

# NATIONAL COMPETITION RULES

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### THE RULES OF SKI RACING

The International Ski Federation / Fédération Internationale de Ski (FIS) is the world governing body for alpine ski competition.

The Canadian Snowsports Association (CSA) is the Canada national ski association member of the FIS for nine (9) snowsports including alpine.. Alpine Canada Alpin is CSA member for alpine.

Alpine competitions are run according to the FIS International Competition Regulations published in the ICR Book IV, annual rule updates known as Precisions and specific rule documents e.g., FIS Equipment Rules and FIS Timing Rules. The rules, approved by the FIS Council, are based on recommendations from FIS committees and National Ski Associations as well as from decisions made by FIS Congress delegates.

In Canada, all alpine competitions are run under the rules as set forth in the current ICR, Precisions and specific FIS rule books except where modified and approved by ACA. Because the ICR and FIS rule documents are primarily written for FIS races where the rules must be implicitly followed, it is necessary for legal and practical reasons that certain modifications and/or additions appropriate to the specific non-FIS levels of competition be made.

The ACA National Competition Rules Book (NCR book) is based on National rules and recommendations from Alpine Canada Alpin, who are the CSA's governing body for alpine ski racing and the National Officials Committee.

ACA National race rules as noted in this book also include ACA Point Rules and National Timing Rules that apply to ACA sanctioned non-FIS race events

### Sources of Rules

### FIS <u>www.ski-fis.com</u>

- 1. The International Ski Competition Rules (ICR).
- 2. The 'Rules for the FIS Points
- 3. The "Precision's"
- 4. FIS Timing Booklet
- 5. Specifications For Competition Equipment and Commercial Markings
- 6. FIS Medical Rules and Guideline
- 7. The Memento for the Technical Delegate issued by the FIS

### National <u>www.alpinecanada.org</u>

- 1. ACA National Ski Competition Rules
- 2. ACA Point Rules
- 3. National Timing Rules

### **Provincial Sport Organization (PSO)**

Each Provincial Sports Organization (PSO) for alpine may also publish rules for competitions held under its jurisdiction / sanction provided such 'regional rules' do not go beyond the limits laid down in the present FIS and National rules and that they do not increase risk to the participants..

### **Local Race Rules**

Local rules are published in the material distributed for individual race events. These rules must not go beyond the limits laid down in the present FIS, National and Provincial rules. Local rules govern such matters as the local ski area rules and regulations, restrictions for lift access, deposits required for racing bibs and other issues related to a specific event.

Except where specifically amended or changed by the rules set out in this document, all Alpine Competitions sanctioned by Alpine Canada Alpin must be organized in accordance with the current FIS Alpine ICR  $\sim$  Section 1 – 200 rules, Section 2 – 600 rules and Section 3 – 700, 800, 900, 1000, 1100, 1210, 1220, 1240 rules, and current Precisions. National calendared competitions with different grounds of qualification may not go beyond the limits laid down in the present FIS.

National Amendments: ICR Section 1- 200 series ~ Joint Regulations for all Competitions Amendments for National calendared events apply using FIS ICR reference numbers:

200.1 All events in the ACA calendar must be held under the applicable National rules.

### 200.3 Participation

- Competitions listed in the National calendar are only open to all properly registered or licensed competitors entered by their National Ski Association, ACA, PSO and alpine clubs in accordance with current quotas.

### 200.4 Special Regulations

- Alpine Canada Alpin can adopt rules and regulations to organize National and Provincial Sport Organization competitions with different grounds for qualification but only provided they do not go beyond the limits laid down by the present rules.
- **200.6** Every legal sanction imposed and published in respect of a competitor, official or trainer will be recognized by ACA and Provincial Sport Associations respectively.

### 201.5 National Events

- An event is a competition in a sport or in one of its disciplines. It results in a ranking and gives rise to the award of medals.

### 201.6.2 Alpine Events

Downhill, Slalom, Giant Slalom, Super-G, Kinder Kombi, Parallel Competitions, ski-cross.

