

Swiss Skate Tour Regulations 2024

1. Swiss Skate Tour 2024 The Swiss Skate Tour currently includes 5 races for the 2024 season:
 - May 19: Klettgau Skate Day
 - May 25: Inline Event Liechtenstein
 - June 2: Mittelland Rollt Niederbipp
 - June 29: Basel Inline & Rollski Marathon
 - August 17: World Inline Cup Bern
2. Participants 2.1. Registration Registration is done via <https://my.raceresult.com>. Each participant registers online individually or as a group. Pre-registration is possible up to 10 days before the event. After that, a late registration fee of 10 CHF will be charged. Online registration closes the evening before the event. On-site registration is possible up to 1 hour before the start. If the participant limit for an event or category is reached, the registration window will close early. In exceptional cases, registration can also be done via email. To do so, send the registration with all the information to info@swiss-skate-tour.ch.

2.2. Declaration of Consent Participants agree to:

- Be insured against accidents and illness and participate at their own risk.
- Adhere to the defined rules of the Swiss Skate Tour.
- Allow anti-doping controls.
- Wear a helmet at every race.
- Follow the skater code of conduct during the race.
- Uphold the principle of fairness in every race.
- Grant the organizers free usage rights of image and sound recordings made by the organizers or their appointed third parties at the races.

3. Race Procedure 3.1. Start List The start list can be accessed via <https://my.raceresult.com>. If an error is detected, it must be reported immediately to info@swiss-skate-tour.ch.

3.2. Start Number Distribution Start numbers will be handed out to all participants on-site. Please pay attention to the opening hours of the respective start number distribution.

3.3. Placement of Start Number The start number must be attached to the left or right thigh, depending on the event. The number must not be altered or reduced in size.

3.4. Start Block The start block assignment is based on the category and, for certain events in the Speed category, also by gender. Starting in the wrong block will result in automatic disqualification from the race.

- Klettgau Skate Day Speed Men/Women starts in different blocks.
- WIC Bern Speed Men/Women starts in different blocks. WIC athletes will be placed ahead of the other participants in the Speed category.

4. Scoring 4.1. Rankings The Swiss Skate Tour will create rankings after each race. The rankings can be accessed at <https://my.raceresult.com>. Due to the appeal period, the final ranking will be updated the following day.

4.2. Points Distribution Points for the overall standings can be earned at each race of the Swiss Skate Tour. The winner of a race and per category will receive 1,000 points. The following skaters in both categories will receive points according to the table below. An exception applies to the WIC Bern, where the points will be multiplied by 1.2 due to the strong international field of participants. In the Fun & Family category, no points are awarded. They will be listed alphabetically with their running time in the rankings.

Race Points Distribution

Rank Points

1 - 1000

2 - 980

3 - 970

4 - 960

5 - 950

6 - 940

Continuing / from rank 50, only one point is deducted per rank.

4.3. Overall Standings After each race, the points of the respective athletes from the Swiss Skate Tour rankings are added up. All races of the Swiss Skate Tour count towards the overall individual standings. The 4 best races are included in the overall standings. For the Rollski category, the points from the events where the category is offered count. The following overall standings will be created immediately after the last race:

- Speed Men/Women
- Fitness Men/Women
- Juniors Boys/Girls
- Kids Boys/Girls
- Minis Boys/Girls
- Rollski Men/Women

Club Standings: All points of the respective clubs/teams are added up. If two or more athletes have the same score, the result of the last race will count.

4.4. Prize Money and Prizes In the Speed category, prize money will be awarded at the Klettgau Skate Day, Basel Inline Marathon, and WIC Bern events. The amount of prize money will be announced before the event. The WIC Bern prize money will be paid out by Iguana Deutschland GmbH. In all other categories, the top 3 finishers will each receive a prize on-site. The prize money for the overall standings in the Speed category is 1000 CHF. The prize money will be divided among the top 3 men and women.

5. Timing The timing for the Swiss Skate Tour races is done using an electronic timing chip. Skaters who skate without or with more than one chip (without a start number) will not be included in the ranking. The rental chips must be returned after the race, otherwise, a fee of 100 CHF will be charged.
6. Safety, Responsibility, and Liability By registering, participants and teams confirm that they are aware that inline skating is a high-speed sport, that the races take place on public roads, and that there is an increased risk of injury (especially for ambitious

participants), which may lead to permanent disabilities or even death. They also confirm that they participate in the races at their own risk, protect themselves according to their abilities (helmet, pads), and that each participant is insured against accidents and illness.

7. Rules During the Race 7.1. Fair Play Each athlete participating in a race should behave fairly and follow the skater code of conduct during the race.

