



WMRA GRAND PRIX 2012

(14th edition)

Regulations



1. GENERAL

- 1.1. WMRA will stage annually a Mountain Running GRAND PRIX.
- 1.2. The name of competition is "WMRA GRAND PRIX"; the name of GRAND PRIX title sponsor may also be included.
- 1.3. WMRA Council are responsible for organisation of the GRAND PRIX. They will draw up the 'Rules' for the forthcoming season. Updated documents and results will be published on WMRA website.
- 1.4. The WMRA GRAND PRIX is for individuals, men & women, only. There will be no team or age related competition.
- 1.5. All WMRA GRAND PRIX races must apply for "IAAF Mountain Running Permit" status.

2. MEMBERSHIP

- 2.1. Recognised and well organised international mountain races are invited to submit applications to be part of the GRAND PRIX.
- 2.2. Participating races automatically become associate members of WMRA and the associate member's fee is included in the IAAF permit fee.
- 2.3. Participating races must fully accept the WMRA GRAND PRIX and IAAF Permit Regulations and must be organized in accordance to national rules for international sport events including medical service, insurance and doping control.
- 2.4. Participating races must be members of their National Athletic Federation.
- 2.5. Applications for inclusion in the GRAND PRIX must be sent to the WMRA secretary by 15th August in the preceding year, using the official application form (appendix 1).
- 2.6. A contract between WMRA and selected GRAND PRIX race LOC's will be signed when selection is confirmed (appendix 2).

3. SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCEDURE

- 3.1. Applications will be considered and the races selected by the WMRA Council before 1st October, when possible. All bidding races will be notified of the result.
- 3.2. The races selected may be a mix of uphill only and up/down, the ratio to be decided by the WMRA Council according to bids received. They need not conform to the World Championships parameters. Courses must be safe and well marked, so that all the participants have equal conditions. Organizer must take care for the environment when planning the course and must remove all the debris from the course after the race.
- 3.3. At least one change in the selected races should be introduced each year.
- 3.4. Council should give priority to the principle of having one race per country whenever possible.

4. FINANCES

- 4.1. All financial transactions associated with the GRAND PRIX will flow through the WMRA GRAND PRIX account.
- 4.2. Participating races and WMRA will contribute to the prize fund the amount of which will be decided annually. The money must be paid to the WMRA GRAND PRIX account latest on the day of the race. Care must be taken to indicate which race is making the payment (i.e. "WMRA GP-name of the race").
- 4.3. All additional expenses such as advertising etc are at the cost of the race organisers and must be approved by all parties in advance.

5. FINAL PRIZEGIVING CEREMONY

- 5.1. The final prize giving ceremony for the overall GRAND PRIX result will be held at the last GRAND PRIX race of the series. The LOC should organize a suitable ceremony using the standardised protocol (appendix 3) and bear the costs of the ceremony.
- 5.2. Best placed women and men will receive money prizes as stated in the GRAND PRIX Rules. Those in first places in the women's and men's competition will receive special WMRA awards.
- 5.3. Runners who are not present at the prize-giving ceremony must contact WMRA to get their prize money. Any person who is authorised in writing by an absent prize winner may collect the prize money on his/her behalf. Any expenses connected with sending the money by other means will be deducted from the prize money. The runner who does not contact WMRA latest 1st Dec in the current year renounces the prize.

6. SANCTIONS

- 6.1. Organisers who do not observe the WMRA GRAND PRIX Rules and Regulations are liable to be omitted from future WMRA GRAND PRIX series for up to three years.

