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I. 2018 ICF COMPETITION CALENDAR - LEVEL 1 AND LEVEL 2

ICF RULES: 4.3, 11.2 AND 41.6.1

A. ICF SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, Rio de Janeiro, BRA

| | Sta | art | Finish |
|---|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| 1 st training period | 17 Marc | ch 2018 | 21 March 2018 |
| 2 nd training period | 13 Septen | nber 2018 | 17 September 2018 |
| Official training period | 19 Septen | nber 2018 | 25 September 2018 |
| Championships period | 25 September 2018 | | 30 September 2018 |
| | Main de | adlines | |
| Booking for 1 st training period | | | 1 February 2018 |
| Booking for 2 nd training period | | | 1 August 2018 |
| Numerical entries | | | 13 August 2018 |
| Nominal entries | Nominal entries | | September 2018 |

B. ICF JUNIOR & U23 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS, IVREA, ITA

| | Sta | art | Finish | | |
|--------------------------|---------|-------------|------------|-----|--|
| Official training period | 10 July | / 2018 | 16 July 20 | 018 | |
| Championships period | 17 July | y 2018 | 22 July 2 | 018 | |
| Main deadlines | | | | | |
| Numerical entries | | 2 June 2018 | | | |
| Nominal entries | | 2 July 2018 | | | |

C. 2018 WORLD QUALIFICATION EVENT FOR YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES, BARCELONA, SPAIN

| | Sta | art | Finish | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|------|-----------------|--|--|
| Official training period | 6 Apri | 2018 | 11 April 2018 | | |
| Championships period | 12 April 2018 | | 15 April 2018 | | |
| Main deadlines | | | | | |
| Numerical entries | | | 1 February 2018 | | |
| Nominal entries | | | 28 March 2018 | | |



D. ICF WORLD CUP SERIES

1. World Cup 1 – Liptovsky Mikulas, SVK

| | Sta | art | Finish | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Official training period | 18 Jun | e 2018 | 21 June 2018 | | | |
| Championships period | 22 Jun | e 2018 | 24 June 2018 | | | |
| | Main deadlines | | | | | |
| Numerical entries | | | 7 May 2018 | | | |
| Nominal entries | | | 7 June 2018 | | | |

2. World Cup 2 - Krakow, POL

| | Sta | art | Finish | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------|--------------|--|--|
| Official training period | 25 Jun | e 2018 | 28 June 2018 | | |
| Championships period | 29 June 2018 | | 1 July 2018 | | |
| Main deadlines | | | | | |
| Numerical entrie | S | | 14 May 2018 | | |
| Nominal entries | | | 14 June 2018 | | |

3. World Cup 3 – Augsburg, GER

| | Sta | art | Finish | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Official training period | 2 July | 2018 | 5 July 2018 | | | |
| Championships period | 6 July | 2018 | 8 July 2018 | | | |
| | Main deadlines | | | | | |
| Numerical entrie | S | | 21 May 2018 | | | |
| Nominal entries | | | 21 June 2018 | | | |

4. World Cup 4 - Tacen, Ljubljana, SLO

| | Sta | rt | Finish | | | |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------|------------------|--|--|--|
| Official training period | 27 Augu | st 2018 | 30 August 2018 | | | |
| Championships period | 31 Augu | st 2018 | 2 September 2018 | | | |
| | Main deadlines | | | | | |
| Numerical entries | | | 16 July 2018 | | | |
| Nominal entries | | | 16 August 2018 | | | |

5. World Cup 5 (FINAL)

| | Sta | art | Finish | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|----------|------------------|--|--|
| Official training period | 3 September 2018 | | 6 September 2018 | | |
| Championships period | 7 Septem | ber 2018 | 9 September 2018 | | |
| Main deadlines | | | | | |
| Numerical entries | 5 | | 23 July 2018 | | |
| Nominal entries | | | 23 August 2018 | | |



II. CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS PART OF 2018 ICF RANKING

A. 2017 Pan American Championships - Turrialba, CRC

| | Start | Finish |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Championships period | 20 October 2017 | 22 October 2017 |

