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1. General

This document specifies the regulations applicable to specific events which are run as 'recognised' English races under the auspices of Snowsport England ("SE"). It should be read and used in conjunction with the British Competition Rules (BCR) for snow events and the British Artificial Competition Rules (BACR) for artificial events, and the FIS International Competition Rules (ICR). All rules and other race-related documents are available on https://gbski.com.

2. Introduction

2.1. Contacts

2.1.1. Those responsible for various aspects of ski racing and the organisation thereof are listed below. Their contact details are listed on https://gbski.com, or up-to-date contact information is available from the Snowsport England office.

2.1.2. British Alpine & Telemark Technical Delegates Forum (GBR TDF): homologation of artificial slopes (see BACR Book VIII), training and development of Technical Delegates (see BCR Book VII), coordination of the national seeding system and related rules (see BCR/BACR Book III), and appointment of TDs to seeded calendar events.

2.1.3. SE Alpine Committee: overseeing Alpine racing, including course setter policy and appointment of course setters to the 'approved' list, SE Appeals and Disciplinary matters, construction of the British artificial slope calendar, amendments and corrections to, and publication of, this Race Manual and associated publications.

2.1.4. Training Co-ordinator of Alpine Committee: training and accreditation of SE Race Officials (see section 10). Contact alpineofficials@snowsportengland.org.uk.

2.2. Sources of Information

2.2.1. https://snowsportengland.org.uk
The home site of Snowsport England, containing news and information about all aspects of Snowsport England's activities, including all the various disciplines.

2.2.2. https://gbski.com
British and constituent group race publications including this Race Manual, standard race forms, snow and artificial calendars, race results, BARTS and BASS seed lists, and all British Alpine and Telemark rules.

2.2.3. https://fis-ski.com
Federation Internationale de Ski (FIS). Source of information about international ski racing events and organisation. Publishes International Competition Regulations (ICR), copies of which are available from Snowsport GB office, or online at www.gbski.com or from the FIS web site www.fis-ski.com.

3. Amendments to Base Rules

3.1. Base Rules

3.1.1. Races organised by or on behalf of Snowsport England are conducted according to the FIS ICR, as amended in the British rules BCR (for snow) or BACR (for artificial). This combination of ICR + B(A)CR forms the base for the conduct of SE events.

3.1.2. Any amendments to those rules are detailed in this section.

3.2. Amendments to ICR

3.2.1. Under 613.1 The Start Area, add the following:

613.1.1 There shall be no smoking in the Start Area by anyone.

3.3. Amendments to BCR

3.3.1. There are no SE amendments to BCR.

3.4. Amendments to BACR

3.4.1. BACR IV (Calendar and Events)

Add new paragraph:

8.5 **Limitations**

8.5.1 To allow fair distribution of seeded races and minimise calendar conflicts, no club, organisation or region shall be allocated more than one Club National race each season

4. General Event Regulations

4.1. Objectives

4.1.1. To ensure consistency in the organisation, control and conduct of races run under the auspices of Snowsport England.

4.1.2. To encourage the pursuit of excellence amongst competitors by providing them with realistic targets against which they can evaluate their own performance and progress.

4.1.3. To provide competitors with an opportunity to gain and improve their seed points so that they may qualify for the next category of race.

4.1.4. To provide people who have an interest in and a commitment to ski competition with the opportunity to develop skills and obtain qualifications in race organisation.

4.1.5. To ensure that, where there is an agreement between Snowsport England and any sponsor of an event, the agreements are honoured so that continued financial support for competitions is secured.

4.1.6. To provide a range of categories of competition so that the needs of different participants in the Snowsport England competition framework are catered for.

4.2. Organisation

4.2.1. Snowsport England currently oversees the organisation of various categories of races including:

- GBR Series (in conjunction with Snowsport Wales and Snowsport Scotland)
- Club National Races
- Excel Races to encourage entry-level participation
- Under-10s and Under-12s Races in conjunction with GBR and CN races
- Snowsport England Inter-Regional Team Competition
- Snowsport England Inter-Club Team Competition
- Snowsport England All England Championships
- Snowsport England English Alpine Championships

4.2.2. The use of the term Snowsport England above shall mean that the race has been organised with the express approval of the Alpine Committee of Snowsport England and is published on the British Race Calendars that are administered by the GBR TD Forum (snow calendar) and Snowsport England (artificial calendar). The arrangements for organising each category of Snowsport England race shall be determined by the Alpine Committee.

4.2.3. All such races must take account of the SE policy on transgender participants (see https://bit.ly/SEtransnonbinary).

4.3. Eligibility

4.3.1. To participate in seeded and other British calendar races, competitors must be registered as Alpine competitors with Snowsport England, Scotland or Wales. This includes any foreign (non-UK) nationals.

4.3.2. Unregistered competitors are accepted for some events if specifically stated as such in their entry criteria or event regulations. Such unregistered competitors

must have signed the GB Snowsport Athlete's Declaration before they are allowed to compete.

4.3.3. Competitors are eligible for English/Scottish/Welsh/N. Irish nationality if they hold or are eligible to hold a UK passport, and

- were born in the country concerned, or
- one or both parents were born in the country concerned, or
- the competitor has been resident in the country concerned for the past three years.

