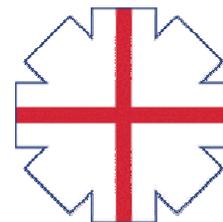


# SNOWSPORT ENGLAND

## Race Organisation Technical Panel



### Alpine Racing Bulletin 2005

ROTP has continued with its development of race officials and is looking to accredit more officials at level 1 and level 2 this year. The progress made over the last couple of years has been sufficient that this year's calendar was produced on time with nearly all the key officials details available. However we are still working hard to increase the active base of race officials and are planning more courses this year.

If you would like to make any constructive suggestions regarding the way current Snowsport England races are run please send an e-mail to [rotp@snowsportengland.org.uk](mailto:rotp@snowsportengland.org.uk)

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### Information for Racers

#### On Line Race Entry

A system for race entry via the internet is available for the Grand Prix series and the All England Championships at <https://www.freestyleweb.co.uk/compenry/index.asp>. We would strongly recommend that all entries be submitted via the on line system.

#### Clothing

Racers are reminded that their clothing should provide adequate protection. It has been drawn to our attention that some racers have been wearing clothing that does not adequately protect their body, that is ankle to wrist cover. Racing in crop tops is not acceptable

#### Photography

All race organisers must accredit any photographers. All race bulletins must include a paragraph stating that any racer not wishing to have photographs taken by an accredited photographer must notify the race organisers before the race takes place.

#### Equipment

There are no amendments to the equipment regulations this year, see [www.britski.org](http://www.britski.org) for the current regulations.

### Information for Race Organisers

#### Thomson Sponsorship

Thomson has once again sponsored the Grand Prix series, details at <http://www.snowsportengland.org.uk/phpnuke/html/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=27>  
The effects of this on race organisation are:

- 1) Both Thomson logos are to be displayed on all published documentation, Race bulletins, Results etc. The logos are downloadable from <http://rotp.snowsportengland.org.uk/>. (Please note that the World of TUI logo has changed this year).
- 2) Thomson banners and brochures will be prominently displayed at each Grand Prix.

- 3) A Thomson stand will be set up at each Grand Prix.
- 4) A Special prize giving will be held on the first day of the All England Championships which will include a new trophy for the overall series winner.
- 5) The new Thomson sponsored bibs must be used at all Grand Prix races.

### **Radios**

To ensure proper safety management and control of races, the use of radio communication between key officials is essential. For the 2005 Artificial Season, it is mandatory that the following officials should be in communication on the same radio frequency - TD, Chief of Race, Referee, Start Referee, Finish Referee, Timing/Commentary. It is desirable that the Chief Gate Judge and Race Sec should also have a radio on the same frequency as the other key officials. The radios must be operated by a 'press to transmit' facility; open or 'vox' communication is not acceptable. Each radio should be equipped with an earpiece to ensure that essential transmissions are not missed due to background noise. Advice on acceptable types of radio may be obtained from the event TD or from the Chairs of STP and ROTP.

A draft specification for the communication between starter and timing is currently available from [www.snowsportengland.org.uk](http://www.snowsportengland.org.uk). As these changes may be introduced for 2006 it is recommended that all clubs and race organisers look at these proposals and provide feedback.

### **Soft Ski Version 10**

The current release of Soft Ski (free download from [www.soft-control.com](http://www.soft-control.com)) does not require the software key to print race documentation. This version will also integrate directly with TAG timing systems, most other timing systems will require the software key as in the past or have racers times entered manually. All Snowsport England races must use this version and the seed lists produced will be compatible with the latest version.

### **Officials Training Courses**

The level 2 course will once again be held at Stoke Rochford over the weekend 19/20 November. Further details will be released later in the year. We are still looking to run level 1 courses if your club/region would like to take advantage of a course please contact Alan West. We are also looking at running a 1 or possibly ½ day course on the use of Soft Ski and our new back up timing units. If this interests you please contact Alan West. If there is sufficient interest we can plan a day.

### **SSE Equipment**

Snowsport England have purchased two Alge timing units for back up timing and two new sets of Bibs. These will be transported with the boards/officials gilets to each race by an ROTP member who will be able to demonstrate how the units work. These units must be used for Grand Prix and may be used at Club Nationals providing the ROTP member is at the race.