B. 2018 Oceania Championships, Auckland, NZL

| | Sta | art | Finish | |
|----------------------|----------|----------|------------------|--|
| Championships period | 27 Janua | ary 2018 | 29 January 2018 | |
| Main deadlines | | | | |
| Numerical entries | | | 12 December 2017 | |
| Nominal entries | | | 12 January 2018 | |

C. 2018 Junior and U23 Asian Championships, TBD

| | Sta | rt | Finish | |
|----------------------|-----|----|--------|--|
| Championships period | ТВ | D | TBD | |
| Main deadlines | | | | |
| Numerical entries | S | | TBD | |
| Nominal entries | | | TBD | |



III. 2018 ICF RANKING COMPETITION CALENDAR - LEVEL 3

ICF RULES: 4.3, 11.2 AND 13.2.3

| Name | Location | 2018 COMPET | ITION PERIOD | Nominal Entries |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Name | Location | Start | End | deadline |
| NEW ZEALAND OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS | Mangahao – NZL | 20 January | 21 January | 5 January |
| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | Penrith – AUS | 16 February | 18 February | 1 February |
| RIO OPEN | Deodoro – BRA | 23 March | 25 March | 8 March |
| 2018 ICF CANOE SLALOM RANKING RACE SOLKAN | Solkan - SLO | 24 March | 25 March | 9 March |
| 2018 ICF CANOE SLALOM RANKING MARKKLEEBERG | Markleeberg - GER | 6 April | 8 April | 22 March |
| 2018 PYRENEES CUP 1 | La Seu - ESP | 14 April | 15 April | 6 April |
| 2018 ICF CANOE SLALOM RANKING RACE IVREA | Ivrea - ITA | 28 April | 29 April | 13 April |
| 70th INTERNATIONAL TATRA SLALOM | Liptovsky Mikulas - SVK | 12 May | 13 May | 27 April |
| 2018 PYRENEES CUP 2 | Pau - FRA | 25 May | 27 May | 10 May |
| 2018 ICF CANOE SLALOM RANKING RACE MERANO | Merano - ITA | 8 June | 10 June | 27 May |
| 2018 DANUBE CUP 1 | Bratislava - Cunovo - SVK | 28 July | 29 July | 13 July |
| KANANASKIS OPEN | Kananaskis - CAN | 3 August | 5 August | 19 July |
| 2018 DANUBE CUP 2 | Vienna - AUT | 4 August | 5 August | 20 July |
| PRAGUE WAVE FESTIVAL | Prague-Troja - CZE | 11 August | 12 August | 27 July |
| RUTHERFORD CREEK OPEN | Rutherford Creek - CAN | 17 August | 19 August | 2 August |
| 2018 BRITISH OPEN SLALOM | Lee Valley - GBR | 15 September | 16 September | 31 August |
| FOZ OPEN | Foz Do Iguacu – BRA | Dates to be cor | nfirmed by the Br | azilian Federation |



IV. 2018 ICF RANKING COMPETITION INFORMATION

A. ENTRIES - RULE CHANGE for level 3 competition

In the interest of Canoe Slalom global development, the ICF Executive committee (28 September, meeting in PAU) agreed provisionally (until 2018 ICF Congress) to amend the ICF Canoe Slalom rules 2.3 following ICF Canoe Slalom Committee proposal as below:

For 2018 ICF RANKING COMPETITION (level 3), entries are open without limitation of the number of boats per event and per federation. However, The Host National Federation can limit the number of boats per event per Federation with no less than 6 boats per event.

This rule change means that:

- Each participating boat will gain International Ranking points.
- National Federations must do all of the entries through the ICF online entries system (SDP).

This rule change will bring the following added value to canoe slalom:

- Extends the availability of points outside Europe;
- Encourages the continents to run ranking events;
- Simplifies the running of the event;
- Allows the ranking to more accurately reflect the level of Canoe Slalom across the world.

For 2018, ICF Canoe Slalom Committee limits each nation to hosting no more than two International ranking races (level 3) in any year.

