



British Ski Academy Firpark Slalom Invitation Sunday 11th July 2021

Invitation & Information

BSA invites registered (U10 – Master) and non-registered (U10/12) racers to compete in the BSA Seeded Slalom to be held at Firpark Snowsport centre on the weekend of Sunday 11th July 2021.

The event is organised by the British Ski Academy. We would like to thank the management and staff of Firpark Snowsport Centre, without whom the race would not be possible. We are very excited to be able to run the first race back at Firpark, however the race format will look different to pre-COVID. With the help of Firpark Snow Centre and Clackmannanshire Council, we have put together a day of races that aim to be as safe, efficient, and importantly, as much fun as possible.

Please make sure that you read the document carefully and understand the changes that have been made to comply with current regulations and safety measures. We hope you understand and appreciate the procedures/set up that have been created; our number one priority is safety for all concerned. More detailed information on groups and timings will be released once entries have closed.

Entry

- Entry fee for this event is £28.
- Online entry is available at <https://www.britskiacad.org.uk/events/2021-07/bsa-firpark-race-11-july>
- **Entries will open on Wednesday 16th June at 7pm.**
- **Entries will close 7pm Tuesday 6th July 2021.**
- Late entries will not be accepted.
- After the entry system closes, the running order will be determined, and bib numbers allocated. A full acceptance list and event timetable will be published on the BSA website, as well as GBSKI.com and on social media. This will also show the earliest on-site arrival time for each group, with a programme for each round of races and the latest time for leaving site.
- Should the race become full before entry closes, entry will be based on 'First Come, First Served'.
- The Race Secretary has the final decision on any issues around entry.

- The main event is open to registered racers in all age categories from U10 to Masters.
- Racers born in 2009 and older must have current membership/registration of their Home Nation (SnowsportEngland, Scotland or Wales). To check membership status, go to <http://www.gbski.com/competitors.php> where the 'Season' column will show the last year membership was paid – this should be 2021.
- To encourage young racers, we will run a separate race for minis out with the seed points.
- Minimum age is **8 years – entrant must be 8 or over on 11th July 2021.**
- Athletes born 2014 and later are not eligible to enter.
- Please note the new season 2021/22 age categories apply:

Racer Categories by Year of Birth

U10	2012-2013
U12	2010-2011
U14	2008-2009
U16	2006-2007
U18	2004-2005
U21	2001-2003

Format for the day

- Check-in is at the bottom of the slope. Once a competitor has checked in, the guardian must leave the area.
- After bib collection, there will be a warm-up period of 25 minutes, which will take place on a section of slope to be confirmed and will consist of space for free skiing. This will likely be the skiers left of the slope.
- No external coaches are allowed onto the slope.
- Open practice can only take place within your timetabled period and wearing your bib that must be visible.
- Each group of racers will be invited to course inspect for one run at their scheduled time for a period of 10 minutes. Normal course inspection rules will apply, with bibs to be always worn and visible. Racers are asked to distance as much as possible during inspection.
- Following course inspection, there will be a period of 5 minutes to enable the group to get to the start.
- In bib order, each group will race both (three for minis) race runs consecutively, with overall times recorded by the race organisers.
- After completing their race runs, racers will be required to leave the slope as soon as possible, following a one-way system, making space for subsequent groups of racers who will be arriving for their allocated time slot.
- Racers may carry skis to the top between runs and will be able to do a run after their timed runs to get any equipment at the top.
- No-one other than racers may be in the start area at any time.
- A limit of 22 people inside at the fencing at any one time will apply throughout the day.

DRAFT PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY:

Group	No. of Athlete's	Arrival	Warm-up	Course Inspection	Race	Leave
1.U10/12 GIRLS	16	08.15	08.30-08.55	09.00-09.10	09.10 -09.30	09.30
2.U10/12 BOYS	16	09.45	10.00-10.25	10.30-10.40	10.40-11.00	11.00
3.U14 GIRLS	16	11.15	11.30-11.55	12.00-12.10	12.10-12.30	12.30
4.U14 BOYS	16	12.45	13.00-13.25	13.30-13.40	13.40-14.00	14.00
5.U16+ GIRLS	16	14.15	14.30-14.55	15.00-15.10	15.10-15.30	15.30
6.U16+ BOYS	16	15.45	16.00-16.25	16.30-16.40	16.40-17.00	1700

Venue/Facility Information

- No changing facilities. Toilets are available for athletes and officials.
- **Masks must be worn at all times inside the building.**
- After check-in at the bottom of the slope, guardians must leave the area.
- Gates and uplift will be disinfected between each session.
- A first aid service will be provided by Firpark Ski Centre. The first aid room is in the ski centre building.
- Please comply with all directions provided at the venue in relation to one-way systems in place

Prize Giving

Unfortunately, there will be no official prize giving on the day but will make sure that medallists are recognised and awarded their prize.

Refunds

Should you need to withdraw from the event prior to 11th July due to COVID complications, a refund of 50% per competitor will be available.

If the whole race must be cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions, full entry fees will be refunded.

There will be no refunds available for any other reasons.

Photography

Photographers will be present during the event. If you do not wish to be photographed or filmed, or for your image to be used for promotional purposes, please inform the race secretary.

IMPORTANT

If you have shown any symptoms of COVID or have been in contact with another person who has tested positive in the previous 10 days, do not attend the event and contact the Chief of Race or Race Secretary for a refund.

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