Biathlon Alberta

Hosting Policy

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BIATHLON ALBERTA – HOSTING POLICY

Foreword

Athletes in the sport of biathlon undertake a tremendous level of effort and dedication to achieve excellence in competition. As the provincial governing body for the sport, Biathlon Alberta is responsible for establishing standards for hosting the Calforex Cup series and the Alberta Biathlon Championships.

Organizations and persons involved in hosting or conducting these provincial events are required to conform to the stipulations of the Hosting Policy.

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- **12.4.23 Clarification of 'AB Pursuit' being a 5-second start interval. OC's wishing to run a 3-second interval pursuit shall run a 'Pursuit' subject to the rules of the Biathlon Canada Hosting Policy**
- **12.4.23 Ecoaims U11 & U13 will be randomly seeded for AB Pursuit, rather than seeded by the previous days results**

- **Table 1 Simultaneous start for the Super Sprint Final for Development and Adult categories**
- **1.6.3 Sanction Fee supplement of $2,000 for events that are significantly larger than the other Calforex Cups to support the delivery of events across the province**
- **2.3.6 Additional responsibility for OC's to designate a Chief of Ecoaims, to support the delivery of Ecoaims competitions (separate from Chief of Range)**

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As many sections of the IBU rules are unaffected, there will be gaps in the numbering of sections in this document.

1. General Regulations

1.1 Application Of This Policy

This Policy shall apply to the hosting of Calforex Cup and Alberta Biathlon Championship events unless otherwise authorized by Biathlon Alberta. When a Club bids to host an event to which this Policy applies, the Club agrees to abide by this Policy.

1.1.1 Rules

The International Biathlon Union (IBU) Event and Competition Rules as well as the Canadian Hosting Policy for Canadian Biathlon Championships, Eastern, and Western Championships apply to all aspects of the event unless otherwise stipulated in this Policy. Refer to Sections 2 through 12 for special Alberta rules and modifications to IBU rules. In cases where no specific rule exists for a situation and it is not covered in this Policy, the principle or the intent of the IBU Rules will be used to determine the resolution of the situation.

1.1.2 Intent And Nature Of Events

Calforex Cup events are intended and designed to provide a provincial competitive forum to engage athletes in meaningful competition and determine overall Cup winners in each competitor class. Calforex Cup events may be combined with other events such as regional competitions or events sanctioned by Biathlon Canada.

1.2 Sanctioning Of Events

The Calforex Cup is under the jurisdiction and control of Biathlon Alberta. No event or competition held in Alberta may be titled Calforex Cup, or any variation of that name, nor may use the title sponsor's name unless it has been sanctioned by Biathlon Alberta. Currently, the title sponsor of the Calforex Cup is Calforex.

1.3 Classes of Competitors

The classes of competitors here are established for all Calforex Cup events. Additional classes may be offered by the LOC with approval from Biathlon Alberta. Calforex Cup competitions are

held in the following classes: Men/Women, Junior Men/Junior Women (U21), Youth Men/Youth Women (U19), Senior Boys/Senior Girls (U17), Development 3 (U17), Development 2 (U17), Development 1 (U17), Adults 4, Adults 3, Adults 2, Adults 1, Ecoaims (Open), Ecoaims (U13), Ecoaims (U11), Para stand, Para Sit.

1.4 Types of Competitions

Six competition types are authorized to be conducted at events governed by this Policy: Individual; Short Individual; Sprint; Alberta Pursuit; Mass Start and Super Sprint. Additional competition types (e.g. Snowshoe Biathlon) may be offered by the LOC with approval from Biathlon Alberta. The specific competitions held at a Calforex Cup event shall be decided upon by Biathlon Alberta in consultation with the LOC.

1.4.1 Competition Specifications

The following Table 1 and the appended notes set out the skiing and shooting specifications of classes of Calforex Cup competitors and types of competitions and apply to all Calforex Cup events. The Competition Jury may, in exceptional conditions, adjust the distance between shooting bouts and course specifications in order to secure the conduct of the competition.

Table 1

Category	Competition Format	Competition Distance	Start Type	Skiing Loops	Loop length	Shooting Sequence	Penalty
Women	Individual	15km	Single, 15 sec	5	3km	PSPS	60 sec
	Short Individual	12.5km	Single, 15 sec	5	2.5km	PSPS	45 sec
	Mass Start 30	12.5km	Simultaneous	5	2.5km	PPSS	150m
	Mass Start 60	12km	Simultaneous	6	2km	PPSS	150m
	AB Pursuit	10km	Pursuit, 5 sec	5	2km	PPSS	150m

	Sprint	7.5km	Single, 15 Sec	3	2.5km	PS	150m
	Relay	6km	Simultaneous	3	2km	PS	150m
	Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	3	2-2.5km	PS	150m
	Single Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1.5km	PSPS	75m
	Super Sprint Qualification	4.5km	Single 15 Sec	3	1.5km	PS	75m
	Super Sprint Final	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m
Men	Individual	20km	Single, 15 sec	5	4km	PSPS	60 sec
	Short Individual	15km	Single, 15 sec	5	3km	PSPS	45 sec
	Mass Start 30	15km	Simultaneous	5	3km	PPSS	150m
	Mass Start 60	15km	Simultaneous	6	2.5km	PPSS	150m
	AB Pursuit	12.5km	Pursuit, 5 sec	5	2.5km	PPSS	150m
	Sprint	10km	Single, 15 Sec	3	3.3km	PS	150m
	Relay	7.5km	Simultaneous	3	2.5km	PS	150m
	Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	3	2-2.5km	PS	150m
	Single Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1.5km	PSPS	75m
	Super Sprint Qualification	4.5km	Single 15 Sec	3	1.5km	PS	75m
	Super Sprint Final	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m

Junior Women (U21)	Individual	12.5km	Single, 15 sec	5	2.5km	PSPS	45 sec
	Short Individual	10km	Single, 15 sec	5	2km	PSPS	45 sec
	Mass Start 30	10km	Simultaneous	5	2km	PPSS	150m
	Mass Start 60	9km	Simultaneous	6	1.5km	PPSS	150m
	AB Pursuit	10km	Pursuit, 5 sec	5	2km	PPSS	150m
	Sprint	7.5km	Single, 15 Sec	3	2.5km	PS	150m
	Relay	6km	Simultaneous	3	2km	PS	150m
	Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	3	2-2.5km	PS	150m
	Single Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1.5km	PSPS	75m
	Super Sprint Qualification	4.5km	Single 15 Sec	3	1.5km	PS	75m
	Super Sprint Final	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m
Junior Men (U21)	Individual	15km	Single, 15 sec	5	3km	PSPS	45 sec
	Short Individual	12.5km	Single, 15 sec	5	2.5km	PSPS	45 sec
	Mass Start 30	12.5km	Simultaneous	5	2.5km	PPSS	150m
	Mass Start 60	12km	Simultaneous	6	2km	PPSS	150m
	AB Pursuit	12.5km	Pursuit, 5 sec	5	2.5km	PPSS	150m
	Sprint	10km	Single, 15 Sec	3	3.3km	PS	150m
	Relay	7.5km	Simultaneous	3	2.5km	PS	150m
	Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	3	2-2.5km	PS	150m
	Single Mixed	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1.5km	PSPS	75m