B. ICF Points Calculation

See appendix 1

C. ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking List

The ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking List is established by taking the average of the best 5 ICF Ranking Points achieved by any competitor participating in the ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking Series of events.

Events included in the calculation of the ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking span a two-year period. Therefore, all races in the two-year period directly before the relevant release date are considered and the best 5 counted for each Athletes ranking.

Athletes having 5 or more results, whilst still averaging the best 5 results, are ranked above all Athletes having only 4 results; those with only 4 results are ranked above those with 3 results. Athletes with 3 results are ranked above Athletes with 2 results and Athletes with 1 result are ranked at the bottom of the list.



D. Release Dates for the 2018 ICF Ranking

The ICF CSL Ranking will be published on the following dates:

| Release | When? | Date? |
|--------------------|--|--------------|
| 2018 # 1 | Before World Cup 1 | 14 June |
| 2018 # 2 | Following World Cup 3 | 12 July |
| 2018 # 3 | Following the World Cup Final | 13 September |
| 2018 final version | Following the Senior World Championships | 4 October |

The ICF CSL Ranking is available from the link "Results and Rankings" on the ICF Canoe Slalom website https://www.canoeicf.com/canoe-slalom-results-and-rankings

V. 2018 ICF COMPETITION – PROGRESSION SYSTEM

ICF RULES: 14.1.1 AND 44.2.7

For the 2018 Racing Season the ICF Canoe Slalom Technical Committee has determined the progression to the semi final and final for World Championships, all World Cups and ICF Ranking races will be as follows.

| Event | To the Semi final from Heats 1 st run score | To the Semi final from Heats 2 nd run score | To the Final |
|-------|---|---|-----------------|
| K1M | 30 | 10 | 10 |
| K1W | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| C1M | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| C1W | 20 | 10 | 10 |
| C2Mx | 15 | 5 | 10 |
| C2M | 15 | 5 | 10 |

There is no change to the progressions from the 2017 season.

For World Championships and World Cup, the progression is amended as follow in case of low participation:

| Start field | Progression |
|--|---|
| K1M - less than 41 K1W - less than 31 C1M - less than 31 C1W - less than 31 C2M - less than 21 C2Mx - less than 21 | No heats All Athletes direct to semi final 10 progress to final from semi final |
| All events - less than 11 | No heats and no semi final Direct final |



VI. 2019 ICF WORLD CUP SERIES CALENDAR

ICF RULE: 44.1.3

The 2019 ICF WORLD CUP SERIES calendar is still in preparation and it will be published before the end of December 2017.

VII. NATION RANKING ON 1ST OCTOBER 2017

ICF RULE: 13.1.2

A. Nation ranking system

For all events, the nation ranking is established as follow:

- From the 2017 ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking (4th final release) the first Federation who has 3 boats ranked in the highest position receives the Nation rank position N°1, the second Federation who has 3 boats ranked is second and so forth until "X" Federations are ranked.
- All remaining federations are ranked on the base of the 2017 ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking (4th final release) of their 1st boat ranked.
- The "X" figure is defined as follow:

| Event | K1M | K1W | C1M | C1W | C2M | C2Mx |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| "X" | 23 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 9 | 4 |

B. K1W

| Rank | Nation |
|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|
| 1 | GBR | 11 | POL | 21 | AND | 31 | SRB | 41 | SIN |
| 2 | AUT | 12 | RUS | 22 | SWE | 32 | TUR | 42 | LTU |
| 3 | GER | 13 | NED | 23 | сок | 33 | TPE | 43 | MAC |
| 4 | CZE | 14 | CHN | 24 | SUI | 34 | FIN | 44 | BEL |
| 5 | AUS | 15 | JPN | 25 | KAZ | 35 | IND | 45 | PER |
| 6 | FRA | 16 | NZL | 26 | ARG | 36 | MEX | 46 | PAR |
| 7 | ESP | 17 | BRA | 27 | MAR | 37 | NOR | 47 | CHI |
| 8 | SVK | 18 | UKR | 28 | IRL | 38 | HUN | | |
| 9 | SLO | 19 | CAN | 29 | THA | 39 | MAS | | |
| 10 | ITA | 20 | USA | 30 | IRI | 40 | BLR | | |



