

NCAA MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SKIING

Major Rules Changes for 2010 and 2011

The following proposals have been approved by the NCAA Men's and Women's Skiing Committee and by the Playing Rules Oversight Panel for the 2010 and 2011 seasons. New language is underlined; the page references are from the 2009 Men's and Women's Skiing Rules Book.

1. **Rule 4.1 Race Committees (Page 18).** The technical delegate, chief of race, super gatekeepers, referee, start and finish referees, course setters and forerunners must be current members of the United States Ski Association. These officials (excluding forerunners) have the responsibility to enforce infractions of all rules.

New Rule 4.3 Super Gatekeeper (Page 19, renumber beyond 4.3).

Rule 4.3.1 Control Limits. In the slalom, there should be super gatekeepers with responsibility for 15 to 20 gates.

Rule 4.3.2 Qualifications. Super gatekeepers must have a level-one referee certification.

Rule 4.3.3 Duties. Work under the chief gatekeeper. Refer to national and international standards for duties of a gatekeeper.

Rationale: Includes super gatekeepers as officials.

2. **Rule 5.1.8.3 and Rule 10.7.6 Uniforms (Pages 24 and 59).** A student-athlete shall not wear any apparel that identifies another entity other than the student-athlete's institution. Helmets and shin guards shall be free of all marks other than institutional logos and NCAA compliant manufacturer's logos. Exception: One flag patch (country, state or city) is allowed on the uniform or equipment.

Rationale: Allows a student-athlete to display a flag on the uniform or equipment.

3. **Rule 6.1.1 Equipment Helmets (Page 26).** ~~Helmets manufactured for ski racing are required in all Alpine events and event training. The NCAA neither specifies nor recommends any helmet design or brand name. It is the responsibility of the competitor to select an appropriate helmet.~~ Helmets shall comply with national and international standards.

Rationale: Previous helmet rule was inconsistent with national and international standards.

4. **Rule 6.1.3 Equipment Lost Equipment (new, Page 26).** A competitor is allowed to recover without being disqualified, as long as there is no outside assistance, any lost equipment during the competition, including re-attaching lost skis.

Rule 6.2.4.3 Giant Slalom Disqualification (new, Page 27). Receives assistance in recovering lost equipment.

Rule 6.3.4.3 Slalom Disqualification (new, Page 28). Receives assistance in recovering lost equipment.

Rationale: As long as the skier is able to recover the equipment without assistance, it is legal and shall not result in disqualification. If the skier receives assistance recovering the lost equipment, the skier is disqualified.