31 October – 2 November 2008 IFSC PARACLIMBING CUP-2008, MOSCOW, RUSSIA

Paraclimbing competition take place on November, 2 in Gostiny dvor in Moscow in the limits of the IFSC World Cup.

HISTORY

The first International Para Climbing competition was organized in collaboration with Climbing Federation of Russia and Federazione Arrampicata Sportiva Italiana, on July, 2-3, 2006, in Yekaterinburg, Russia. In competition took part sportsmen from Belarus, Italy, Japan and Russia.

On a conference of the International Federation of Sport Climbing in January 2007, in Frankfurt was decided to proceed the work of the Para Climbing Commission (PCC). IFSC PCC proposed to organize Para Climbing competitions regularly. One of the possibilities is to include Para Climbing in the program of the World Championships, Continental Championships and/or of the World Cup event. To perform it more efficiently, is necessary to choose the most suitable terms and parameters of walls.

IFSC PCC has planned to run the International paraclimbing competition at the IFSC World Cup in Moscow on 31 Oct – 2 November.

There was worked out a complete draft versions of Rules, Regulations and Guideline for visually impaired athletes to be used by the organizers, coaches, instructors and other assistants until. 3 grupps are provided:

- B1. Absolutely blind sportsmen.
- B2. The sportsmen having sight up to 5 %, with the limited field of vision.
- B3. The visually limited sportsmen having sight up to 30 %.

IFSC PARA CLIMBING COMMISSION today and in future

In Ural's State Technical University (Yekaterinburg) was created special scientific group to research features of sportsmen-invalids participation in the climbing competition.

- The following researches were held:
- •1) The choice of routes for training and competition.
- •2) Ways of safety.
- •3) The Program and a format of competitions.
- •4) Kinds of communications, assistance, service and support.

IFSC PCC - SPIRIT IN MOTION

"TO ENABLE PARALYMPIC ATHLETES TO ACHIEVE SPORTING EXCELLENCE AND INSPIRE AND EXCITE THE WORLD"

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, from rehabilitation to elite sport, gives people with a disability the opportunity to reach their potential, achieve self-determination and have fun. Contributing to the integration of people into society, sport can make a difference in everybody's life.

OUR POSITIVE MESSAGE remains clear: through sport every person – with or without a disability – has the ability to experience success and to discover new horizons.

"SPORT HAS THE POWER TO CHANGE THE WORLD.

IT HAS THE POWER TO UNITE PEOPLE IN A WAY THAT LITTLE ELSE DOES."

- Nelson Mandela

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