

ALPINE LEAGUE'S STATE SKI CHAMPIONSHIPS

State Event Guide



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March 4th – 6th, 2026 – Mt. Hood Meadows

*Hosted by OISRA's **Emerald League!***

2026 State Alpine Championships

Welcome to the 2026 Alpine League's State Ski Championships! This year the Championships will be hosted the Emerald League. We congratulate you for qualifying for these championships and anticipate that this will inspire, challenge, and ultimately reward you with many fond memories!



Thank you to all the volunteers, parents, sponsors, and coaches who contribute their time, money, and talent to high school alpine racing throughout the season(s). None of this would be possible without you! We hope that you leave this season-ending event with new friends and an unforgettable experience.

Use this Event Guide as your key to the event. It should answer most of your questions, whether you are a coach, race participant or race volunteer. If not, please do not hesitate to phone or email us before the event, or visit us at Race Head Quarters at the time and locations listed in the Event Schedule

Your race host is offering a dedicated website at: www.alpinestaterace.org where you can quickly access important information. This is the best place to receive the most up to date information regarding the State Championships.

Let's all work together to make this a great event!

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Event Location – Mt. Hood Meadows – Mt. Hood, Oregon www.skihood.com



Event Venues – The Slalom will be held on Gemini and the GS will be on Shooting Star Ridge to finish on Apollo. Both venues are accessible from the Shooting Star chair lift via the Meadows Express or Stadium chair lifts. (Courses subject to change depending on snow fall.) Access to the race course and finish are by ski only. With enough snow the event venues will move to Stadium. This change would allow for walking access to the finish areas.

Lift Passes – Athlete lift passes will be available to purchase directly from Mt. Hood Meadows at \$66 per day.

Liability Waiver – All athletes, coaches and volunteers must complete an online Mt. Hood Meadows “Liability Release,” form located at this link:
<https://www.skihood.com/agreements/race-authorization> NO EXCEPTIONS-MANDATORY

Racer & Team Onsite Check-in –

One location on Wednesday, two times.

- **Wednesday**, March 4th at **Mt. Hood Meadows** from 8:00 am – 12:30 pm North Building – Racer Room
- **Wednesday** at **Mt. Hood Oregon Resort - Best Western in Welches** from 6:00 to 8:00 pm last chance to check-in

Live Race Results – All races will be broadcast on www.LiveTiming.com for real time race results.

Free Racer Social – Wednesday night racer social at **Resort at the Mountain Best Western in Welches**. See details below.

Awards Ceremony – **Resort at the Mountain Best Western in Welches** – *Pre-Order dinner buffet begins at 5:30 pm, awards 6:15 pm*

Lodging and Transportation – Race participants must arrange their own lodging and transportation to the venues.

Forerunners – A lift pass will be provided on race day at Volunteer check-in the morning of the race. If you wish to ski any other day you will need to purchase your lift pass at the resort ticket sales window. All forerunners should check-in with the Start Referee 60 minutes before the start of the race to receive your forerunner bib.

Lodging Recommendations –

Preferred Lodging Recommendation!



Mt. Hood Oregon Resort / Best Western / Welches

Address: 68010 E Fairway Ave
Welches, OR 97067

Phone: 503-622-3101

(40 minutes from Meadows west toward Portland)

Please mention Emerald Ski League when you book and you will get a discount.

<https://www.mthood-resort.com>

Other recommendations –

Collin's Lake Resort / Mt. Hood Vacation Rentals / Government Camp Lodging

Newly reduced rates - enjoy some of the best lodging for ski camps, weddings, or just to come have fun with all that Government Camp has to offer!

www.collinslakeresort.com

The Huckleberry Inn

<https://www.huckleberry-inn.com>

Government Camp Loop

503-272-3325

Huckleberry Inn is a hotel in Government Camp, including a 24 hour family style restaurant.

