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NEW JERSEY SKI RACING ASSOCIATION (NJSRA)

The New Jersey Ski Racing Association (NJSRA) is the governing body for USSA ski racing in New Jersey. It's membership is comprised of competitors, parents, coaches, race officials and those interested in being involved in USSA racing in New Jersey. All competitors who wish to compete for the state team must be members.

Specifically, NJSRA is responsible for scheduling qualifying races, and administering state quotas for racers who want to compete in out of state events. It also represents New Jersey at Eastern Region meetings, and acts as the communication link between the state's USSA ski racing clubs. It is always searching for new ways to benefit the members.

Each year the membership elects a board of directors who administer the responsibilities of the association. In New Jersey there are no paid positions everyone is a volunteer. Still, the association needs everyone's help. All members can help by becoming a race official, a gatekeeper, by advertising in this guide, or by helping on one of the many committees.

Call any one of the board members listed in this guide to find out all the opportunities NJSRA offers you to become involved in a very exciting sport.

UNITED STATES SKI ASSOCIATION (USSA)

The United States Ski Association (USSA) is the sport's national governing body, recognized by the Federation Internationale de Ski (FIS) and the United States Olympic Committee (USOC).

The U.S. Ski Team, an arm of the USSA, funds, selects and trains our athletes for international competition, including the Winter Olympics, World Ski championships and the World Cup.

Competition & membership benefits:

USSA is responsible for alpine, cross-country, nordic combined and freestyle programs in the U.S. USSA also works with speed skiing, snowboarding, free-style and disabled programs. USSA's Alpine Competition Division conducts programs leading to the U.S. Ski Team, schedules races and clinics, trains and certifies officials and offers a variety of racing programs for folks from five to one hundred five.

How to join:

Contact: USSA, PO Box 100, Park City, UT 84060.

435-649-6666

www.ussa.org

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. All NJSRA racers must also be members of the United States Ski Association. Membership forms are available online at www.ussa.org.
2. Racers who want to be considered for a spot on one of the New Jersey State Teams and/or for any of the various state awards must be members of the New Jersey Ski Racing Association (NJSRA). Membership is paid on the USSA Membership application. In New Jersey, an Intent to Qualify is automatic when the NJSRA membership is paid.

IMPORTANT! --> Membership Application must be received by USSA before October 15th, or a late fee of \$15 per racer will be imposed. (First year members are exempt from late fee).

Results from participation in any qualifying races prior to payment of membership dues will not be used for [post season calculations for that competitor.

3. To be eligible for a NJSRA state quota slot, a racer must meet one the following requirements:

Live and/or Train exclusively in New Jersey

Belong to an NJSRA-USSA affiliated club

Attend a New Jersey school.

Membership in a state racing association is required. A competitor may only belong to one state association. A racer shall race for the state and region in which he/she resides, or in which they are attending school, and/or training on a long-term basis. The decision, which must be made at the start of the season and must be abided by for the entire season, unless there are extraordinary circumstances. Competitors must join their State Association by December. All applications are subject to NJSRA Board approval.

NJSRA CODE OF CONDUCT

NJSRA members are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner befitting worthy representatives of their families, ski area, and in conformity with the best tradition of ski racing in New Jersey.

All members, including athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers and parents shall be subject to the jurisdiction of and shall abide by the International and United States Skiing Constitution, bylaws, rules and regulations and NJSRA Articles of incorporation, bylaws, rules and regulations (the "Competition Rules").

While in competitions, going to and from competitions and while at ski areas hosing competitions, NJSRA members shall:

Maintain high standards of moral and ethical conduct including self-control, responsible behavior, and consideration for others' physical and emotional well being, restraint from profane and abusive language, and courtesy and good manners in public places and while traveling.

Abstain from the illegal use of drugs and alcohol:

While at NJSRA sponsored camps, adhere to all rules:

Adhere to and be knowledgeable of all Competition Rules.

NJSRA has a no tolerance policy for the above items.

Failure to comply with any of the above can lead to disciplinary action against NJSRA members by:

The NJSRA Board;

The Race Jury on the recommendation of a member of the Jury.

The Technical Delegate; or

For Quota events, the NJSRA designated head coach for the event..

Disciplinary action taken can include, but is not limited to:

- Any disciplinary measure allowed by the Competition rules.
- Disqualification from a specific race.
- Withdrawal of future NJSRA Camp invitations.

Any disciplinary action taken shall be applied fairly and equitably to all parties involved. Any disciplinary action that would prevent a NJSRA member from participating in the competition will be conducted in accord with the Due Process and in compliance with the USSA Amateur Act as amended and the NJSRA Review/Appeals Committee.

AGE CLASSIFICATIONS

Age as of December 31, 2009

Class	Ages	Date of Birth	
J1	17 to 19	1992,1991,1990	
JII	15, 16	1994,1993	
JIII	13, 14	1996,1995	
JIV	11, 12	1998,1997	
JV	10 & under	1999 & earlier	
Sr/Masters		20 & over	1989 & earlier

EQUIPMENT GUIDE

Don't buy anything... until you've talked to a racing gear expert such as your coach or this Guide's advertisers.

