



# Regulations MAXIAVALANCHE®

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## PREAMBLE

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**George EDWARDS** is the inventor of the **DOWNHILL MTB MARATHON**. These rules guarantee the sporting fairness, the cohesion of the event and the passive security of the competitors. The exploitation of this regulatory support has been approved since 1995 through various displays of international reputation **MEGAVALANCHE®**, **MAXIAVALANCHE®**. These operations were granted by an agreement between **George EDWARDS** and the **S.A.R.L. UCC** for the exploitation of the naming and concepts.

### 1. DEFINITION

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Each competitor who takes part of the competition is supposedly aware of the regulations and engage himself to follow it without any reserves of prescriptions. The only competent authority will be the jury for the following regulations.

The **MAXIAVALANCHE®** is open to Professional and amateur riders.

Starts take place by line on paths primarily selected to ensure the security and a diversity of obstacles and crossings, privileging the discipline attributes which are strength and endurance combined with skills and adaptability while making use of the specific technology of versatile mountain-bikes.

### 2. PARTICIPATION

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- 1.1. The **Maxiavalanche®** is open to the competitors who have a license delivered by a national federation affiliated to the UCI where there is a proof of medical clearance with the mention « absence of any apparent clinical sign of contraindication to the practice of mountain bike in competition ».
- 1.2. Non-licensed competitors, considering they have a medical clearance dated of less than 12 months (on the day of the event) or another sports licence of the year can attend the event.
- 1.3. In case of injury, competitors may need a helicopter transfer, or other transfers not refunded by their own insurances. They can take a complementary insurance (Multisport Assur) during the registration or at the Race Office. Warning : you still have to show your licence or medical clearance, it's just a complementary insurance.
- 1.4. Open to participants aged of 15 years and over. (born in 2003 or before).
- 1.5. Each competitors certifies to hold a valid insurance during the day of the competition.

### 3. REGISTRATION

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#### 3.1. Mail

Requests of registration are to be sent on a bulletin model (subject to availability), accompanied with the payment, to:

***UCC Inscriptions – 36 Rue Mérimée – 06110 Le Cannet – France***

#### 3.2. Online

Requests of registrations are to be made on this website :

[www.ucc-sportevent.com](http://www.ucc-sportevent.com)

#### 3.3. Registration Fees

**Registration** : from 53 €

**Cancellation insurance** : 5 €

#### 3.4 Closing date for registration

Registration are closed as soon as the maximum number of participant is reached. The deadline for registration is 6 full days before the qualification. After this deadline, new registration will be process within the limit of available places and eventual cancellation, from the Wednesday before the event,

#### 3.5 Cancellation prior to the race and refund

Full payment is refunded (excluding internet transaction and bank transfer fees) only if the competitor has subscribed the cancellation insurance (6€). All cancellation requests must be send by mail or email at least 10 days before the race.

Beyond this deadline and until the day before the event: the candidate has to present a documentary evidence (medical certificate dissuading the practice of Mountain-biking, employment contract, work certificate or death certificate of a loved one) to claim for a refund.

If the cancellation request comes during this period of 10 days before the event but the documentary evidence only comes after the event, no refund will be made. The candidate will get a nominative voucher of the value of his registration (minus the 6€ of insurance, the lift pass and personal MSA insurance) for the MAXIAVALANCHE 2019.

Once the race started or already done, in case of non-subscription to the cancellation insurance, no refund will be made.

#### 3.6 Registration Transfer

The registration is personal. None transfer is authorized for any reason. Anyone reassigning his registration plate to someone will be held responsible in case of accident occurred or caused by himself during the race. The organization declines any responsibility in the event of an accident in the event of this type of situation and will definitely exclude the competitor who has given his registration and the competitor of the MAXIAVALANCHE as soon as he becomes aware of it.

## 4. CATEGORIES AND RANKINGS

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The year of birth, and not the date of birth, determines the categories assignment

### **4.1 MEN SCRATCH MAXIAVALANCHE® Europ Cup**

Any male class, except E-Bikes.

