

**ROPSSAA CO-EDUCATIONAL ALPINE SKIING**

**PLAYING REGULATIONS**

1. **DATE**

- (a) If possible, the ROPSSAA Alpine Ski Meets shall be held during the second and third weeks of February. The morning schedule will be as follows:

Registration:	8:15 – 8:30am
Coaches Meeting:	8:30am
Course Inspection:	9:15am
Course Closed/Report for duties:	9:45am
Race Starts:	10:00am

For the slalom race following the giant slalom race, the timeline will be as follows:

Course Inspection:	minimum 30 minutes after GS race finishes
Duties Start:	minimum 45 minutes after GS race finishes
Race Starts:	minimum 1 hour after GS race finishes

Schools must have a representative present by 8:45am. School's absent will be fined \$25.00

2. **LOCATION**

- (a) The location of the meet will be decided by the convenor and approved by ROPSSAA Council.

3. **ELIGIBILITY**

- (a) All competitors must meet the eligibility requirements as per Article X of the ROPSSAA Constitution.
- (b) A competitor shall not have attained their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday by January 1<sup>st</sup> prior to the start of the school year in which the competition is held (for the 2024 – 2025 school year, born in 2005 or later).
- (c) A member of the current year's provincial team or higher is ineligible for ROPSSAA competition.
- (d) All teams shall begin their alpine skiing competitive season no later than the week following the school Christmas break. A team's competitive season must include a minimum of eight practices which include two on-hill practices/races under the supervision of a teacher coach. Appeals of this minimum may be made to the jury of appeal.
- (e) Levels of Competition

High School Racers: Participants are school-trained athletes. They have NO ski league affiliation and race training, beyond the U-12 category.

Open Racers: Participants are those skiers who have ski league affiliation and race training, beyond the U-12 category.

Para Division To consist of the following five (5) classifications:

- (i) Intellectual Impairment
- (ii) Visual Impairment
- (iii) Amputee Leg
- (iv) Amputee Arm
- (v) Sit Ski

- (f) The eligibility list must be submitted by the deadline announced at the preseason meeting.
- (g) The practice eligibility form must be submitted at registration of the ROPSSAA championship prior to competing.

#### 4. OPERATING STRUCTURE

- (a) The ROPSSAA Alpine Ski Championships will consist of two meets. There will be a High School Giant Slalom qualifying and an Open Giant Slalom meet and a High School Giant Slalom and Open Slalom championship meet. Unless otherwise indicated by the preseason meeting.
- (b) The order of competition will be randomly determined by the computer (bibo). The order will remain the same for both runs.
- (c) Skiers who miss their run have the opportunity of going at the end of the division (ie. High school girls).
- (d) In the event that the Peel and/or Dufferin Peel boards cancel their buses on the qualifying day (in Caledon or south of Caledon Ski Club), all racers will advance to the ROPSSAA Championship Day. If this happens, then Open will race only one slalom run and only one GS run. High School will race 2 GS runs. In the event that the buses are cancelled on the day of the ROPSSAA Championship, then the event will be rescheduled.

#### 5. ENTRIES

- (a) Teams shall be made up as follows:

##### High School Qualifying Day

Boys – maximum 5 team members, 5 to race in an event, 3 to count

Girls – maximum 5 team members, 5 to race in an event, 3 to count

##### High School Championship Day

Boys – maximum 5 team members, 5 to race in an event, 3 to count.

Girls – maximum 5 team members, 5 to race in an event, 3 to count.

### Open Championship Day

Boys – maximum 5 team members, 5 to race in an event, 3 to count.

Girls – maximum 5 team members, 5 to race in an event, 3 to count.

### Para Championship Day

Boys – individuals will compete

Girls – individuals will compete

- (b) If a team of skiers qualifies at the ROPSSAA Qualifier for the ROPSSAA Championship, no additional number of racers may race at the ROPSSAA Championship, and these racers did not have to have raced at the ROPSSAA Qualifier (i.e. four skiers race at the qualifier, four racers advance to the championships)
- (c) The same Open skiers must race the Giant Slalom on day one and the Slalom on day two.
- (d) The top six High School boys' teams and the top six High School girls' teams at the ROPSSAA Qualifier advance to the ROPSSAA Championship.
- (e) High School individuals will qualify for the ROPSSAA Championship Meet if they place in one of the top 6 finish positions and are not a member of a qualifying team.
- (f) Entry forms and eligibility sheets must be in the hands of the Athletic Convenors on the day specified at the pre-season coaches meeting. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from the event.
- (g) The only changes that will be accepted are scratches and/or replacing of a competitor with an alternate. Seeding changes are not allowed. Adding new racers is not allowed.
- (h) The High School racers that qualify for OFSAA will race as exhibition entries in the Slalom course as follow: Open Girls 1<sup>st</sup> SL Run, High School OFSAA Girls 1<sup>st</sup> SL Run, Open Boys 1<sup>st</sup> SL Run, High School OFSAA Boys 1<sup>st</sup> SL Run, Open Girls 2<sup>nd</sup> SL Run, High School OFSAA Girls 2<sup>nd</sup> SL Run, Open Boys 2<sup>nd</sup> SL Run, High School OFSAA Boys 2<sup>nd</sup> SL Run.

## 6. EXPENSES

- (a) Tow tickets must be purchased by the participating schools.