C. K1M

| Rank | Nation | | Rank | Nation |
|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|---|------|--------|
| 1 | CZE | 11 | NZL | 21 | BEL | 31 | MAR | 41 | CRC | 51 | RSA | | 61 | COD |
| 2 | GER | 12 | AUS | 22 | IRL | 32 | VEN | 42 | TOG | 52 | MEX | | 62 | HKG |
| 3 | FRA | 13 | SUI | 23 | CHN | 33 | NEP | 43 | IND | 53 | LTU | | 63 | ECU |
| 4 | ITA | 14 | JPN | 24 | RUS | 34 | CHI | 44 | LAT | 54 | SGP | • | | |
| 5 | SLO | 15 | SWE | 25 | AZE | 35 | GRE | 45 | TPE | 55 | MAS | | | |
| 6 | POL | 16 | CAN | 26 | UKR | 36 | FIJ | 46 | NGR | 56 | SRB | | | |
| 7 | SVK | 17 | BRA | 27 | HUN | 37 | UZB | 47 | MKD | 57 | СОК | | | |
| 8 | ESP | 18 | ARG | 28 | NED | 38 | KOR | 48 | NOR | 58 | SEN | | | |
| 9 | GBR | 19 | USA | 29 | KAZ | 39 | THA | 49 | KGZ | 59 | FIN | | | |
| 10 | AUT | 20 | POR | 30 | CRO | 40 | TUR | 50 | IRI | 60 | INA | | | |

D. C1W

| Rank | Nation | Rank | Nation | Rank | Nation | Rank | Nation |
|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|
| 1 | GBR | 11 | POL | 21 | NED | 31 | PAR |
| 2 | AUS | 12 | CHN | 22 | USA | 32 | GRE |
| 3 | FRA | 13 | SLO | 23 | IRL | 33 | TUR |
| 4 | ESP | 14 | BRA | 24 | ARG | 34 | SIN |
| 5 | CZE | 15 | ITA | 25 | THA | | |
| 6 | GER | 16 | TPE | 26 | KAZ | | |
| 7 | SVK | 17 | AUT | 27 | IND | | |
| 8 | RUS | 18 | UKR | 28 | LAT | | |
| 9 | NZL | 19 | AND | 29 | UZB | | |
| 10 | JPN | 20 | CAN | 30 | IRI | | |

E. C1M

| Rank | Nation |
|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|
| 1 | SVK | 11 | BRA | 21 | CRO | 31 | LIB | 41 | TUR | 51 | SGP |
| 2 | GBR | 12 | CHN | 22 | POR | 32 | UKR | 42 | IRI | | |
| 3 | SLO | 13 | USA | 23 | ARG | 33 | GRE | 43 | BLR | | |
| 4 | FRA | 14 | NZL | 24 | SEN | 34 | SWE | 44 | HUN | | |
| 5 | CZE | 15 | IRL | 25 | BEL | 35 | IND | 45 | NEP | | |
| 6 | GER | 16 | CAN | 26 | KAZ | 36 | MAR | 46 | MAS | | |
| 7 | ITA | 17 | JPN | 27 | THA | 37 | COD | 47 | RSA | | |
| 8 | AUS | 18 | SUI | 28 | VEN | 38 | KOR | 48 | VIE | | |
| 9 | POL | 19 | NOR | 29 | TPE | 39 | MRI | 49 | FIJ | | |
| 10 | ESP | 20 | RUS | 30 | NED | 40 | LAT | 50 | LTU | | |



F. C2M

| Rank | Nation | Rank | Nation | Rank | Nation |
|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|
| 1 | FRA | 11 | SUI | 21 | UZB |
| 2 | GER | 12 | BRA | 22 | COD |
| 3 | SVK | 13 | USA | 23 | TPE |
| 4 | CZE | 14 | VEN | 24 | KAZ |
| 5 | POL | 15 | JPN | 25 | ARG |
| 6 | RUS | 16 | AUS | 26 | THA |
| 7 | CHN | 17 | IND | 27 | IRI |
| 8 | ITA | 18 | GBR | | |
| 9 | ESP | 19 | GRE | | |
| 10 | SLO | 20 | UKR | | |