### **4.2 LADIES SCRATCH MAXIAVALANCHE® Europ Cup**

Any ladies class, except E-Bikes.

### **4.3 MEN CATEGORIES: MAXIAVALANCHE® Europ Cup**

- **CADETS** : 15 à 16 ans nés entre 2002 et 2003

- **JUNIORS** : 17 à 18 ans nés entre 2000 et 2001

- **SENIORS\*** : 19 à 29 ans - nés entre 1989 et 1999

- **MASTERS 30\*** : 30 à 39 ans nés entre 1979 et 1988

- **MASTERS 40** : 40 à 49 ans nés en 1969 et 1978

*(\*excluded from this, riders from the priority list – Cf General Regulation Art.6 )*

### **4.4 MAXIAVALANCHE® CHALLENGERS**

- **ESPOIRS Challengers** : 15 à 18 ans nés entre 2000 et 2003

- **SENIORS Challengers** : 19 à 29 ans - nés entre 1989 et 1999

- **MASTERS 30 Challengers** : 30 à 39 ans nés entre 1979 et 1988

- **MASTERS 40 Challengers** : 40 à 49 ans nés entre 1969 et 1978

- **MASTERS 50 Challengers** : 50 ans et plus – nés en 1968 et avant

### **4.5 MAXIAVALANCHE® AMATEURS**

- **ESPOIRS Amateurs** : 15 à 18 ans nés entre 2000 et 2003

- **SENIORS Amateurs** : 19 à 39 ans - nés entre 1979 et 1999

- **MASTERS Amateurs** : 40 ans et plus nés en 1978 et avant

### **4.6 E-BIKE SERIE**

-**E-BIKE 500** : more than 500Wh autonomy

-**E-BIKE 500 Plus** : less than 500Wh autonomy

### **4.7. OVERALL RANKING**

An overall classification is established by time for all competitors of the following events:

**MAXIAVALANCHE – MAXI CHALLENGER – MAXI AMATEUR & MAXI LADIES.**

## 5. ALLOCATION OF RACE NUMBERS

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### 5.1. Specific to “priority” competitors and sporting success

Allocated number plate for “priority” riders list corresponds to their placing on the start line. The number of riders on each qualification or race runs is also taken into account. However, the sequence displays of the front lines are linked with riders sporting success. Each competitor is **personally responsible** for posting its sporting results during the registration phase in the “**palmares**” **check-box**. A certification of « sporting success » or specific access criteria may be asked by the Organisation or in the case of a complaint.

*Example: for heat races with 100 racers; N°1 to 25, N°101 to 125, N°201 to 225 etc...*

### 5.2. Other competitors

Numbers plates are allocated in the order in which riders have registered, date as per postmark and internet registration.

This order of registration determines the position of each rider on the qualification and races start lines.

*For example:*

- 5 « Priority riders » + 5 registrations of “sporting success” riders + 15 registration on 1/01/N to 15/02/N period form the line of the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>... wave of qualifications or races runs.
- 25 registrations on the 16/02/N to 15/03/N period form the second line of the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>,... wave of qualifications or race runs.
- Etc...
- Etc...

### 5.3. Ladies

The same process is applied for the **Ladies** categories. They do have grouped and consecutive number plate. Those number are allocated following their “sporting success” and their order of registration, date as per postmark and internet registration.

**5.4 Specific categories** each rider have grouped and consecutive number plate.

## 6. PROTECTIVE ACCESSORIES

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### Required protective gear :

- Full-face Helmet
- Elbow guards.
- Full finger gloves.

A rider not wearing the imposed protections shall be banned from the race. Unannounced controls can be made by a member of the UCC organization team. (Please refer to the regulations).

