ISSA 25-cone World Series

News for the 2023/2024 season

Back to only one Straight course.

We concluded that even though two different courses may be fun it did not add that much more excitement to the race. At least not weighing in the added complexity with setting up the event and the time to run it. It's more important that we get a less complex event setup and a shorter time to run the event.

So, we are now back to running only the straight course.

Back to the standard length of the 25-cone course.

We had added 6 feet to the standard 25-cone world record course. To get more distance for push start.

Now we are going back to the standard length of 174 feet again. The smaller footprint of the course the better. Easier to find a good spot and especially if you try to find a spot inside.

But, despite shortening the total length of the course back to the standard length, we have still managed to increase the push start yet again with another 3 feet. See next point.

Longer push start.

By going back to the standard 25-cone course we lost the extra 3 feet of push start. But with a clever idea of moving the first cone in the course, and adding it to the end of the course, we increase the push start with 6 feet from the standard course. And by that we gain another 3 feet for the push start compared to the longer course. So, now we have 21 feet to the first cone. This will make sure all can get 3 good kicks into the course. But remember, we still only allow 3 kicks.

Back to the old 8 run format.

8 runs (4+4 back and forth) in the straight course.

Our main objective with these races are to connect slalom racers around the world and giving all an easy first step into the slalom racing world.

World Series calculation.

Changed to 5 sessions per year. Instead of 6. Average of the 2 best results of the 5 sessions during the season.

It is a bit too tight with 6 sessions during the year. Especially now when the ordinary slalom events are starting up again.

See more details below...

This document can be downloaded here:

http://www.slalomskateboarder.com/ISSA/ISSA-25-cone-World-Series-2023.pdf

General

The 25-cone World Series is an international event where event organizers around the world run...

- the same slalom courses.
- with the same rules.
- during the same weekend.

All the local sub spot event results are gathered in the same result list.

During the yearly season stretching from June 15 to May 15 the aim is to have 5 sessions approximately every second month. All the results are also saved in the 25-cone World ranking where the average of the 2 best session results from each racer are counted.

The idea is at the end of the series to invite the top racers for Men and Women to a big 25-cone final where they all can battle it out together at the same spot at the World Championships.

Note for local organizers!

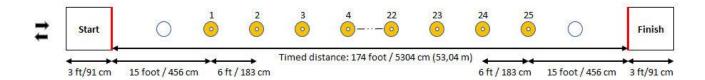
Local organizers need to register the local race (spot) for the 25-cone weekend. Be aware that there is a deadline 1 week before the event starts. Look out for new races in the ISSA race calendar and on ISSA Facebook.

25-cone slalom courses

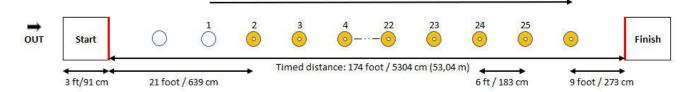
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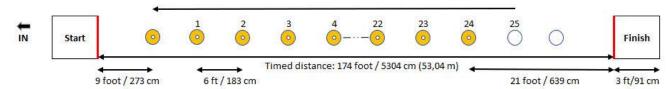
The **World Record** 25-cone course and the **World Series** 25-cone course.

World Record 25-cone course



World Series 25-cone course





If you already have a 25-cone course marked, you only need to mark one more cone distance ring at both end of that course. Make sure total length is 174 feet.

Cone distance is 6 foot/183 cm, center to center.

Then in real life setting up the course you will use the last 25 cone markings from where you start. Giving 21 feet start distance to first cone. And 9 feet at the end.

Official conversion of feet to centimeters.

	ft	cm	count	ft	cm
Start dist	21	639	1	21	639
Finish dist	9	273	1	9	273
Cone dist	6	183	24	144	4392
Total dist				174	5304

25-cone course rules

The normal "ISSA slalom rules" and the "ISSA 25-cone World Record rules" stand as the base for the 25-cone rules. From these we then have some additional rules below that may override the base rules.