	Relay						
	Super Sprint Qualification	4.5km	Single 15 Sec	3	1.5km	PS	75m
	Super Sprint Final	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m
Youth Women (U19)	Individual	10km	Single, 15 sec	5	2km	PSPS	45 sec
	Short Individual	7.5km	Single, 15 sec	5	1.5km	PSPS	30 sec
	Mass Start 30	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	150m
	Mass Start 60	9km	Simultaneous	6	1.5km	PPSS	150m
	AB Pursuit	7.5km	Pursuit, 5 sec	5	1.5km	PPSS	150m
	Sprint	6km	Single, 15 Sec	3	2km	PS	150m
	Relay	6km	Simultaneous	3	2km	PS	150m
	Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	3	2-2.5km	PS	150m
	Single Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1.5km	PSPS	75m
	Super Sprint Qualification	4.5km	Single 15 Sec	3	1.5km	PS	75m
	Super Sprint Final	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m
Youth Men (U19)	Individual	12.5km	Single, 15 sec	5	2.5km	PSPS	45 sec
	Short Individual	10km	Single, 15 sec	5	2km	PSPS	30 sec
	Mass Start 30	10km	Simultaneous	5	2km	PPSS	150m
	Mass Start 60	12km	Simultaneous	6	2km	PPSS	150m

	AB Pursuit	10km	Pursuit, 5 sec	5	2km	PPSS	150m
	Sprint	7.5km	Single, 15 Sec	3	2.5km	PS	150m
	Relay	7.5km	Simultaneous	3	2.5km	PS	150m
	Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	3	2-2.5km	PS	150m
	Single Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1.5km	PSPS	75m
	Super Sprint Qualification	4.5km	Single 15 Sec	3	1.5km	PS	75m
	Super Sprint Final	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m
Senior Girls/Boys (U17)	Individual	7.5km	Single, 15 sec	5	1.5km	PSPS	30 sec
	Short Individual	6.25km	Single, 15 sec	5	1.25km	PSPS	30 sec
	Mass Start 30	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m
	Mass Start 60	9km	Simultaneous	6	1.5km	PPSS	75m
	AB Pursuit	7.5km	Pursuit, 5 sec	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m
	Sprint	6km	Single, 15 Sec	3	2km	PS	75m
	Relay, Mixed Relay	4.5km	Simultaneous	3	1.5km	PS	75m
	Single Mixed Relay	4-5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1km	PSPS	50m
	Super Sprint Qualification	3km	Single, 15 sec	3	1km	PS	50m
	Super Sprint Final	5km	Simultaneous	5	1km	PPSS	50m

Development 3 (U17) (DEV3)	Individual	7.5km	Single, 15 sec	5	1.5km	PPPP	30 sec
	Short Individual	6.25km	Single, 15 sec	5	1.25km	PPPP	30 sec
	Mass Start 30	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPPP	75m
	Mass Start 60	9km	Simultaneous	6	1.5km	PPPP	75m
	AB Pursuit	7.5km	Pursuit, 5 sec	5	1.5km	PPPP	75m
	Sprint	6km	Single, 15 Sec	3	2km	PP	75m
	Relay, Mixed Relay	4.5km	Simultaneous	3	1.5km	PP	75m
	Single Mixed Relay	4-5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1km	PPPP	75m
	Super Sprint Qualification	3km	Single, 15 sec	3	1km	PP	50m
	Super Sprint Final	5km	Simultaneous	5	1km	PPPP	50m
Development 2 (U17) (DEV2)	Individual	6km	Single, 15 sec	4	1.5km	PPP	30 sec
	Short Individual	4km	Single, 15 sec	4	1km	PPP	30 sec
	Mass Start 30	6km	Simultaneous	4	1.5km	PPP	75m
	Mass Start 60	6km	Simultaneous	4	1.5km	PPP	75m
	AB Pursuit	6km	Pursuit, 5 sec	4	1.5km	PPP	75m
	Sprint	4.5km	Single, 15 Sec	3	1.5km	PP	75m
	Relay, Mixed Relay	3km	Simultaneous	3	1km	PP	75m
	Single Mixed Relay	4-5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1km	PPPP	50m

	Super Sprint Qualification	3km	Single, 15 sec	3	1km	PP	50m
	Super Sprint Final	4km	Simultaneous	4	1km	PPP	50m
Development 1 (U17) (DEV1)	Individual	4km	Single, 15 sec	4	1km	PPP	30 sec
	Short Individual	3km	Single, 15 sec	4	750m	PPP	30 sec
	Mass Start 30	4km	Simultaneous	4	1km	PPP	75m
	Mass Start 60	5km	Simultaneous	5	1km	PPP	75m
	AB Pursuit	4km	Pursuit, 5 sec	4	1km	PPP	75m
	Sprint	3km	Single, 15 Sec	3	1km	PP	75m
	Relay, Mixed Relay	3km	Simultaneous	3	1km	PP	75m
	Single Mixed Relay	2.8-3.5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	700m	PPPP	75m
	Super Sprint Qualification	2.1km	Single, 15 sec	3	700m	PP	50m
	Super Sprint Final	2.8km	Simultaneous	4	700m	PPP	50m
Adult 4	Individual	12.5km	Single, 15 sec	5	2.5km	PSPS	30 sec
	Short Individual	10km	Single, 15 sec	5	2km	PSPS	30 sec
	Mass Start 30	10km	Simultaneous	5	2km	PPSS	75m
	Mass Start 60	12km	Simultaneous	6	2km	PPSS	75m
	AB Pursuit	10km	Pursuit, 5 sec	5	2km	PPSS	75m

	Sprint	7.5km	Single, 15 Sec	3	2.5km	PS	75m
	Relay, Mixed Relay	4.5km	Simultaneous	3	1.5km	PS	75m
	Single Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1.5km	PSPS	50m
	Super Sprint Qualification	4.5km	Single, 15 sec	3	1.5km	PS	50m
	Super Sprint Final	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	50m
Adult 3	Individual	10km	Single, 15 sec	5	2km	PSPS	30 sec
	Short Individual	7.5km	Single, 15 sec	5	1.5km	PSPS	30 sec
	Mass Start 30	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m
	Mass Start 60	7.5km	Simultaneous	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m
	AB Pursuit	7.5km	Pursuit, 5 sec	5	1.5km	PPSS	75m
	Sprint	6km	Single, 15 Sec	3	2km	PS	75m
	Relay, Mixed Relay	4.5km	Simultaneous	3	1.5km	PS	75m
	Single Mixed Relay	6-7.5km	Simultaneous	4 or 5	1.5km	PSPS	50m
	Super Sprint Qualification	4.5km	Single, 15 sec	3	1.5km	PS	50m
	Super Sprint Final	5km	Simultaneous	5	1km	PPSS	50m
Adult 2	Individual	7.5km	Single, 15 sec	5	1.5km	PSPS	30 sec

	Short Individual	**5km**	**Single, 15 sec**	**5**	**1km**	**PSPS**	**30 sec**
	Mass Start 30	**5km**	**Simultaneous**	**5**	**1km**	**PPSS**	**75m**
	Mass Start 60	**6km**	**Simultaneous**	**6**	**1km**	**PPSS**	**75m**
	AB Pursuit	**5km**	**Pursuit, 5 sec**	**5**	**1km**	**PPSS**	**75m**
	Sprint	**4.5km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**3**	**1.5km**	**PS**	**75m**
	Relay, Mixed Relay	**3km**	**Simultaneous**	**3**	**1km**	**PS**	**75m**
	Single Mixed Relay	**4-5km**	**Simultaneous**	**4 or 5**	**1km**	**PSPS**	**50m**
	Super Sprint Qualification	**3km**	**Single, 15 sec**	**3**	**1km**	**PS**	**50m**
	Super Sprint Final	**3.5km**	**Simultaneous**	**5**	**700m**	**PPSS**	**50m**
Adult 1	**Individual**	**7.5km**	**Single, 15 sec**	**5**	**1.5km**	**PSPS**	**30 sec**
	Short Individual	**5km**	**Single, 15 sec**	**5**	**1km**	**PSPS**	**30 sec**
	Mass Start 30	**5km**	**Simultaneous**	**5**	**1km**	**PPSS**	**75m**
	Mass Start 60	**5km**	**Simultaneous**	**5**	**1km**	**PPSS**	**75m**
	AB Pursuit	**5km**	**Pursuit, 5 sec**	**5**	**1km**	**PPSS**	**75m**
	Sprint	**4.5km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**3**	**1.5km**	**PS**	**75m**
	Relay, Mixed Relay	**3km**	**Simultaneous**	**3**	**1km**	**PS**	**75m**
	Single Mixed Relay	**4-5km**	**Simultaneous**	**4 or 5**	**1km**	**PSPS**	**50m**
	Super Sprint Qualification	**3km**	**Single, 15 sec**	**3**	**1km**	**PS**	**50m**

