Gate Judges

Dear Volunteer,

We would like to thank you for taking time to help us run the Alpine State Championships.

COVID – You are required to wear a mask at all times while at Skibowl. Please be prepared to bring your own mask. Also, it is mandatory that you submit a short **COVID Symptom Check questionnaire**. This must be done no earlier than Thursday morning and no later than Thursday night 8 pm. Question Link

Check-in – since the race will be held in two different locations at Skibowl it is important that you understand which side of the mountain to go. The Slalom is at Skibowl East and the Giant Slalom is at Skibowl West.

The check-in desk for the **East side** is under a tent up by the lodge.

The check-in desk for the **West side** is at the top of the stairs to the right, on the patio.

Upon check-in you will receive a lift ticket, bucket and gate cards at the check-in desk.

You will be provided a complementary lunch with sandwich, chips, fruit, cookie and water. Note: lunches are first come first serve with a limited supply.

Gate Judges need to check in with the race secretary sometime around 8:45am. Please don't be earlier because we will be trying to get the individuals responsible for the course setup checked in and off with their early load tickets. Please don't check-in earlier than 8:30. With that said we need to insure that everyone that has committed to work the race has arrived in time. Please do not check in later than 9:15 am.

Mandatory Gate Judges Meeting – You will have a meeting at 9:20 with the Chief Gate Judge at a designated location and before proceeding to the lifts. <u>Please don't be late for this important meeting.</u>

Following the meeting you will go directly to the lifts and meet at the race starting line. Be prepared to leave immediately following the meeting.

All gate judges; there are two things we need you to do sometime before arriving the day of the race. Please go to these two links and first watch the USAA video on "How to be a gate judge in 15 minutes."

USSA VIDEO LINK

The second is a short slide presentation that is consistent with our league and OISRA rules. Even if you have been a gate judge in the past, please take a few minutes from your day to watch these again.

TRL SLIDE SHOW LINK (note, if you get a warning message it is ok to open this link)

If you are new to this job please don't be concerned. If you review the two links above you will have no problems. If you have questions please ask at the gate judge meeting.

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Please fill out your card completely (including heading) or it will be disqualified and you will have wasted your time to be out there! Your cell number is important for contact after the race with a question if there is a protest to any Disqualification you note.

When the Chief of Gates places you at your gates of responsibility (usually 3 to 4) he will review the proper race lines and proper gate passage. Some "gates" will only be a single pole (no outside pole.)

For a GS race hiking uphill is not allowed and is an immediate Disqualification.

Also remember if a competitors ski comes off the course or loses a ski he/she is <u>Disqualified</u> <u>Immediately</u>. Please forcefully instruct them to get off the course as fast as possible.

If a racer approaches you and has a concern, complaint or question they should ski to the bottom of the course (staying off the race course) and ask for the Finish Referee. He can acknowledge permission for a re-run.

There will be an approximate 60 minute break for lunch between runs. Please account for time it takes to return so you can be on time for the next run.

After each run, gate judges need to wait for the Chief of Gates to pick up your gate card, you will then be dismissed. **Do not leave until he/she picks up your gate card.**

After the second race has concluded and the Chief of Gates has excused you please return your equipment back to the check-in desk as soon as possible.

Please dress accordingly to stay dry and warm. Forecast for this race is extremely cold.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thanks again,

State Race Committee