4.3.4. Competitors may register with their National Governing Body without being a member of any club.

4.3.5. Competitors may train with and/or be members of any number of ski clubs. However, they may compete for ONE CLUB ONLY in Alpine snow competitions and ONE CLUB ONLY (which may be the same club) in artificial slope (including indoor snow) competitions. These Clubs must be named on their registration or renewal and may only be changed during the registration year by following the procedure detailed in Regulation 4.3.7 below.

4.3.6. The named club will be shown on all seed lists and race documentation, and the club shown on the current seed list will be used as the definitive club for inter-club and inter-regional competitions. Only clubs which at the time of renewal or registration are in current membership of Snowsport England, Snowsport Scotland or Snowsport Wales, will be accepted. A list of member clubs is available on www.gbski.com and will be updated from time-to-time from information supplied by HNGBs.

4.3.7. Competitors wishing to change either of their named clubs during the registration year may do so only by asking their registration body in writing or via email, or by using the access provided by their HN registration or membership system.

4.3.8. Change of club will not come into effect until it appears on the next BARTS or BASS seed list. In order that the change can be applied to the next published seed list, the updated club affiliation must be received by the National Seeder not less than two days before the publication date of the seed list concerned. Any notification received after this date may not come into effect until the start of validity of the following seed list.

4.3.9. For 'closed' categories of awards made to 'English' participants, competitors must be registered with Snowsport England.

4.3.10. In addition, competitors participating in any competition must satisfy the FIS eligibility rules (ICR 204).

4.4. Age Categories

4.4.1. The Competition Year is 1st March to 30th November. For artificial slope races, this may extend into December to take account of late season competitions.

A table listing years of birth in each category for the next few competition years is available on www.gbski.com.

4.4.2. Where Masters categories are included in competitions organised by or on behalf of Snowsport England, these shall be combined into one single Masters category for the purposes of awards, unless otherwise stated in the regulations for the particular event. However, where possible the results should show the separate Masters categories.

4.4.3. The GBR Race Series, Excel and Club National races are open to competitors from Under-14 upwards. Refer to BACR for full details about the regulations for these events.

4.4.4. Under 10s and Under 12s Races will be run in association with GBR Series and Club National Races.

4.4.5. The All-England Championships are open to competitors in all the age categories referenced in 4.4.1 above.

4.4.6. The English Alpine Championships are open to competitors in the Under 14, Under 16, Under 18, Under 21 and Senior categories. For these Championships, Seniors shall include the Masters age categories. Under 10s/Under 12s Races may also

be run in association with the English Alpine Championships, but they are not Championship races.

4.4.7. Children who have not reached the age of 8 years before January 1st of the competition year shall not be eligible to compete in any races organised under these regulations.

4.5. Categories of Awards

4.5.1. In each competition, awards will be made in different categories, as shown in the event regulations for each type of competition. The Race Bulletin for each event shall detail clearly the categories in which awards will be made and the number of awards in each category.

4.6. Duties of the Race Organising Committee

4.6.1. The Race Organising Committee is responsible for inviting competent officials to undertake duties at the event and must ensure that they comply with the current criteria for the selection of officials as defined by Snowsport England Alpine Committee.

4.7. Location

4.7.1. Snowsport England races are to be held on slopes that have been homologated. See BACR Book VIII "Calendar and Homologation".

4.8. Format

4.8.1. The All-England Championships, GBR Series, Club National, Excel and Under10s/Under12s races are to be run as Special Slaloms, the format of which may be varied. A format will be applied to a whole season's racing and will be notified to racers and Race Organisers in an update to these rules and highlighted in the Alpine Racing Bulletin. All Under 10s and Under 12s slalom races shall be run through 'stubbie' gates. Under 10s and Under 12s are not to be run through slalom courses set with full height gates.

4.8.2. The Snowsport England English Alpine Championship shall include Special Slalom, Giant Slalom, Super-G, as defined by FIS, and any other races in categories to be agreed by the Snowsport England Alpine Committee before each series.

4.8.3. Any Parallel Slalom or Parallel Relay races held under the auspices of Snowsport England shall be run according to the regulations in BACR Book I section 1220 or other FIS or British regulations as are currently in force.

4.9. Notification

4.9.1. All competitors registered with Snowsport England, Snowsport Scotland and Snowsport Wales must be notified of an event not less than one month prior to the closing date for entry. Such notification must include all details necessary for entry into the competition. This will be done by the publication of the events on the British Race Calendar on https://gbski.com.

4.9.2. A race bulletin shall be published which includes the categories in which awards will be made, the acceptance criteria, the names of the entrants not accepted and the reasons for their non-acceptance. All entrants who have not been accepted for the race shall be notified in sufficient time to allow protests against non-acceptance to be made to the Race Jury.

4.10. Entry Procedures

4.10.1. The closing date for entries to GBR Series, Club National, Excel and Under10s/Under 12s races is the Friday one week before the event. Closing date for entry to the Inter-Regional Team Competition is included in the Invitation (Race Bulletin No 1).

Closing date for entry to the All-England Championships and the Snowsport England English Alpine Championships is included in the Invitation (Race Bulletin Number 1), which is published on the relevant web sites and notified in various SE publications.