7.2. Unsportsmanlike Conduct Participants who behave unfairly or unsportsmanlike may be penalized with sanctions (warning, downgrade in the rankings, disqualification). Coaches and spectators who behave unsportsmanlike will be excluded from the event site and banned from future events.

7.3. Instructions from the Race Management and Referees During the race, athletes must follow the instructions of the race management and the referees.

7.4. Events where men and women start together allow drafting (slipstreaming) behind each other. However, at German Inline Cup/Swiss Championships Marathon and WIC Bern events, men and women compete in separate races. Women are not allowed to be supported by men during the race (so-called “drafting” or slipstream skating). The consequence is at least a warning from the referees. An athlete may not deliberately push, hold, or block another athlete (especially in the sprint). The consequence is at least a warning from the referees. An athlete may not integrate into a group (pack) with unauthorized body contact, such as pushing, holding, pulling, etc. The consequence is at least a warning from the referees. An athlete may not support another athlete (especially from their own team) through direct physical contact such as pulls, pushes, train pushes, etc. The consequence is at least a warning from the referees, who are also authorized to warn the favored skater. Depending on the nature and consequences of the offense, harsher sanctions may be imposed by the referees, such as downgrading in the rankings or disqualification. The decision-making power lies with the referees.

7.5. Final Sprint Competitors must choose the shortest possible line on the finish straight without changing the lane they chose at the start of the sprint. If an athlete deliberately hinders another competitor, the hindering athlete will be disqualified. If an athlete violates this rule with the deliberate intent to favor the position and result of a teammate, this may result in the disqualification of both athletes. In the case of minor infractions (such as overtaking by changing lanes), the hindering athlete will be grouped behind the affected athlete.

7.6. Disqualification Disqualifications can only be pronounced by the referees and race management. Disqualification may occur if a participant:

- Starts without a helmet.
- Uses wheels with a diameter larger than 125 millimeters per wheel and/or skates with a total length greater than 50 centimeters.
- Starts in the wrong start block.
- Does not wear the start number or only partially wears it.
- Does not wear the timing chip or wears it incorrectly.
- Wears another athlete’s timing chip.
- Tests positive for doping.
- Covers, tears off, or makes sponsor logos on the start number unrecognizable.
- Cannot provide intermediate times for the timing.
- Exceeds the specified time limit.

- Leaves the race course or takes a shortcut.

7.7. Protest Protests must be submitted in writing by the participant or team leader to the referee office within 15 minutes of the publication/announcement of the daily ranking. A fee of 80 CHF must be deposited in any case. The fee will only be refunded if the protest is upheld. The chief referee must accept and acknowledge the protest. The referees are obligated to address the protest, either immediately on-site or at a later time under an extraordinary convening of the referees. In both cases, the protest submitters and witnesses must remain available at all times for questioning by the referees.

8. Anti-Doping Doping controls can be conducted at any Swiss Skate Tour race. Skaters called for a doping control must be ready immediately after the race and are instructed to strictly follow the instructions of the doping control officers. A positive A- and B-sample will result in sanctions for the affected athlete. A positive sample or failure to follow the doping control officers' instructions may result in a longer suspension.
9. Event Cancellation or Event Modification. The Swiss Skate Tour reserves the right to shorten or cancel an event due to force majeure, severe weather conditions, storms, official regulations, political unrest, strikes, or demonstrations. The decision will be made in consultation with local authorities. In the case of a cancellation due to force majeure, the registration fee will not be refunded. If there is a surplus after the event's accounting, it will be distributed to the participants.

10. Categories Swiss Skate Tour 2024

- **Speed Men/Women**: Born in 2008 or earlier
- **Fitness Men/Women**: Born in 2008 or earlier
- **Juniors Men/Women**: Born between 2009-2012
- **Kids Men/Women**: Born between 2013-2016
- **Minis Men/Women**: Born in 2017 or later
- **Fun & Family**: Open
- **Swiss Championships Klettgau Skate Day**

To be officially ranked in the Swiss Championships, participants must hold a license from Swiss Speedskating. The license number must be provided during registration. More information is available under: Documents and Regulations – Swiss Speedskating (swiss-speed-skating.ch). On-site registration for the Swiss Championships is not allowed.

Age Classes Swiss Championships Marathon

- **Elite Men/Women**: Born in 2005 or earlier
- **Juniors Men/Women**: Born in 2006/2007
- **Masters Men/Women**: AK30/ AK40/AK50/AK60+

The Swiss Championship title will only be awarded if at least 3 athletes per age class are at the start. If there are fewer participants per age class, they will be merged with the next younger age class.

This regulation was created by the Swiss Skate Tour Association.

For further information, the Swiss Skate Tour Association is at your disposal.

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