	Super Sprint Final	**3.5km**	**Simultaneous**	**5**	**700m**	**PPSS**	**50m**
Ecoaims (Open)	**Individual**	**5km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**4**	**1.25km**	**PPP**	**30 sec**
	Short Individual	**4km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**4**	**1km**	**PPP**	**30 sec**
	Mass Start 30	**4km**	**Simultaneous**	**4**	**1km**	**PPP**	**50m**
	Mass Start 60	**5km**	**Simultaneous**	**5**	**1km**	**PPP**	**50m**
	AB Pursuit	**4km**	**Pursuit, 5 sec**	**4**	**1km**	**PPP**	**50m**
	Sprint	**3km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**3**	**1km**	**PP**	**50m**
Ecoaims (U13)	**Individual**	**5km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**4**	**1.25km**	**PPP**	**30 sec**
	Short Individual	**4km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**4**	**1km**	**PPP**	**30 sec**
	Mass Start 30	**4km**	**Simultaneous**	**4**	**1km**	**PPP**	**50m**
	Mass Start 60	**5km**	**Simultaneous**	**5**	**1km**	**PPP**	**50m**
	AB Pursuit	**4km**	**Pursuit, 5 sec**	**4**	**1km**	**PPP**	**50m**
	Sprint	**3km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**3**	**1km**	**PP**	**50m**
Ecoaims (U11)	**Individual**	**4km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**4**	**1km**	**PPP**	**30 sec**
	Short Individual	**3km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**4**	**750m**	**PPP**	**30 sec**
	Mass Start 30	**3km**	**Simultaneous**	**4**	**750m**	**PPP**	**50m**
	Mass Start 60	**4km**	**Simultaneous**	**5**	**750m**	**PPP**	**50m**
	AB Pursuit	**3km**	**Pursuit, 5 sec**	**4**	**750m**	**PPP**	**50m**

	Sprint	**2.25km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**3**	**750m**	**PP**	**50m**
Para Standing	**Individual**	**6.25km**	**Single, 15 sec**	**5**	**1.25km**	**PSPS**	**30 sec**
	Short Individual	**5km**	**Single, 15 sec**	**5**	**1km**	**PSPS**	**30 sec**
	AB Pursuit	**6.25km**	**Pursuit, 5 sec**	**5**	**1.25km**	**PPSS**	**75m**
	Sprint	**4.5km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**3**	**1.5km**	**PS**	**75m**
Para Sit	**Individual**	**4km**	**Single, 15 sec**	**4**	**1km**	**PPP**	**30 sec**
	Short Individual	**3km**	**Single, 15 sec**	**4**	**750m**	**PPP**	**30 sec**
	AB Pursuit	**4km**	**Pursuit, 5 sec**	**4**	**1km**	**PPP**	**75m**
	Sprint	**3km**	**Single, 15 Sec**	**3**	**1km**	**PP**	**75m**

Additional classes and types of competitions may be offered by the LOC with approval from Biathlon Alberta.

Notes:

1.4.1.1 Senior Boys and Senior Girls do not carry rifles when skiing the course. All Competitors who do not carry rifles must conform to the appropriate section of the Range Procedures for Competitors Not Carrying Rifles contained in Annex A. Senior Boys and Girls may be required to carry their rifle for the duration of the competition in a Single Mixed Relay or Super Sprint depending on the available loop distance/profile/number of competitors.

1.4.1.2 Relay type will determine the distance and number of legs. Relays may be 2, 3, or 4-person relays, same gender or mixed. The formats will be determined after the registration deadline.

1.4.1.3 Except for the Individual & Short Individual Competition, for which the time shot penalty is noted above in the table, the shot penalty is a 150m penalty loop and 75m (SMR/SS) for all

IBU classes. For Senior Boys and Girls, Development, and Adult categories the shot penalty is 75m penalty loop and 50m (SMR/SS). The shot penalty for all Ecoaims categories is 50m.

1.4.1.4 The penalty loop distance for Adult categories may be changed to match the other categories they are racing with the permission of Biathlon Alberta. This change must be announced in the race invitation and at the Team Captain's Meeting.

1.4.1.5 Course lengths or penalty loop distances that differ from the provisions of this Hosting Policy should be indicated in the invitation and be reviewed in the team captains' meeting or in a communication prior to the event.

1.4.1.6 Development 1 Category may use a rifle rest.

1.4.1.7 Adult 1 category will not carry their rifle on course and will follow the range procedures for Senior Boys and Girls.

1.4.1.8 Adult categories may be split into men/women/non-binary. The intention is that the Adult categories race together with awards split by men/women/non-binary.

1.4.1.9 Development categories may be split into boys/girls/non-binary.

1.4.1.10 Adult 1 and Adult 4 are non-medal categories for Calforex Cup races.

1.4.1.11 Ecoaims (open) category will run on both days. OCs may organize the athletes by age as appropriate for starting.

1.4.1.12 Para categories to use Ecoaims, however, coaches may request air rifle or 0.22 rifle.

1.4.1.13 Para categories above are for development athletes, and that when applicable and appropriate that athletes can pick their respective age/speed categories.

1.5 Eligibility Rules for Competitors and Team Staff

1.5.1 General

Any member of good standing from a Biathlon Canada Division or other National Biathlon Federation may participate in a Biathlon Alberta event. Competitors may be asked to provide proof of current membership to obtain a race bib.
Coaches and team staff must also have valid memberships. Coaches must have a coaching certification. Out-of-province coaches must provide evidence of coaching certification.

All participants are eligible to win medals at Calforex Cup events; however, only members of Biathlon Alberta are eligible for Calforex Cup points and season long awards.

1.5.2 As required by the Alberta Government Fairness and Safety in Sport Act and the Fairness and Safety in Sport Regulation, all competitors who are:

a) Entering a female only category and;

b) Over the age of 11 years

Are required to provide a declaration of gender assigned at birth upon registration. Further evidence of gender assigned at birth may be required if a challenge is received. Athletes will be placed according to their registered gender at birth only when relevant to eligibility.

1.6 Registration and Entry

1.6.1 Registration

Host clubs and competitors are required to use the Zone4 online registration system. Registrations must be paid by credit card. Biathlon Alberta will set up the Zone4 race registration and collect race registration fees on behalf of the LOC. Registration must not be opened before the Event Invitation has been approved by the TD and Biathlon Alberta.

1.6.2 Entry Fee

The entry fee for competitors in IBU classes, Senior Boys/Girls, Para, and Adult shall not exceed $75 for the weekend event. Development categories shall be charged no more than $55 and

Ecoaims no more than $50 for the weekend event. An additional transaction processing fee will be added.