201.6.10 Children's, Masters, and Para-alpine Events.

### 204 Qualifications of Competitors

- ACA or PSO shall not recognize within its structure, nor shall it issue a license or approval to participate in National races to any competitor who:
- 204.1.1 Has conducted himself in an improper or unsportsmanlike manner or has not respected the anti-doping rules,
- 204.1.5 Knowingly competes or has competed against any skier not eligible according to the National Rules.
- 204.1.6 Has not signed the Athletes Declaration or ACA membership waiver,
- 204.1.7 Is under suspension.
- With the issuance of a license or approval to participate in National races and race entry ACA &/or Provincial Ski Association confirms, that valid and sufficient accident insurance for training and competition is in place for the competitor and assumes full responsibility.

### 205 Competitors Obligations and Rights

- The competitors are obliged to make themselves familiar with the appropriate FIS and National Rules and must comply with the additional instructions of the Jury.
- **205.2** Competitors are not permitted to compete while under the influence of doping.
- **205.3** Competitors must follow the FIS and National rules and regulations and instructions of the Jury.
- **205.5** Competitors must behave in a correct and sportsmanlike manner towards members of the Organizing Committee, officials and the public.
- **205.8** Competitors, trainer, team officials and technical officials are prohibited from betting on the outcome of competitions in which they are involved.

### 210 Organization of Competition

### 211 The Organization

### 211.1 The Organizer

- 211.1.1 The organizer of a National competition is the person or group of persons that make the necessary preparations and directly carry out the running of the competition in the resort.
- 211.1.3 The organizer must ensure that accredited persons accept the regulations regarding the competition rules and Jury decisions.

### 211.2 The Organizing Committee

The Organizing Committee consists of those members (physical or legal) who are delegated by the organizer. It carries the rights, duties and obligations of the organizer.

### 212 Insurance

212.1 National calendared and PSO calendared events included in the ACA calendar are covered by the CSA/ACA liability insurance and include all members of the Organizing Committee. The policy explicitly includes liability insurance claims by any accredited participant, including athletes, against any other participant including but not limited to officials, course workers, coaches, etc.

**NOTE:** Quebec has a separate policy from the ACA for the 2012 - 2013 season.

### 213 Program

A program must be published by the organizers for each competition listed in the National Calendar which must contain the following:

### 214 Announcements

- The Organizing Committee must publish an announcement for the event. It must contain the information required by art. 213.
- 214.2 Organizers are bound by the rules and decisions of ACA &/or PSO in limiting the number of entries.

### 215 Entries

- All entries must be sent so that the Organizing Committee receives them before the final date of entry.
- **215.3** Every entry should include:
- 215.3.1 Code number, name, first name, year of birth, club and/or PSO

### 216 Team Captains' Meetings

216.4 Team captains and trainers must obey the ICR and National rules and the decisions of the Jury and must behave in a proper and sportsmanlike manner.

### 221 Medical Services, Examinations and Doping

**221.3** Doping is forbidden.

### 221.6 Medical Services Required from Event Organizers

The health and safety of all those involved in a National calendared competition is a primary concern of all event Organizers. This includes the competitors as well as volunteers, course workers and spectators.

The Organizer / The Chief of Medical and Rescue Services must confirm with the technical delegate that the required rescue facilities are in place before starting the official training or competition. In the event of an incident, the back-up plan must be in place before recommencing the official training or competition.

### 222. Competition Equipment

- A competitor may only take part in a National competition with equipment which conforms to the FIS or Nationally approved Regulations. A competitor is responsible for the equipment that he uses (skis, bindings, ski boots, suit, etc.). It is his duty to check that the equipment he uses conforms to the FIS specifications and general safety requirements and is in working order.
- The term competition equipment encompasses all items of equipment which the competitor uses in competitions. This includes clothing as well as apparatus with technical functions. The entire competition equipment forms a functional unit.

### 1. NATIONAL COMPETITION LEVELS

### 1.1 NON POINTS RACES

### 1.1.1 Age Group

| Category                       | Age Group                     |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Entry Level / Nancy Greene     | 6 - <mark>11</mark> years old |
| PSO and National Points Series | 12 - 19 years old             |
| Master Series                  | 18 years old and older        |

### 1.1.2 Non Points Programs

### Entry Level / Nancy Greene Series:

| Category | Age Group         |
|----------|-------------------|
| U10      | 8 - 9 years old   |
| U12      | 10 - 11 years old |

The major Non Points racing program is the Entry Level Nancy Greene series for which the regulations and criteria are uniform across Canada with their own set of rules and criteria for children ages 6-11. The Entry Level series is training and racing program designated to encourage children to ski race without subjecting them to intense competitive pressures. In order to emphasize participation and fun, the results are calculated on a team basis.