Mt. Hood Inn / Government Camp / Best Western

Address: 87450 Government Camp Loop
Government Camp, OR

Phone: (503) 272-3205

COACHES INFORMATION

Note: Be prepared, there will be a short window of time between your last race and these deadlines!

Team Online Registration (Head Coach) – Teams will NOT register online. The main purpose was to capture your gate judges. This will now be done via submission of your team start orders. Please be prepared to submit your gate judges when you send in your start orders. Remember you are required to provide gate judge(s) if you have a team (3 or more each gender), one gate judge per gender. You will need to submit a name, email and cell number.

Coaches Lift Passes - Coaches will need to pre-register at the time of submitting your start orders for complimentary lift passes. These lift passes will be good for Wednesday, Thursday & Friday.

Coach complimentary lift passes are issued on a “per school” basis allocated according to the gender and size of the team. A school that only qualifies one racer is still entitled to assign a coach to follow that individual racer. That coach will be issued a comp pass. A school with one girl racer and one boy racer is entitled to assign a separate coach to follow each racer and each of these coaches will be issued a comp pass.

- Each school with 3 or more racers = 2 comp coach passes.
- Each school with a girl's team, and a boy's team of 3 or more racers of each gender = 4 comp coach passes.
- Each school with 1 or 2 girl racers = 1 comp coach pass
- Each school with 1 or 2 boy racers = 1 comp coach pass

Note: Coaches lift passes are for coaches only. If you or your coaches have a season pass please do not request lift passes for others.

Lift Passes will be daily, pick up your lift pass at Race Check-in, Racer Room North Lodge.

Team Start Orders – Your submission worksheet will be available for download at the state race website. All Registration Deadlines are Friday, February 27th at 7 pm, NO EXCEPTIONS.

Start Order Worksheet:

- Worksheets will also be emailed to each coach by the race administrator.
- If you need a Google Excel link instead of an Excel workbook please contact Mike McManus asap!
- Upon completion, email the official State Start Order workbook form with your team or individual athlete's order of start and leagues qualifying position.
- Include Gate Judges as needed.
- Include Coaches Pass(s) request.
- Please return this via e-mail to: archerhit@frontier.com
- Deadline is Friday, February 27th at 7 pm. No Exceptions

Mandatory Coaches' Meetings – Meetings will be held at:

Wednesday: March 6th at 8:00 pm, *Mt. Hood Oregon Resort / Best Western / Welches*

Thursday: March 7th at 8:00 pm, *Mt. Hood Oregon Resort / Best Western / Welches*

Onsite Team Registration Check-in – All teams (and individual qualifiers) must check-in upon arrival. Please, only one representative per school! See schedule for time & locations.

At this time you will:

- ✓ Submit your gate judge deposit. (Note: Gate Judge Deposits must be secured with a check made payable to: ***Emerald Ski League***
- ✓ Collect all pre-ordered Merchandise for your team
- ✓ Pickup racer Swag gifts

Note: Start orders & race schedule are available for download www.alpinstaterace.org

Note: The Gate Judges deposit is \$150 per race (SL or GS), per sex. This would be a total of \$600 for a school with both a boys and a girl's team. This check will be destroyed at the conclusion of the Championships Race if duty is fulfilled (unless specified otherwise.)

Note: Bibs will be distributed to the team (or individual racers) coach at the coaches meeting on Wednesday night. Racers will use the same bib number both days. If a racer is only racing one of the two days he/she will receive a bib assignment for that single day. Racers keep their bibs at the conclusion of the race.

On-Hill Training – Wednesday, March 4th is the registered training day. Training lane assignments are TBD.

Training Notes –

- Teams (or Leagues) must provide their own gates.
- A coach or parent representative must be at the top of the course at all times.
- Courses must be pulled and slipped by the time indicated on the schedule.
- Helmets are mandatory for GS & SL training and racing (hard cover over ears and FIS certification required for GS).

Racer Social Chaperone – Each school must provide a chaperone to be onsite and available for the racer social.

