

#### 10.4.2. Runners (General)

It is prohibited to heat the runners or to treat them with solid, liquid or gaseous substances for the purpose of improving their sliding capabilities. The use of any means of propulsion is also prohibited. Changing runners is only permitted after damage and with the authorization of the Jury.

In the men's and women's skeleton races listed below, only F.I.B.T. Standard runners (standard material) are allowed:

- Olympic Winter Games
- Senior World Championships
- Continental Championships
- World Cups
- Intercontinental Cups
- Europa Cups
- America's Cups
- Junior World Championships

#### During

- Olympic Winter Games
- Senior World Championships
- Junior World Championships
- Continental Championships
- World Cup races
- Intercontinental races

the runners will be clearly allocated to each athlete by applying a marking which contains the name of the latter.

At the beginning of the season, during the first race or at another time to be decided upon by the Executive Committee, the runners will be carefully tested (by means of a spectrometer, hardness test and microscope). Each athlete may submit maximum 2 runner sets to the test and to the marking procedure, respectively (maximum 4 runner sets per season).

After the successful test, each athlete's runner sets that comply with the Rules will be marked with an electronic stamp or the FIBT stamp which is made in such a way that it won't resist any heat or chemical treatment. During the season the Jury may order random tests. If any such test proves that a runner set does not comply, the athlete loses the right to replace that set or the marking previously applied will be removed.

#### During

- Olympic Winter Games
- Senior World Championships
- Junior World Championships

new tests will be carried out according to the above procedure.