Running in conjunction with the Entry Level series is the **Snow Stars Program** that develops skiing skills through games, exercises, drills and purposeful free skiing. Eight levels of skills are recognized and each youngster progresses through each skill at his/her own rate.

<u>Masters Alpine Series</u>: The **Master Alpine Series** is a program that provides an opportunity for adults of all ages to participate in a structured racing program. Races are held in each of the provinces as well as calendared National events.

### 1.2 NATIONAL POINTS RACES

### 1.2.1 Age Group

| Category              | Age Group         |  |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--|
| National Points Races |                   |  |
| U14                   | 12 - 13 years old |  |
| U16                   | 14 - 15 years old |  |
| U18                   | 16 - 17 years old |  |
| U21                   | 18 - 20 years old |  |

The above age groups are recognized across Canada and based on age as of Dec. 31:

### 1.2.2 Point Programs

The points program is one in which each competitor must possess a current ACA competitor card and number. The races are entered into the National Points system.

The card system has been designed to accomplish several objectives:

- a) To provide a national registration system for competitors;
- b) To provide a graduated points scoring system, the National Points list in each of the alpine disciplines.
- c) To provide a means to measure the performance of a competitor upward through national levels.
- d) To provide a record of all participants for insurance purposes.

Competitors may not race in ACA sanctioned events that are submitted for input to the national points list without a valid competitor card. ACA sanctioned events include all the races that appear on National and provincial race calendars.

Non-point and point programs are based on age categories. The age categories can be found on the ACA Points web site <a href="https://www.acapoints.ca">www.acapoints.ca</a>

### 2 National Point Rules

### 2.1 NATIONAL POINTS LIST - MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

The National Competitor registration date is December 1 annually. The new Racer Registration spreadsheet or csv file must be sent to the ACA Points Chair. Each member must be registered at Alpine Canada Alpin to appear on the National Points List. The new Racer Registration Program or the format of the Racer Registration spreadsheet is available through each PSO office. (Forms sent by FAX will not be accepted.

### 2.2 RULES FOR ACA NATIONAL POINTS RACES

- 2.2.1 FIS equipment rules must be used for national training and race events.
  E.g. Alpine race helmets must be used at all levels of National events Entry Level to Masters.
- 2.2.2 National points Super G races should be run on FIS SG/GS Homologated courses. For Super G races calendared on lower elevated slopes, PSO approved is needed. The Provincial Sport Organizations must ensure that athlete security is appropriate to the venue.
- 2.2.3 Kinder races are allowed a maximum of 20 point races per year. Junior races are allowed a maximum of 30 point races per year.
- 2.2.4 National calendared SL & GS '1 RUN races' will be scored as 0.5 toward the maximum number of points races a Racer is allowed per year.
- 2.2.5 National calendared '2 RUN races' as well as '1 RUN' DH, SG and KK will be scored as 1.0 toward the maximum number of points races a Racer is allowed per year.
- 2.2.6 National calendared '2 RUN races' that have the <u>second run cancelled</u> will be scored as **1.0** toward the maximum of points races a Racer is allowed in per year.
- 2.2.7 The National Kinder Kombi **'F' factor** will be used for both Technical 'SL GS' Kombi races and Speed 'SG GS' Kombi races.
- 2.2.8 Kinder Kombi "F" Factor is the average of the SL & GS "F" Factor.
- 2.2.9 The maximum National race points is 999.00
- 2.2.10 Technical Delegate must confirm the computer race program being used provides correct ACA penalty calculation fill-ins and maximum values, and also provides correct competitor race points for all disciplines, SL, GS, SG, SC, KK.

- 2.2.11 National race results will automatically default to "Yes" for scoring when uploaded. If not to be scored, Dick Beare rbeare@shaw.ca - ACA Points Chair, the respective PSO Officials Chair and the National Officials Chair officials@alpinecanada.org must be notified.
- 2.2.12 All protests related to the scoring or non-scoring of a National race will be handledheard by the National Officials Committee. This committee, made up of the PSO Officials Chairs of ON, SQA, AB, BC and CD will determine the race outcome. Protests must be directed to the National Officials Chair at officials@alpinecanada.org

#### 2.3 PENALTY CALCULATIONS:

For ACA National Point Races:

The maximum penalty value for a National Level race is 500.00.