Awards Night - Meal Tickets - Coaches may purchase Awards night meal ticket (\$22) at the ACTIVE link provided here: [Link Here](#) (Link at state website too.)

- You will only be able to order using the active system from February 24th thru 27th.
- Dinner Tickets must be pre-ordered (no sales on the night of the banquet.)

ATHLETE INFORMATION

Racer Online Registration – Racers will register online with the same ACTIVE site that they used to register for the regular season. Registration will open Tuesday, February 24th at 9 am. The registration deadline is Friday, February 27th at 7 pm. No Exceptions.
All participants must register online before February 27th, 7 pm

Link for Racer Registration: [Link Here](#) or see the State Race website.

Athlete registration fees for 2026 will be **\$50**

During the registration process you will also have the opportunity to order a meal(s):

- Dinner meal voucher (\$22) for after the race on Friday for Awards Banquet
 - Meat or Vegetarian Lasagna
 - Bread Sticks
 - Fresh Cesar Salad

You must pre-order during athlete registration.

Lift Passes – Athlete lift passes will be available to purchase directly from Mt. Hood Meadows at \$66 per day.

Procedure – You will need to have a Meadows Lift Card (Media) that can be purchase at the ticket booth for \$2. Once you have this Lift Card (Media) your lift pass will be loaded each day. You only need to purchase this Media one time unless you lose it or forget it. You will go online to Meadows to purchase your racer lift pass at the discounted price. You will receive a voucher. That voucher and the Media Card will need to be presented to the ticket window each day to be loaded for lift access.

Schedule of Events – Please familiarize yourself with the Schedule of Events located in this Event Handbook.

Racer Notes – Please be courteous and respectful to other athletes, volunteers, coaches, the public, and **Mt. Hood Meadows** employees. Show your appreciation for all their hard work.

Familiarize yourself with the Meadows terrain map prior to skiing. Remember that all athletes must adhere to the *Skier's Responsibility Code - Are You Aware*.

- Do not leave skis in non-designated areas outside of lodge. Hoodoo and the event organizers are not responsible for theft or vandalism of your equipment.
- Lift tickets or passes are required for all lifts at all times (training and racing).
- Helmets meeting FIS Specifications (see Alpine Race Rules, Section 2, Paragraph A., 5., f.) are required for all training and racing.
- NO FAST SKIING IN SLOW AREAS! This will result in loss of lift privileges.
- Bags and equipment must be kept out of walkway and off tables.

Racers Bibs – Bibs will be distributed to the team (or individual racers) coach at the coaches meeting on Wednesday night. Racers will use the same bib number both days. If a racer is only racing one of the two days he/she will receive a bib assignment for that day.

Your racer bib is considered a part of your race gear. Please remember to bring your bib to the race each day.

After the race has concluded you are free to keep your bib as a souvenir of your season's accomplishment!

Wednesday Night Athletes Social – Each race team, and racers who qualified as individuals, are invited and are encouraged to attend a free Wednesday Night Social at:

Mt. Hood Oregon Resort / Best Western / Welches

Food and entertainment will be provided. 6 – 8 pm

This opening event is certain to be a great time!

- Participating teams must provide an adult chaperone on the premises at all times. One chaperone per school.
- Zero drug and alcohol tolerance policy. Any infractions of OISRA rules regarding drugs or alcohol will result in disqualification. Do not put your team or yourself at risk.

Friday Night Awards Ceremony – Meal service begins at 5:30 pm (must pre-order during athlete registration, Awards 6:15 pm)

Ski Waxing – There will be no defined ski waxing location or time this season. Please inquire and respect the rules of your lodging location for waxing your skis.

INFORMATION FOR OFFICIALS & VOLUNTEERS

Race Officials Meetings -

Wednesday: March 6th at 7:00 pm, *Mt. Hood Oregon Resort / Best Western / Welches*

Thursday: March 7th at 7:00 pm, *Mt. Hood Oregon Resort / Best Western / Welches*

Mandatory Gate Judge Meeting –

Wednesday: March 6th at 7:00 pm, *Mt. Hood Oregon Resort / Best Western / Welches*

All Gate Judges regardless of which day you are working are required to attend this Wednesday night meeting.

