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1. General

This document is part of the British Artificial Competition Rules (BACR), and specifies the particular regulations applicable to specific events which are run as 'recognised' British artificial slope races. Refer to BACR Book I for overall details about BACR and its application.

2. British Indoor Ski Slope Championships Eligibility

2.1.1. British Eligibility Rules apply.

2.1.2. All competitors must be registered with their respective registration authority.

2.1.3. The Race Organising Committee may invite teams from neighbouring nations to take part in the event.

2.2. Acceptance

2.2.1. Racing in indoor arenas is in its infancy and it is not possible yet to judge whether performance on plastic or on snow correlates more closely to performance indoors on snow. However, Indoor Arena slope profiles and length are more similar in nature to plastic slopes, and one of the reasons for using indoor slopes is to expose a greater number of skiers to snow conditions. Consequently, BARTS Seed Points will be used for Indoor Arena racing.

However, it is not yet possible for indoor arena performance to be taken into account in the BARTS Seeding System. The following regulations are given on a trial basis and will be evaluated annually and changed if necessary.

2.2.2. Criteria: Acceptance will be decided on the basis of BARTS Seed Points. The Organising Committee should set a maximum seed point standard, which should be published in the announcement. The TD Forum recommends a maximum of 250 points.

2.2.3. Number of Competitors: Entries in each age group should be accepted taking into account the proportion of the total number of entries into the competition in each age group. A minimum number of 10 competitors should be accepted to ensure a reasonable level of competition within each age group. Entries should be limited to a maximum of 70 males and 50 females in order to ensure that the absolute maximum of all competitors does not exceed 120.

2.2.4. Team Composition: If a nation entering a team or teams into the International Team Parallel Slalom event does not have the appropriate number of competitors within the appropriate seed point cut-off levels, further competitors from that nation will be accepted irrespective of seed points, providing they are registered, to bring the total number of competitors from that nation up to 4 competitors and 1 reserve per team. Maximum 2 men’s teams and 2 women’s teams.

2.3. Entry

2.3.1. The Race Bulletin must include the acceptance criteria.

2.3.2. The closing date for entries will be 15 days before the event. Late entries may be accepted up to the time of the draw. Protests against non-acceptance of late entries will be decided at the discretion of the organisers.

2.3.3. An acceptance list will be published at least 12 days before the event.

2.3.4. Protests against non-acceptance will be considered by the Organising Committee 5 days before the event.

2.4. Specific Rules for the Championships

2.4.1. The event will be run over 2 days and normally comprise 2 x two run Slaloms (the second of which shall be designated the Championships event) and an International Team Parallel Slalom. The non-Championships Slalom and the International Team Parallel Slalom should take place on Day 1, with the Championships Slalom on Day 2.

2.4.2. The start order for the Slaloms will be based on the points used to determine acceptance into the Championships as described in Section 2.2.2. The best

seeded competitors should have the lowest bib numbers. The Start Order should be determined by following the principles of FIS ICR Article 621.3 and 621.11.2.

2.4.3. At the discretion of the Organising Committee, competitors who fail to finish or who are disqualified in the first run, may be allowed to ski the second course, in a group, after the official second run of the race. Their times will not be recorded.

2.4.4. Due to time constraints, the Jury may decide to postpone consideration of protests against disqualification in the first run until after the second run has been completed. In these circumstances, competitors who are allegedly disqualified in the first run should be allowed to compete in the second run as if there were no disqualification.

2.5. Prizes

2.5.1. Awards will be given in the following categories. Only British Citizens are eligible to win the Age Group awards.

	WOMEN	MEN
U14	1st, 2nd, & 3rd	1st, 2nd, & 3rd
U16	1st, 2nd, & 3rd	1st, 2nd, & 3rd
U18	1st, 2nd, & 3rd	1st, 2nd, & 3rd
U21	1st, 2nd, & 3rd	1st, 2nd, & 3rd
Senior	1st, 2nd, & 3rd	1st, 2nd, & 3rd
Masters	1st, 2nd, & 3rd	1st, 2nd, & 3rd
Overall	1st, 2nd, & 3rd	1st, 2nd, & 3rd
Inter-Club	1st, 2nd, & 3rd Team	1st, 2nd, & 3rd Team

2.6. International Team Slalom Event.

2.6.1. The Competition, which is open to national teams only, is to be two parallel slalom relays, one for men and one for women. Home Nation Team members must be registered as performers with the relevant Home Nation and may only represent the nation represented by their registration number as shown on the current BARTS seed list.

