EOSSAA SNOWBOARD REGULATIONS

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These shall follow OFSSA Playing Regulations as they stand Fall 2019

1. **DATE**

Competition shall be held at least one week prior to OFSSA meeting unless weather etc. decree otherwise. It must be held at such a time as to allow onward transmission of OFSSA entries. OFSSA is typically held at the end of February/beginning of March.

2. LOCATION

The location of the championship shall be decided by the convener. Prior arrangements must be made with the resort.

3. **EVENTS**

The events to be conducted are:

High School Level Team and Individuals

-Girls' Giant Slalom

-Boys' Giant Slalom

Open Level Individual:

-Girls' Giant Slalom

-Boys' Giant Slalom

Definition of Teams and Team Members:

High School Team Racers: Participants are school-trained athletes only. They have no snowboard league affiliation, past or present.

Open Team Racers: Participants are those snowboarders who have competed in A.O.S. stage 4 or higher, and/or trained-to-compete, or equivalent club level racing events including alpine racing and/or boarder cross. This would exclude slopestyle and half pipe competitions

4. **MEET STRUCTURE**

A one day meet featuring a combined two-run time on a Giant Slalom course.

5. ENTRY

- (a) Entries shall be accepted from Association conveners or designates only.
- (b) Entries must be received by the EOSSAA convener no later than one week prior to the meet. Late entries will only be accepted if they can be accommodated.
- (c) Associations shall be allowed to enter three boys' teams and three girls' teams in each of the High School Division races. Girls' and Boys' Teams shall be made up as follows: five (5) team members five (5) to race.
- (d) Three female and three male racers may be selected to represent their Association to race as individuals in the High School and Open Division.
- (e) One additional boys' and one additional girls' team from High School or one additional individual boy and girl from Open Division, may be permitted from the host Association.

- (f) All racers must be declared on the entry form. Substitutions to Association meet teams are permitted, providing that replacement racers meet EOSSAA Eligibility Guidelines (see section 7) Coaches should be aware that NO substitutions may be made after EOSSAA.
- (h) At least one coach or representative from each school must attend the pre-meet coaches' meeting in order for their school to participate in the EOSSAA Championship. Failure to attend may result in the team's disqualification. If a team is not represented due to extenuating circumstances, the coach must notify the Competition Committee at the earliest opportunity.
- (i) Any suspensions or disciplinary actions in Association competition shall be carried forward into EOSSAA competitions. The Association convener shall be responsible for reporting such skiers and the nature of the disciplinary action on the EOSSAA entry form.

6. EXPENSES

Convener shall set a fee that will cover all necessary expenses, such as tow tickets and course setting. Medals and plaques will be ordered by the convener and costs divided amongst participants.

7. ELIGIBILITY

- (a) To represent a school in any activity co-ordinated by the Federation a student must:
 - i) be eligible for competition under the Constitution, By-Laws and Standing Rules (Playing Regulations) of the Association to which his/her school belongs;
 - (ii) be certified as eligible by the Principal of the school;
 - (iii) meet the following age requirement: the individual's birth certificate indicates that he/she has not reached his/her 19th birthday by August 31st prior to the start of the school year in which the competition is held;
 - (iv) be in Grades 9-12;
 - (v) be eligible under the OFSAA Transfer Policy (By-Law 5, Section 4(f);.
 - (vi) be eligible for no more than five (5) consecutive years from date of entry into Grade 9 (By-Law 5, Section 4(g));
 - (vii) have signed the Rules of Behavior signature form for the competition;
 - (viii) have executed the Federation's "Release of Liability" form.
- (b) All racers <u>must</u> complete the racers profile form, which <u>must</u> be submitted with the entry form.
- (c) A member of the current year's provincial team is ineligible for EOSSAA competition.
- (d) EOSSAA Co-educational Snowboard racing is classified as a team sport. A school team snowboarder is defined as an individual who practices under the direction and supervision of the designated teacher coach, as approved by the school principal, from November 1st until the EOSSAA Championship. All EOSSAA racers must have participated in a minimum of four (4) school practice sessions (dry land and on-hill). There must be on-hill training with the school team.
- (e) Each snowboard team member's attendance at school practices and school race dates should be documented.

8. RULES AND OFFICIALS:

The current F.I.S. Rule Book shall govern competition at the EOSSAA Championship with the following exceptions:

(A) **STARTING ORDER**

The EOSSAA start order shall follow the rules for the OFSAA seeding. Appendix attached.