4.10.2. The entry fee for each category of event organised under these regulations shall be determined annually by the Snowsport England Board as recommended by the Alpine Committee and displayed in the Race Calendar.

4.10.3. An entry is valid if it complies with the following:

- It is submitted on a Snowsport England, Snowsport Scotland, Snowsport Wales or other Race Entry Form as designated by the Race Organisers and is correctly filled in and signed, or is submitted via an approved online race entry system
- It includes the correct entry fee
- If the entrant shown on a paper entry form is under 18, the entry form is signed by a parent or guardian
- For the All England Under 10/Under 12 Race only, the entry is countersigned by a qualified ski instructor or trainer signifying the competence of the entrant to take part in the competition
- The entry reaches the Race Secretary by the time and date specified on the Race Calendar/Race Bulletin
- The entrant fulfils the eligibility criteria in section 4.3.

4.10.4. Entries are invalid if they fail to fulfil any of the above requirements. However, the Jury has discretion to accept any such entries, except for the eligibility requirement, where the Jury has no discretion.

4.10.5. The Jury may consider accepting late entries when the race is under-subscribed but shall not normally accept late entries when the race is oversubscribed.

4.11. Entry Criteria

4.11.1. Entry into races organised on behalf of Snowsport England is normally determined by seed points. The specific entry criteria for each type of event are detailed in the regulations for that event.

4.11.2. For the purpose of determining entry into a race, the current seed list (i.e., that valid at the date of the acceptance Jury meeting) shall be used.

4.11.3. Valid entries to artificial slope races will normally be considered at the acceptance meeting on the basis of the current BARTS seed list only. Any competitor who has current BASS points but no current BARTS seed points may, by the closing date for entries, ask the Race Secretary in writing for their BASS points to be considered. The results of races held since those included on the current seed list may be considered (see BACR III).

4.11.4. Protests against non-acceptance may be considered on the basis of results of races held since those included on the current seed list but before the closing date for entries to the race in question.

4.11.5. It is the Race Jury's decision as to the form of evidence required for a protest against non-acceptance.

4.11.6. If, at the closing date for entries, the race is under-subscribed by valid entries within the prescribed seed point cut-off, the following provisions replace 4.11.3 and 4.11.4 above:

4.11.6.1 Valid entries to artificial slope races will normally be considered at the acceptance meeting on the basis of the current BARTS seed list only. Any competitor who has current BASS points but no current BARTS points may, by the closing date for entries, ask the Race Secretary in writing for their BASS points to be considered. Entrants who are outside the prescribed seed point cut-off, may request that an amended seed point be calculated based on the results of races held since those included on the current seed list. If the amended seed point

calculated by the National Seeder is within the prescribed cut-off, the entry shall be accepted.

4.11.6.2 Protests against non-acceptance may be considered on the basis of results of races held since those included on the current seed list.

4.12. Number Of Entries

4.12.1. Snowsport England Alpine Committee recommends that race organisers accept no more than a total of 180 competitors in any event which takes place on an artificial ski slope (excluding All England and British Championships).

4.12.2. For Under 10/Under 12 races which are run in conjunction with GBR Series and Club National Races, all valid entries are accepted, but they will not count towards the 180 total referred to in 4.12.1 above.

4.12.3. For races run on snow, the recommended maximum number to be accepted into any event is 140.

4.13. Separate Male and Female Entry

4.13.1. In all events, the acceptance of females shall be considered separately from the acceptance of males. This may result in a different seed point cut-off point for acceptance into the two competitions.

4.14. Refund of entry fees

4.14.1. Full or part refunds of entry fees may be made, as published by the organisers (e.g. by the Club or Region for Club Nationals, by SE/HNGB for GBR Series and other national events).

4.14.2. The organisers may also consider part refunds or other compensation if an event is cancelled. Racers are reminded that the organiser incurs substantial financial liabilities when it organises events and it is unlikely that entry fees will be returned if an event is cancelled due to "force majeure".

4.14.3. Except where otherwise defined, "force majeure" means an event which is beyond the reasonable control of an individual or group, and which makes it impossible, or so impractical as to be considered impossible in the circumstances, for that individual or group to fulfil its obligations.

4.15. Timetable

4.15.1. The organisers must allow practice time on the slope prior to the event. The recommended time is a minimum of 45 minutes.

4.15.2. Competitors must be allowed to inspect the course for at least 20 minutes. If the number of competitors justifies it, the jury may specify that different categories of competitors inspect at staggered times. The Jury will decide if tows are to be turned off during course inspection and, where there is any danger to competitors, during the race itself. Bibs must be visibly worn or carried about your person whenever you are on the slope, to show that you have permission to be within the competition area. Competitors and trainers must wear long sleeves, long trousers, gloves and skis while on the slope during course inspection. Helmets may also be required to be worn during course inspection at certain slope venues.

4.15.3. A five minute interval shall be allowed between the end of course inspection and the first forerunner skiing the course. This is to allow the first competitors time to reach the start and prepare for their runs.

4.15.4. Competitors who are disqualified, or who did not finish on the first run (or both first and second runs in the case of a Club National event) shall normally be allowed to race the course before the start of the final run of an outdoor event, in the same numerical order as the first run (although this is a privilege not a right).

