shooting. The first 30 athletes (bib 1-30) continue skiing without shooting or passing the range, and they go for a second loop on the course. 30 athletes (bib 31-60) ski up to the range for their first shooting bout. After the second loop, the procedure is vice versa: The first 30 athletes (bib 1-30) shoot their first bout. The second 30 athletes (bib 31-60) continue skiing without shooting. After all athletes have conducted their first shooting bouts (in acc. with Art. 8.2.1), the competition is organized as in a pursuit, i.e. the first athlete coming up to the range for the second prone shooting will be directed to lane 1, the second ranked athlete to lane 2, etc....
New 1.6.2.f 	Not existing	A competitor/athlete can only be entered once for a competition
1.7.7 	Assignment of Start Numbers and Start Positions in the Mass Start Competition A provisional start list will be made within two hours after the last qualifying competition. The start list will be finalized two hours before the start, by which time team captains must have confirmed their starters. Start numbers at IBU events will be assigned according to the applicable event rules. At all other events, if no appropriate ranking list is in force, a single random draw will be used to assign the start numbers for all competitors. There may not be more competitors than the number of targets available (an exception applies to Mass Start 60). Each competitor's start number will designate their start position in that competition. Start positions will be numbered from right to left, facing the direction of the start.	Assignment of Start Numbers and Start Positions in the Mass Start Competition A provisional start list will be made within two hours after the last qualifying competition. The start list will be finalized at the deadline specified in the event program , but latest two hours before the start, by which time team captains must have confirmed their starters. Start numbers at IBU events will be assigned according to the applicable event rules. At all other events, if no appropriate ranking list is in force, a single random draw will be used to assign the start numbers for all competitors. There may not be more competitors than the number of targets available (an exception applies to Mass Start 60). Each competitor's start number will designate their start position in that competition. Start positions will be numbered from right to left, facing the direction of the start.
3.4.4.4	Target Background	Target Background





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	The background behind the targets must be white from the ground level to a min. of 50 cm above the upper edge of the target, including all constructions in this area.	The background behind the targets must be white from the ground level to a min. of 50 cm above the upper edge of the target, including all constructions in this area, and must extend 1 meter to the right of the rightmost T-post lane and 1 meter to the left of the leftmost T-post lane
4.2.2.1.b 	b. The rifle will then be safety-checked to confirm it does not contain a live cartridge in the chamber and no magazine is inserted or appears to be inserted in the magazine well	b. The rifle will then be safety-checked to confirm it does not contain a live cartridge in the chamber and no magazine is inserted or appears to be inserted in the magazine well
8.5.1 	General When a rifle is brought into or is taken out of the stadium area, it must be in a case or a cover bag. Shooting is only permitted on the shooting range, during officially authorized times. Making rifle movements that might endanger others or the competitors themselves, regardless of whether the rifle is loaded or not, is forbidden. Situations considered as safe are: carrying the rifle on the back or having the bolt open. The rifle muzzle must be over the forward edge of the shooting ramp (firing line) from the beginning to the end of the shooting bout. At no time while being on the mat it is allowed for the athlete to deliberately point the rifle muzzle towards him/herself or others. When the range is open for shooting, no one (with no part of the body) is permitted to be forward of that line. Officials, TV crew members and photographers must take responsibility for their own safety if they enter this area. At all times, competitors will be responsible for the safety of their actions and rifles.	General When a rifle is brought into or is taken out of the stadium area, it must be in a case or a cover bag. As a visible sign that there is no cartridge in the chamber, an additional safety marker (colored flag or lock) must be attached. The marker may only be removed as of Art. 8.5.1.1 Shooting is only permitted on the shooting range, during officially authorized times. Making rifle movements that might endanger others or the competitors themselves, regardless of whether the rifle is loaded or not, is forbidden. Situations considered as safe are: carrying the rifle on the back or having the bolt open. The rifle muzzle must be over the forward edge of the shooting ramp (firing line) from the beginning to the end of the shooting bout. At no time while being on the mat it is allowed for the athlete to deliberately point the rifle muzzle towards him/herself or others. When the range is open for shooting, no one (with no part of the body) is permitted to be forward of that line. Officials, TV crew members and photographers must take responsibility for their own safety if they enter this area. At all times, competitors will be responsible for the safety of their actions and rifles.
New 8.5.1.1 	Not existing	Safety marker The safety marker (colored flag or lock) has to be used in all rifles when entering the stadium. It has to remain in place until the athlete reaches the shooting range, where it might be removed for training or competing. Training: when leaving the range after training, the safety marker needs to be inserted again Rifle controls: all rifles must be presented at the rifle control with the safety marker inserted, regardless of when such inspection occurs. Control personnel might remove the marker for control purposes, but the rifle has to leave the control again with inserted safety marker. Zeroing: same as for training applies; once the rifle arrives in the assigned team's rifle rack in the start zone, the safety marker might be removed (as one of the final preparation steps for the competition); when moving to the start line, the safety marker must be out. Competition end: after arriving in the finish/passing the mixed zone, the safety flag has to be inserted again as soon as possible, but in any case when leaving the finish exit area/returning to warm-up area (rifle racks). The marker must then remain in the rifle at all times until the process begins again. Only exception: for dry shooting the safety flag might be removed, but must be inserted right after again. For dry shooting safety the use of a so called „rubber bullet“ is recommended.