At the gate judge meeting, gate judging responsibilities will be reviewed along with specific instructions related to this race. There will not be time to do this on the race mornings, so attendance at this meeting is mandatory.

Lift Pass - Race officials and volunteers will be issued lift pass for that race day at volunteer check-in prior to the race. (Note: if you already have a prior used Meadows Lift Card (Media) please bring it with you to be reloaded again.)

Race Volunteer Race Day Check-in – Check-in for officials, forerunners, gate judges, and other race workers, is at Race HQ at *Mt. Hood Meadows, North Lodge; Race Room*. Depending on your position, you will be issued a lift pass, and appropriate equipment for your volunteer duty.

Hand Timers – Both GS and SL course hand timers must check in at the Timing Booth at 9:15 am to receive instructions and equipment. Timers will proceed directly to their course positions; timers need to be at their positions 15 minutes before Forerunners are to run. See the race schedule below for times.

Forerunners – Please pick up your lift pass at the volunteer check-in desk. All forerunners should check-in with the Start Referee 60 minutes before the start of the race. The start referee will have your forerunner bib. Forerunner bibs must be returned each day after you have completed your second run forerun.

2026 STATE SOUVENIR CLOTHING

Emerald League will be offering State Race Memorabilia Merchandise via a web sale portal. You may pre-order your choices. There may be limited quantities available at the event but to ensure your choice and size please take advantage of the preorder. Orders can be placed during the event for shipment after and may incur a small mailing fee.

Items offered will be: Cotton Tee \$25, Long Sleeve Tee \$35, 1/4 zip Pullover \$50 and Pull-over Hoodie \$60

See this link for more information and to order: <https://threadbare.printavo.com/merch/alpine-state-championships>

Deadline for Pre-Order is midnight February 22nd



MOUNTAIN INFORMATION

Parking at Meadows – National Forest “**Snow Park Permits**” are required. They’re available in Govt. Camp at Huckleberry Inn, and at various local gas stations and shops. They’re also for sale at the Meadows concierge desk in the lodge.

There is overnight RV parking available as well. See www.skihood.com

Restrooms at Meadows – There are two main restrooms in the main lodge. One is on the main floor adjacent to the tabled public eating area, and one downstairs across from skier services.

