5th October 2024 Ski Club of Ireland International Slalom International Team Parallel Slalom

6th October 2024 Irish Open Slalom Championships

Ski Club of Ireland, Kilternan
Race Bulletin No. 1 – Invitation

Welcome to the Ski Club of Ireland International Slalom and Irish Open Championships weekend organised by the Ski Club of Ireland and run in accordance with British Competition rules. We hope all racers and spectators have an enjoyable weekend and would like to thank all the volunteers for their help and support.

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If you have any concerns about a child or adult, don't keep them to yourself,
inform the Event Welfare without delay.

Organisation

This event is being organised by Ski Club of Ireland with the generous support of Dun-Laoghaire Rathdown County Council and Snowsport Association of Ireland.

Entry Criteria and Race Format

Seeded Competition

These races consist of two runs down different Slalom courses and are open to Home Nation registered racers in the following categories: U14, U16, U18, U21, Senior, and Masters. Children born 2017 and earlier are not eligible to enter. Prizes will be awarded based on the aggregate time from the two runs.

U10/U12 Races

The championships include races for U10/U12 age categories. These will be run using stubbie gates, with two runs down the same course and prizes awarded based on the best time from any run.

Unregistered Racers

If the race is under-subscribed, any racer who is not registered with a club affiliated with Snowsport Wales, Snowsport England or Snowsport Scotland or who is not a paid member of Ski Club of Ireland will need to pay a fee of 10 euros to cover admin and insurance in addition to the normal race entry fee.

International Team Parallel Slalom

A team captain from each nation will select a team consisting of 6 racers: maximum 4 males and minimum 2 females (an order usually 2 male, 2 female and 2 male). U10/u12 racers are welcome to enter as a team, or as part of a team, but should be aware they will be racing a course **with full size gates, not stubbies**.

Race Entry and Refunds

Entry fee is Euro €64 (€32 per day). It includes all lift costs, Friday night practice, Saturday and Sunday races, lunch (for registered racers) light refreshments throughout the weekend and the event T- shirt.

Online entry is available at: 2024 Irish Championships

Entries close 17:00 (5pm**)** on **Friday 27th September**. Late entries may be accepted at an additional fee of €10.00 per day.

A payment link and waiver form will be available from 9th August, or you can pay the office on any Monday before then by calling: +353 (1) 2955658. If you have any queries about the race event, please email racing@skiclub.ie

Race entry fees are non-refundable apart from racers withdrawing on medical grounds who may obtain a €10 refund of their entry fee if they apply to the Race Secretary and provide certified medical evidence to support their application.

Rule Change

Please note the 2024 rule changes that disallow stepping back (hiking) in Slalom (614.2.3, 661.4.1, 804.3) will be applied at all BARTS (artificial slope) seeded calendar races (and any accompanying U10/12 races). Any competitor coming to a complete stop in the course or committing a fault WILL NOT be permitted to hike back and complete the course will be disqualified.

Awards

Awards will be made in the following categories:
Under-10 & Under-12 Race:
Girls: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Boys: 1st, 2nd, 3rd

National Race:
Overall Women: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
Overall Men: 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Age Categories – 1st, 2nd, and 3rd – Women and Men
Under 14
Under 16
Under 18
Under 21
Senior
Master

The winners will be expected to show due courtesy to the organisers by attending the prize giving. Those who do not attend without good reason lose their claim to an award.

Start Order

The start order will be drawn on Wednesday 2nd October using the BARTS Outdoor Seed List 2024.6 and verified by the Jury. This seed list can be found at https://gbski.com/seeding#BARTS.

For the first run the top 15 seeded competitors will be drawn, with competitors seeded 16th onwards running in seed point order, followed by a random draw of all registered racers with no points, followed by a random draw of any unregistered racers. This start list will then be reversed, so the first group to race will be any unregistered racers, followed by registered racers with no points and so on, finishing with the last group of the best seeded racers in the competition.

For the second run, start order is determined by the results of the first run as defined in BACR 621.11. Start lists will be published on GBSKI and on the official notice board on race day.

For the U10/U12 race, in the first run all entries will be randomly drawn, with the girls going first followed by the boys. In the second run the boys will go first followed by the girls, and the start order will be reversed.

Start lists will be published on GBSKI and on the official notice board on race day.

Race Rules and Health and Safety

The race will be run under FIS rules (ICR) as varied by GB Snowsport (BACR) and Snowsport England (Race Manual). Links to rules and guidebooks are listed below, all racers and coaches are encouraged to make themselves familiar with these documents:

FIS Rules	https://gbski.com/icr
British Rules (BACR)	https://gbski.com/bacr
SE Race Manual	https://gbski.com/serm
Guide to Racing	https://gbski.com/guide
Guide to Helmets	https://gbski.com/helmets

The Jury has decided that all courses for this event will be set with single pole gates in accordance with ICR 804. Dual slalom

- Access to the slope is for officials, accredited coaches, and racers only.
- During open practice and inspection bibs must be worn so that the number is visible from back and front as this is your accreditation to be on the slope. Racers without a bib will be asked to leave the slope.
- Inspection on foot by racers is not permissible. Racers will be given further information prior to the start of course inspection.
- Helmets, gloves, and long sleeves must be worn by anyone on skis at all times whilst on the slope.