Their run time will not be recorded on any race documents but should be announced on the PA for the benefit of the competitors concerned. At indoor events, competitors who are disqualified, or who did not finish on the first run may be allowed to race a second run course after the completion of a second run on a particular course.

4.16. Results

4.16.1. Race organisers are responsible for preparing results in the standard format.

4.16.2. Official results are to be posted on the Internet.

4.16.3. The publication of provisional results on the race day, by computer printout, is encouraged.

4.16.4. For all British (BARTS & BASS) competitions the TD shall be responsible for sending the complete results pack to the designated recipients. For British-organised FIS races, the ROC assumes that responsibility.

4.17. Finance

4.17.1. It is the responsibility of the Race Organising Committee for GBR Series Races organised by SE to submit to Snowsport England within one month after the event a complete statement of income and expenditure, together with all race entry fees and any unspent funds.

4.17.2. Snowsport England, Snowsport Wales and Snowsport Scotland will try to secure a sponsor for the GBR Series. However, the Organising Committee shall be responsible for liaising with the sponsor and ensuring that agreements between the Governing Bodies and the sponsor are honoured by both parties. In the absence of a Series sponsor, the Organising Committee may seek sponsorship for individual events, subject to prior approval by the relevant Governing Body. In any event, all monetary or other sponsorship secured shall, after the payment of agreed race expenses, be used by the HNGB for the benefit of the relevant Alpine Squads or other appropriate use as determined by the organising HNGB.

4.17.3. For the All-England Championships and Snowsport England Alpine Championships, within two months after the event, the Race Organising Committee shall submit to Snowsport England a complete statement of income and expenditure, together with the balance of funds from the event. All sponsorship arrangements are as in 4.17.2 above.

4.17.4. Club National and Under 10s/Under 12s Races are organised by member clubs or regions. Clubs/regions may negotiate their own sponsorship, but no agreement may be made which contravenes Snowsport England or FIS rules. The organising club/region shall be responsible for all expenditure incurred in connection with the race, including payment of the Snowsport England fee. The club/region may retain all entry fees and any surplus after payment of all debts.

4.17.5. Snowsport England policy dictates that sponsorship shall not be accepted from tobacco or alcohol companies for any races organised under these regulations.

4.18. Awards

4.18.1. Awards shall be made as follows:

4.18.1.1 GBR Series Races

1st, 2nd, 3rd Women, 1st 2nd, 3rd Men in each of the following categories:

Under 14, Under 16, Under 18, Under 21, Senior, Masters, Overall

Under 10, Under 12

4.18.1.2 Club National with Under 10/Under 12 races

1st, 2nd, 3rd Women, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Men in each of the following categories:

Under 10, Under 12, Under 14, Under 16, Under 18, Under 21, Senior, Masters, Overall

4.18.1.3 All England Championships (Open category)

1st, 2nd, 3rd Women, 1st, 2nd 3rd Men in each of the following categories:

Under 10, Under12, Under 14, Under 16, Under 18, Under 21, Senior, Masters, Overall

4.18.2. Prizes of value:

4.18.2.1 In addition to the mementoes listed above, Race Organisers or their sponsors may present prizes of value to competitors.

4.18.2.2 The maximum value for any individual prize must not exceed £1200.

4.18.2.3 Cash prizes are inappropriate, but Bursaries for training/race expenses are allowed up to a figure of £150 per category award. There is no onus on the organisers or Snowsport England to monitor the spending of the Bursary.

4.18.2.4 If any sponsor wishes to exceed this figure, the written approval of the Alpine Committee must be obtained, well ahead of the event and before any advance publicity. Prizes for records are forbidden.

4.18.3. At the Prize Giving, awards should be made in ascending age group order i.e.

Under 10, Under 12, Under 14, Under 16, Under 18, Under 21, Senior, Masters, Overall

4.18.3.1 Within each category the order of presentation is as follows: -

Women 3rd, 2nd, 1st Men 3rd, 2nd, 1st

4.18.3.2 Overall winners of the competition should be presented LAST and in the following order:

Women 3rd, 2nd, 1st Men 3rd, 2nd, 1st

4.18.3.3 Organisers should ensure that each award winner's club is mentioned, exactly as listed on the Snowsport England database, together with the aggregate time.

5. All-England Artificial Ski Slope Championships

5.1. Entry Criteria

5.1.1. The Championships are open to Masters, Senior, Under 21, Under 18, Under 16, and Under 14.

5.1.2. There shall be a Closed category within the Championships, which is open only to competitors complying with the requirements of paragraph 4.3.9 regarding eligibility. The Open category is open to all competitors in the Closed category plus a maximum of 25 competitors who comply with the requirements of paragraph 4.3.1 regarding eligibility, but not those of paragraph 4.3.9.

5.1.3. Age Group and Overall medals will be presented in the Open category. Championship titles, trophies and prizes will be presented in the Closed category only.

5.1.4. Entrants having lower seed points are given priority over those with higher seed points or no seed points. Entrants with no BARTS seed points must submit a race record for consideration.