Starting order will be as follows: High School girls
High School boys
Open girls
Open boys

- (b) FIS rules will apply to course inspection. Running gates or shadowing is forbidden. The course is closed until inspection direction has been given by the Jury prior to the race. Any changes to this are at the discretion of the Technical Delegate.
- (c)The convener is responsible for obtaining the following competently trained individuals for each race course:
- chief of race;
- chief of course;
- chief gatekeeper and gatekeepers as required;
- starter and assistant starter;
- chief timekeeper and recorder.
- (d) The "racer down" yellow flag warning system shall be used for blind areas on the course. Failure to respond to the yellow flag may result in disqualification.
- (e) In-ground wired electrical timing or radio transmitted timing should be used for all events.
- (f) In the case of missed times, re-runs will be granted.
- (g) If interfered with, the racer should ride out of course at point of interference and immediately report to adjacent gatekeeper and finish referee to request a re-run.
- (h) If being overtaken, racer must ride out of course, and is automatically disqualified.
- (i) A racer who misses his/her start may have to wait until the end of his/her particular seed.

9. UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT:

All snowboarders are recommended to have leashes. In the Giant Slalom competition, all racers must wear a protective GS helmet designed for skiing or snowboarding.

All competitors are expected to dress in clothing that is safe, neat, clean and which maintains the integrity of the school's/Association's name, colors and logos. No sport club insignia on clothing shall be permitted. A sport club is defined as a community, provincially or nationally based organization whose primary purpose is participation in organized competition in single or multi sport programs. Sponsorship recognition is permitted to be visible but must conform with the placement guidelines outlined in By-Law 6, Section 2 (h). (OFSAA). Recording devices and drones are not allowed on course during inspection. Only coaches will be allowed to use recording devices during the race. Under no circumstances shall a racer be allowed to have a recording device on the course.

10. SCORING

In the case that only one run of giant slalom are possible, each run shall be classified as an event.

- (a) The competitor with the fastest total time in each event shall receive 1-point; the 2nd fastest time, 2 points; 3rd, 3 points; etc. In case of ties, the competitors will be scored the same and appropriate places left out. The team with the lowest score is declared the winner.
- (b)Team scores in each of the Girls' High School, Boys' High School, shall be calculated by adding the best three individual scores for that team in the Giant Slalom races. In the case of a tie for first place, the lowest total of individual times of the three racers will be used. If a tie still exists, the place of the tied teams' 4th place finisher shall be used. There are no Combined Girls' and Boys' Teams.

(c) The top three individual scores for Girls Open and Boys Open shall used. Team scores are not calculated in the Open Division.

(d) Disqualifications:

- (i) Disqualifications in the first run will not receive a second run (a provisional run may be given only by the Jury of Appeal); (This only holds true if there are two runs of Giant Slalom)
- (ii) DNFs (Did Not Finish) and those who missed gates shall receive a score which is twice the number of disqualifications or 50% of the total field, whichever is greater, added to the last proper score in that event. Disqualifications do not include DNS (Did Not Start), profanity, unsportsmanlike conduct, other infractions, changed numbers, etc. Such competitors will not be assigned a score.
- (e) If OFSSA includes a Snowboardcross (SBX) event, selection of the two teams of 4 Boys and two teams of 4 Girls entries will be as follows: 1) First offers will go to Open Division racers who have experience with SBX racing followed by 2) The top seeded individuals from the combined-time from the EOSSAA High School Division Giant Slalom race. If racers choose not to participate, the next top ranked individual will be asked.

11. AWARDS:

- (a) Team championships shall be declared for each of Girls' High School Giant Slalom races, Boys' High School Giant Slalom races. Medals shall be presented to the first 3 teams in each category (five medals for each team).
- (b) Individual medals shall be presented to first 3 places for High School and Open Division racers.

12. MEDICAL

Ski patrol facilities must be available for full period of the meeting.

Schools are responsible for "off-course" first aid and related expendables.

School/Board rules for reporting injuries must be followed as well as the OPHEA

(www.ophea.net) Safety Guidelines for Interschool Snowboarding Competition (2006).

13. SUPERVISION

Student will be under staff supervision at all times.

ALSO; each school is required to bring adequate personnel to assist in running the event. Adults are needed for; Starting, Finish Judge, Statistics, Gate Supervision, youth assistance is needed as gatekeepers. (At any one time each school needs to supply 4 gatekeepers – this may be on rotation, but supervised!)

As a guideline, each school needs one teacher/coach, one other adult, and four students as gatekeepers.

14. MEETING

There will be coaches' meeting one hour prior to the published time of the first race.

15. GATEKEEPING

The validity of the meeting depends upon this task being efficiently carried out. Non-racing students are very anxious to race, and this hinders prompt starting. Coaches are asked to ensure that ALL students attending to carry out this task are present at a meeting 45 minutes prior to the first race. Each association will be allocated specific gates and conducted to the precise location.

16. **JURY**

A jury of three shall be nominated prior to competition. This shall consist of three staff members from different schools in different associations. In the event of protest being made by one of the schools represented on this jury the convener shall appoint an alternate FOR THAT PROTEST. Protest shall be submitted in writing, supported by \$25, repayable if the protest is upheld. Protest must be submitted within 30 minutes of posting of any result.

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