Race Office

The race office will be at the Ski Club of Ireland and contact can only be made by email to the Race Secretary.

Notice Board

The official race notice board will be located outside the race office.

Photography

Racers will be photographed by an accredited photographer if they do not wish to be photographed, please note this on the registration form or by emailing the race secretary.

Officials

Please note these races can only run with sufficient race officials. If you can assist, please contact the Race Secretary or Chief of Race.

Course Inspection

The course must be inspected wearing skis and bibs must carried with you as it is your accreditation to be on the slope. No racer is allowed to ski the course during inspection. Course inspection may start at any point on the course and racers must come to a complete stop between each gate when inspecting the course.

Referee's Report

Protests against the Referees Report must be made on official forms, which will be available at the race office. These must be completed and handed in within the set time limit and accompanied by a fee of €25.

Race Bibs

Race bibs must be returned to the finish marshal on completion of their final run. Failure to do so will result in a charge of €50 for each missing bib.

First Aid

First Aid cover will be available on the day from the Red Cross. An Event Medical Assessment form (containing information about medical facilities and procedures) will be on display on the official notice board and published on GBSKI.

Provisional Programme

Saturday 5th October – Ski Club of Ireland International Slalom & International Team Parallel Slalom

08:00	Race Office Opens
08:15 – 09:00	Registration/Bib Issue & Practice Session
08:45	Race Officials & International Team Leaders Meeting
09:00 – 09:30	Course Setting
09:30 – 09:55	Course Inspection
10:00	First Run SCI International Slalom
11:15	Change to stubbies & course inspection
11:35	U10/U12 – 2 runs on the same course
12:10 – 12:30	Second Course Setting
12:30 – 12:55	Course Inspection
13:00	Second Run SCI International Slalom

International Team Parallel Slalom (Tall gates for all races)

14:00 – 15:00	Course Setting
15:00 – 15:30	Course Inspection
15:30	International Dual Slalom
17:00	Prize giving SCI International Slalom & Team Event

Sunday 6th October – Irish Open Slalom Championships

07:45	Race Office Opens
08:00 – 08:45	Registration/Bib Issue & Practice Session
08:30	Race Officials Meeting
08:45 – 09:15	Course Setting
09:15 – 09:40	Course Inspection
09:45	First Run Irish Open Slalom
11:00	Change to stubbies & course inspection
11:20	U10/U12 – 2 runs on the same course
11:55 – 12:15	Course Setting
12:15 – 12:40	Course Inspection
12:45	Second Run Irish Open Slalom
14:00	Prize giving – Irish Open Slalom

Access

The building will not be open until 7.30am.

Access to the slope is for officials and racers only. Coaches may accompany their racers during course inspection only. Race trainers/coaches who accompany their racers must carry the relevant accreditation issued by the Race Office.

Open Practice

The slope will be open on Friday 4th of October with slalom gates in place between 7.30pm and 9.30pm. The cost of the practice session is included in the race entry fee. Site staff will remove anyone skiing in an inconsiderate manner.

During open practice bibs must be worn so that the number is visible from back and front. Racers without a bib will be asked to leave the slope.

Logistics

Refreshments

lunch (for registered racers) and light refreshments throughout the weekend

Location

The event is being organised by the Ski Club of Ireland at its slope in Kilternan, Co. Dublin. Refer location map at http://www.skiclub.ie/28/location.htm .

Car Ferry/Travel arrangements
Car ferry terminals and approximate distances from Kilternan are:
Dublin Port Approx 12 miles
Belfast 95 miles (2.5 hrs)
Rosslare 90 miles (2 hrs)

Stena Line (http://www.stenaline.ie) and Irish Ferries operate Ferries on the Holyhead / Dublin Port route and there are also fast ferries on the Fishguard / Rosslare and Stranraer / Belfast routes.

Accommodation

The Hotel beside the ski slope is closed.

A special rate has been arranged with the Clayton Hotel Leopardstown for the competition dates. To avail of the rate the members can call 01-2935000 or email reservations.leopardstown@claytonhotels.com and quote Ski Club of Ireland.

Other hotels in the area: www.summerhillhousehotel.com, www.rochestownlodge.com
www.powerscourtarmscountryhouse.com

Travel by Air

Flights operate from virtually all UK airports to Dublin. Please note there is a toll on the M50, you can pre or post pay, further details: https://www.eflow.ie/faqs/the-m50-toll-road/

Taxi fares from Dublin Airport to the ski slope at Kilternan are approx. €40. The AIRCOACH travels regularly from the airport to Clayton Hotel, Leopardstown.