



ALPING RACING BULLETIN – April 2013

Race Structure 2013 – U10/U12 Races

Following on from British Ski and Snowboard proposals on the future structure of alpine racing in the United Kingdom and a consultation process involving clubs, coaches, athletes and other sports governing bodies, it was confirmed that Snowsport England will implement the following structure for artificial races (GBR Series and Club Nationals).

- Senior, U18, U16, U14 – Remain as is.
- U12/U10 – Stubbies to be used for all indoor and outdoor races.
- U12/U10 – No seeding

During the past Winter Alpine race season different formats have been applied to determine trophy winners at various stubbie slalom races for U10/U12s.

- Trophies awarded on the basis of a 2 run event with the best run to count
- Trophies awarded on the basis of 2 run race with combined times to determine trophies

For the 2013 artificial race season, we will apply these formats and will review at the end of the season to determine whether we should standardise on a single format for future seasons.

- At Club Nationals, races for U10/U12s will be unseeded and run as follows:
 - Outdoor Club National U10/U12s races will be 3 runs through a single stubbie course and trophies awarded for U10/U12s races on the basis of the best time from the first two runs plus the time from the third.
 - Indoor Club National U10/U12s races will be 2 runs through a single stubbie course and trophies awarded for U10/U12s races on the basis of combined times.
- At GBR Series races and other events run by the National Governing Bodies, the U10/U12 races will be unseeded and consist of 2 runs through a single course and the best run time will be used for the award of trophies.

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ALPING RACING BULLETIN – December 2012

Race Structure 2013 – Artificial Surfaces

Following on from British Ski and Snowboard proposals on the future structure of alpine racing in the United Kingdom and a consultation process involving clubs, coaches, athletes and other sports governing bodies, Snowsport England will implement the following structure for artificial races (GBR Series and Club Nationals).

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- U12/U10 – No seeding

Combi races will not be part of the artificial calendar for 2013. Snowsport England will continue to investigate the possibility of running a combi race on an artificial surface in 2014.

Snowsport England Race Structure 2013 – Snow

- U16, 2 runs both to count in SL & GS
- U14, as is, 2 separate seeded runs, with both to count for overall in SL & GS.
- U16 and U14 to run on separate courses.
- U12 & U10 Non-seeded and Stubbies for SL

Snowsport England is currently investigating the possibility of running a combi for U12/10 at the English Championships in Bormio, February 2013. Discussions are currently taking place with Bormio.

Cost of artificial race Entry

The following increases to race entry costs have been agreed;

- Maximum of £20 for Outdoor races
- Maximum of £25 for Indoor races
- GBR Races will be at £20 and £25

This increase is due to the significant increases on slope hire.

Changes to FIS ICR Rules

There have been some amendments to FIS rules which we would like Clubs and coaches to pass on to all athletes so they are aware of these changes. We will be adopting these as much as possible on artificial.

614.2.3 is a new rule that means a competitor in all events with a fixed start interval (i.e. everything except Slalom) must not continue through the course or climb back up the course if they come to a complete stop. For Slalom they may restart after a complete stop as long as they don't interfere with the run of another competitor.

623.1.1 now requires a competitor who is obstructed to stop immediately the incident takes place and report this to the nearest gate judge. This is a new requirement, previously they were only required to apply to a Jury member.

644.6 strengthens the emphasis on getting protests in on time, now stating that "protests not submitted on time, in the correct manner or submitted without the protest fee will not be considered".

667.3 which covers supplemental duties of the Gate Judge is amended to require them to record the details of any incident which involves a competitor being obstructed during their run.

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