2.6.2. Each team is to consist of 4 competitors.

2.6.3. Each team should be seeded by totalling the race points achieved by team members in the non-Championship individual Slalom event. Any competitor who failed to finish or was disqualified will be given points equal to that of the lowest ranked member of that team.

2.6.4. Start order will normally be determined by following the principles of BACR Book I Rule 1224.

2.6.5. If time and the number of competing teams permit, every round will be the best of three races. If not, then each race in the first, second and semi-final rounds, and the race to determine third place, will consist of one race. The choice of courses will be decided by the Team Captains at the toss of a coin for red or blue before the first round. If a third race is necessary, a coin is to be tossed again for choice of courses. After the second round of the final, the two losing teams from the semi final are to race for third place, the Team Captains to toss a coin for choice of course.

2.6.6. Each team must be represented by a Team Captain. The Assistant Referee or Referee for the International Team Event should be appointed at the Team Captains' Meeting.

3. British Artificial Ski Slope Championships

3.1. Eligibility

3.1.1. British Eligibility Rules apply.

3.1.2. All competitors must be registered with their respective registration authority.

3.1.3. GB Snowsport may invite teams from neighbouring nations to take part in the event.

3.2. Acceptance

3.2.1. Criteria. Acceptance will be decided on the basis of BARTS Seed Points. If a competitor has BASS slalom points but no BARTS points, their BASS slalom points shall be used, converted by a factor to be agreed between the national seeders. The Organising Committee should set a maximum seed point standard, which should be published in the announcement. The TD Forum recommends a maximum of 250 BARTS points.

3.2.1.1 All eligible nations shall have a minimum quota of 8M and 8F. In the event that an entry from a nation is lower than their quota, then entries up to the quota limit may be accepted from racers who do not meet the published entry criteria. Such entries shall be accepted in seed point order.

3.2.2. Entries in each age group should be accepted taking into account the proportion of the total number of entries into the competition in each age group. A minimum number of 10 competitors should be accepted to ensure a reasonable level of competition within each age group. Entries should be limited to a maximum of 150 males and 100 females in order to ensure that the absolute maximum of all competitors does not exceed 250.

3.2.3. If a nation entering a team or teams into the International Team Parallel Slalom event does not have the appropriate number of competitors within the appropriate seed point cut-off levels, further competitors from that nation will be accepted irrespective of seed points, providing they are registered, to bring the total number of competitors from that nation up to 4 competitors and 1 reserve per team. Maximum 2 men's teams and 2 women's teams.

3.3. Entry

3.3.1. The Race Bulletin must include the acceptance criteria.

3.3.2. The closing date for entries will be 15 days before the event. Late entries may be accepted up to the time of the draw. Protests against non-acceptance of late entries will be decided at the discretion of the organisers.

3.3.3. An acceptance list will be published at least 12 days before the event.

3.3.4. Protests against non-acceptance will be considered by the Organising Committee 5 days before the event.

3.4. Specific Rules for the Championships

3.4.1. The event will normally comprise a two run Slalom, a one run GS and an International Team Parallel Slalom. If the slope is not suitable for a GS, a second non-championship slalom may be organised in its place.

3.4.2. The start order for the Slalom and GS will be based on the points used to determine acceptance into the Championships as described above. The best seeded competitors should have the lowest bib numbers and start last.

3.4.3. At the discretion of the Organising Committee, competitors who fail to finish or who are disqualified in the first run, may be allowed to ski the second course, in a group, before the official second run of the race. Their times will not be recorded.

3.4.4. Due to time constraints, the Jury may decide to postpone consideration of protests against disqualification in the first run until after the second run has been completed. In these circumstances, competitors who are allegedly disqualified in the first run should be allowed to compete in the second run as if there were no disqualification.

