

PLAYING REGULATION 12.2 – SNOWBOARDING

1. **SAFETY GUIDELINES:** Each HSSAA Member School shall ensure that the current Physical Education Safety Guidelines - Secondary Inter School Module, outlined according to the following critical components: EQUIPMENT, CLOTHING / FOOTWEAR, FACILITIES, SPECIAL RULES / INSTRUCTION and SUPERVISION, be adhered to at all times. Specific details on the Critical Components will be provided at the Pre-Season Coaches Meeting.

2. **AGES:** All competitors shall meet the age requirements as per [Article VI, Section III](#) of the HSSAA Constitution.

3. **EVENTS:** A combined Halton/GHAC Snowboarding Championship shall be held in sufficient time in order to determine entries for the OFSAA Snowboarding Championship. The season will begin November 1 and end March 31. The Halton/GHAC Championship race will be a one day event based on place points established using the combined times of two runs.

There shall be a) High School and b) Open Division in Halton/GHAC Snowboarding

Definition of Teams and Team Members:

High School Team Racers: Participants are school trained athletes. They have NO snowboard league affiliation race training beyond the age of 10 years.

Open Team Racers: Participants are those snowboarders that have competed in A.O.S. and Interclub or equivalent club level racing (including alpine racing and/or boarder cross). This would exclude slopestyle and halfpipe competitions.

A team will consist of a minimum of three and a maximum of five athletes from the same school. Teams must be composed of the same team members that represented their school in their association qualifying event.

4. **ELIGIBILITY:** As governed by HSSAA Constitution [Article VI](#).

(a) Each school eligible to race at OFSAA must have met the team practice requirements by practicing under the direction and supervision of the designated teacher coach, as approved by the school principal, from November 1st until the OFSAA Championship. Each athlete must have participated in a minimum of 8 school practice sessions (dry land and on-hill). Each team member must participate in one on-hill training session with the school team before the Association Championship Race. A snowboard race is not defined as a practice session.

5. ENTRIES:

(a) Each HSSAA Member School may enter three(3) Girls' High School teams and

three(3) Boys' High School teams.

(b) Schools may enter a maximum of 5 Open Girls and 5 Open Boys to compete as individuals. (c) Entries must be received by the Race convenor one week prior to the race date.

(d) Late entries or changes prior to the day of the event will only be accepted if they can be accommodated.

(e) All racers must be declared on the entry form prior to the start of the race. NO SUBSTITUTIONS are allowed.

6. STARTING ORDER:

(a) In the first run of each event each school shall have a snowboarder in the first seed section. Seed order will be drawn independently and randomly. Racers will keep the same bib number and seed for both first and second runs.

(b) The bib number must match the registered athlete on the entry forms. NO SUBSTITUTIONS

(c) If an athlete misses their starting order they will be allowed to race at the end of their appropriate division. If their division is over they may be slotted in at the discretion of the Official Starter.

7. DISQUALIFICATIONS:

(a) A disqualified athlete may receive a second run but their score will not count.

(b) A dispute must be communicated and followed up in writing to the Convenor within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the run in which the incident under protest occurred or within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the full event if the protesting incident is outside the field of play..

(c) The Jury of Appeal shall handle disputes and their decision is final.

8. JURY OF APPEAL:

The Jury of Appeal shall consist of three (3) individuals to be agreed to by the current participating coaches at that specific events coaches meeting.

9. EXPENSES:

An entry fee will be charged which shall be sufficient to cover the operating costs of the event. Each school is responsible for submitting the entry fee prior to the start of the race.

10. RULE BOOK:

The current F.I.S Rule Book shall govern competitions.

11. OFFICIALS:

To be determined by the In School Convenor.

12. UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT: All athletes must have a snowboard leash. A protective helmet designed for snowboarding or skiing is mandatory for all racers, coaches and volunteers. 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, colours and logos. No sport 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 guidelines in Article XX of the HSSAA Constitution.

13. **GHAC REPRESENTATION:** As governed by Constitution [Article XVI, Section XI](#)