5.1.5. The Championship Organising Committee may adopt seed point cut-offs to maintain championship standard. These may be different for males and females. These may be published in the Invitation (Race Bulletin No. 1) or determined at the acceptance meeting and published in Race Bulletin No. 2.

5.1.6. There will be a special category for disabled skiers. Entrants may be in any age category, but must be Registered Disabled Persons. Disabled entrants do not need to have seed points, but must comply with the other eligibility criteria for the event.

5.2. Entry Criteria - Under 10/Under 12 Event

5.2.1. All valid entries are accepted. Entries must be countersigned by a qualified instructor or trainer.

5.3. Awards

5.3.1. Awards shall be made as follows:

1st, 2nd, 3rd Women, 1st, 2nd 3rd Men in each of the following categories:

Under 10, Under 12, Under 14, Under 16, Under 18, Under 21, Senior, Masters, Overall

6. SE Club National Series

6.1. Introduction

6.1.1. The SE Club National Series is an inter-club event, that draws its results from the results of all Club National competitions held in a season.

6.2. Eligibility

6.2.1. The competition is open to registered English and non-English Clubs.

6.3. Calculation of results

6.3.1. For each Club National, the four best overall results for each participating club will be combined to produce a total time for the club. At indoor events, the combined results from the 2 races will be used.

6.3.2. All results from the Men's and Women's races will be taken into account, but not from the Under 10/Under 12 race.

6.3.3. For each club, at least one of the results must be by a Under 14/Under 16 racer, no more than two results by Sen/Mas racers, at least one result by a male racer and at least one result by a female racer.

6.3.4. Club Team Points will be awarded to each club for that race based on the total time as calculated above: 1st club 25, 2nd 20, 3rd 16, 4th 14, 5th 12…10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 15th club 1 point.

6.3.5. Aggregate Club Team Points to be the sum of Club Team Points from all Club National races that are listed on the Snowsport England Race Calendar.

6.4. Club Affinity

6.4.1. Throughout the season, racers will be allocated to their first named club as shown on the first BARTS list on which they are listed (using the XLS version which includes all registered racers).

6.4.2. Any changes to their first named club on later BARTS lists will be ignored.

7. SE Inter-Club Team Competition

7.1. Entry Criteria

7.1.1. All Snowsport England Member Clubs are entitled to enter teams. Selection policy will be decided by each individual club. Individual entries are not accepted.

7.2. Eligibility

7.2.1. The competition is open to Clubs which are registered as clubs with Snowsport England by the Friday prior to the event.

7.2.2. Clubs registered with other Home Nations may enter one team per club. Such clubs are not eligible to win 'perpetual' trophies.

7.3. Team Composition and Entries

7.3.1. Clubs may enter one or two teams. Each team will consist of four competitors, each of which must be minimum age Under 14, at least one of whom must be of the opposite gender to the other team members and not more than two of whom are senior/master.

7.3.2. All competitors must be registered with one of the HNGBs as alpine competitors and in current membership of the club entering the team. Competitors may only compete for the Club currently named on their Snowsport England registration for artificial slope (BARTS) racing. Any competitor wishing to change their nominated club may do so by following the procedure detailed in 4.3.7.

7.3.3. Notification of entry must be submitted to the Race Secretary by the closing date notified in the Race Bulletin and must be accompanied by the entry fee as set by the Alpine Committee. The names of the competitors comprising each team must be submitted in accordance with the instructions in the Race Bulletin. In the case of illness, injury or other valid reason, the Jury may permit substitutions to the named teams at any time up to the start of the knockout stages. Substitutes must comply with the entry criteria above.

7.3.4. The Jury reserves the right to exclude from the competition any Club which submits its team(s) after the date and time stipulated in the Race Bulletin.

7.4. Draw

7.4.1. All teams will be drawn randomly into the 28 or 40 positions shown in section 7.7. Seed points of the individuals in each team will not be used for the draw. The draw will ensure that teams from the same club do not compete against each other.

7.5. Rules

7.5.1. The races will be run according to the regulations for Parallel Slalom Relay Races detailed in BACR I.

7.6. Cut-Off

7.6.1. The maximum number of entries which can be accepted is 40 teams. Where the number of entries exceeds 40, the Jury will accept all 'A' Teams, then carry out a draw to select 'B' Teams to fill the remaining places.

7.6.2. Teams excluded by such a cut-off or draw will have their entry fee refunded.

7.6.3. The Jury reserves the right to exclude teams which do not reach a suitable standard.

7.7. Race Format

7.7.1. The early rounds of the competition will be on a league basis. Where accepted entries are 28 teams or less, there will be four leagues of up to seven teams with the top two teams from each league qualifying for the later rounds. Where accepted entries are more than 28 teams, there will be eight leagues of up to five teams each, with the top team from each league qualifying for the later rounds. The later rounds will be on a knockout basis with the losing semi-finalists racing for third place and the winning semi-finalists racing for first and second places.

7.7.2. League Basis :-

Teams will be drawn randomly into the leagues as follows:

League	A	B	C	D
Team	1	2	3	4
	8	7	6	5
	9	10	11	12
	16	15	14	13
	17	18	19	20
	24	23	22	21
	25	26	27	28

7.7.3. Where eight leagues are in operation, teams will be drawn randomly into the leagues as follows:

League	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Team	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25
	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40

7.7.4. Where the number of teams in each league is not the same, the league will be drawn to determine which leagues will have the lesser numbers of teams e.g. if

there are 27 teams, there will be 3 leagues of 7 teams and one league of 6 teams. There will be a draw to determine which league will consist of 6 teams.