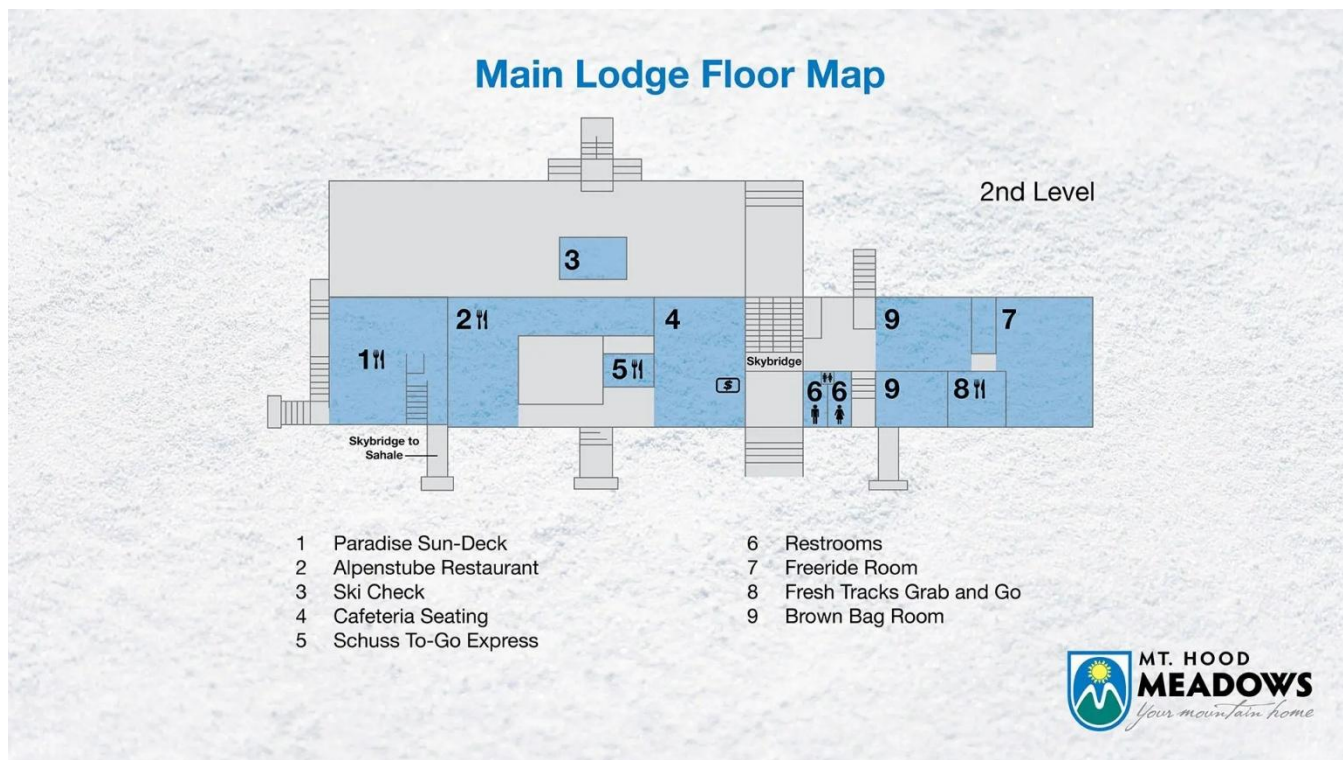
Medical Facility – The Providence Medical Center on-hill is an excellent facility with doctors on staff. Ski patrol will be on the hill in the event of an emergency.

Dogs/Pets – With the exception of authorized avalanche dogs, and service dogs; dogs must be leashed while within the Ski Area boundary and are only allowed in the parking lots and designated pet area. Dogs are not permitted beyond these areas including but not limited to inside the lodges or other facilities, near the bottom of ski lifts/maze areas, on ski lifts and ski runs, or on the decks while food service/dining is in operation.