3.5. Prizes

3.5.1. Tokens are awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd boy and girl in each discipline.

3.6. Challenge Trophies

3.6.1. International Team Event (open to Home Nation and non-British teams)

1st Men's Team	Kings Ski Club Trophy
1st Women's Team	LSRA Dual Slalom Cup

3.6.2. Slalom Championships (first British unless otherwise indicated)

U14 Girls	Ski Club of Great Britain Trophy
U14 Boys	North Wales Ski Club Trophy
U16 Girls	Scottish Ski Club Trophy
U16 Boys	Scottish Ski Club Trophy
U18 Girls	Hans Kuwall Trophy (presented by LSRA)
U18 Boys	Hans Kuwall Trophy (presented by LSRA)
U21 Girls	Dendix Trophy
U21 Boys	Dendix Trophy
Senior Woman	The Skier Trophy
Senior Man	Alpine Ski Centre Trophy
Overall Woman	Elizabeth Noble Trophy [any nationality]
Overall Man	Timothy Noble Trophy [any nationality]

3.6.3. Giant Slalom Championships

Overall Woman	Linda & Steve Thorburn Cup [any nationality]
Overall Man	LSRA GS Cup [any nationality]
Best combined (SL & GS) Scottish Woman	Elizabeth Noble Trophy (GS)
Best combined (SL & GS) Scottish Man	Timothy Noble Trophy (GS)

3.6.4. Only British Citizens are eligible to win the Age Group trophies.

3.6.5. At the request of the donors, the Overall Slalom and GS trophies are presented to the overall winners, regardless of nationality.

3.6.6. No trophies are available at present for the age group winners in the Giant Slalom Championships.

3.7. International Team Slalom Event

3.7.1. The Competition, which is open to national teams only, is to be two parallel slalom relays, one for men and one for women. Home Nation Team members must be registered as performers with the relevant Home Nation and may only represent the nation represented by their registration number as shown on the current BARTS seed list.

3.7.2. Each team is to consist of 4 competitors.

3.7.3. Each team should be seeded by totalling the race points achieved by team members in the individual Slalom event. Any competitor who failed to finish or was disqualified will be given points equal to that of the lowest ranked member of that team.

3.7.4. Start order will normally be determined by following the principles of BCR Book 1 Rule 1224.

3.7.5. If time and the number of competing teams permit, every round will be the best of three races.

If not, then each race in the first, second and semi-final rounds, and the race to determine third place, will consist of one race. The choice of courses will be decided by the Team Captains at the toss of a coin for red or blue before the first round. If a third race is necessary, a coin is to be tossed again for choice of courses. After the second round of the final, the two losing teams from the semi final are to race for third place, the Team Captains to toss a coin for choice of course.

3.7.6. Each team must be represented by a Team Captain. The Assistant Referee or Referee for the International Team Event is to be appointed at the Team Captains' Meeting.

4. GBR (Great British Racing) Series

4.1 Eligibility

4.1.1. All competitors must be registered with their respective registration authority.

4.2. Acceptance

4.2.1. Acceptance will be decided on the basis of BARTS Seed Points in accordance with BACR III.

4.2.2. In the case of the event being over-subscribed, priority will be given to those with lower seed points.

4.2.3. In age groups U14 and older, a seed point cut-off will only be applied if the race becomes over-subscribed. In this case article 4.2.2 above will be applied and the Jury will decide the value of the cut-off.

4.3. Specific Rules for the Series

4.3.1. The GBR Indoor and Outdoor series will each usually comprise six races, but other programmes may be agreed between HNs. Regardless of the number of races the agreed programme must be published prior to the first race in each series taking place.

4.3.2. The Indoor and Outdoor Series are run as separate competitions, and racers may compete in one or other or both.

4.3.3. Awards will be made in each Series, for the top three men and women overall, and the top three in each age group (U10, U12, U14, U16, U18, U21, Senior, Master).

4.3.4. Points will be awarded at each race to count towards the Series result.

4.3.5. For age groups U14 and above, each race will be run as a standard two run Slalom using full-height flex Slalom poles with the aggregate time to count for the result. For age groups U10 and U12, each race will be a minimum of two runs of Slalom using stubby poles with the best time to count for the result.

4.3.6. For age groups U14 and above the start order for each race will follow BACR I 621.3. For U10/12, girls and boys are drawn separately for the start order in the first run, reversing the order for each subsequent run.