**6.1 The riders shall ensure** the reliability of their own protective gears: Helmet, Elbow and Knee guards, etc. ...

**6.2 The riders shall wear** their protective gear during all their run, which, if not respected can lead to a penalty.

## 7. RECEPTION AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL

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**7.1 Administrative control** of the competitors take place 48h before the qualification day.

**7.2** A competitor shall have filled and paid the commitment form in order to be considered as registered.

**7.3** A competitor shall present his ID card and License or medical certificate on each control. In return, the organiser shall allocate a race number and a number plate to each participant.

**7.4** A non-registered rider shall come to the Administrative Control at the opening. In case of excess, they will be registered on a waiting list. A specific number plate should be granted to them for their test runs.  
A call of unregistered riders will be made at the end of the Administrative Controls in order to replace the absents.

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## 8. EQUIPMENT AND TECHNICAL VERIFICATIONS

**8.1** Admitted bikes in all competitions organized by U.C.C must be mountain bikes with 26" wheels at least. Studded tyres are forbidden.  
Any protruding extremity must be covered or be the object of a corking.

**8.2** Each competitor shall ensure the proper functioning his equipment (bicycle with accessories and other devices fitted).

**8.3** The number plate shall be fixed in a way to ensure its good visibility. Number plates and bibs number are reserved for the officials' partners of U.C.C and **excluding any other ones**, thus staying in their original configuration particularly the emplacement reserved for the « **line sticker** ». In the case of wear out, modification or absence of these number plate causes penalties (**Art.16**).

**8.4: E-Bike Category:** please refer to the E-Bike Serie general regulation.

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## 9. SPORTING OBLIGATIONS

The particular conditions of running(race) carry(wear) the Steering committee to draw the attention of the participants on the sports and responsible spirit which has to prevail in their competitors' acts, in particular, take time to inform the closest first-aid post in the view(sight) of an incident the gravity of which would require care.

The organisation committee would like to underline the following Sporting obligations:

- Each competitor shall respect a good sportsmanship and responsible behaviour in all of their acts.
- In case of an incident requiring medical care, the nearest rescue posts shall be informed.

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## 10. COURSE MARKING

**10.1.** Each competitor shall respect the courses limits that must be marked and indicated by nets, barrier tape, slalom gates, banners and / or arrows signs. In the case of a rider going off-track, he shall resume his run where he exits the course.

**10.2.** The “autocontrôle<sup>1</sup>” guarantees the smooth running of the event in a showmanship manner. It allows a rider to submit a claim against one of his competitors that would have deliberately followed a path really shortening the official course as stipulated on the article "**Complaints**" (**Art.17**). All course violation that had been reported by a Marshall, or **by at least one contender**, can lead to a penalty, if not the disqualification of the accused one.

**10.3.** The course to necessarily follow is materialized by the existing trails or by the taped path. Nevertheless, alternative lines can be allowed **if they had been submitted before the start of the competition** to the Race Director. If he decided to validate this line option, this decision will be the object of a public information expressed during the briefing and/or posted to the race HQ.

**10.4.** The course is materialized and final during the “official practise sessions” period that took place 24h before the qualification day. No modifications to the course can be made till the seeding runs except force majeure case left to the appreciation of the race director.

**10.5.** Each competitor shall cross the finish line with his bike to be classified.

## 11. EVENT SEQUENCE

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### 11.1. “seeding runs – Qualifications”

**Definition:** The seeding runs take place the eve of the 1<sup>st</sup> day of competition. Their goal is to insure a fair hierarchy of rider on the start lines position.

**The number of waves is determined by the course conditions and the number of registered riders.**

The following categories have a specific wave:

- LADIES.
- E-Bike.
- MEGAKID.

**Lines constitution:** Start lines of the seeding runs are constituted by positioning 20 to 25 competitors in ascending order in each waves starts areas.

#### **Start procedure:**

- 20 minutes before the start, competitors shall show up and ensure that they are in the judged starting list.
- 10 minutes before the start, competitors must assist to the Race Director briefing that gives the last information concerning the course, marshalls and resues teams positions, and the start procedure, etc.
- 5 minutes before the start, competitors shall take positions on the start line.
- Display: 1 minute, 30 seconds and 5 seconds periods before the start signal.

