

Competition rules DRYTOOLING CUP 2004

1. Competitors start according to the order of start numbers they are given at registration.
2. Each competitor starts at his own responsibility and responsibility for competitors under the age of 18 is taken by their legal representatives, which is proved by their signature at registration.
3. When climbing competitors use crampons, two ice axes out of which adzes have to be removed, helmet, waist harness without any items attached to it which could endanger or hurt them. Competitors are to be checked by a referee before climbing.
4. **Competitors are not allowed to have heel hooks on their crampons this year.**
5. The referee ties the competitor to the rope using a figure of eight knot with a safety knot at the end.
6. Competitors climb only on marked zones. These zones are marked with red and blue colours. The red is used for the main part of the route in which the competitor can move. The blue marks help zones, which are used to define competitor's last reached point.
7. Time is measured for each competitor from the moment he or she does not have both legs on the ground, however he/she cannot touch the ground again.
8. Competitors use PP climbing style, i.e. the competitor puts the rope into prepared quickdraws.
9. Difficulty and length of the route determine time limit. Generally, final times are longer than qualifying times.
10. The competitor may not use tabs, loops on his/her ice axe for clipping and sitting back. **It is forbidden to relax on ice axes with any part of the body except arms.** If the competitor drops his/her ice axe, he/she is not allowed to get it back.
11. Each competitor has only one attempt for the route. The route cannot be repeated. An exception to the rule is a situation when a hold turns upside down, breaks or the like.
12. **Competitor may touch holds (not pucks, boards or barrels) with their hands.**
13. The competitor finishes climbing when:
 - he/she touches the out-of-zone (red) space with any part of his/her body,
 - time limit expires,
 - he/she reaches the final point – the top.
14. The top counts only if the competitor places both the ice axes into the final point, into the top.
15. Competitors can observe their rivals climbing during qualification routes, which is, however, not allowed during final rounds; competitors are in isolation and wait for the referee's signal who shall call them to start their attempt.
16. Number or height of reached zones (blue ones) is evaluated during climbing. If several competitors end in the same zone, their time is decisive.
17. Touching of a hold does not count as a last reached point.
18. Competition is divided into two categories: men and women.
19. Competitors climb two qualification routes during qualification. Results of these two routes add together and the best eight competitors go to final rounds where only one route is climbed.
20. Competitors can look at the final route for 5 minutes before the start.
21. In the final rounds, women start before men.