4.3.7. At each race, Series Points towards the age group totals will be awarded to the first five males and females in each age group as follows: -

Position	Points
1	7
2	5
3	3
4	2
5	1

4.3.8. At each race, Series Points towards the overall totals will be awarded to the first 30 overall males and females, as per the FIS World Cup points rules:-

Pos.	Pts.	Pos.	Pts.	Pos.	Pts.
1	100	11	24	21	10
2	80	12	22	22	9
3	60	13	20	23	8
4	50	14	18	24	7
5	45	15	16	25	6
6	40	16	15	26	5
7	36	17	14	27	4
8	32	18	13	28	3
9	29	19	12	29	2
10	26	20	11	30	1

4.3.9. Where two or more competitors obtain identical times they will all receive points appropriate to the tied position.

4.3.10. Points gained at all the races in the Series will count towards the final total.

4.3.11. Where two or more competitors Series Points are equal, reference will be made to the overall positions in each race or age group (number of first places, etc.) to determine the order in the final ranking.

4.4. GBR Series Club Competition

4.4.1. The GBR Series Club Competition is calculated from the results of the same series of races as the individual competition described above.

4.4.2. The Indoor and Outdoor Club Competitions are run as separate competitions, and racers may compete in one or other or both.

4.4.3. At each race, age group points will be awarded to the first five males and females in each age group (U10, U12, U14, U16, U18, U21, Senior, Master 1, Master 2). If there are fewer than five finishers in an age group, then the points awarded will be reduced accordingly. Where two or more competitors obtain identical times, they will all receive age group points appropriate to the tied position.

Finishers	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
5	7	5	3	2	1
4	5	3	2	1	
3	3	2	1		
2	2	1			
1	1				

4.4.4. Age group points for each club named in the official results for the race will be totalled, and each club scoring age group points will be awarded Series points as shown above in 4.3.8. Thus, the club that has the highest total of age group points will be awarded 100 Series points, the second highest 80 points, and so on.

4.4.5. These Series points will be accumulated across all the races in the Series to produce the final total.

5. Outdoor Club National format

5.1. Entry Criteria

5.1.1. Entrants having no seed points are given first priority. Priority for entrants with seed points is given to those with the higher seed points. If the race is oversubscribed, entrants with the best (lowest) seed points will be rejected.

5.1.2. For Under 10/Under 12 events, all valid entries are accepted.

5.2. Format

5.2.1. The competitions comprise three runs on the same course. The time for the better of runs 1 and 2 plus the time for run 3 are to count. For age groups U10 and U12, each race will be a minimum of two runs of Slalom using stubby poles with the best time to count for the result.

5.3. Start Order

5.3.1. The start order for run 1 is:

U10/U12 Girls	drawn for start order
U10/U12 Boys	drawn for start order
Women	in descending seed point order, those without seed points (including unregistered racers) drawn for start order and to ski first, the top 15 seeded entrants to be drawn for start order and race last
Men	same as the Women

5.3.2. The start order for run 2 is the same as run 1.

5.3.3. The start order for run 3 is in reverse better time order. If the Jury so decide, all racers who were disqualified or did not finish both first and second runs will be allowed to ski the course before the start of the third run.

5.3.4. Run 2 takes place immediately after the completion of run 1.

5.3.5. For U10/12, girls and boys are drawn separately for start order in the first run, reversing the order for each subsequent run.

5.4. Referee's Reports

5.4.1. The Referee's Report for run 1 should be prepared, posted and announced as early as possible, provided this is done for each 'category' (U10/U12s, Females, Males) well in advance of that category's second run so as not to confer advantage on some competitors within a category. If this cannot be done in time, no Reports from run 1 should be posted until the end of run 2.

5.4.2. Regardless of when the Report for run 1 is posted, the official publication - and hence the 15 minute deadline for receipt of protests - will not commence until the Referee's Report for run 2 has been published. The same deadline must be used for protests against both Reports.

5.4.3. Protests against the Referee's Reports for run 1 and run 2 will be heard and the Jury decision announced before the start of run 3.

6. Indoor Club National Format

6.1. Entry Criteria

6.1.1. Entrants having no seed points are given first priority. Priority for entrants with seed points is given to those with the higher seed points. If the race is oversubscribed, entrants with the best (lowest) seed points will be rejected.

6.1.2. For Under 10/Under 12 events, all valid entries are accepted.

6.2. Format

6.2.1. The competitions comprise two separate single-run races on different courses. The aggregate times of the two races are combined to produce a result for prize-giving. Each single-run race will be seeded separately.