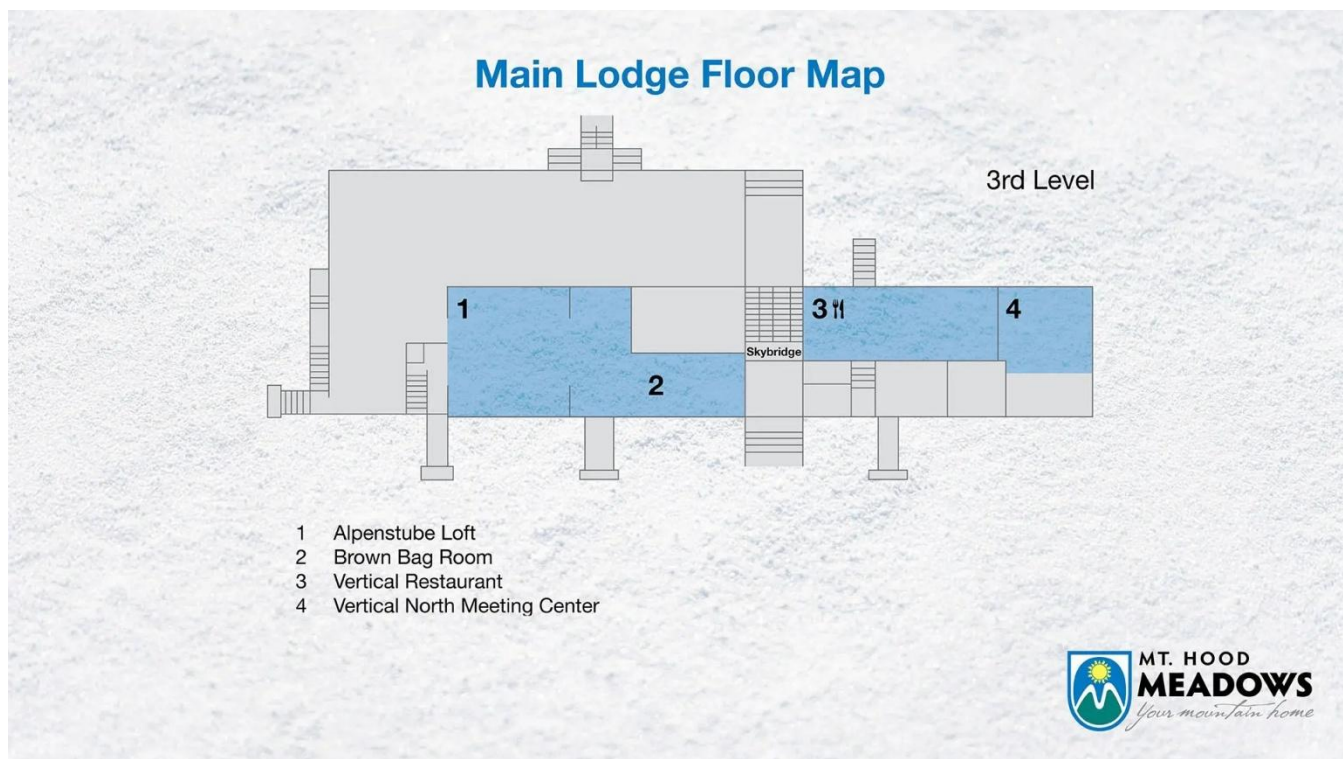
For guests that bring their dog with them to the mountain, MHM provides a dog park on the north side of the main parking lot. Please stay off trails above this area and always clean up after your dog.

Cell Phones – Cell phone service at Meadows is variable but reliable at the lodge. Verizon service has been verified as very good.

Main Lodge – 2nd Floor



Main Lodge – 3rd Floor



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(Available for download at the State Race Website)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4TH

TIME	ACTIVITY	WHERE	WHO	COMMENTS
8:30a-12:30p	Registration Check-in	North Building Racer Room	Coaches or Team Parent Rep	Turn in Gate Judge Deposit & receive coaches lift passes.
9:00a-4:30p	Training & Free Skiing	Mt. Hood Meadows	Athletes & Coaches	Training schedule and venues TBD at check-in
3:00p-5:00p	Registration Check-in	Mt. Hood Meadows Main Lodge	Coaches or Team Parent Rep	Last Chance for school to check- in! Pick up all Pre-Ordered Merchandise
6:00p-8:00p	Racer Social	Mt. Hood Oregon Resort - Best Western - Welches	Racers & Chaperones	All athletes are invited. No Fee event.
7:00p-8:00p	Gate Judge Meeting	Mt. Hood Oregon Resort - Best Western - Welches	All Gate Judges for both days	Mandatory Meeting
7:00p-8:00p	Officials Meeting	Mt. Hood Oregon Resort - Best Western - Welches	All Race Officials	Mandatory Meeting
8:00p-9:00p	Coaches Meeting	Mt. Hood Oregon Resort - Best Western - Welches	Head Coaches	Mandatory Meeting

THURSDAY, MARCH 5TH

7:00p-8:00p	Officials Meeting	Mt. Hood Oregon Resort - Best Western - Welches	All Race Officials	Mandatory Meeting
8:00p-9:00p	Coaches Meeting	Mt. Hood Oregon Resort - Best Western - Welches	Head Coaches	Mandatory Meeting

FRIDAY, MARCH 6TH

5:30p-6:15p	Awards Buffet	Mt. Hood Oregon Resort - Best Western - Welches	Pre-Order Only	
6:15p-8:30p	Awards Ceremony	Mt. Hood Oregon Resort - Best Western - Welches	All	Congratulations to the Champions!