The "Fill In" point is to be used in case there are less than five racers with NATIONAL points is 500.00 for all discipline. This fills in must also be used if the racer's points are over 500.00

If less than 5 competitors in the penalty calculation, the seed fill-in is 500, the race point fill in is 0.00.

No "ADDER" is used for scoring National level races No "Z" factor's is used for scoring National level races

#### 2.4 FURTHER ACA RACE POINT INFORMATION

Available on <a href="https://www.acapoints.ca">www.acapoints.ca</a>

- Age Categories
- Point List Publications
- Race Result Submission
- Race Point Calculations
- National Points Calculations Rules
- Racer Eligibility

#### 3 **National Certification of Officials**

#### 3.1 REQUIREMENT FOR OFFICIALS CERTIFICATION

To be recognized as certified Officials an individual must be registered as a member of Alpine Canada Alpin and maintain their registration on an annual basis. Registration can be done at the ski club level, through the PSO office or with ACA national office. Membership in ACA includes liability insurance while the Official is involved with race event activities.

#### 3.2 NATIONAL OFFICIALS PROGRAM CERTIFICATION

The National alpine officials program is a structured and integrated program consisting of four levels of alpine Officials and four levels of Technical Delegates.

The following are the various levels of alpine Officials: After Level 1 - each requires specific practical experience to move on to the next Level.

- Level 1 entry-level course providing overall introduction to race organization and the various Officials positions
- Level 2 a detailed introduction to alpine ski racing and the roles and duties of various Officials positions. Specific practical experience is required.
- Level 3 designed for Officials with considerable practical experience, covers the duties of senior Officials, course preparation, maintenance and setting, as well as calculations of points and penalties
- Level 4 be recommended to the National Officials Committee by the PSO Officials Chair. Level 4 Officials are the most experienced Officials, having showed a superior level of ability.
- Regional Technical Delegate (only in Ontario) Level 2 Official requires certification following recommendation by the Divisional and PSO Officials Chair
- PSO Technical Delegate Technical (T) Level 3 Official requires certification following recommendation by PSO Officials Chair
- PSO Technical Delegate Technical/Speed (T/S) above qualification with speed experience and recommended by PSO Officials Chair
- National Technical Delegate PSO TD (T) &/or (T/S) or licensed FIS TD recommended by the PSO Officials Chair to the National Officials Committee

#### 3.3 MAINTAINENCE OF CURRENT LEVEL OF CERTIFICATION

Upon qualification, the initial period of certification is as follows:

Level I & II Three years Three years Level III Level IV Two year

Once obtaining a specific level of certification, there are practical and, in some cases, other requirements to maintain certification after the initial period of certification has expired i.e. if an Official does not meet the criteria, then the certification is not extended past the initial certification period.

### Requirements:

Level I: Minimum Activity as an Official

Level II: Minimum 2 event assignments (4 race days) in a 3 year period and

Update\*

Level III: Minimum 2 event assignments (4 race days) a year and Update\*
Level IV: Minimum 2 event assignments (4 race days) per year, at the TD or

Chief level or to the satisfaction of the Official Chair. Attend Officials

update clinic every other year.

*Note:* Officials who do not meet these criteria will lose their officials are removed from the Officials List.

### 4 National Qualifications for Jury Members and Other Officials

There is an established policy for qualifications of Officials Jury members as noted

### 4.1 CERTIFICATION OF RACE OFFICIALS FOR FIS EVENTS

Chief of Race Level III Official Start & Finish Referees, Level II Official

Referee & Ass't Referee Level II Official, CSCF Performance Level (Trained) certification

Chief of Course Level II Official
Chief of Gate Judges Level II Official

### 4.2 CERTIFICATION OF RACE OFFICIALS FOR NON-FIS SPEED EVENTS

Technical Delegate Minimum of PSO Technical Delegate with certification in DH/SG

events.

Referee Either: A coach with a minimum of CSCF Development Level

(Trained) coach certification and Level II Officials certification or

PSO, National or FIS Technical Delegate with DH/SG

certification.

Assistant Referee A coach with a minimum of CSCF Development Level (Trained)

coach certification plus Level II Official certification.