Organizing Committees (OC) with high operational costs may apply for exemption to entry fee limits. The Organizing Committee must request and receive, in writing, permission from Biathlon Alberta to increase race entry fees. Proof of high operational costs and expenses will be required before approval is granted.

OC's of venues with snow storing and producing capacity are eligible to charge an additional $5 for IBU Categories and $2.50 for all other categories per race day.

After the event, Biathlon Alberta will confirm final revenue totals with the OC within 1 week of the Sunday competition. In an effort to improve transparency between clubs, and ensure equitable margins for OC's across the province, Biathlon Alberta asks that each event share it's final financials within 3 weeks of the conclusion of the event.

1.6.3 Sanction Fee

A fee of $2000 will be levied by Biathlon Alberta for each sanctioned event. Biathlon Alberta reserves the right to charge an additional $2,000 for events that are significantly larger than the other Calforex Cups (e.g. Calforex 1). This will be confirmed with the OC during the registration process. Organizers can expect Biathlon Alberta to provide the following benefits and event services:

- Event promotion via the Biathlon Alberta calendar and website
- Registration and entry-fee collection services
- Provision of Timing Team and timing equipment
- Provision of Technical Delegate
- Provision of competition bibs and leg numbers
- Provision of medals

1.7 Cancellation or Postponement of Events

If it appears that an event will need to be cancelled or postponed due to prevailing conditions (typically lack of snow or severely cold temperatures), organizers shall inform Biathlon Alberta of the cancellation by 11:00 am the Wednesday (3 days) prior to the event. Biathlon Alberta will publicize the cancellation as soon as possible following the decision to cancel. Should weather conditions change suddenly (e.g. major snowstorm or a precipitous drop in temperature) events may be cancelled or postponed as late as the day of the event. Every effort will be made to reschedule the event for a later date.

When events are cancelled prior to the first day of competition, competitors will be guaranteed to receive a 50% refund of their registration fees. In the event of a cancellation on or before 11:00 am the Wednesday (3 days) prior to the event, a full refund, minus any overhead race costs already incurred by the Organizing Committee and Biathlon Alberta, will be given to registrants.
If a competition must be cancelled on the weekend of the event due to cold weather, course conditions, or other unforeseen circumstances, no refund of registration fees will be made. Registration deadline will be Sunday at 11:59 pm on the weekend prior to the race weekend.

2. Organization Bodies and Appointments

2.1 General

2.2. The Organizing Committee

The LOC should be set up in general conformity with IBU Rules and must have sufficient numbers of members to conduct the event in an efficient and orderly manner. A minimum of 25 volunteers are required for a Calforex Cup event. In order to guarantee a good standard of technical expertise it is suggested that volunteers acting in the position of Chief be qualified to Biathlon Canada's Advanced Officials standard. It is expected that other volunteers will complete the Entry Level Officials training in their functional area. Biathlon Alberta regularly

offers Officials courses at the Entry and Advance Levels. To assist OC's, Biathlon Alberta has created a Calforex Cheat Sheet. OC's are encouraged to use this document and make changes to suit their event.

Biathlon Alberta will assign a qualified TD to oversee the event. The TD must not be part of the LOC. The LOC will be required to discuss the organizational setup of the event with the TD prior to the submission of the invitation to Biathlon Alberta.

2.2.1 Information Bulletins and Invitations

Invitation Example

The Local Organizing Committee is responsible for the production of an electronic copy of the event invitation, which must be approved by the appointed Technical Delegate (TD) prior to submission. This document must be submitted to Biathlon Alberta at least 5 weeks prior to the event. Upon receipt, it shall be posted to the Biathlon Alberta website.

2.2.2 Medical Services

An Emergency Action Plan must be made available upon request, a template can be found here. A suitable vehicle or snowmobile with a toboggan must be on the competition site for casualty evacuation. If a competition physician is not available, a person trained in first aid must be designated for that role. The organizer must arrange onward evacuation from the stadium to a medical facility by ambulance or designated vehicle.

2.3 The Competition Jury

2.3.1 General

Jury selection and duties shall be in accordance with IBU rules, as applicable and appropriate in Alberta. The Competition Jury shall be chaired by the TD and shall include the Competition Chief and 3 team captains selected at the pre-competition briefing.

When there are separate competitions in the morning and in the afternoon, a second jury will be established for the afternoon.

2.4 Jury of Appeal

2.4.1 General

The Jury of Appeal for Calforex Cup events will operate according to the IBU Disciplinary Rules with one procedural change – the Jury of Appeal Chair or members will not be considered prejudiced should members of their own team be involved in a case before the Jury. The Jury of Appeal will be chaired by the President of Biathlon Alberta or his/her designate and will include any 4 members of the Biathlon Alberta Board. If insufficient Board members are present, then elected Team Captains or Coaches will make up the balance of the Jury.

2.5 <Not Allocated>

2.6 Technical Delegates

2.6.1 General

A Technical Delegate (TD) will be assigned by Biathlon Alberta for each Calforex Cup event. The TD's task is to assist the organizers and to ensure that the competitions are conducted in accordance with pertinent rules and regulations. Duties of the TD are in accordance with IBU rules, as applicable and appropriate in Alberta. The TD represents Biathlon Alberta and no other organization or agency. The TD must not be part of the LOC.

2.6.2 TD Inspections

If the host location has not previously conducted a provincial event, such as a Calforex Cup, the LOC is required to bring the designated TD to the competition venue for a site inspection. This visit must occur in a timely fashion to ensure that recommended changes are made prior to the event. The TD's expenses for this visit will be the responsibility of the host club.

For Clubs with previous hosting experience, the LOC must consult with the TD prior to submission of the formal invitation in order to receive TD approval.

3. Competition Venues and Facilities

3.1 Competition Facility

3.1.1 General

The competition facility for Calforex Cup events should conform as much as possible to IBU rules. The following requirements are the minimum acceptable standards:

3.2 Stadium and Warm-Up Areas

3.2.1 Stadium

Well configured to provide an unobstructed start/finish, a simultaneous start area having 3 lanes with sufficient length to accommodate 15 to 30 athletes, a public address system, and a results board easily accessed by athletes and coaches.

3.2.2 Warm-up Trail

A trail, approximately 400m in length, prepared the same as the competition course, with access from the central area.

3.3 Course and Associated Sections

3.3.1 Course

Sufficient loops to conduct the required competitions (see Table 3), general conformity with IBU Rules specifications, and no dangerous portions.

3.4 Shooting Range

3.4.1 Range

Sixteen (16) mechanical targets in good working order (level and centered), 2.5 – 3.0 meter marked lanes, range flags, wind flags, safe access & exit (left to right) and a penalty loop in proximity. At the discretion and approval of the LOC, Ecoaims may be allowed to be on a separate range if space and volunteer staff are available.

3.6 Team Waxing Cabins and Parking Areas

3.6.1 Warm-up Huts

A heated building or tent large enough to provide shelter for competitors and volunteers, preferably within 300 meters of the start/finish location, must be provided.

3.6.2 Toilets for Competitors and Team Staff

At least four (two for men and two for women) indoor or outdoor toilets, within 250 meters of the stadium must be provided. Para sit accessible toilet facilities need to be provided if registration in this category is made.

3.6.3 Parking

Sufficient space for spectators, coaches, competitors, and volunteers to park vehicles, ideally no more than 500 metres from the stadium site. Para sit accessible parking is required if the category is in the invitation.

3.6.4 Accommodation Requirements

Sufficient accommodation must be available within a 50-km radius of the competition facility to house all competitors, team staff, and out-of-town officials. Eating facilities, commercial or otherwise, should be available within 10 km of the accommodation.