No kidding!! We can't emphasize proper equipment enough. Youngsters are often seriously held back by inappropriate or ill-fitting equipment.

Before you buy...

Racing equipment is not universal for all ages, weights, or racing abilities. Talk to your race coaches. You can count on their solid advice and knowledge of your skiing.

Furthermore, USSA has length and side-cut requirements for all age groups.

BASIC GUIDELINES

Boots- The most critical piece of equipment. Only front entry boots will do. Buy them about the same size as your sneakers or smaller. Yes, that's right! No bigger. Ski boots must be snug to give good control. Boots are made with different flex. To bend the knee beyond the toe, the flex should become increasingly stiff. Boots should raise no more than half way up the lower leg. **NOTE:** Boots are made to fit varying widths and leg length. Look for one that fits the shape of your foot and leg. Heel heights can be no more than 45 mm. (**See USSA Comp Guide for latest binding update.**)

Bindings & Binding Height- Buy the most durable in your weight range. Your DIN setting should be in the middle or slightly lower end of the numerical scale. **DO NOT** buy a binding well over your weight range. Also, beware of USSA height restrictions. (**See USSA Comp Guide for latest binding update.**)

Helmets- Helmets must be made for ski racing specifically. Look for helmets that are certified and officially authorized by USSA for ski racing. If you want a helmet that can be fitted with a slalom guard be sure the holes exist for installation.

Skis- Have become very short over the past few years. However, USSA has set minimum standards for ski length and side-cut for the different events and age groups. Please see the USSA Comp Guide for specifics. Beyond length, skis have different flexes, rebounds and side cuts which give them different personalities. Weight also has to be considered for racers in choosing adult and/or junior ski. Just because your favorite racer uses a particular ski doesn't mean it is the best one for you.

2009/2010 USSA Ski Guidelines

See online criteria as presented at: www.usssa.org

Note: FIS, USSA, and High School guidelines differ.

Consult with your mountain program director or your coach for further information and equipment concerns.

Poles- Simple: just get the best you can afford. Proper length is the most important aspect. All poles have to have baskets.

APPEALS - REVIEW COMMITTEE

The NJSRA Appeals/Review Committee reviews the due process relating to Athlete/team selection, the Race Jury and the Technical Delegate and disciplinary action taken pursuant to the Code of Conduct including any athlete, coach, official, administrator volunteers and parent.

The Appeals and Due Process procedures and fees set forth in the USSA Competition/Annual Guide and directory shall apply except as modified hereafter.

Appeals shall be submitted within 48 hours after the Announcement/publication of the decision from which the appeal is being taken. All appeals shall be filed in writing with NJSRA c/o the Alpine Officials Chair. On Appeal, factual issues shall be overturned only if it is found that the decision was a use of discretion, issues relating to the interpretation and application of the competition rules as that term is defined in the Code of conduct shall be reviewed *de novo*. Members of this committee will be the Official Chairperson, one Coach, and one member of the NJSRA Board. The fee is \$25.00.

SEEDED COMPETITION

Junior I & II, Seniors

NJSRA Governor's Cup Series

The New Jersey Governor's Cup Series is open to all Junior I, II, and Senior racers who belong to USSA. The series includes all the NJSRA Qualifiers. In addition to determining men's and women's Governor's Cup winners, these races are also the qualifiers for the Jr. I and II State Teams.

Selection Criteria for Jr. I & II State Team

Team selection is based on place points assigned to **completed races** (not individual runs). The racer's two (2) best race results from different disciplines are used to calculate a racer's place points. The place points are then used to rank the racers. The place point scoring system is outlined later in this competition guide.

The State Chairman with coach input and NJSRA Board concurrence makes the final decision regarding the allocation of all state team and quota selections. The Chairman with Board approval also has the authority to:

- a) Name alternate racers to the team in the event of extenuating circumstances, such as illness or injury.
- b) Allocate state quota slots differently among men and women if it will best serve the team.
- c) Chose to not fill the entire state quota allocated for post season events.

Jr. I State Team

The State Team will be announced within 72 hours of the last qualifier. The team consists of: **3 women and 3 men.**

Jr. II State Team

The State Team will be announced within 72 hours of the last qualifier. The team consists of: **3 women and 3 men.**

Assignment of State Quota Slots

There are three post season events for JI/II. Post season race participation will be based on the "place points" of the qualifiers regardless of state team positions. NJ State team selection **does not** necessarily mean automatic selection for post season races. Since post season races are JI & JII combined, it is entirely possible that a racer, who did not make the state team, is selected for a state quota event because he /she placed before a racer on the state team in a different age group. **Remember:** The place points earned by each racer will be the determining factor.