7.7.5. Points will be awarded as follows:

2 points for a Win

1 point for a Draw

0 points for a Loss

0 points for a Disqualification

7.7.6. Qualification for the knockout stages will be determined by the total number of points achieved by each team. Where two or more teams in first or second place in a league have the same number of points, the team(s) to go through and their ranking shall be determined by counting the number of wins achieved in the league races between the teams concerned.

7.7.7. If a tie cannot be resolved by counting the number of wins in this way, each team concerned shall have one timed run down the same course (i.e. against the clock, not racing against another team), with the fastest team(s) to qualify.

7.8. Order Of Racing

7.8.1. The order of racing within the teams will be decided and submitted by team managers.

7.8.2. The order of racing and lane allocation (R for red and B for blue) within the league will normally be:

	7 Team League				5 Team League	
	B R	B R	B R		B R	B R
Round 1	4 v 5	3 v 6	2 v 7	Round 1	5 v 3	2 v 4
Round 2	5 v 3	6 v 2	7 v 1	Round 2	5 v 1	3 v 2
Round 3	7 v 4	2 v 5	1 v 6	Round 3	2 v 5	1 v 4
Round 4	4 v 6	7 v 3	5 v 1	Round 4	4 v 5	3 v 1
Round 5	6 v 7	3 v 2	1 v 4	Round 5	4 v 3	1 v 2
Round 6	5 v 7	2 v 4	3 v 1			
Round 7	6 v 5	4 v 3	1 v 2			

7.8.3. The jury may alter the above order and/or allocation in the interests of equity and fairness.

7.8.4. The effect of the above means that each team will race on lanes as follows:

7 Team League

Rounds	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Team 1	-	R	B	R	B	R	B
Team 2	B	R	B	-	R	B	R
Team 3	B	R	-	R	B	B	R
Team 4	B	-	R	B	R	R	B
Team 5	R	B	R	B	-	B	R
Team 6	R	B	R	R	B	-	B
Team 7	R	B	B	B	R	R	-

5 Team League

Rounds	1	2	3	4	5
Team 1	-	R	B	R	B
Team 2	B	R	B	-	R
Team 3	R	B	-	B	R

Team 4	R	-	R	B	B
Team 5	B	B	R	R	-

7.8.5. To cater for a 6 team league the order of racing for the 7 team league is used with all the ties involving Team 7 deleted. Viz.:

	B R	B R	B R
Round 1	4 v 5	3 v 6	
Round 2	5 v 3	6 v 2	
Round 3	2 v 5	1 v 6	
Round 4	4 v 6	5 v 1	
Round 5	3 v 2	1 v 4	
Round 6	2 v 4	3 v 1	
Round 7	6 v 5	4 v 3	1 v 2

This gives the following lane order

Rounds	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Team 1	-	-	B	R	B	R	B
Team 2	-	R	B	-	R	B	R
Team 3	B	R	-	-	B	B	R
Team 4	B	-	-	B	R	R	B
Team 5	R	B	R	B	-	-	R
Team 6	R	B	R	R	-	-	B

7.8.6. The overall order of racing will normally be:

All round 1 ties to be completed by each league

All round 2 ties to be completed by each league

And so on until the leagues are all completed

7.8.7. However, the Organising Committee may vary this order if it is felt that there is too long or too short a gap between races for certain teams, arising from an imbalance in the number of teams in each league.

7.9. Knockout Stages

7.9.1. The draw for the knockout stages will be:

RED	League A 1st				
v		BLUE	.....		
BLUE	League D 2nd				
	v			RED/BLUE/TOSS	.....
BLUE	League B 1st				
v		RED	.....		
RED	League C 2nd				
v					
BLUE	League A 2nd				
v		BLUE	.....		
RED	League D 1st				
v				BLUE/RED/TOSS	.....
RED	League B 2nd				
v		RED	.....		

BLUE League C 1st

7.9.2. The final will be the best of three races. In the first race, the team from the top half of the draw will race on the red course; in the second race, they will race on the blue course. If a third race is needed, the teams will toss a coin to decide which team will be on which course.

7.9.3. The race off between the two losing semi-finalists will take place after the first race of the final. The teams will toss a coin to decide which team will be on which course.

8. SE Inter-Regional Team Competition

8.1. Entry Criteria

8.1.1. All Regional Ski Associations currently recognised by Snowsport England at the closing date for entries are entitled to enter teams.

8.1.2. Teams representing other Home Nation Governing Bodies (HNGB) may be invited into the competition.

8.1.3. Individual entries are not accepted.

8.2. Eligibility

8.2.1. The BARTS list valid at the closing date for entries (the "applicable BARTS list") will determine all questions of HNGB registration or club affiliation.

8.2.2. All competitors within a team must be registered with one of the HNGBs as an Alpine competitor.

8.2.3. Club affiliation will be based on the information published in the applicable BARTS list.

8.2.4. Any competitor wishing to change their nominated club may do so by following the procedure detailed in sections 4.3.8 and 4.3.9.