Chief of Race Level II Officials certification
Start Referee Level II Officials certification

<sup>\*</sup> Level II and III Officials must also update every two years. The methodology of the update is at the discretion of the PSO Officials Chair.

Finish Referee Level II Officials certification

### 4.3 CERTIFICATION OF RACE OFFICIALS FOR NON-FIS TECHNICAL EVENTS

Technical Delegate Minimum of Divisional Technical Delegate

Referee A coach with minimum of CSCF Entry Level (Trained) coach

certification plus Level II Official Certification.

Assistant Referee\*\* CSCF Entry Level (Trained) coach certification

Chief of Race Level II Officials certification
Start Referee Level II Officials certification
Finish Referee Level II Officials certification

### 4.4 U10, U12 AND OTHER NON POINT RACES

All races including weekly races must have a minimum of one Level 2 Official and three Level 1 Officials.

The use of Technical Advisors (Level 2 & > Officials with practical race experience to assist the Entry Level and League Race Organizing Committee) is recommended if the EL/League ROC is not race experienced. The host Club executive are to assign an experienced club Official as the Technical Advisor to work with the ROC and assist with planning and completion of EL race event. A Technical Delegate and Jury are not required for these level of races.

### 4.5 MASTERS SERIES RACES

For <u>ACA sanctioned</u> Masters Races, Jury and certification of Officials is the same as PSO guidelines for non-FIS Technical events and for SG events. The Technical Delegate will be appointed by the PSO Officials Chairman and will be a minimum PSO TD. Participating competitors cannot be part of the Jury.

### 4.6 APPOINTMENT OF TECHNICAL DELEGATES

Technical Delegates are appointed as follows:

### **PSO & Local Races**

TD's for races are appointed by the Division (Ontario only) and PSO Officials Chair or their designate. In making these appointments, consideration is given to the level of race, its location and the qualifications of the TD.

### **Provincial Championships**

TD's for these races are appointed by the PSO Officials Chair or designate.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Note: For Technical Events, the position of Assistant Referee is optional.

### **Western and Eastern Championships**

National TD for these races is appointed by the hosting PSO Chair or designate

### National Canadian U14 and U16 Championships and CanAm

National TD is appointed by the National Officials Chair in consultation with the National Officials Committee.

### 4.6 APPOINTMENT OF FORERUNNERS

For National Calendared Races: Forerunner must be an ACA member.

**For FIS Calendared Races:** Forerunner must be of FIS age, sign an athlete declaration and be a member of ACA.

### 5. Types of Races

FIS alpine racing rules are used for National Children's races and Master's races. Master's races have National technical specifications.

Refer to the ICR for rules applying to the following race events:

| • | Slalom         | SL | includes Single Pole SL events |
|---|----------------|----|--------------------------------|
| • | Giant Slalom   | GS | includes Single Pole GS events |
| • | Super G        | SG |                                |
| • | Super Combined | SC |                                |
| • | Kinder Kombi   | KK |                                |
| - | Ski Cross      | SX |                                |

The National race program provides a Points list for each of the above disciplines at <a href="https://www.acapoints.ca">www.acapoints.ca</a>

### **5.1SEEDING NATIONAL POINT RACES**

FIS rules apply for seeding competitors in their first National race start in the above disciplines except for the first Super Combined (SC) event run in conjunction with a Super G race.

The following method of seeding for a National SC event applies:

### 5.1.1 Point Seeding Info for SG Race in a SC Race Event

In a race event with a calendared SC race and SG race, the following method is "how" to seed a race with the "SG" points then change it into a "SC" race.

ROC and in particular the Chief of Administration/Race Office must be aware of this method in order to seed and score the SG race and SC event correctly.

The Technical Delegate, Chief of Race and Coaches must be aware of the use of SC points for the draw and then the use of SG points and SC points for each race.

## In order to keep National SG and SC Race points pure for National calendared SG races and National calendared SC races the Race Secretariat must do the following:

- 1. Create a race using SC points
- 2. Do the draw using SC points
- 3. Copy the SC race exactly points and ALL
- 4 Change the copied race to a SG (This leaves the Bib Numbers the same for both races BUT changes the SC points to SG points for the penalty calculation).
- 5. Create Run 1 Start Lists for both races.
- 6. Enter Run1 results in both races (SG is now ready for official result calculations)
- 7. Create a Run 2 Start List for the SC race.
- 8. Enter Run 2 (SL results) into the SC race and calculate the SC Penalty and Official Results.

