2025 Scottish Children's Championships & Bairn's Bucket Invitation and Rules

POSTPONED TO Sat 22nd and Sun 23rd March 2025

Note: In order to run the race we need snow, entries and helpers. Please enter as soon as you can so we don't cancel due to lack of entries. If you can please volunteer.

Entries Will Close 1700 on Sat 15th Mar

Location:

Cairngorm Mountain, Aviemore

Provisional Calendar

Saturday – 22/03/24

Scottish Children's Championships U14 &U16 GS, U18/U21/SEN GS
Bairns Bucket U8/U10/U12 Pro-slalom
Prize Giving – Base Station Cairngorm Café

Sunday – 23/03/24

Scottish Children's Championships U14 &U16 SL, U18/U21/SEN SL
Bairns Bucket U8/U10/U12 Slalom (Stubbies)
Prize Giving – Base Station Cairngorm Café

Provisional Timetable

08:15-08:45 Bib collection/registration Ranger Station
08:20 Helper Briefing Cairngorm Cafe
08:30 Uplift for course setters and gate carriers
09:00 Uplift for race officials
09:00 Uplift opens for racers
10:00 – 10:30 Course inspection open
10:55 – First forerunner
11:00 First racer

Run 2 will follow as soon as possible after run 1.

Prize giving: for all age groups will be in the Cairngorm Café, Base station at approx. 16:00.

Please note that the timing is provisional and mountain operations often influence the ability to meet these timings, or indeed give us spare time. Any updates will be communicated by Whatsapp during the event.

OPEN TO:

The Scottish Children's Champs is open to all U14's (YOB 2011/2012, U16's (YOB 2009/2010), U18 (2007/2008), U21 (2004-2006), Senior (1995-2003) that are registered with the British Alpine Seeding System (BASS) for the 2023/24 season. If you are not on the list, you will be deemed to be unseeded - so please check. The organising committee reserves the right to accept non-registered racers at their discretion.

The Bairns Bucket is open to all U12's (YOB 2013/2014) U10's (YOB 2015/2016) registered with their Home Nation Governing Body or registered as a member of an HNGB affiliated club.

If athletes are none of the above, they must submit a signed British Snowsports Athlete Declaration Form and proof of public liability insurance, which includes cover for racing with the race entry. Please email info@snowsportscotland.org for more info

NOTE: Trophies for the Scottish Championships will only be awarded to athletes registered as Scottish athletes with GB Snowsport. The Bairns Bucket will be awarded for Saturday's race. If the race is not held on Saturday it will be awarded on Sunday (if race held).

Pro-slalom

A pro-slalom is a single course set with panelled gates. It is a 2 or 3 run timed individual race just like SL or GS and is suitable for being skied on Slalom Skis. It does not require GS skis.

U18+ Entries

We are inviting racers from the U18/U21/Senior categories – however this remains a children's championships and so priority will be given to U14/U16 entries on a first come first served basis. If there is capacity then U18+ will be accepted. The U14/U16 category racers will all precede the U18+ racers on the start lists.

U8 Entries

Entries for U8 athletes will be accepted, however if weather conditions are deemed unsuitable they may not be allowed to race (refund will be given). Parents of any U8 athlete must be on the mountain with them, and take full responsibility for their safety and comfort – Cairngorm Mountain can be a harsh environment.

ENTRIES All entries must be made online and paid for by 1700 Saturday 22th Feb. Late entries may be considered but will incur an additional late entry fee of £20. Should the race be oversubscribed then entries will be taken on a first come serve basis for U8-U16, then U18+ thereafter.

Please see link for event entry: Entry Form

ENTRY FEES

Scottish Children's Championships - £45 per single day or £80 for both.

Bairns Bucket - £40 per single day, £70 for both. Payment is required to confirm your entry.

ACCEPTANCE

Acceptance lists will be posted on GB Ski as soon as possible after entries close. We would urge you to check this acceptance list and notify race office of any errors as early as possible. Changes on the night before the races only cause delay and inconvenience to everyone.

RACE UPDATES

Race updates will be published on GB Ski prior to the event, however, please join the race WhatsApp – details will be sent separately.

CANCELLATION & REFUNDS

The cost of organising events at Cairngorm has increased substantially in recent years, and some of those costs are not refundable. We will make a no/no-decision the weekend prior to the event, after entries have closed, and the acceptance list is published.

If the event is cancelled prior to the go/no-go decision a full refund will be given.

If the event is cancelled after that then a partial refund will be provided, organisers will endeavour to refund as much of the entry fee as they can, after covering fixed costs and expenses.

If the race goes ahead on either day no refund will be given for the cancellation of the other day's races, for those who entered both days.

If the U8 section only of the Bairns event is cancelled due to welfare concerns, but the rest of the race goes ahead a full refund will be given to U8 entrants.

Whilst our aim is to always run seeded events, we are subject to availability of snow on homologated pistes. If a non-seeded race can be run in place of a seeded event, no refund will be given for withdrawls.

RACE and EQUIPMENT RULES



The Scottish Children's Championships are run under International Competition Rules (ICR) as amended by British Competition Rules (BCR). http://www.gbski.com/rules.php. All competitors and coaches are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure that equipment, including ski length and radius, conforms to discipline specifications. All competitors and forerunners must wear approved helmets for all disciplines. For GS the helmet must be certified to the FIS specification and carry the FIS sticker, as shown.

INSURANCE

All competitors MUST have insurance that covers them adequately for Ski Racing

PHOTOGRAPHS

Photographers may be present on the hill, if you object to photographs of yourself or child to be taken please inform the Chief of Race prior to the entry closing date.

CONTACTS & RACE OFFICIALS

Chief of Champs – Colin McFarlane

Scottish Children's Champs

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Race Sponsor: We would like to thank Tiso and Blues for their continued support of the Scottish Ski Club race program.