#### **Sequence:**

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<sup>1</sup> Autocontrôle : a claim submitted by 1 competitor to the Race Director must contain : a brief summary and drawing of the incident, localisation on the course, assessment of the saved time and other comments.



Each seeding runs is spaced out by 20 to 30 minutes.

### **11.2. Finish procedure:**

Each competitor shall cross the finish line in order to have access to the heat races in the “seeding runs/qualifications” time schedule.

### **11.3. Automatic repêchage for “Priority riders”**

After the qualifications, competitors figuring on the “priority riders” list are automatically placed on the 4<sup>th</sup> line (D line) of the scratch race of the **MEGAVALANCHE®**, even if they D.N.F or do not figured on the qualified list.

### **11.4. Withdrawal**

Competitors who withdrawal without crossing the finish line shall submit their will to compete to the responsible for timekeeping; they will then be positioned on the race starting line behind the last line of the **AMATEURS** category.

### **11.5. In case of inability to organize the Qualifications**

Riders will be positioned in the following order: “**Priority riders**”, followed by **sporting success** riders finishing by the traditional registration order.

## **12. RACE LINES SEQUENCE ORDER OF THE MAXIAVALANCHE®**

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At the end of the “**seeding runs – Qualifications**”, all participants shall take back the “Letter Sticker” of their start line position, and must be provided with their ID card. This sticker must be placed on the dedicated space on their race plate, in order to access their start line of respectively the **MAXIAVALANCHE EUROP CUP®** and **CHALLENGERS, AMATEURS and LADIES.**

## **13. RACE RUN(S)**

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### **13.1. Definition**

Race run determines the final ranking of the **MAXIAVALANCHE®** and gives access to points attribution. (cf. art 4)

**13.2. Number of Race run(s)** is determined by the number of racers who succeed the qualification-seeding run, plus the KIDS reserved race line.

### **13.3. Race lines formation**

**13.3.1** « **MAXIAVALANCHE®** race run» start lines are ideally formed by 20 to 25 racers (depending upon available space) placed in ascending order of the letters of their race plate and by categories in the starting area of each races.

**13.3.2** Racers shall get to their position upon command of the Starter (Judge), depending on :

- Line letter (place won during the seeding runs – Qualifications)
- Rank on the seeding runs – Qualifications (for example: the four 1<sup>st</sup>, the four 2<sup>nd</sup>,...)
- Lap time in the seeding runs – Qualifications.

### **13.4 Identification of race groups**

#### **13.4.1 Group MAXIAVALANCHE® EUROP CUP :**

The 100 best awarded on the 100 best finish line spots of the seeding runs.  
25 racers are admitted after the “qualification – seeding run”.

*\*Example: for 4 « qualification – seeding runs » : the six firsts of each wave received the A line letter.  
The 4 firsts are the first to access the starting area, then the 4 seconds, the 4 thirds, ... till getting the 24 riders of the “X” lines.*

#### **13.4.2 Groupe MAXIAVALANCHE® CHALLENGER :**

The 150\* ranked after the 100 best ones on the seeding runs.

*(\*) Subject to change depending on the number of qualification runs.*

#### **13.4.3 Group MAXIAVALANCHE® AMATEUR :**

All the other qualifiers after the 251th\*

*(\*) Subject to change depending on the number of qualification runs.*

##### **13.1.4 Specific case**

#### **1. Masters 50**

In MAXIAVALANCHE® EUROP CUP DH Marathon, Masters 50 are automatically qualified in CHALLENGERS.

Les Masters 50 qualified in the 100 first for the MAXIAVALANCHE® EUROP CUP are placed in the first line of the MAXIAVALANCHE CHALLENGERS, the others stay at their normal qualifying place.