## 7. RULES AND OFFICIALS

- (a) OFSAA Rules will govern the Meet.
- (b) Each school must be supervised by a coach/staff member.
- (c) The Convenor will be responsible for the race day organization of all required officials. Each school must supply at least one official whose duty will be assigned by the convenor.

- (d) It will be the Convenor's responsibility to arrange for all required officials.
- (e) No competitor may shadow the course. Skiers may sideslip the course. Skiers may not link gates with skies pointed forward.
- (f) Gate inspection must be done as a team.
- (g) Skiers must go through the finish line with a helmet, a bib, and at least one ski secured to their boots. If the skier falls or loses their equipment after the last gate and before the finish line, in that case they may run across the finish line.
- (h) In the case there is an obstacle in the direct path of the racer, the racer should ski out of the course, report to the closest gate keeper then proceed to the finish hut without finishing the course.

8. AWARDS

- (a) The presentation of ROPSSAA Championship awards will occur at the conclusion of the meet. These awards will be based on combined Giant Slalom and Slalom results.
  - (i) Gold medallions to the first-place finisher in High School, Open and Para.
  - (ii) Silver medallions to the second-place finisher in High School, Open and Para.
  - (iii) Bronze medallions to the third-place finisher in High School, Open, and Para.
  - (iv) Ribbons to the fourth through sixth place finishers in High School, Open, and Para.
  - (v) ROPSSAA trophies to the top boys, girls and combined teams in High School and Open.
  - (vi) Gold medallions to the members of the winning teams in High School and Open (maximum 5 per team).

9. UNIFORMS

- (a) All racers must be dressed in ski attire deemed appropriate by the ski club being used, the Convenor and members of the Jury of Appeal.
- (b) *In practice and competition, students must wear properly fitted Fédération Internationale de Ski (FIS) approved giant slalom helmets with full ear protection while in competitions and gate training environments. With the addition of a chin guard or mouthguard when in slalom gate environments or a Fédération Internationale de Ski (FIS) approved slalom helmet with a chin guard attached to the helmet and bearing the following certification codes (ASTM F2040, CEN 1077, or Snell S98).*

- (c) Athletes may not change their clothing in the competition area. For all outdoor sports, athletes must arrive dressed to compete. Visiting teams requiring the use of washroom facilities must send a staff member into the school with the team member(s). For all indoor sports, athletes must move to the designated locker room or change area to change their clothing.
- (d) No competitor shall wear any type of personal listening device.
- (e) Competitors' bibs must be visible (front and back) from marshalling check point to crossing the finish line.

10. SCORING

- (a) The best three finishers of a team's five racers are to count towards the team total.
- (b) The penalty point system will be used (i.e. the first-place finisher will receive one point, the second place finisher will receive two points etc.) If there is a tie in finish position, the tie will be broken based on the total time for those individuals. If still tied, then revert to the first run time for each individual.
- (c) The lowest accumulated team scores will determine the winning team. If a team does not have three finishers, they are ineligible for the team trophy.
- (d) A DNS will yield zero team points.
- (e) Open team scores will be calculated by adding the best three individual places for that team in Slalom and the best three individual places in Giant Slalom (may or may not be the same three people). High School team scores will be calculated by adding the best three individual places for that team in Giant Slalom. In the case of a team tie for the first place, the lowest total of those three individual times will be used.
- (f) In Open, the combined team score will be the total of boys' and girls' Slalom and Giant Slalom team scores. Ties will be broken as in (b). In High School, the combined team score will be the total of the boys' and girls' giant slalom team scores.

11. EQUIPMENT

- (a) The Convenor will be responsible for supplying or making available equipment necessary for running the Meet.

12. DEPORTMENT

- (a) Competitors and coaches are expected to behave in a sportsmanlike manner during the competition, as per Article XVI, Section II, of the ROPSSAA Constitution.
- (b) Any racer using foul language or acting in a manner unbecoming of a ROPSSAA athlete during the competition may be disqualified.

13. JURY OF APPEAL

- (a) The Jury of Appeal may only consider matters of policy regarding the operation of the activity concerned within the limits of the playing regulations.
- (b) The Jury of Appeal will rule on all disputes and protests submitted during the Meet. Any protest must be submitted within 24 hours of the meet. All protests must include a \$25.00 fee.
- (c) The Jury of Appeal constructed at the pre-season coaches meeting, will consist of the Meet Convenor and four coaches from participating schools.

14. MEDICAL PERSONNEL

- (a) Medical coverage will be supplied by on hill Ski Patrol.

15. QUALIFICATION TO OFSAA

- (a) Qualification to OFSAA will be as per OFSAA Playing Regulations as follows:
  - (i) Associations shall be allowed to enter one boys' team and one girls' team in each of the High School and Open races. Girls' and Boys' Teams shall be made up as follows: five (5) team members – five (5) to race - three (3) to count.
  - (ii) One female and one male racer may be selected to represent their Association to race as individuals in High School and Open. The individual must attend a different high school than the team entry.
  - (iii) Para Division athletes must compete and qualify at the ROPSSAA Championship to advance to OFSAA.
  - (iv) Racers must have competed at ROPSSAA to be eligible to compete in OFSAA.
  - (v) All coaches of OFSAA bound racers must attend a short meeting immediately following the ROPSSAA awards presentation.