8.2.5. Regional affiliation for those competing for an English Region will be based on the region to which their nominated BARTS club is affiliated, regardless of the HNGB with which they are registered.

8.2.6. Those competing for a team representing a non-English HNGB must be listed on the applicable BARTS list as registered with, or in membership of a club affiliated to, that HNGB.

8.3. Selection

8.3.1. Where competitors are shown on the applicable BARTS list as affiliated to a Snowsport England member club, the Region to which that club is affiliated has priority selection.

8.3.2. Where competitors registered with a non-English HNGB are shown on the applicable BARTS list as affiliated to a Snowsport England member club, but they are not selected by the Region to which that club is affiliated, they may be selected to compete for their HNGB.

8.3.3. Selection policy will be decided by each Regional Ski Association.

8.4. Team Composition and Entries

8.4.1. Regions may enter up to three teams. Other HNGBs may enter a maximum of two teams.

8.4.2. If the event is not fully subscribed by the closing date, additional teams can be accepted from regions that have already entered three teams. If more requests for those additional places are received than there are places available, the allocation of places will be done in an equitable manner as decided by the organising committee.

8.4.3. Each team will comprise 7 racers, of whom:

- All must be minimum age Under 14
- At least 2 must be of the opposite gender to the rest of the team
- Not more than 3 may be Seniors or Masters

8.4.4. Notification of entry must be submitted to the Race Secretary by the closing date notified in the Race Bulletin and must be accompanied by the appropriate entry fee. The names of the competitors comprising each team must be submitted in accordance with the instructions in the Race Bulletin. Competitors may race only for the team in which they are named.

8.5. Reserves

8.5.1. Each Region may name any number of reserves to be used for any of the teams competing for that region.

8.5.2. The names of reserves must be submitted at the same time as the named team.

8.5.3. In the case of illness, injury or other valid reason, the Jury may permit substitutions to the named teams at any time.

8.5.4. Any substitute must appear on the named reserve list.

8.5.5. The team must still be able to meet the team composition criteria if the reserve is used.

8.6. Race Format

8.6.1. The competition will be run as a parallel slalom relay in two stages, a league-based stage followed by a knockout, with the running order for the knockout determined by the results of the league stage.

8.6.2. The format and running order for this event will follow those for the Inter-Club Competition as described above, except as amended, expanded or clarified below.

8.6.3. All seven competitors must complete their run without disqualification, otherwise the team is deemed to be disqualified. Disqualification in any race may occur as a result of (but not limited to) the following:

- Incorrect gate passage
- Second false start by the first competitor in a team
- False start by the second or subsequent competitor in a team
- Impeding the opposing team, whether intentionally or accidentally
- Jeopardising the safety of others including racers, officials or spectators (ICR 629.2)
- Intentionally abusing the spirit of the rules (ICR 630.1.1 and 630.1.5)

8.6.4. If one team is disqualified in a race, the other team will be awarded the race. If both teams are disqualified in a race, the team disqualified second (i.e. the team getting their racers 'furthest' through the entire set of gates) will be awarded the race.

8.6.5. Protest against disqualification must be made to any member of the Jury before the start of the next race to be held (not the next race in which the protesting team takes part), and must be accompanied by the appropriate protest fee.

8.7. Parallel Slalom Relay - Leagues

8.7.1. Format and running order of the league stage follows that described under "Inter Club Team Competition".

8.8. Parallel Slalom Relay - Knockout

8.8.1. Format and running order of the knockout stage follows that described in 7.9

8.8.2. All members of the team must complete their run without disqualification, otherwise the team will be disqualified. If both teams are disqualified in any one race, the team disqualified second (i.e. the team getting their racers 'furthest' through the entire set of gates) will be awarded the race.

9. Appointment of Course Setters

9.1. Criteria

9.1.1. Course Setters for Snowsport England artificial slope races must comply with the current SE Course Setters Policy as published on www.gbski.com.

9.1.2. Course Setters for Snowsport England snow races are appointed at the Team Captains' Meeting. The Organising Committee should encourage the meeting to appoint only those who are competent course setters on snow. Other coaches should be encouraged to gain experience by assisting the appointed course setters.

9.2. Procedure for the Approval of Course Setters

9.2.1. The procedure for approving course setters is defined in the SE Course Setters Policy as published on www.gbski.com.

9.2.2. A list of approved course setters is published on www.gbski.com .

10. Race Officials Pathway

10.1. Overview

Snowsport England (SE) develops and accredits alpine ski racing officials at Level 1 through 4. Development is by means of a mixture of on-line training, formal courses and experience gained in a variety of roles. Beyond level 4, the GBR Alpine and Telemark TD Forum manages the development of senior officials wishing to become TDs.