Competition Equipment and Clothing for Events

4.2.2 Pre-Start Materials/Equipment and Clothing Inspection

Competitors must report at the start materials/equipment and clothing inspection area not later than 10 minutes prior to the competition start to have their rifles checked, and their clothing inspected.

Once equipment has been checked, it does not need to be re-checked for the rest of the competition unless a change or adjustment has been made to the equipment, at which point it must be re-checked.

4. **Training and Zeroing – Not Allocated**
5. **Start Regulations – Not Allocated**
6. **Skiing regulations – Not Allocated**

7. Shooting regulations

8.1 Shooting Regulations AB Categories

Table 2

Category	Ages	Shooting Regulations
Ecoaims U11	U11	athletes shoot on targets Level 6 setting 10m + rest
Ecoaims U13	U13	athletes shoot on targets Level 7 setting 10m + rest
Ecoaims open	13+	athletes shoot on targets Level 7 setting 10m + rest
Development 1	U17	athletes shoot prone, 50m, rest permitted
Development 2	U17	athletes shoot prone, 50m, no rest
Development 3	U17	athletes shoot prone, 50m, no rest
Senior Boys	U17	athletes shoot prone + standing, rifle drill
Senior Girls	U17	athletes shoot prone + standing, rifle drill
Adult 1	17+	athletes shoot prone + standing, rifle drill
Adult 2	17+	athletes shoot prone + standing
Adult 3	17+	athletes shoot prone + standing
Adult 4	17+	athletes shoot prone + standing
Para stand		Athletes shoot on targets Level 7 setting, 10m
Para sit		Athletes shoot on targets Level 7 setting, 10m, rest permitted

8.5. Safety Regulations

8.5.1 General

When a rifle is brought into or is taken out of the stadium area, it must be in a case or a cover bag. As a visible sign that there is no cartridge in the chamber, an additional safety marker(colored flag or lock) must be attached. The marker may only be removed as of Art. 8.5.1.1.

8.5.1.1 Safety Marker

The safety marker(colored flag or lock) has to be used in all rifles when entering the stadium. It has to remain in place until the athlete reaches the shooting range, where it might be removed for training or competition. When leaving the range after training the marker must be inserted again. The Safety Marker IBU Event and Competition Rule 8.5.1.1 will not apply at Biathlon Alberta sanctioned events."

9.0 The Finish, Competition Time, And Results

9.3.1 Timing Systems

Electronic timing, supplemented by manual backup, will be provided by Biathlon Alberta. Reasonable Wi-Fi connection for data upload and cell service is necessary since timing chips now run on cell coverage. Internet hotspots can be acquired for a fee.

9.4 The Competition Results

9.4.1 General

Results for Calforex Cup events will be compiled and distributed by the Biathlon Alberta timing team. Provisional and final results must be scrutinized and signed by the TD before being posted.

The LOC is encouraged to appoint a media relations volunteer to ensure that results are submitted to local and provincial media outlets by the end of each day of competition. A short article summarizing the weekend of competition should accompany the results.

9.2.4.1 Lapped Competitors in Relay Competition

9.2.4.1.2 Competitors whose relay team is lapped for the second time by the leading relay team must stop competing at an appropriate location in connection with the shooting range. Race officials shall support the competitors by informing them as well as possible. This may only be applied if necessary to start the next class of competitors and only after all other reasonable options to allow Competitors to finish have been exhausted.

10. Protests

10.2.1 Protest fee involving jury decision

The Biathlon Alberta protest fee shall be $20, paid when the protest is filed. If the protest is upheld, the protest fee will be returned.

11. Event & Competition Penalties And Disciplinary Measures

Except where noted in this hosting policy to the contrary, IBU disciplinary rules will apply to all IBU categories. Non-IBU categories will have their rules modified as per this hosting policy.

11.1.1 Reprimands

A reprimand will be imposed on all categories in the case of:
a. jeopardizing or defaming the honour or reputation of Biathlon Alberta in a very minor way;
b. insulting Biathlon Alberta, its organs, its members, or their affiliates and relatives;

11.2 Start Prohibition

Athletes or teams of all categories will be prohibited from starting for:
a. violation of the eligibility and qualification requirements of Biathlon Alberta

11.3 Time Penalties and Disqualification

11.3.1 No Penalty Items- Changes from previous policies

a. Crossfire
b. For Development Categories: No penalty will be applied if a Competitor skis a longer penalty loop than prescribed.

11.3.2 Fifteen second Penalty

For non-IBU classes, the following is changed to a 15-second penalty:

a. an athlete competes in a pursuit and starts up to max. three seconds before the officially assigned start time.
b. Starting outside the start window in the Sprint, Individual or Super Sprint Qualification competitions without returning to the start
c. Breaching the rules listed in IBU Art 8.2.1 at Mass Start, Sprint and Individual with group start, Super Sprint Final, Pursuit and or Relay competitions
d. Having shot from a wrong shooting position, wrong shooting sequence and or wrong position in the shooting lane.

11.3.3 Thirty-Second Penalty

a. Not Giving way at the first request by an overtaking competitor in a Sprint or Individual Competition
b. A thirty-second time penalty will be imposed each time a Competitor skis a shorter penalty loop than prescribed.

11.3.4 Sixty-Second Penalties

a. every penalty loop, resulting from shot penalties, not done by an athlete immediately after each prone or standing shoot
b. every round not fired if athletes recommence skiing before they have fired all five shots in Individual, Sprint, Pursuit, Mass Start or Super Sprint competitions, or all eight shots in a Relay competition, having not hit all targets

c. starting without a tag at the relays hand-over. Both athletes need to be in the hand-over zone acc. to Art. 6.4.4 and Art. 9.2.4. Otherwise, it is no start at all;
d. committing a minor violation of the principles of fair play or the requirements of sportsmanship.
e. For Ecoaims Categories A 1-minute penalty for every 100m the skied distance was shorter than the competition distance, rounded down to the nearest 100m, i.e. 99m rounds down to zero. No penalty if a longer loop was skied.

11.3.5 One Hundred twenty seconds Penalty

For Development Classes Only

a. receiving prohibited assistance as defined in the IBU Event and Competition Rules from a member of their team staff or non-competing athletes from their team
b. participation in a competition with a start number or start number sequence colour that has not been assigned to them on the competition start list, regardless of whether this is deliberate or due to a mistake made by them or by their team
c. exchanging a ski during the competition if the ski or binding is not broken
d. using a second magazine instead of hand-loading lost rounds, replacement rounds for misfires, or spare rounds individually
e. starting more than three seconds earlier than the assigned start time in a Pursuit competition

11.3.6 Disqualification

Note: Competition juries are encouraged to substitute other types of penalties in disqualification cases wherever possible.

The following rules are changed for non-IBU Categories as follows:

a. deviating from the marked trail, or skiing a wrong trail, or skiing the course loops in a wrong sequence or in the wrong direction (exception: see Art. 7.1.3); For Adult, Senior Girls/Boys, and Development categories Disqualification will not apply for all violations of section 11.3.4.h of the IBU Event and Competition Rules "deviating from the marked

trail". If the deviation/wrong loop resulted in a further ski distance, that is if no advantage is gained by the Competitor by deviating from the marked trail no penalty. Competitors will be disqualified if they have gained an advantage by deviating from the marked trail and did not return to the point of deviation as per IBU rule 7.1.3.

b. not carrying their rifle while skiing during the competition, and for not carrying their rifle, when it is not damaged, on the course with the barrel pointing up. Athletes in Ecoaims, Development, Senior Boys / Girls and Adult 1 classes are exempt.

