



TEAM INVITATION

*Welcome to the FIS World Cup Grand Finals
Freestyle and Snowboard
Valmalenco 12/16 March 2008*

On behalf of the Organizing Committee in Valmalenco, we are glad to invite all National Associations to attend the Freestyle FIS World Cup Grand Finals which will be held from 12th March until 16th March 2008.

To help you with the preparation of your team's visit, you will find the following information regarding this event:

- Entry form
- Accommodation form
- General Information
- Event Schedule

We ask each National Association to fill in the enclosed forms and send back to us as following:

FREESTYLE

13th February 2008: Announcement of team size

6th March 2008: Definitive registration

If you have further questions, do not hesitate to contact us.
We are looking forward to welcome you in Valmalenco, Italy.

Sincerely yours
Organizing Committee Valmalenco

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Entries and important forms

Entries will be accepted from International Ski Associations in accordance with the FIS quotas and rules for the World Cup. Please complete the enclosed Team Entry Form and remit to the Organizing Committee Valmalenco by e-mail or fax:

Organizing Committee Valmalenco “Freestyle and Snowboard FIS World Cup Grand Finals” - Valmalenco 2008

Entries to:

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Accommodation to:

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The information must be received by the Organizing Committee Valmalenco not later than the deadlines above in order to have the accommodation/FIS rate.

REGISTRATION

Freestyle team registration will take place on Sunday, March 9th 2008 from 8.00 to 20.00 at Accreditation office (Centro Servizi - Chiesa in Valmalenco - SO Piazza SS. Giacomo e Filippo).

ACCOMMODATION

According to the FIS Rule on accommodation and half board, each participant will pay CHF 45/day/person directly to the Organizing Committee Valmalenco FIS World Cup Grand Finals by Accommodation office (Centro Servizi - Chiesa in Valmalenco - SO Piazza SS. Giacomo e Filippo).

Accommodation at FIS race will be provided for the nights of March 9, to March 16, 2008 included.

Each team will be held responsible for any damage incurred during the stay. Any kind of extras like phone, laundry, minibar and pay-TV must be paid by the teams or athletes. Reservation are only accepted with the Reservation Form – Teams!

FINAL WORLD CUP QUOTAS AND RULES

Freestyle FIS World Cup Final (*Valmalenco ITA Moguls Ski Cross and HalfPipe*)

- 12. 1** Moguls, Aerials, Ski Cross and HalfPipe ought be held at the Freestyle FIS World Cup Final. In the Freestyle FIS World Cup Final program, no Qualification rounds will be held; only Final rounds will be held.
- 12. 2** Invitations for the Freestyle FIS World Cup Finals are based upon the Freestyle FIS World Cup standings. The winners or leaders of the Continental Cups and the FIS Junior Freestyle World Championships in Moguls and Aerials are also invited. The host nation is allowed one spot in both sexes in, Moguls and Aerials.
- 12.3** The entries from the Aerial Freestyle FIS World Cup will be limited to the top 20 skiers in Aerials in both sexes. The entries from the **Moguls Freestyle FIS World Cup will be limited to the top 24 athletes in both sexes.** The entries for **HalfPipe are limited to 12 men / 8 ladies** and **Ski Cross 32 men / 16 ladies respectively.**
- 12.4** Freestyle FIS World Cup Final Eligibility Formula and Final Format
- | Event | WC | COC | Jr. WSC | Host |
|---------|-------|---------------|----------------|------|
| | M/L | M/L | M/L | M/L |
| MO / DM | 24/24 | + COC Winners | + Jr. Champion | + 1 |
| SX | 32/16 | - | - | - |
| HP | 12/8 | - | - | - |
- 12.4.1** Start order for the Freestyle FIS World Cup Final will be in the reverse order of each competitor's Freestyle FIS World Cup standings. The Continental Cup, Junior Champion and host nation skiers shall start before the Freestyle FIS World Cup skiers and shall be randomly drawn.
- 12.4.2** If the Dual Format is used in the Freestyle FIS World Cup Final and a qualified skier is withdrawn from the competition before the start list is produced, all skiers below the withdrawn skier's ranking shall be moved up in the start order. The lowest ranked start position shall remain open, so that the highest ranked skier in the first round receives a bye.

- 12.4.3** In the Freestyle FIS World Cup Dual Moguls Final, the 5th – 12th place athletes will compete in the first rounds, with the losers all receiving 9th place. The winners of these first rounds will advance to the remaining rounds of the skiers placed 1st – 8th. All places from 1st – 8th will be then be determined by duals.
- 12.4.4** Ski Cross skiers are seeded in rounds according to the Freestyle FIS World Cup Ranking. If a Skier is not present, then all skiers will remain in the same starting bracket.
- 12.4.5** The FIS Continental Cup and the FIS Junior Freestyle World Championship skiers will not receive FIS World Cup points.

TRANSPORTATION

Teams are responsible for their own transportation.

Please, for further information contact The Consorzio Turistico Sondrio e Valmalenco directly - tel. +39 0342 451150 E-mail: raceoffice@cuoredivaltellina.it

BIBS

All competitors must wear bibs during all official training, competition and award ceremonies.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Each competitor must have his/her own medical insurance. The Organizing Committee Valmalenco, sponsors, suppliers, their agents and the FIS decline any responsibility for accidents, damaged or lost equipment and second and third party claims during the event. All athletes must have previously signed the “FIS Athletes Declaration” form in order to register.

LIABILITY

All athletes, officials, and members of the National Association who attend and participate in the event shall do so at their own risk. The Organizing Committee Valmalenco, Fis, sponsors and suppliers, their agents, employers and volunteers shall not be responsible for any losses or injuries incurred or suffered by any athlete, official or other person in conjunction with the organizing or staging of the event.

PROGRAMME

Freestyle	09/03	10/03	11/03	12/03	13/03	14/03	15/03	16/03
	- Registration - Accreditation - Team Captain Meeting 17.00							
Halfpipe		Training	Training	- Qualification - Finals				
Moguls					Training	Training	- Qualification - Finals	
Ski Cross						Training	Training	- Qualification - Finals

MAP



- HD**
- Media Center
- Accreditation
- Race office
- Team Captains' Meeting