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15.6.3.c ■		For the first two World Cup events (WC1 and WC2) of the following season, the winner of the IBU Cup Total Score (M+W) earns an additional NF start quota that can be used by the NF for any qualified athlete, unless an additional quota is already used as of 15.6.3.d.
New 15.6.3.d ■	Not existing	For the first two World Cup events (WC1 and WC2) of the following season, the winner of the WC Total Score (M+W) earns a personal start quota.
New 15.6.3.e ■	Not existing	NFs with an additional start quota according to 15.6.3.c–d may register one additional athlete on top of their standard quota (as defined in 15.6.1), to ensure a reserve athlete is available.
15.8.5 ■	Breaking of Ties in Standings If there is an equal number of points in any standings during or at the end of the season, the best-placed competitor or NF will be the one who won more first places, and if there is still a tie, who won the most second places, etc. If, after following this procedure, the tie cannot be broken, a tie will be declared. Eventual scratched results are not considered for this breaking of ties.	Breaking of Ties in Standings If there is an equal number of points in any standings during or at the end of the season, the best-placed competitor or NF will be the one who won more first places, and if there is still a tie, who won the most second places, etc. If, after following this procedure, the tie cannot be broken, a tie will be declared. Eventual scratched results are not considered for this breaking of ties. In case of a tie in the WC Total Score after the last competition, this rule shall not apply, but two cups shall be awarded.
New 16.4.3 ■	Not existing yet	Men and women competitors who are ranked best in the IBU Cup Total Score must wear a colored IBU Cup Leader start number during the competition. The leader start numbers will be provided by the IBU and will be brought to events as organized by the IBU.
16.5.1.4 ■	Breaking of Ties in Standings If there is an equal number of points in any standings during or at the end of the season, the best-placed competitor or NF will be the one who won more first places, and if there is still a tie, who won the most second places, etc. If, after following this procedure, the tie cannot be broken, a tie will be declared. Eventual scratched results are not considered for this breaking of ties.	Breaking of Ties in Standings If there is an equal number of points in any standings during or at the end of the season, the best-placed competitor or NF will be the one who won more first places, and if there is still a tie, who won the most second places, etc. If, after following this procedure, the tie cannot be broken, a tie will be declared. Eventual scratched results are not considered for this breaking of ties. In case of a tie in the IBU Cup Total Score after the last competition, this rule shall not apply, but two cups shall be awarded.
16.8.1	Mass Start	Mass Start

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16.8.2 	Mass Start 60 The Mass Start 60 competition entries will consist of the top 15 competitors in the current IBU Cup Total Score and the remaining 45 competitors will be filled in, in rank order from the points they have acquired at the current IBU Cup event using the Nation Cup point system. In case competitors are tied, the one with the best single result from that event will be ranked ahead. If still tied the one with the best current IBU Cup Total Score and if still tied the athlete with less IBU Qualifying points will be ranked ahead. If competitors are absent from the top 15, they will be filled in from the current IBU Cup Total Score list in rank order. Start numbers will be assigned based on the list standings – with the top-ranking competitor receiving number 1, the second number 2, and so on. The final 45 start numbers will be assigned in rank order from the points scored at the current event using the NC point system with the same tie breaker as above.	Mass Start 60 The Mass Start 60 competition entries will consist of the top 15 competitors in the current IBU Cup Total Score and the remaining 45 competitors will be filled in, in rank order from the points they have acquired at the current IBU Cup event using the Nation Cup point system. In case competitors are tied, the one with the best single result from that event will be ranked ahead. If still tied the one with the best current IBU Cup Total Score and if still tied the athlete with less IBU Qualifying points will be ranked ahead. If competitors are absent from the top 15, they will be filled in from the current IBU Cup Total Score list in rank order. Start numbers will be assigned based on the list standings – with the top-ranking competitor receiving number 1, the second number 2, and so on. The final 45 remaining start numbers will be assigned in rank order from the points scored at the current event using the NC point system with the same tie breaker as above.
18.4.3 	Breaking of Ties in Standings If there is an equal number of points in any standings during or at the end of the season, the best-placed competitor or NF will be the one who won more first places, and if there is still a tie, who won the most second places, etc. If, after following this procedure, the tie cannot be broken, a tie will be declared. Eventual scratched results are not considered for this breaking of ties.	Breaking of Ties in Standings If there is an equal number of points in any standings during or at the end of the season, the best-placed competitor or NF will be the one who won more first places, and if there is still a tie, who won the most second places, etc. If, after following this procedure, the tie cannot be broken, a tie will be declared. Eventual scratched results are not considered for this breaking of ties. In case of a tie in the IBU Junior Cup Total Score after the last competition, this rule shall not apply, but two cups shall be awarded.
18.4.1 	Score types The following types of scoring are used: ...	Score types The following types of scoring are used for junior men and junior women: ...

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<p>New 18.3.2</p> 		<p>The Mass Start 60 competition entries will consist of the top 60 competitors of the event and will be filled in, in rank order from the points they have acquired at the current event using the IBU Cup point system. In case competitors are tied, the one with the best single result from that event will be ranked ahead. If still tied, the athlete with the second-best single result will be ranked ahead. Start numbers will be assigned in rank order from the points scored at the current event using the IBU Cup point system, and if less than 60 athletes earn points at the current event, the field will be filled in with the athletes having the best single result from the current event with the same tie breaker as above.</p> <p>Seven (7) competitors will be the maximum number of entries allowed by any NF.</p>