G. C2Mx

| Rank | Nation | Rank | Nation |
|------|--------|------|--------|
| 1 | CZE | 6 | ITA |
| 2 | FRA | 7 | CHN |
| 3 | RUS | 8 | POL |
| 4 | ESP | 9 | IND |
| 5 | SVK | 10 | UKR |

VIII. EXTREME CANOE SLALOM - NUMBER OF BOATS PER EVENT

ICF RULES: 45.1 AND 49.1

For level 1 and 2 competitions of Extreme Canoe Slalom (CSLX) each Federation may enter up to 2 boats to the K1M-CSLX and K1W-CSLX time trials phase.

For level 3 and 4 competitions the organiser can set the number of entries per National Federation.



IX. 2018 QUALIFIED QUOTAS FOR ICF WORLD CUPS SERIES FOR EACH NATIONAL FEDERATION

ICF RULE: 44.3.1

• From the 2017 ICF Canoe Slalom Ranking (4th – final release) the first "X" National Federations who have 4 boats ranked in the highest position receive an allocation of 4 quotas. These Federations are listed below:

| Event | K1M | K1W | C1M | C1W | C2M | C2Mx |
|---------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| "X" | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| Nations | GER CZE FRA POL SLO | GBR AUT CZE | SVK FRA SLO | GBR ESP FRA | FRA GER SVK | No Federation will receive 4 quota |

- For each event, any National Federation not listed above but ranked in the corresponding "NATION RANKING ON 1ST OCTOBER 2017" receives an allocation of 3 quotas.
- For each event, any unranked National Federation in the corresponding "NATION RANKING ON 1ST OCTOBER 2017" receives an allocation of 1 quota.

X. 2018 WORLD CUP STANDINGS POINT ALLOCATION

ICF RULE: 44.8.3

There is no change to the points allocation from the 2017 season. The World Cup Final will attract double points. An Athlete will be awarded zero (0) points for any race in the 2018 World Cup Series in which they do not compete.

See table below



| Rank | K1M | K1W | C1M | C1W | C2M | C2Mx |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| 1 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| 2 | 55 | 55 | 55 | 55 | 55 | 55 |
| 3 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 |
| 4 | 44 | 46 | 46 | 46 | 45 | 45 |
| 5 | 43 | 44 | 44 | 44 | 42 | 42 |
| 6 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 42 | 39 | 39 |
| 7 | 41 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 36 | 36 |
| 8 | 40 | 38 | 38 | 38 | 33 | 33 |
| 9 | 39 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 30 | 30 |
| 10 | 38 | 34 | 34 | 34 | 27 | 27 |
| 11 | 34 | 32 | 32 | 32 | 23 | 23 |
| 12 | 33 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 21 | 21 |
| 13 | 32 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 19 | 19 |
| 14 | 31 | 29 | 29 | 29 | 17 | 17 |
| 15 | 30 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 15 | 15 |
| 16 | 29 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 13 | 13 |
| 17 | 28 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 11 | 11 |
| 18 | 27 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 9 | 9 |
| 19 | 26 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 7 | 7 |
| 20 | 25 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 5 | 5 |
| 21 | 24 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 2 | 2 |
| 22 | 23 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 2 | 2 |
| 23 | 22 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 2 | 2 |
| 24 | 21 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 2 | 2 |
| 25 | 20 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 2 | 2 |
| 26 | 19 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 2 | 2 |
| 27 | 18 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 2 | 2 |
| 28 | 17 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 2 | 2 |
| 29 | 16 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 2 |
| 30 | 15 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 2 |
| 31 | 14 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 32 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 33 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 34 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 35 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 36 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 37 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 38 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 39 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 40 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 41 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |



APPENDIX 1 – ICF POINTS CALCULATION

A. Principle

ICF points are calculated separately for each phase (Heats, Semi final or Final) in which a boat participates. The lowest point value out of those 3 is the ICF points earned by the boat for that race.