### 5.2 NATIONAL TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR RACE COURSES

### Vertical drops and number of turns

Except as noted in 2.2.2. and below, the technical specifications of the ICR for Alpine apply.

|          |                     | U21                   | U18       | U16   | U14   |  |
|----------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---|---|--|
| SG       | Max VD              |                       |           | 4   | 450   |  |
|          | Min VD              | 450m Men, 400m Ladies |           |   | 250   |  |
|          | DC                  | 7% FIS, 6%            | WC/COC    | 8%  | 8% - 12%  |  |
| GS       | Max VD              |                       |           |   | 350   |  |
|          | Min VD              | 220 Men, 2            | 00 Ladies |   | 200   |  |
|          | DC 11% - 15%        |                       | 13%       | 13% - 17%   |   |  |
|          | Distance            |                       |           | 2   | 27m   |  |
| SL       | Max VD              |                       |           |   | 160   |  |
|          | Min VD              | 30% - 35%             |           |   | 100   |  |
|          | DC                  |                       |           | 32  | 32-38%  |  |
|          | Distance            |                       |           | 12m Delay gate max distance turning pole to turning pole: 15m | 10m Delay gate max distance turning pole to turning pole: 15m |  |
| KK       | Max VD              |                       |           | 2   | 200   |  |
| (608.12) | Min VD              |                       |           |   | 120   |  |
|          | DC                  |                       |           | 10  | 10-12%  |  |
|          | Distance<br>(SL/GS) |                       |           | ICR 60  | ICR 608.12.3.3  |  |
|          | Distance<br>(GS/SG) |                       |           | ICR 60  | 08.12.4.2   |  |
| Parallel | VD                  | 100                   |           |   |   |  |
|          | DC                  | 20-30                 |           |   |   |  |

### 5.2.1 National Children's Technical Requirements

See current ICR and Precisions for CHI technical specifications as a guideline for the jury, taking into account course specifications. Juries, on the recommendation of the Referee and Course Setter, may approve course setting / change of direction counts that the juries feel necessary for the security of the athletes, taking into consideration age group, turn shape achievable using the equipment available to the mean of the field, length of the course due to lack of steepness, etc.

U10, U12 SL stubbie gate events follow the same technical specifications as SL and single pole SL but use stubbie gates (refer to Snow Board ICR 2089.2.1 Stubbie Poles for gate specification).

### **5.2.2** National Points Race Technical Requirements:

See current ICR and Precisions for technical specifications as a guidelines for the jury, taking into account course specifications. Juries, on the recommendation of the Referee and Course Setter, may approve course setting / change of direction counts that the juries feel necessary for the security of the athletes, taking into consideration age group, turn shape achievable using the equipment available to the mean of the field, length of the course due to lack of steepness, etc.

### 5.2.3 National Master's Technical Requirements

National Master's race technical requirements are a combination of FIS level and FIS CHI level rules. The combination of rules was approved by the National Master's executive in 2008 to best suit the needs of the age groups from 18 - 85 years of age Changes from the FIS Master's rules include:

- shorter minimum and maximum vertical drops for SG, GS and SL.
- SG Children's min/max # of gates
- GS minimum VD of 12%

The race jury will decide on all technical requirements.

SUPER G\* (Ladies & Men)

Minimum # of Direction Changes: 8% of vertical drop
Maximum # of Direction Changes : 10% of vertical drop

Note: Downhill and Super G courses must be measured

GIANT SLALOM\* (Ladies & Men)
Min # Direction Changes: 13% of vertical drop
Max # Direction Changes: 15% of vertical

SLALOM\* (Ladies & Men)

Minimum & Maximum # of direction changes 30 - 35% +/-3

Slalom courses must contain open and closed gates as well as 1 to 3 vertical combinations (flushes), at least 3 hairpin combinations and should contain a minimum of one and maximum of three delay gates.

\*NOTE: Only those gates requiring a change of direction are to be counted.

### 6. THE RACE COURSE COMPONENTS

Three main areas of the race course: **Start, Course and Finish** are outlined in the ICR.

The National GS finish line minimum differs from the ICR rule 615.2 of 10m. The required width is wider than the FIS rule.

