

# THE ENGLISH SKI COUNCIL

## Race Organisation Technical Panel



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It is becoming increasingly difficult to obtain the number of volunteer officials required to run every race. In an effort to overcome this problem, a small increase in the race entry fee has been made this year to assist in funding the ESC race officials training programme. This will ensure that all ESC races continue to be run in a safe, fair and enjoyable way for everybody.'

ROTP have organised courses to train officials and are planning to run some beginner courses early this year with our annual development course in November. PLEASE support these, the day is getting near when a race will be cancelled due to lack of trained officials.

If you would like to make any comments regarding the way current ESC races are run please send an e-mail to [info@rotp.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:info@rotp.freeserve.co.uk).

The items below are not intended to be a summary of the manual, but to highlight the major changes introduced this year and re-enforce existing rules.

#### Race Equipment

- 1) Ski Binding heights – Children 1 limit has been reduced to 45mm max.
- 2) ESC will adopt the BCR proposals for ski length/width/binding and boot height. Radius restrictions will not apply on dry slope races.

See [www.britski.org/equip01.pdf](http://www.britski.org/equip01.pdf) for full details

#### Race Matters

- 1) Entry Fee – This has been increased to £ 14.00 for Grand Prix races and up to £ 14.00 for club nationals (this rate is set by the organising club).
- 2) Protest Fee – This has been increased to £25.00 in line with BSSF.
- 3) Late Entry Fee – This has been increased to £5.00
- 4) Envelopes - All results are to be published on [www.britski.org](http://www.britski.org) Therefore, should anyone wish a printed set of results, they will need to submit a SAE C5 envelope - in addition to the one requires for the return of the acceptance list. If no envelopes are enclosed, the acceptance list will not be sent out.
- 5) At Club National Races when ever possible, the Referee's Report (Protocol) for the first run will be posted and announced before the start of the second run. However, the publication time for protests will not commence until the Referee's Report for the second run is published.
- 6) To fall in line with FIS/BSSF the 'Boys & Girls' category will be renamed to 'Minis'
- 7) Course Inspection

The following clarifies what is permitted when inspecting.

- a) Racers may side-slip or snow plough slowly through the gates **but must become stationary between each gate.**
- b) Racers must not free practise on the race slope during course inspection

- c) Coaches are no longer required to wear skis during inspection subject to local slope regulations.
- d) Snow blades may be used during open practice and inspection, provided they are fitted with leashes.
- e) Bibs must be carried so that the number is clearly visible.

#### 7) British Artificial Slope Championships

Acceptance and start order is now in line with all other dry slope competitions – i.e. based on ESC seed points only. Converted BASS points will only be taken into account for racers without any ESC seed points.

For the Home International Team event, racers may only represent the Nation represented by their registration number on the current ESC seed list.

Useful references:

[www.britski.org/dry.htm](http://www.britski.org/dry.htm) for links to ESC Seed list, race calendar & results.

[www.britski.org/rules.htm](http://www.britski.org/rules.htm) for links to FIS, British & ESC Equipment regulations, FIS ICR & precisions and ESC Race Manual (also available from [www.rotp.freeserve.co.uk](http://www.rotp.freeserve.co.uk)) and previous Occasional Race Bulletins.

[www.britski.org/esc.htm](http://www.britski.org/esc.htm) for links to ESC, ARC and ROTP minutes.