12. Calforex Cup Event Rules

12.1 General Regulations

12.1.1 Event Frequency And Time Frame

Calforex Cup events shall be scheduled based on the receipt of qualified hosting bids from Local Organizing Committees (LOC's). The specific dates shall be set by Biathlon Alberta in consultation with LOC's. Dates for the Calforex Cup series will be announced by September 30th.

12.2 Application to Host

12.2.1 General

Member clubs will be contacted in April to discuss their potential interest in hosting an event the following season, and must confirm their preliminary interest and any relevant scheduling considerations within three weeks of receipt.

12.2.2 Eligibility To Host

Any Club in good standing with Biathlon Alberta is eligible to bid for and host a Calforex Cup event. Detailed instructions for bids, bid processing, awarding the right to host and conditions for hosting are stipulated later in this Policy. Any Organizing Committee that has not had a

Biathlon Alberta event scheduled during the three previous seasons must submit a letter signed by the Club President indicating Club approval and support, along with an Emergency Action Plan that will be in place for the event. Organizing Committees that have had an event scheduled during the three previous seasons do not need to complete this step, unless there have been material changes to their Emergency Action Plan.

12.2.3 Hosting Standards And Requirements

Unless otherwise authorized by Biathlon Alberta, the hosting organization must meet the competition requirements of section 2.2 (all subsections) and section 3 (all subsections).

12.2.4 Bid Processing

Once preliminary interest has been received by Biathlon Alberta, a proposed calendar will be reviewed in collaboration with relevant stakeholders to ensure a balanced, fair, and coordinated competition calendar. A final schedule will be confirmed following the publication of the Biathlon Canada domestic calendar.

12.2.5 Agreements

Upon approval by the Board of Biathlon Alberta, the application to host becomes the agreement by which the host Club will conduct the event according to this Policy and on the dates mutually agreed upon between Biathlon Alberta and the host Club.

12.3 Financial Responsibilities And Sponsorships

Funds for events are normally secured from grants, sponsorships, and entry fees. Even if a title sponsor for the series is in place, clubs may seek out additional sponsorships to support their local event. All costs for conducting an Calforex Cup event must be borne by the organizers, with the exception of the following items:

- TD expenses, except for instances where section 2.6.2 is applicable
- Medals for Calforex Cup classes
- Competition bibs and leg numbers
- Timing team and timing equipment expenses

The LOC must report on the financial performance of the event if requested by Biathlon Alberta. The financial performance of the event may be subject to an audit by Biathlon Alberta.

12.4 Calforex Cup Classes

12.4.1 Organizers of Calforex Cup/Alberta Biathlon Championship events are obliged to host the following Calforex Cup classes, comprised of IBU, Biathlon Canada, and Biathlon Alberta classes:

IBU Classes: Men/Women, Junior Men/Women, Youth Men/Women, Para-Sit, Para-Stand
Biathlon Canada Classes: Development 2, Development 1, Adult 4, Adult 3, Adult 2, Adult 1
Biathlon Alberta Classes: Senior Boys/Girls, Development 3, Ecoaims U11, Ecoaims U13, Ecoaims Open

12.4.2 Calforex Cup Competition Formats and Specific Regulations

12.4.2.1 Individual (IN): as per IBU rules 1.4.10 types of competitions, except:
Race specifications as in Table 1
Missed-shot time penalties for the following categories will be:
30 seconds: Senior Boys/Girls, All Adult categories, All Development categories, Ecoaims.

12.4.2.2 Short Individual (SIN): as per IBU rules, except:
Race specifications as in Table 1
Missed-shot time penalties for the following categories will be:
45 seconds: Junior Men/Women,
45 seconds: Youth Men/Women,
30 seconds: Senior Boys/Girls, All Adult categories, All Development categories, Ecoaims.

12.4.2.3 AB Pursuit (PS): as per IBU rules, except:

Race specifications as in Table 1

Start-order: The start order will be determined either by the results of the previous day's competition or by current Calforex Cup points standings. Athletes who did not compete in the previous day's competition, or who have no Calforex Cup points, will be seeded randomly behind those athletes who have been seeded according to the aforementioned criteria. U11 & U13 athletes will be randomly seeded by the Organizing Committee. At a minimum, the Organizing Committee is responsible for providing a starter for Ecoaims and Development categories.

Athletes in Ecoaims classes will be started manually by a starter.

Start interval: The start interval will be 5 seconds for all athletes. 3 minutes after the first starter, all remaining competitors will start as a wave (simultaneously).

Timing: Final times for the competition will be calculated as per IBU rules (9.2.2.2) In the Pursuit competition and the Mass Start competition, the first competitor to cross the finish line, after penalties and time adjustments have been accounted for, will be declared the winner. This also applies to the rankings of subsequent finishers. The competitor's time is the time elapsed between the first start and the finish.

12.4.2.4 Sprint (SP): as per IBU rules, except:

Race specifications as in Table 1

Start interval: 15 seconds; all categories.

12.4.2.5 Mass Start 30/60 (MS): as per IBU rules except:

Race specifications as in Table 1. U11 & U13 athletes will be randomly seeded by the Organizing Committee

12.4.2.6 Super Sprint (SS): as per IBU rules, except:

Race specifications as in Table 1

Missed-shot penalty loop for the following categories will be:

75m: IBU Categories

50m: Senior Boys/Girls, all Adult categories, All Development categories,

Exceptions can be made for a different-sized penalty loop with approval from Biathlon Alberta. Ecoaims are not eligible for this category.

Sprint rules apply for Super Sprint Qualification and Mass Start rules apply for Super Sprint Final, where no specific Super Sprint rules exist.

12.4.3 Calforex Cup – Ski Loop and Penalty Loop Distances

Table 3

Required Loops by Competition Type – recommended colour codes

Comp	4km	3.3km	3km	2.5km	2km	1.5km	1.25km	1km	750m	700m
IN	✔		✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔		
S IN			✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	
SP		✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	
AB PS				✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	
MS			✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	
SS						✔		✔	✔	✔
Colour	Brown	Blue	Yellow	Green	Red	Orange	Pink	Purple	Black	Brown

12.4.3.1 Penalty Loop Distances

Except for the Individual & Short Individual Competition, for which the time shot penalty is noted above in the table, the shot penalty is a 150m penalty loop and 75m (SMR/SS) for all IBU classes.

For Senior Boys and Girls, Development, and Adult categories the shot penalty is 75m penalty loop and 50m (SMR/SS).

The shot penalty for all Ecoaims categories is 50m.

12.5 Awards

12.5.1 Awards And Prizes

- Biathlon Alberta will provide medals for all Calforex Cup categories, **except Ecoaims, Adult 1, and Adult 4**.
- Medals will be presented to the top three finishers in eligible categories, provided the minimum numbers outlined in 12.7.4 are met.
- In the **Ecoaims, Adult 1, and Adult 4** categories, each finisher will instead receive a participation prize (e.g., cookie medal or other item chosen by Biathlon Alberta.
- **Ecoaims results** will be published in **alphabetical order only**, and no points will be awarded in these categories.

12.5.2 Adult Categories

Adult categories may be split into Men/Women/Non-Binary in their various age groups.

12.5.3 Combining Categories

The LOC may combine classes in which fewer than 3 competitors are registered. Presentations should occur each day as soon as possible after the last finisher.

12.5.4 Minimum Numbers

- A minimum of **three competitors** is required in any medal-eligible category for medals to be awarded, though results will still be published regardless.
- At the discretion of Biathlon Alberta and the organizing committee, if fewer than three competitors participate, medals may still be awarded in that category
- This minimum requirement does not apply to participation-prize categories (Ecoaims, Adult 1, Adult 4), which do not award medals.

