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**RULES FOR  
HONORS**

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## PREAMBLE

The IBU Rules for Honors are decided by the IBU Executive Board. They serve as a basis for appropriately honoring exceptional merits shown by individuals and legal entities in and for the sport of biathlon.

### 1. IBU CERTIFICATE OF HONOR FOR INDIVIDUALS

The IBU awards the IBU Certificate of Honor, upon decision by the Executive Board, to active athletes and officials of the IBU or of National Federations for outstanding services to the sport of biathlon. Nominations may be submitted by the presidents of the National Federations, Committee chairpersons, and members of the Executive Board; all nominations must be submitted in writing to the IBU Secretary General and must include the reasons for the nomination.

### 2. IBU CERTIFICATE OF HONOR FOR LEGAL ENTITIES

The IBU awards IBU Certificate of Honor, upon decision by the Executive Board, to partner and sponsor companies of the IBU for outstanding services to the sport of biathlon. Nominations may be submitted by the presidents of the National Federations, Committee chairpersons, and members of the Executive Board; all nominations must be submitted in writing to the IBU Secretary General and must include the reasons for the nomination.

### 3. IBU HALL OF FAME

The IBU automatically inducts anyone who has won at least one Olympic gold medal and/or two gold medals at the IBU World Championships into the IBU Hall of Fame. The athlete receives a certificate once inducted. The IBU Hall of Fame is published on the IBU homepage.

### 4. IBU MEDALS OF HONOR

The IBU awards gold, silver or bronze IBU Medals of Honor, upon decision by the Executive Board, to athletes and officials of the IBU or of the National Federations who have retired from the sport for extraordinary services to the sport of biathlon. Nominations may be made by the presidents of the National Federations and members of the Executive Board and must be submitted in writing, including the reasons for the nomination, to the IBU Secretary General.

**a) IBU Medals of Honor for Athletes****(1) Bronze Medal of Honor**

Athletes may be awarded an IBU Bronze Medal of Honor if they have won:

- At least three (3) individual medals at WCH or OWG, or
- At least four (4) first places in individual World Cup competitions;

**(2) Silver Medal of Honor**

Athletes may be awarded an IBU Silver Medal of Honor if they have won:

- At least two (2) individual gold medals at WCH, or
- At least one (1) individual gold medal at OWG;

**(3) Gold Medal of Honor**

Athletes may be awarded an IBU Gold Medal of Honor if they have won:

- At least four (4) individual gold medals at WCH, or
- At least three (3) individual gold medals at OWG, or
- The Total Score in an individual discipline at least three (3) times, or
- The World Cup Total Score at least once.

**b) IBU Medal of Honor for Officials (NF presidents, NF secretary generals, head coaches)****(1) Bronze Medal of Honor**

Officials may be awarded an IBU Bronze Medal of Honor if they:

- Have been a member of the IBU Executive Board for at least four (4) years, or of an IBU Committee for four (4) years, or held an official position within a National Federation for four (4) years.

**(2) Silver Medal of Honor**

Officials may be awarded an IBU Silver Medal of Honor if they:

- Have been a member of the IBU Executive Board for at least eight (8) years, or of an IBU Committee for 8 years, or held an official position within a National Federation for 8 years.

**(3) Gold Medal of Honor**

Officials may be awarded an IBU Gold Medal of Honor if they:

- Have been a member of the IBU Executive Board for at least 12 years, or of an IBU Committee for 12 years, or held an official position at a National Federation for 12 years.

**5. IBU RING OF HONOR**

The IBU awards the IBU Golden Ring of Honor, upon decision by the Executive Board, to representatives of states, international organizations or federations, NOCs and long-time partners of the IBU for outstanding services to the sport of biathlon. Nominations may be submitted by the presidents of the National Federations, chairpersons of the committees, and members of the Executive Board; nominations must be submitted in writing to the IBU Secretary General and must include the reasons for the nomination.

**6. IBU HONORARY MEMBERSHIP**

The IBU awards IBU Honorary Membership to former IBU officials, following nomination by the IBU Executive Board or the NFs and decision by the IBU Congress.

**7. IBU HONORARY PRESIDENCY**

The IBU awards the IBU Honorary Presidency to former presidents of the IBU following nomination by the IBU Executive Board or the NFs and decision by the IBU Congress.

**8. IBU AWARDS**

The IBU may present IBU Awards at the IBU WCH. In years in which Olympic Winter Games are held, IBU Awards will be given out during the IBU Congress. The IBU „Under 25 Award“ will be handed over at the end of the season. IBU Awards are given in the following categories:

**Coach of the Year:** For the coach who contributed in an extraordinary way OWG medals and WC first places

**Media Award:** For especially competent reporting, directing, camera work, editing or other biathlon coverage in words and/or pictures

**Fair Play Award:** For an award-worthy display of sportsmanship

**Development Award:** For the National Federation winning the highest number of medals at the YJWCH

**Fan Award:** For an athlete, team or official elected by fans via online voting

**Under 25 Award:** For all competitors who have not turned 25 at December 31 of the respective season the "Under 25 Award" will be based on the Individual, Short Individual, Sprint, Super Sprint, Pursuit, Mass Start and Mass Start 60 competitions of the IBU World Cup. The points gained at all WC competitions will be added together based on the same principle as for the WC Total Score. There will be no separate published score, eligible athletes will be marked with a \* in the WC total score and the highest ranked of such athletes therefore will be awarded with the "Under 25 Award". This award can be won multiple times by one and the same athlete, as long as the age requirements/eligibility are still fulfilled.

## 9. PRESENTATION OF HONORS AND AWARDS

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a) **IBU Hall of Fame**

The IBU Hall of Fame will be published on the IBU homepage. Athletes will receive a certificate.

b) **IBU Awards**

The IBU may award IBU Awards annually at the IBU WCH or a WC. The Awards will be presented by the IBU Executive Board.

c) **IBU Certificates of Honor**

The IBU Certificates of Honor are awarded at the IBU WCHs or another suitable occasion.

d) **IBU Medals of Honor, Rings of Honor, Honorary Membership, Honorary Presidency**

IBU Medals of Honor, Rings of Honor, Honorary Membership and Honorary Presidency are awarded by the IBU President at the IBU Congress or another suitable occasion.

## 10. ENTRY INTO FORCE

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The IBU Rules for Honors became effective on December 1, 2011 replacing the IBU Rules for Honors from July 1, 1994.