6.2.2. For age groups U10 and U12, each race will be a minimum of two runs of Slalom using stubby poles with the best time to count for the result.

6.3. Start Order

6.3.1. The start order for the first race is the same as for a standard two-run race; the top group is drawn first, followed by the remainder of the seeded competitors in seed point order, then the unseeded competitors are drawn as a group at the end. For U10/U12 competitors, the start order is determined by a random draw.

6.3.2. The start order for the second race is determined by reversing the start order of the first race within each 'category' (females, males, U10/U12).

6.3.3. For U10/12, girls and boys are drawn separately for start order in the first run, reversing the order for each subsequent run.

7. Excel Introductory Races

7.1. Entry Criteria

7.1.1. Entrants having no seed points are given first priority. Priority for entrants with seed points is given to those with the higher seed points. If the race is oversubscribed, entrants with the best (lowest) seed points will be rejected.

7.1.2. No entrant with less than 20 seed points will be accepted.

7.1.3. No more than 75 entries will be accepted.

7.2. Format

7.2.1. The competitions comprise three runs down the same course, with the best single time to count for the result.

7.3. Start Order

7.3.1. The start order for the first run is the same as for a standard two-run race; the top group is drawn first, followed by the remainder of the seeded competitors in seed point order, then the unseeded competitors are drawn as a group at the end.

7.3.2. The start order for the second and third runs is the same as the first.

8. Calendar

8.1. Organisation

8.1.1. The British Artificial Calendar is organised by Snowsport England (SE) on behalf of GB Snowsport.

8.1.2. The TD Forum retains the authority to decide which events are suitable for seeding.

8.1.3. The calendar process is managed by a Working Group that includes representatives from SE, Snowsport Scotland (SSS) and Snowsport Wales (SSW). This group decides on the allocation of national level events such as the GBR Series to HNs, agrees the dates of national championships, and co-operates in avoiding date clashes for seeded club events.

8.2. Publication

8.2.1. The calendar will be completed no later than November 1st for the following artificial slope season, to allow the TD Forum autumn meeting to ratify the list of seeded events.

8.2.2. The calendar will be published on GBSKI.com no later than January 1st to allow for a timely appointment of TDs to seeded events.

8.3. Contents

8.3.1. The following seeded artificial slope events are to be included in the Calendar:

- British non-FIS events - (GBR).
- Constituent Group non-FIS events - (CG).
- Club events - (C).

8.3.2. Other skiing events may also be listed in the British Calendar on GBSKI.com, including (but not limited to) school and regional competitions.

8.3.3. The following information is to be given for each calendar event where appropriate:
Date; Site; Name and Type of Event; Organiser; Category; Disciplines; Key Officials.

8.3.4. All events on the calendar that are intended to count for seed points are indicated by the presence of a 'stopwatch' icon on the GBSKI listing.

8.3.5. The name, postal address, telephone number and e-mail address of the Race Organiser/Secretary, to whom entries must be sent and from whom information can be obtained, must be included for all races on the Calendar.

8.4. Calendar Fees

8.4.1. A calendar fee of £40 per race day is payable to GB Snowsport at the time of application.

9. Document History

Edition	Date	Description of changes
2007	15-Nov-2006	Approved by TD Forum for use in 2007 season onwards.
Nov 15	15-Nov-2015	4.2.3 Removal of the 300 point limit for race entries.
		4.3.6 Minor changes to the start order for U14 and U10/12s.
		5.2.1 Clarification of the racing format.
		5.3.5 Clarification of the racing format.
		6.2.2 and 6.3.3 U10/12 Draw and race format clarifications.
		8.2.2 removed as no longer applicable.
Nov 18	4-Nov-18	Replace BSS with GB Snowsport.
Nov 19	3-Nov-19	3.2 Introduction of Quotas to allow all Eligible Nations to enter the British Championships.
Nov 20	15-Nov-20	Gender neutral amendments.
		4.3.1 Changes to reflect the number of races in a series.
Nov 21	7-Nov-21	8.4.1 Calendar fees updated.
Apr 22	22-Apr-22	4.4 GBR Series Club Competition added.
Apr 23	20-Apr 23	7.1.2 seed point reduction agreed to in Nov 22 to 20 for Excel races.
Dec 23	5-Dec-23	8.1 – 8.3 revised calendar process.