12.5.5 Medal Specifications

A sticker must be affixed to the back of each medal, printed with the following information:

- Class and Competition (e.g. Jr. Men Sprint)
- Municipality and Province
- Date

12.5.6 Additional Prizes or Awards

Additional prizes or awards for any other classes are the sole responsibility of the LOC.

12.6 Special Alberta Regulations

12.6.1 Weather and Daylight

12.6.1.1 Weather

As per IBU rules 6.6 with a cut off of -20 C measured at the coldest part of the course.

12.6.1.1.1 Wind chill

If colder than -15 C, wind chill and humidity must be considered before starting.

12.6.1.2

The temperature cut-off for the Ecoaims categories is -15°C

12.6.1.3 Daylight

Zero should not begin until 30 minutes after the published time of sunrise unless the range is equipped with a fully functional lighting system. Lighting needs to comply with IBU 3.1.2.4.

12.6.2 Rifle Carrying – .22 categories (Development, Senior Boys and Senior Girls, Adult 1)

12.6.2.1 Development rifles shall be pre-positioned on the firing point mats by their coaches, with the barrel pointing toward the targets and in such a way that the rifle can be picked up safely by the Competitor. They must not be placed before the athlete is in sight of the coach on the range. Range procedures for equivalent Development categories are as detailed in Annex A – Rule adjustments and Range Procedures for Competitors Not Carrying Rifles, section 1.

Note – The athletes must leave the rifle on the mat with the bolt open. If the action is not opened, the violation shall result in a 30-second penalty awarded by the Competition Jury to the competitor in question.

12.6.2.2 Senior Boys and Senior Girls shuttle their rifles only on the range following the range procedure for Senior Boys/Girls as detailed in Annex A – Rule adjustments and Range Procedures for Competitors Not Carrying Rifles.

Note: Rifle actions must be OPEN when placed in the rack. Any safety violation of the above procedure will lead to a 30-second penalty by the Competition Jury. The Competition Jury will rule according to applicable principles and common sense shall handle other issues arising from the procedures.

12.6.2.3 Adult 1 is a non-carry category and will follow range procedures detailed in Annex A – Rule adjustments and Range Procedures for Competitors Not Carrying Rifles.

Note: Rifle actions must be OPEN when placed in the rack. Any safety violation of the above procedure will lead to a 30-second penalty by the Competition Jury. The Competition Jury will rule according to applicable principles and common sense shall handle other issues arising from the procedures.

12.7 Special Alberta Regulations – Ecoaims Categories and Development Categories

12.7.1 Penalties

Ecoaims categories – 30-second time penalty (IND) or ski a 50m penalty loop. 30-second time penalty for each penalty loop not skied immediately after the shooting bout.

12.7.2 Zone of Silence

The Zone of Silence will not be enforced for these categories. Coaches, officials, parents and fans may talk to athletes at any time, provided the communication is positive and improves the competitive experience.

12.8 Special Alberta Regulations – Ecoaims Categories

12.8.1 Senior Official

A Senior Official will be assigned to supervise the area of the range in which the Ecoaims categories shoot, to maintain fair play, a positive atmosphere, and a level playing field while not interfering with competitors in other categories. A Senior Official must check the size of all Ecoaims targets prior to zero and start of the race to signify that all targets are set to Level 6 target size for the Ecoaims U11 category, Level 7 target size for Ecoaims U13 & Open categories.

12.8.2 Positive Atmosphere

Any person who is behaving in a way likely to endanger fair play, a positive atmosphere or a level playing field, will be asked to leave the area by the Senior Official.

12.8.3 Protests

Protests to correct shooting scores made by officials will be accepted from parents, coaches or athletes. All other protests must be done using the protest procedure.

12.8.4 Shared rifles

If a shared rifle is still in use, or not available due to technical difficulties resulting from previous use, coaches may request an alibi (time credit) from officials for equipment malfunction, to be awarded in 5-second increments.

12.8.5 Equipment malfunction

Coaches may request an alibi (time credit) from officials for equipment malfunction, to be awarded in 5-second increments.

12.8.6 Course Loops skied out-of-sequence

No penalty.

12.8.7 Ecoaims Targets

Ecoaims will be set up on their own range, rifles must be with their paired target in each lane and will remain on that lane for the duration of the competition. Rifles provided by any club will be set up to allow for athletes from any club to utilize any rifle. Athletes will be expected to share rifles during the race. It is recommended the coaches or a competent individual zeroes the rifles prior to athlete use. Targets must be arranged consistently in each lane(the electronic setting on the rifle right to left or left to right), at a distance of 10m from the firing line to the target and at a height that is directly horizontal from the mat. Targets must be set to a shooting Level 6 for Ecoaims U11 and Level 7 for all other Ecoaims categories. This must be confirmed by an official with an understanding of the system.

12.9 Waxing Protocol

In order to minimize the costs associated with waxing for clubs and families and to allow coaches to spend more time with their athletes on race weekends, all Calforex Cup and Alberta Biathlon Championship events shall be subject to the following Waxing Regulations:

Regulation: Fluoro waxes of any variety (high, medium, or low), high fluoro speed blocks, and powders are not allowed. The use of hand structure on skis is allowed.

13 Amendments And Coming Into Force

13.1 Amendments

This policy may be amended from time to time by the Biathlon Alberta Board of Directors.

13.2 Coming Into Force

This Policy comes into force on November 01, 2026, and at that time supersedes all other existing Biathlon Alberta policies in this context.

Annex A – Rule adjustments and Range Procedures for Competitors Not Carrying Rifles

1. DEVELOPMENT

The following rules shall apply to the Development categories.

1.1. PROCEDURES

The rifles for Development categories shall be positioned on the mat by their coaches with the barrel pointing toward the targets. The Competitor shall carry out the entire loading and firing procedure without assistance. After firing the last shot of each bout, the Competitor must open the action, place the rifle on the mat with the barrel pointing toward the targets, and then exit the mat and the range in the normal manner.

1.2. PENALTY

A thirty-second penalty will be imposed on Competitors each time the Competitor leaves the mat with the action/bolt closed on their rifle.

1.3. COACHES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The coaches are responsible for pre-positioning the rifles, moving them to another firing point or away from the range in a safe manner, and for the provision of ammunition to their competitors. No time adjustment will be awarded for a delay caused by any action that is the responsibility of the coaches. In addition, the coaches are responsible for ensuring that a rifle placed on a mat does not impede or otherwise disrupt or interfere with other competitors.

1.4. SAFETY CHECK

The Competitor's Coach is responsible for performing the safety check on the rifle before it is moved to another location, by confirming that there is no inserted magazine, that the action has been opened, and that there is no round in the chamber.

2. SENIOR BOYS, SENIOR GIRLS, ADULT 1

The following rules shall apply to Senior Boys and Girls and Adult 1

2.1. PROCEDURES

2.1.1. Prior to the start of the competition, all competitors' rifles, with the bolts open unless otherwise authorized, will be placed in entrance racks located at the entrance to the range.

2.1.2. Competitors must come to a complete stop on the mats located in front of the entrance racks before they start to pick up their rifles. Each competitor will then pick up their rifle and place the rifle in the correct carrying position on their back.

2.1.3. Competitors will then ski to their firing points and carry out normal range procedures, as defined in the IBU rules, for removal and replacement of the rifle, for shooting, and for leaving the firing point.