Additional rule 1

One straight 25-cone course with total length of 174 feet.

Additional rule 2

Start distance 21 feet to first cone. 9 feet at the end. See course diagram.

Additional rule 3

Max 3 start kicks.

Additional rule 4

You don't need to make a clean run. Runs with cones are also OK. 0.1 sec penalty per cone. Max 9 cones.

Additional rule 5

You must run the course in both directions.

This is so we do not have to care about wind and if the slalom course is totally flat or not. But it should still look like a flat course. It's ok that it is faster in one direction, but the slope should be even. Not with a U-shape for example where you get advantage to get speed up in the beginning of both directions.

Register the best times (raw time + cones) for each course direction. Set DQ if a failed run. Or DNR if the racer did not run.

Additional rule 6

Max 4 runs in each direction.

Practice allowed, but once starting the official runs the following 8 runs should be done in a timely manner.

Additional rule 7

Event format. 8 runs (4+4 back and forth) in the straight course.

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This will give us 2 different parts of racing for the event.

- Straight course (going out)
- Straight course (going back)

Additional rule 8

The total time = Average of the best times (rawtime + cone penalty) in the 2 different course sections...

- Straight course (going out)
- Straight course (going back)

For every course section that doesn't have a best time (i.e. 4 DQ or DNR) a one second penalty will be added to the Total Average Time.

Local organizer rules

The 25-cone session event will be published around 1 month before the event starts. There is a 1-week deadline for local race organizers to register and connect their local race spots. One week before the weekend session.

Results should also be registered latest 1 day after the last race day. Don't forget the different deadlines that will be published on the event homepage and the ISSA Facebook pages.

Example of event homepage:

http://slalomskateboarder.com/slalomranking/mvc.php?action=event.details&id =1177

Live leaderboard during the weekend

http://slalomskateboarder.com/slalomranking/mvc.php?action=event.details&subaction=startlists&id=1177

Note! 1177 in the links above are the event id of the specific event session. Change it to the correct id. Find the event id in the official race calendar.

1. Before the event

Sub spot organizers!

Connect your local race to the "ISSA 25-cone World Series".

Note for organizers! Be aware of the 1-week registration deadline!

After registration, all registered local organizers will be invited and added to a special messenger chat group where help and support will be given about rules and result registration. And other things like how to add more information, images and films for the local races.

2. During the event

Race the standardized 25-cone slalom course at your local flat spot according to the common rules.

Register times and possible cones for all racers.

Note for organizers! Be aware of the on-line result registration deadline. Time registration deadline is according to the time zone of each spot.

Top 3 results: Sunday 23:55.

Complete results: Monday 23:55.

3. After the event

Monday evening, after the last official event result registrations, all racer results from around the world should be complete.

All results can be filtered on all the ISSA classes.

All results will be added to the 25-cone World Series ranking.

25-cone series ranking

- June 15 to May 15
- 5 events
- 2 best counts

The 25-cone series ranking is a yearly series from June 15 to May 15 each year. Optimally there will be a total of 5 racing weekends. Your best 2 event results are counted. And the final result is the average of these two results.

For racers not having two event results, they will get a virtual result added as their best run + 1 second.

The best top racers in Pro and Women classes might get invited to a Final race at the World Championships.

Link:

http://slalomskateboarder.com/slalomranking/mvc.php?action=start.screens&screenid=1&pageid=1

25-cone world records

There is no possibility to use the results from the 25-cone WorldSeries as World Records. The course setup is different.

It's still possible for an organizer to set up an extra race for a World Record attempt if wanted during a 25-cone World Series weekend. But note that there are other things needed as well for a World Record race. For example filming the runs.

See the World Record Rules for more information. http://www.slalomskateboarder.com/ISSA/ISSA-World-Record-Rules-2021.pdf