Pokal Loka 2012

The rules for parallel slalom

- Time of the competition: 17th of February 2012 at 6.30 p.m.
- Place: Mestni trg Skofja Loka where the Opening ceremony will take place, on the hill under the castle
- Participants: the competitors, who compete at the international race Pokal Loka.

The jury

- Chief of race: Nejc Rebec SLO
- Assistant: Miloš Križaj SLO
- Referee: will be chosen on the team captains' meeting at 3 p.m.
- Technical delegate: Jaro Kalan SLO

The rules

The parallel event is a competition where two or more competitors race simultaneously side by side down two or more courses. The setting of the courses, the configuration of the ground and the preparation of the snow are to be as identical as possible.

• Vertical drop is 30 meters.

The competitiors will walk to the start area, the approximate time of walking is 1 minute.

Each course is designated by a series of gates, each gate is composed of two slalom poles with a GS gate flag stretched between them and fastened in such a way so as to tear or break away.

The competitors **MUST** wear the helmets during races!

• Start

Two gates each 100 cm wide and 40 cm in height.

False Starts

- if the competitor goes through the gate before the start command,
- if the competitor does not have both ski poles set behind the closed gate.
- if the competitor uses the start gates for assistance.

• Time measurement

The time is measured wiht ALGE Tdc 8001 timing device The competitors will start the second run at the same time and NOT with the time lag

• Disqualifications / Did Not Finish

The causes for the disqualifications are the following: - false start

- changing from one course to another
- interfering with an opponent, voluntarily or not
- not passing through a gate correctly

The competitor who is disqualified in, or who does not finish the first run of a heat will start the second run with a penalty time. The competitor who is disqualified in, or does not finish the second run of a heat is eliminated. If both competitors do not finish the second run, the result of the first run counts. If both were disqualified or did not finish the first run, the competitor who skied the furthest distance in the second run will advance to the next round. In case of a tie after two runs, the result of the first run will count.

The maximum penalty time will be 0.50 sec. In all cases the maximum time difference for the first run of each pairing can never be higher than the penalty time. If both competitors are tied after the second run the competitor who wins the second run advances to the next round. If both competitors are disqualified in the second run the competitor who skied the furthest distance before disqualification advances. If both competitors are disqualified at the same gate in the second run then the competitor who won the first run will advance.

• Number of competitors

One competitor for every country paticipating in Pokal Loka. Countries are allowed to change competitors for every run.

• Qualifications

One half of participating countries will drive their qualification run on the red course, the other half on the blue course. The fastest 8 competitors from each course will progress to the 1/8 finals. The draw of courses will be made according to the last years team overall standings of Pokal Loka. The draw will be made 5 days before the competition by the organising commitee.

• 1/8 finals

Every pair competes in two runs, each competitor driving on both courses. Eight couples will be made out of 16 fastest countries in qualifications.

Pairs:

The fastest competitor (red) with the 8th fastest competitor (blue) The 2nd fastest competitor (red) with the 7th fastest competitor (blue) The 3rd fastest competitor (red) with the 6th fastest competitor (blue) The 4th fastest competitor (red) with the 5th fastest competitor (blue) The 5th fastest competitor (red) with the 4th fastest competitor (blue) The 6th fastest competitor (red) with the 3rd fastest competitor (blue) The 7th fastest competitor (red) with the 2nd fastest competitor (blue) The 8th fastest competitor (red) with the fastest competitor (blue)

• Quarterfinals

The winners of the 1/8 finals. 8 countries, 4 pairs.

• Semi-finals

The winners of the quarterfinals. 4 countries, 2 pairs.

• 3rd place race

The losers of the semi-finals. 2 countries, 1 pair.

• Final

The winners of the 1/2 finals. 2 countries, 1 pair.