7. RULES 2012

- 7.1. There will be four GP Races and the World Championships in the WMRA GRAND PRIX 2012.
- 7.2. The World Championships remain a closed event and participants must be members of their national team.
- 7.3. The overall GRAND PRIX result will be calculated from athletes' best four results from the five races and prizes will be awarded according to this result.
- 7.4. An athlete must score in at least two races to be included in the final published results.
- 7.5. If athletes have the same number of points, their final position will be determined by reference to their highest race positions. Therefore, athletes with equal points, but one has a 1st position and the other has not, the athlete with the 1st position takes priority. If both have a first position, the next superior position is compared and so until a priority is obtained. If this method does not resolve the final positions, the prize money for the final positions will be added together and divided by the number of athletes involved.
- 7.6. The points awarded for each race will be as follows (the same for men and women):

Place:	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.	14.	15.	16.	17.	18.	19.	20.	21.	22.	23.	24.	25.	26.	27.	28.	29.	30.
Final+WC:	120	102	90	84	78	72	66	60	54	48	42	37	32	29	26	23	21	19	17	15	13	11	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
Other races:	100	85	75	70	65	60	55	50	45	40	35	30	27	24	22	20	18	16	14	12	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

- 7.7. Each GRAND PRIX organizer must provide doping control; a minimum of 4 samples shall be taken.
- 7.8. GRAND PRIX Fee - Each GRAND PRIX event Organizer must pay 500\$ as WMRA GRAND PRIX fee. IAAF permit fee and WMRA associated membership fee are included. The amount must be paid latest before 1st Sept. The organizer of the World Championships does not pay GRAND PRIX fee.
- 7.9. The total final prize fund will be 18,000€ and is provided by the WMRA.
- 7.10. Prize money will be distributed as follows:

Place:	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.	14.	15.
men (€):	1500	1200	1000	850	800	750	700	650	600	550	500	450	400	350	300
women (€):	1500	1200	1000	850	700	600	500	400	350	300	-	-	-	-	-

- 7.11. Each race organiser must offer as a minimum free entry and accommodation for at least one night (at least two nights for athletes with extra long journeys to make) for those athletes in prize-winning positions in the 2011 GRAND PRIX overall results.
- 7.12. Participating races will be responsible for hosting at least two WMRA Council members during the event.

8. WMRA GRAND PRIX 2012 Calendar

1	<i>Thu.</i>	<i>17. May</i>	<i>32. Int. Montée Du Grand-Ballon</i>	<i>Willer-sur-Thur</i>	<i>FRA</i>
2	<i>Sun.</i>	<i>29. July</i>	<i>14. Int. Grintovec MR Race</i>	<i>Kamnik</i>	<i>SLO</i>
3	<i>Sun.</i>	<i>5. Avg.</i>	<i>4. Mayrhofen Harakiri Run</i>	<i>Mayrhofen</i>	<i>AUT</i>
4	<i>Sun.</i>	<i>2. Sept.</i>	<i>28. World Championships</i>	<i>Ponte di Legno</i>	<i>ITA</i>
5	<i>Sun.</i>	<i>23. Sept.</i>	<i>1. Int. Uludag MR race</i>	<i>Bursa</i>	<i>TUR</i>

9. Appendix – list of the runners who shall be offered free accommodation:

	MEN	
1	ARSLAN Ahmet	TUR
2	SCHNEIDER David	SUI
3	DEMATTEIS Martin	ITA
4	ABATE Gabriele	ITA
5	KOSOVELJ Mitja	SLO
6	DEMATTEIS Bernard	ITA
7	EDWARDS Orlando	GBR
8	KOVACS Adam	HUN
9	ZAGO Didier	FRA
10	BALDACCINI Alex	ITA
11	OSBORNE Adam	GBR
12	KRUPICKA Robert	CZE
13	RANCON Julien	FRA
14	ALIC Simon	SLO
15	CAGNATI Luca	ITA

	WOMEN	
	KRKOC Lucija	SLO
	CONFORTOLA Antonella	ITA
	CLAYTON Emma	ENG
	JESKA Lauren	ENG
	KOSOVELJ Mateja	SLO
	SCHORNA Pavla	CZE
	KAPUSCINSKI Marion	AUT
	DRAGOMIR Denisa	ROM
	GAGGI Alice	ITA