2.1.4. After completing a bout of shooting, each Competitor will proceed to the exit racks located at the exit of the range and must come to a complete stop on the mats located in front of the exit racks. They will then remove the rifle from their back and place their rifle on the exit racks. The action/bolt must be in the open position when the athlete leaves the exit mat. Notwithstanding IBU Event and Competition Rule 8.5.2, once on an exit mat, provided the barrel is pointed up, a competitor may open the bolt in order to place the rifle on the exit rack. Once the rifle has been safely and securely placed on the rack the competitor may continue with the competition.

2.1.5. In the case of inclement weather, the TD, or in their absence the Chief of Competition or Chief of Range may authorize that a designated official closes the bolt of the rifles that have been placed in the exit rack to prevent the build-up of snow or ice. The designated official may only close the bolt after inspecting the rifle to verify that the bolt was open, no rounds or empty casings were in the chamber and that no rounds are present in any magazine inserted into the

action of the rifle. This will permit rifles to be carried and to be left in the rifle rack with closed bolts to prevent the ingress of snow and ice when conditions are adverse.

2.1.6. Competitors must not be interfered with when retrieving rifles or when placing rifles onto the entrance or exit racks.

2.1.7. At the end of the competition each Competitor must collect their rifle, prove it to be safe, and proceed to the designated Material Inspection location so that any required inspection can be completed. Completion of this obligation and any ensuing inspection marks the end of the competition for the non-carrying Competitor.

2.2. PENALTY

2.2.1. A thirty-second penalty will be imposed on Competitors for each violation of the above-specified safety procedures.

2.2.2. The Competition Jury shall handle other issues arising from the above safety procedures according to the principles set out in the IBU Event and Competition Rules and to common sense.

2.3. RESPONSIBILITIES

2.3.1. The Organizing Committee is responsible for providing a sufficient number of rifle racks. The entrance and exit racks shall be located outside the Silent Zone on a level area and should be placed so that the rifles on the racks are accessible on both sides. The mats are to be placed under the rack and extend to both sides by a minimum of 50cm. Efforts should be made to ensure that the mats provide a secure, non-slip surface for the athletes.

2.3.2. The Organizing Committee must provide a minimum of eight officials to shuttle the rifles back to the entrance rifle racks so that they are ready for the competitors' next shooting bouts.

2.3.3. The Organizer must have at least one official at both the entrance and exit racks to monitor the recovery and removal of rifles by the Competitors and to supervise those officials who are moving the rifles.

2.3.4. If coaches wish to perform the transfer of rifles from the exit to the entrance rack, this is permitted but the coach must inform the organizer prior to the start of the competition.

2.3.5. Each Competitor is responsible for placing their rifle in the range entrance racks prior to the competition.

2.3.6 It is recommended that an Organizing Committee assign an individual to be responsible for the Ecoaims portion of competitions. This volunteer shall be named Chief of Ecoaims and handle the set up/tear down/ storage / and charging of Ecoaims systems.

2.4. RIFLE RACKS

2.4.1. An adequate number of rifle racks must be located on the shooting range to allow each Competitor a place for their rifle. The racks must be made of wood and must facilitate easy deposit and removal of rifles by the Competitors and must prevent accidental falling down of the rifles. The distance between the notches to accept the rifles must be at least 35cm.

2.4.2. The Organizer must number the range entry rifle racks with the start numbers of the Competitors. The numbers must be easily visible with a permanent marking pen that doesn't run in the rain or snow and placed on or near the notches to indicate clearly where the rifles must be placed. Rifle racks shall be numbered in such a way that the rifles of Competitors with nearly sequential start numbers are physically separated to minimize the likelihood of multiple Competitors having to access the same rifle rack at the same time.

2.5. RIFLE IDENTIFICATION MARKING

Rifles placed in the racks must be marked with the start number of the Competitor on the top part of the fore stock so that the number is clearly visible while the rifle is in the rack. This rifle numbering normally takes place as part of the equipment/material inspection before each competition.

2.6. ACTION WHEN RIFLES NOT IN PLACE

If a rifle is not in place in the rack for a Competitor to retrieve upon arrival at the entrance to the Range, an official with a stopwatch will record the time for the delay and the Competition Jury will make a decision about a time adjustment based upon the circumstances.

Annex B: Wax Room Protocol

THE USE OF Fluorinated glide waxes or tuning products containing fluorine liquid are NOT permitted at Calforex Cups for ALL age categories. This includes all types of fluorinated glide wax (e.g., LF, HF, block, powder, liquid).

FOR SAFETY REASONS, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES MUST BE FOLLOWED:

1. Make sure you wear a filter mask and change the filter cartridges at least once a month or as recommended by the manufacturer of your mask.

2. Make sure your filter mask has a tight seal against your face.

3. Avoid spending any unnecessary time in the cabin.

4. Do not keep any food in the wax cabin.

5. Do not eat with any wax particles on your hands.

6. Ventilate the room if there is any dust or smoke in the room.

7. Keep athletes out of the room except when absolutely necessary.

8. Clean the cabin daily, wearing a mask while sweeping the particles.

9. Do not smoke with any wax particles on your hands.

These are preliminary recommendations based on the best health information available to us at this time. These recommendations are likely to change as we learn more and develop better ways to deal with wax fumes.

Annex C: Alberta Winter Games

1. Governing Rules

All biathlon competitions at the Alberta Winter Games will follow International Biathlon Union (IBU) rules, with applicable Biathlon Alberta modifications. For Dev 2 categories, specific rules can be found in the Biathlon Alberta Hosting Policy (https://biathlon.ca/about/policies/).

2. Rifle and Target Specifications

All categories will compete using Ecoaims rifles under the following conditions:

- Coaches or Officials will zero the Ecoaims prior to zero for the athletes
- Rests will be present for prone.
- All athletes will shoot prone without sling and cuffs.
- Rifles will be supplied by Biathlon Alberta, when possible.. There will be 24 lanes for shooting
- During the sprint race the lanes will be split into half prone and standing unless it is a mass start or pursuit, which in this case, all the lanes will be either prone or standing and changed during the race.
- Target Sizes:
    - Prone: Size 8
    - Standing: Size 3

Officials will adjust the target size between prone and standing stages by pushing the ESC button.

Rifle Placement

- Prone: Rifles will be placed with the muzzle facing down range for prone shooting. Athletes are required to return the rifle to this position gently when they have finished a shooting bout.
- Standing: Rifles will be placed parallel to the firing line to allow athletes to ski up next to the rifle without making contact. Athletes must return the rifle to this position gently after completing the standing shooting bout.

- Target Heights: Targets will be set at the same height for both prone and standing stages. The height of the targets shall be 60cm above the firing line.

3. Penalty Loop

All missed shots will result in a 75-meter penalty loop to be skied immediately after the shooting stage in the Sprint, AB-Pursuit, and Mass Start 30 events.

4. Race Categories and Formats

Category	Age Eligibility	Sprint	AB Pursuit	Mass Start
Dev 2 Boys/Girls	14yrs old and younger	4.5km(PP)	6km (PPP)	4km (PPP)
Senior Boys/Girls	16 years old and younger	6km (PS)	7.5km(PPSS)	7.5km(PPSS)

5. Competition Format

Same-gender categories will be used for all races (i.e., separate races for male, female). Races included: Sprint, Alberta-Pursuit, and Mass Start 30.

6. Eligibility

All athletes must meet the eligibility requirements outlined in the Alberta Winter Games Eligibility Policy.

7. Shooting Positions

The body must be in a normal biathlon prone position, with the elbows and body forming the tripod for rifle support.

- Athletes must demonstrate proper biathlon prone position to ensure consistency, fairness, and alignment with IBU standards.

- **Standing position must resemble a standing position**