#### **2. LADIES**

In MAXIAVALANCHE® EUROP CUP DH Marathon, ladies are automatically qualified in CHALLENGERS.

The ladies qualified in the 100 first for the MAXIAVALANCHE® EUROP CUP are placed in the first line of the MAXIAVALANCHE CHALLENGERS, the others stay at their normal qualifying place.

Those qualified in MAXIAVALANCHE AMATEURS are placed in the last line CHALLENGERS.

## 14. RANKING OF THE MAXIAVALANCHE® EUROP CUP

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**14.1.** Le classement s'obtient en ajoutant les points obtenus sur chacune des manches de course ou sur le résultat net en cas de manche unique.

**14.2** En cas d'égalité de points à l'issue des manches, la dernière manche prévaut pour le résultat final de l'étape.

**14.3.** Pour valider son classement, tout concurrent devra franchir la ligne d'arrivée avec son vélo.

## 15. AWARDS

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### 1.1 MAXIAVALANCHE EUROP CUP RANKING

Awards to each categories 3 first riders

**Total prize money per stage: 1260€**

#### SCRATCH HOMMES

1<sup>er</sup> : 500 €

2<sup>e</sup> : 300 €

3<sup>e</sup> : 200 €

#### SCRATCH DAMES\*

1<sup>ère</sup> : 120 €

2<sup>è</sup> : 80 €

3<sup>è</sup> : 60 €

*(\*) Récompense valable pour un minimum de 15 partantes effectives. Si moins de 15 Dames partantes : prise en charge à hauteur de 50 % de la valeur*

The first 10 in Europe Cup of each stage will receive an invitation for the next Maxiavalanche stage.

**This invitation includes** : registrations fees + Saturday night accomodation in an hotel chosen by the organisation

For the first stage, the general Maxiavalanche ranking from the previous year will be taken in count.

For the ladies, the same rules if appllied for the 3 first.

### 1.2 Other ranking

**MAXIAVALANCHE® CHALLENGER, MAXIAVALANCHE® AMATEURS et E-BIKE SERIE :**

Awards to each categories 3 first riders

## 16. MAXIAVALANCHE EUROPE CUP GENERAL RANKING

1.1 It is established by the addition of the points corresponding to the ranking of each stage (see annexe 1 for the points)

1.2 An absence is not considered as a result

1.3 **In case of withdrawal**, the simple fact of having picking up your number gives you one point

1.4 In case of equality, the results will be split according to the number of first position, then second positions, etc... if not enough, the last position on the last stage will decide between the ex-aequo.

1.5 Points will be given to the 100 first in accordance with the grading scale attached.

**1.6 Awards general ranking : MAXIAVALANCHE® EUROP CUP :**

#### Scratch ranking :

1<sup>er</sup> : Holiday package : flight from Paris + accomodation (shared bungalow) at the MEGAVALANCHE® de l'Île de la Réunion 2018

2<sup>ème</sup> : 400 €

3<sup>ème</sup> : 300 €

## 17. PENALITES

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Penalties are estimated and validated by the Race Jury.

### 16.1. Race gear and missing mandatory equipment

- No Full-face Helmet
- No Elbow guards
- No Full finger gloves

Refusal to start  
2 minutes penalty  
2 minutes penalty

### 16.2. Noncompliant race plate or bib

1 minute de penalty

### 16.3. Missing "line sticker"

Demotion of a line

### 16.4. Entering the departure area after the last call

16.4.1 While the line of the rider concerned is already in place

Demotion of a line

16.4.2 While the following two (or more) are in place

Demotion of two lines

16.5. Track cut confirmed by a marshal or by a autocontrôle<sup>2</sup>  
The penalty is at least of 30 seconds.

Time penalty : 5 or 10 times  
*the estimated time gain taking into account the dangerousness of the act.*

16.6. Out of time collection of the starting number temps  
Needed for the track recognition

Rider place on the last line of the  
« seeding runs- qualification »