2026 State Championships - Race Day Schedule				
Thursday Girls GS & Boys SL - Friday Girls SL & Boys GS				
Both Venues accessed from Shooting Star Chair Lift				
TIME	ACTIVITY	WHERE	WHO	COMMENTS
7:00 AM	Early Load Check-in	Main Lodge	Course Setters & Officials	Check-in Early Load Only
7:30 AM	Early Load Course Setting	Both Courses Shooting Star Lift	Course Setters & Officials	Instructions at Officials & Coaches Meetings Wednesday Night
8 - 8:30 AM	Course Crew Check-in	Main Lodge	All Race Course Crew	Pick-up lift passes and maintenance equipment.
8:30 - 9 AM	Gate Judge Check-in	Main Lodge	Gate Judge	Meet Chief of Gates at 9:15 Load lift as a group
9:00 AM	Lifts Open	Shooting Star Lift	All Racers	Bibs must be worn
9:00 AM	Jury Inspection	Both Courses	Jury	Jury Inspects Courses
9:15 - 10:00 AM	Course Inspection	Both Courses Ed's Chair Lift	All Racers Run 1	Girls GS Thurs (SL Friday) Boys SL Thurs (GS Friday)
9:30 - 10 AM	Substitutions Due 1st Run	Timing Hut	Coaches	This includes both GS & SL First Runs
9:45 AM	Hand Timers	Timing Hut	Hand Timers	Meet for instructions & pickup equipment
9:45 AM	Gate Judge Placement	Both Courses	Gate Judge	All Gate Judges must be in position by 10:10 am
10:10 AM	Race Workers in Position	Both Courses	All Officials/ Gate Judges	Mandatory
10:20 AM	Forerunners	Both Courses	Forerunners	1st Run
10:30 - 12 PM	1st Run	Both Courses	All Racers	Bibs must be worn & displayed in racer fashion.
12:15 PM	DQ Posting	LiveTiming & Timing Booth	Coaches	All protests due within 15 minutes of DQ Posting. Protest Filed with the TD
12 - 12:30 PM	Course Reset 2nd Run	Both Courses	Coaches	This includes both GS & SL 2nd Runs
12:15 - 1 pm	Substitutions Due 2nd Run	Timing Hut	Coaches	This includes both GS & SL 2nd Runs

12:45 - 1:30 PM	Course Inspection	Both Courses	All Racers Run 2	Girls GS Thurs (SL Friday) Boys SL Thurs (GS Friday)
1:15 PM	Gate Judge Placement	Both Courses	Gate Judge	All Gate Judges should be in position by 12:30pm
1:15 PM	Race Workers in Position	Both Courses	All Officials/ Gate Judges	Mandatory
1:35 PM	Forerunners	Both Courses	Forerunners	2nd Run
1:45 - 3:15 PM	2nd Run	Both Courses	All Racers	Bibs must be worn and displayed in Racer fashion.
3:30 PM	DQ Posting	LiveTiming & Timing Booth	Coaches	All protests due within 15 minutes of DQ Posting. Protest Filed with the TD
3:45 PM	Jury Meeting if needed	TBD Coaches Meeting	All Officials/ Gate Judges	Mandatory

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Notes

- Per OISRA rules, “racers are to wear their official start number (bib) visible in racing fashion while skiing from the time of distribution to the time of collection, except for starter area.” Racers may keep their bibs following the races on Friday.
- The inspection method will be determined at the coaches meeting or prior to course inspection.
- Alternate Substitution procedures will be addressed at the coaches meeting
- DQ Posting and Protest procedures will be addressed at the coaches meeting

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