A minimum of 15 metres is required for the Kinder Kombi finish line.

| Discipline        | Minimum Finish<br>Line Width |  |  |
|-------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Giant Slalom (GS) | 15 m                         |  |  |
| Kinder Kombi (KK) | 15 m                         |  |  |

### 7. NATIONAL TIMING RULES

Timing rules for National race events are based on the most current version of FIS timing rules. In addition to the FIS timing rules there are a number of National timing rules that amend the FIS rules for use at ACA and PSO sanctioned races.

FIS Timing rules are available in the current addition of the ICR, the Precisions and the FIS Timing Booklet. Timing information including equipment set-up, set-up diagrams, technical installations, the start gate and photo cells, and criteria for approved FIS timing devices is provided in the FIS Timing Booklet.

National timing rules with their modifications of the FIS timing rules should be used at all ACA and PSO calendared races.

### 7.1 TIMING EQUIPMENT

- It is highly recommended electronic timers, start gates and photo cells be homologated as per the FIS standards for all National calendared races.
- Clubs interested in purchasing new equipment should review the list of homologated equipment in the FIS Timing Booklet prior to making a purchase decision.

### 7.2 ELECTRIC TIMING

- For all provincial U14 and U16 championships, U16 Western & Eastern Championships, U16 Can-Am and National Master Championships; two synchronized electronically isolated timing systems operating in time-of-day must be used.
- For all other ACA National calendared races a minimum of one electronically isolated timing system operating in time-of-day is required. It is recommended the ROC use a second synchronized timing system for all races if they so choose. ROC's using one electronic timing system should consider synchronizing with their manual timing system.

### 7.3 HAND TIMING

Manual (hand) timing is mandatory for National as well as FIS races. Manual timing must be completely separate and independent of the electronic timing and <u>must</u> be used for all competitions listed on the National race calendar.

Stopwatches or hand operated battery powered timers that are installed at both the start and the finish and capable of expressing times to at least 1/100th (0.01) precision qualify as proper hand timing devices. If stopwatches are used 2 watches should be available at the start and 2 watches at the finish.

The watches should be synchronized prior to the start of each run.

The watches can also be synchronized with the electronic timing system. Printed records, either automatic or hand-written, of recorded hand times must be immediately available at the start and at the finish. At the end of each run the hand time records are to be delivered to the Chief of Timing.

### 7.4 NATIONAL TIMING REPORT

The National Timing Technical Report is  $\underline{mandatory}$  for all U14 and U16 Provincial Championships, the U16 Eastern and Western Championships, U14 and U16 Can-Am and the National Masters Championships. One report per day selected by the ROC & TD is required. A timing report is required for 1st Codex run each day (doesn't matter which gender)  $\sim$  if a 2 run race the TTR must be filled in for both runs; if a 1 run race the TTR must be filled in for the one run.

The National Technical Timing Report is optional for races other than the above championship races but its use is  $\underline{recommended}$  for all National calendared races. One report per day – use the 1<sup>st</sup> Codex run each day (doesn't matter which gender ~ is a 2 run race the TTR must be filled in for both runs; if a one run race, the TTR must be filled in for the one run.

### 7.4.1 Procedure:

- 1 The Timing Technical Report must be completed and signed by the Chief of Timing. The TD of the race must review the report by verifying the times and timing information prior to also signing the document.
- 2 The Technical Delegate's signature confirms the race should be scored for ACA points. If the race should not be scored TD must notify ACA Points Chair immediately. dbeare@shaw.ca
- 3 All Timing Reports when <u>electronically</u> completed can be e-mailed to the National Officials Chair <u>officials@canski.org</u> by the Chief of Administration and/or Race Office no later than 2 days after the event either in Excel or PDF format.
- 4 Also, for the above listed Championship races, send the Atlantic provinces, Quebec and Ontario timing reports to the East timing rep Michael Walker <a href="mike@portcredit.net">mike@portcredit.net</a>, Yukon, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia send to the West timing rep Dave Bartle <a href="mailto:djbartle@xplornet.com">djbartle@xplornet.com</a> Needs to be updated.

Current National Timing Booklet and documents are available on the ACA web site www.alpinecanada.org  $\sim$  National Program section - Officials menu  $\rightarrow$  Timing.

### **REFERENCES:**

Further National Officials information is available on the Alpine Canada Alpin web site alpinecanada.org/officials

Questions can be directed to officials@alpinecanada.org.