

Proposal from RMD to Classification Working Group

To allow a FIS race and USSA race to be run simultaneously. For DH and SG events only. To allow U16's to race on the same course as FIS racers, when the vertical drops are meet for both age groups, and be able to the score USSA points for the U16s off of the FIS results without having the top 5 athletes in the points have to ski the course twice and essentially run two different races.

Purpose:

This would allow venues to run a larger field size for speed events. This would also allow the U16's access to lower USSA point penalties then they otherwise would due to U18's and older not being able to take time off to compete in both a FIS and a USSA speed series. This would also allow good crossover for all age groups in competition.

Allowing venues to do this would enhance the field size for speed events. Currently it is difficult to site speed venues as the field sizes are typically very small. Setting up a speed venue with all the B-net and A-net installation requires considerable prep work from the venue and with the field sizes being small, the will not generate the revenue to cover their costs.

I believe we need to be innovative in how we run speed events or we will not be able to continue to site these speed events in the future.

From Classification Meeting

Motion: To approve, as a one year test and pending input from FIS colleagues and staff, the RMD proposal on combined FIS/USSA speed event scoring. A task-force (C. Jett, D. Nolting, T. Hoessler, J. Weinman) will review and make recommendations for any operational issues that may be encountered. Hoessler/Weinman/without objection

Approved by Rules and Technical

From Alpine Sports Committee

Tabled for review by Alpine Executive after FIS meeting input by Janez Flere