### 16.7. False start implying the stop of the race

- The start referee assisted by the digital capture
- rider guilty of a false start, during the gridding

Demotion of a line  
2 minutes de Penalty

### 16.8. False start

- The start referee assisted by the digital capture

2 minutes de Penalty to the rider(s)

16.9. Pollution and environmental degradation of the venue(s)  
by the competitor or their assistance staff

2 minutes de Penalty

### 16.10. Other penalties

16.10.1 Not wearing a helmet during the competition:

Disqualification

16.10.2 Riding against race traffic:

2 minutes de Penalty

16.10.3 Test runs during the race period:

2 minutes de Penalty

16.10.4 Non-assistance to a person in danger:

Disqualification

16.10.5 Discourteous attitudes or insults to a member of the OC:

Disqualification

## 18. COMPLAINTS

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<sup>2</sup> *Autocontrôle* : a claim submitted by 1 competitor to the Race Director must contain : a brief summary and drawing of the incident, localisation on the course, assessment of the saved time and other comments

**17.1.** Complaints about the running of the race, behaviour of other competitors and an **autocontrôle** report shall be made in writing and delivered to the Race Director and must contain:

- *Surname, First name, phone number and e-mail address of the petitioner.*
- *Bib number and description of the presumed guilty rider (Bike Brand, Race Gear,...).*
- *Summary and Drawing of the incident.*
- *Localisation on the course.*
- *Assessment of the saved time and other comments, in a 30 minutes delay after the arrival of the petitioner.*

**17.2** The jury will summon the presumed guilty rider and set out the acts attributed to him. Each competitor involved in the case will be heard by the jury. The decision of the jury shall be final.

**17.3** The jury shall be composed of:

- an athlete appointed in the “**Priority list**”.
- The Race Director
- The Supervisor of the local Organisation Committee or the Marshall Manager

## 19. IMAGE RIGHTS

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**18.1** Each competitor participating in the event shall expressly authorized the event organizations and the other rightful owners, such as the partners and Medias, to use the pictures or videos taken during the event where he might appear on. Thus allowing to use his image on all supports, promotional and advertising content included, and worldwide.

This provision runs for the longest time prescribed by law, regulations, treaties currently in force, as well as eventual prolongations which could be made to this time.

**18.2** Professionals medias, photographers and videographers shall get an accreditation from the S.A.RL. UCC which holds all the commercial rights of the brand MEGAVALANCHE® and more broadly all competitions organized from the regulation quoted before.

## 20. GENERAL PROVISIONS COMMON TO ALL EVENTS

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### **19.1 Security and Assistance:**

Covered by a network of checkpoints and medical posts consisted of Doctors, Physiotherapists, Controllers, Signallers, dressed of one recognizable chasuble.

### **19.2 Doping control**

Each competitor can be subjected to a hanging dope test or upon the arrival of the race. Any positive control will pull an immediate disqualification.

# ANNEXE 1

# BARÊME DES POINTS

Pos	Points	Ecart
1	252	
2	217	35
3	187	30
4	162	25
5	142	20
6	132	10
7	124	8
8	118	6
9	114	4
10	112	2
11	110	2
12	108	2
13	106	2
14	104	2
15	102	2
16	100	2
17	98	2
18	96	2
19	94	2
20	92	2
21	90	2
22	88	2
23	86	2
24	84	2
25	82	2
26	80	2
27	78	2
28	76	2
29	74	2
30	72	2
31	70	2
32	68	2
33	67	1

34	66	1
35	65	1
36	64	1
37	63	1
38	62	1
39	61	1
40	60	1
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82	18	1
83	17	1
84	16	1
85	15	1
86	14	1
87	13	1
88	12	1
89	11	1
90	10	1
91	9	1
92	8	1
93	7	1
94	6	1
95	5	1
96	4	1
97	3	1
98	2	1
99	1	1
100	1	0

Pour la Maxiavalanche 1 point est attribué du 101<sup>e</sup> au 342<sup>e</sup>