B. General Formula for Race Points

PhaseOffset

| Phase | PhaseOffset | | |
|------------|-------------|--|--|
| Final | 0 | | |
| Semi final | 10 | | |
| Heats | 20 | | |

QualityFactor

o ICF competition Level 1 and Level 2

For ICF CSL World Cups, World Championships and Olympic Games QualifyFactor of "0"

o <u>ICF competition Level 3</u>

The "QualityFactor" is calculated by identifying the five (5) competing Athletes who are ranked highest on the ICF CSL Ranking list. The ICF Ranking points for these Athletes are averaged and this becomes the "QualityFactor" for that event.

Entered boat who receive a DNS in both Heats runs will not be considered in the Quality Factor calculation.

- **Score:** results of the boat in seconds
- **ScoreLeader:** results of the boat in seconds



C. Sample Calculation of IcfPoints

1. Example 1

- Competition phase → Final, therefore PhaseOffset = 0,
- **PhaseFactor** = 150
- Competition is a World Championships, therefore **QualityFactor** = 0
- Boat 1 score = 89.60 seconds
- Boat 2 score = 90.82 seconds
- Boat 3 score = 141.91 seconds

Points for Boat 1 (winner of finals) = 0 + ((150 * 89.6)/89.6)-150+0 = 0.00 race points Points for Boat 2 = 0 + ((150 * 90.82)/89.6)-150+0 = 2.042 = 2.04 race points Points for Boat 3 = 0 + ((150 * 141.91)/89.6)-150+0 = 87.572 = 87.57 race points

2. Example 2

- Competition phase = Semi Finals therefore phase offset = 10,
- **PhaseFactor** = 150
- Competition is a World Cup, therefore **QualityFactor** = 0
- Boat 1 score = 101.76 seconds
- Boat 2 score = 100.86 seconds
- Boat 3 score = 103.19 seconds,

Points for Boat
$$1 = 10 + ((150 * 101.76) / 100.86) - 150 = 12.8256 = 12.83$$

Points for Boat 2 (winner of the semi final) = 10+((150*100.86)/100.86)-150=10

Points for Boat
$$3 = 10 + ((150 * 103.19)/100.86)-150=13.4561 = 13.46$$

For Boat 3 the semi final ranking points are better than ranking points they score in the finals phase due to a "50" second penalty received in the Finals, their semi final points would be used as their ranking points for this race.

The calculation of ranking points for the heats phase would follow the same formula as above using 20 as the Phase Offset.



D. Calculation of Points for Female Athletes during Pregnancy.

The points for an Athlete who becomes pregnant will be frozen at the value of the first release date following the time they cease competition. The Athletes points will remain at this value for the next 24-month period (8 ICF Ranking releases) and they will retain the ICF Ranking relevant to this point value.

The Athletes Federation must write to the ICF Secretary General and the Chair of the Canoe Slalom Committee to advise that their Athlete will not be competing due to pregnancy, what date they expect to cease competition and that they wish their ICF Ranking points to be frozen for up to a 24 month period. They must also provide a medical certificate confirming the pregnancy.

If the Athlete returns to competition within 24 months they will earn points and be newly ranked. Their new post pregnancy races will be used in the calculation of their ICF Ranking. In the first instance the points earned at their first post pregnancy race will be combined with the best 4 of their pre pregnancy races to produce a new ranking. Then the two new races plus their best 3 pre-pregnancy points etc. Once they have competed in 5 races post pregnancy their ranking will be calculated on these 5 races and all the points from the pre pregnancy races will be removed.

In all cases, 12 months (4 ICF Ranking releases) after the Athlete has recommenced competition all the points earned prior to the pregnancy will no longer be counted and will be removed. The ranking will be calculated on any points earned since returning to competition and the Athlete will be ranked accordingly.

If after 24 months (8 ICF Ranking releases) the Athlete does not return to competition the points earned from pre pregnancy races will be deleted and the Athlete will be removed from the ranking list at the next release date.