Full details of the Snowsport England officials' pathway can be found online at https://gbski.com/seofficials

11. Document History

Version	Date	Sections amended	
1	1982	First Issue	
2	JUN 1990	Complete update	
3	MAR 1993	Complete update	
4	OCT 1995	Complete update	
5	MAY 1997	Complete update	
6	JAN 2001	Complete update	
6.1	APR 2002	253.5	Referees Report : addition of cross-reference
		733.1	Competition year : additional explanation
		812.8	Regulations governing races : correction to cross-reference
		871.11, 1119.5	Protest fee : change amount
		1830	Homologated slopes : updated list
		1930	Course setters : updated list
		various	Replace 'Boys & Girls' with 'Minis'
		224.15, etc	Coaches inspection without skis
		224.15	Inspection using snowblades
6.2	APR 2002	1300	Inter-Regional Rules updated
6.3	APR 2002	252.6.3, etc.	Visible bib numbers during inspection
6.4	MAY 2003	213.5 etc	Start order for day-reg racers in Club Nat.
		212.6.4 etc.	Remove requirement for providing envelopes with entries
		212.8	Criteria for entry into Grand Prix
		213.7, 222.4	Late entries to start list
		222.2	Date of posting and receipt of race entries
		223.2.1 etc.	Comms between starter and timing

		262.10.1	Racers' appearance at start at correct time
		331.1	TAG520 on list of timing systems
		331.1.1 etc	Procedures for Chief of Timing
		871.4.4	Timing systems required
		881.1	Application of FIS equipment regulations on dry slope
		1116.2	Dedicated starter for dual slalom events
		1261.5.1	Three-way ties in dual slalom leagues
		1911.3	Automatic entry to course setters A list
6.5	APR 2004	212.2	Use of SKI program by Race
		212.5	Remove requirement to keep entry envelopes
		214.1	Using new 'Race Officials' form
		217.3	Using new 'Race Documents' form
		218.2.2	Per-head race fee to be sent to office after race
		221.5	Standard of forerunners
		223.2	Addition to list of radio users
		223.2.2	Use of ear-piece by Start Referee "highly recommended"
		253.2	Granting re-runs as Jury decision
		351.3, 733.1, etc	Masters categories combined in some events
		841.4	Second/final run for DNF/DSQ is at Jury discretion
		1716.6	Para 1724.3 moved to more appropriate location
		1721.1	F factor for appropriate discipline
		1721.3	Minimum penalties for other events
		1811.3	Homologation duration three years
		1830	List of homologated slopes
		1930	Removed list of approved course setters
		2212.1.4	TD attendance at meetings and seminars
		2300	Updated forms to new style, various new forms added
		Various	Correction of grammatical errors and inconsistencies
		Various	Updated organisation names (Snowsport England/Scotland/Wales/GB)
6.6	APR 2005	212.8	Use of results from recent competitions
		223.2	Requirements for radio usage
		351.3	Masters category included in Grand Prix
		812.5	Use of results from recent competitions
		812.5	Competitors skiing 'hors concours' in final run not included on paperwork
		814	New section covering refund of race entries and definition of force majeure
		1716.7	Use of results from recent competitions
		2031.12	Addition to Terms of Reference for ROTP
6.6a	APR 2005	212.6	Validity of online race entries (212.6.1 and 212.6.2)
7.0	DEC 2006	Re-organisation following removal of some sections (race organisation, ICR precisions, etc) to British regs (BACR/BCR). Also removed Disciplinary and Doping regs/procedures to be published as separate SSE 'corporate' documents. Some changes to regulations have been made in BCR/BACR for the 2006/07 seasons and are detailed in the relevant Precisions. Note that specific paragraphs referenced by most amendments	

			listed above are no longer applicable since the document has been re-organised.
7.1	JULY 2007	8.2.2	Allow non-SSE clubs to enter AEC inter-club.
8.0	MAR 2008	3.2 6.2 6.3 8.	Addition of no-smoking rule for start area. GP start order, split top group into 2. Amendment to points for GP series. Addition of regulations for CN series.
8.1	MAY 2008	6.3.4	Correction to overall points for GP event.
8.2	MAY 2009	4.3.5	Clarification of club affiliation rules.
8.3	JUNE 2009		GP Series now counts best 5 results from 7.
8.4	JUNE 2010	2.9 4.17.2 10.3	Removal of out-of-date contact information. Correction to wearing/carrying bib. >3 teams from one region in Inter-Regional.
8.5	JULY 2010	6.4.2	Removal of phrase 'earliest recorded maximum result' from adjudication of GP Series ties (accidentally introduced in edition 8.3)
9.0	MAR 2014		Updated to incorporate changes following introduction of GBR Race Series and revisions to Age Categories. Removed sections now covered by BACR: GBR series, Club National format, TD development. Stop providing postal results. Start licenses no longer issued.
10.0	JAN 2018		Significant overhaul including: Removal of historical information from the introduction. Removal of information documented at British level. New Race Officials Development Pathway.
10.1	DEC 2018	3.4.1	Precision to BACR IV stating the long-standing practice of limiting calendar applications for CN races to one per Club/organisation.
		8.1 – 8.3	Re-worded rules on eligibility and selection for Inter-Regional competition.
11.0	APR 2022	Various	Replaced "SSE" with "SE" throughout. Also replaced "Female" with "Women" for consistency with FIS.
		4.3, 4.17	Updated various elements of eligibility and club affiliation to reflect current practice.
		4.4.1	Allowing for extension of artificial slope season into December.
		10	Removal of entire section describing Race Officials Accreditation Scheme which is now covered in separate documents (Race Officials Pathway).