Should the Eastern Region add any in season state quota events, such as a development camp, the selection criteria will use race points from the previous season in the JI/II age group until the first qualifier

is held. Prior to the first qualifier, first year JII's eligibility will only be considered for a quota slot after all other competitors in the age group. Once the first qualifier is held, selection will derive from all the current season's qualifiers completed to date.

In order to incorporate Title IX NJSRA will base all JI/II quota slots on the ratio of JI/II male/female membership filed that season.

PLACE POINT SYSTEM

The place point scoring system is simple and easy. First place gets one point, second -- 2, third --- 3, and so on. The lowest cumulative total wins.

Ties will be broken by next best-scored result. Additional ties will be broken by next best result, then by total place points for all qualifiers.

Notification/Acceptance of Quota Slots

It is the sole responsibility of the state chair or that committee to contact racers for quota slots. Contact by any other individual (coaches, parents, NJSRA Board Members) will not be considered official. Due to deadlines on submitting names to quota events, racers who have been invited to fill a quota slot will have 24 hours to reply. If no reply is received within the 24 hours the slot will be offered to the next racer in line. Any racer who changes their mind, and wants to take advantage of a quota slot after a negative response or who misses the 24 hour deadline, will be afforded the next available alternate slot.

Eastern Region Championships

This is a four race series for top qualifying JI, JII and Sr. athletes from the eastern states. It is a FIS event, and all competitors must hold a FIS license. A pre-designated number of athletes will qualify from this series to the US Nationals. NJSRA has a total of three quota slots for this series.

Eastern JII Championships

This is a four race series for top qualifying JII athletes from the eastern states. The races are USSA events. A pre-designated number of athletes will qualify from this series to the US JII Nationals. NJSRA has a total of six quota slots for this series.

Jr. I-II Eastern Finals

This is a four race series for qualifying JI & JII athletes from eastern states. The races are USSA events. NJSRA has a total of twelve quota slots for this series. Racers who have attended either the Eastern Region Championships or the JII Eastern Region Championships are still eligible to attend this event.

New Jersey State Awards--JI, JII & Sr.

All Jr. I, II and senior racers who meet NJSRA eligibility requirements may compete for the following New Jersey State awards .

State Team Awards

The top three State Team members will be recognized at the annual awards dinner.

Governor's Cup--JI, JII & Sr.

Individual men's and women's Governor's Cups will be awarded based on the total place points for the all the qualifying races. Winners of this cup must finish all the qualifying races.

Slalom Championships--JI, JII & Sr.

One Governor's Cup Series race is designated the New Jersey Slalom Championship. Individual men's and women's cups will be awarded to the top finishing NJSRA members.

Giant Slalom Championship—JI, JII & Sr.

One Governor's Cup Series race is designated the New Jersey Giant Slalom Championship. Individual men's and women's cups will be awarded to the top finishing NJSRA members.

Tom Hassard Speed Cup—JI, JII, & Sr.

The Governor's Cup Series speed event race is designated for this award. Individual men's and women's awards will go the top finishing NJSRA members in this race. The name of the cup honors someone who gave over thirty years of service to New Jersey ski racing.

Robin Desrats and Lenny Scarola Sportsmanship

Recipients must be members of NJSRA, a member of a New Jersey based ski club supporting junior USSA racing, and compete in New Jersey. These awards are limited to JI's. The Lenny Scarola Men's Sportsmanship and the Robin Desrats Woman's Sportsmanship Awards are coach recommended and NJSRA Board approved. All awards are presented at the Annual End of Season Celebration and Awards Dinner.

Eastern Region FIS Championship Series--JI, JII, & Sr.

These highly competitive FIS point races are held throughout the East during the season. New Jersey's has a total of three quota slots. Selection is based on the National Team Selection method, outlined in the USSA Comp Guide and is subject to the discretion of the JI, II Competition Chair. Seniors are eligible for these slots, along with our junior racers.

Downhill Competition--Eastern Regional FIS

New Jersey has a quota of three men and three women for the events. Racers wishing to compete must have a letter written by a representative coach filed at the USSA Eastern office by **January 1st, 2010**.

SENIORS

Seniors who meet the eligibility requirements stated earlier may compete in the New Jersey Slalom and Giant Slalom Championships and Governor's Cup and for slots at the Eastern FIS Championship Series. For specific program information, contact the Competition Chair.

MASTERS

Masters may compete in designated races. The Masters chairman, Roy Scovill 973-299-2981, may add additional races. The Eastern Regional Masters Committee handles entry into higher level competition. If you're interested in participating, contact the Masters' National Chairman, Bill Skinner, at 435-647-2633.

JIII COMPETITION

NJSRA conducts a series of qualifier events to determine a State Team at the Jr. III level. These races also determine the Jr. III Slalom and Giant Slalom Cup winners.

Scored Competition

Scored Competition for 2nd year JIII's is now an option on a very limited basis. USSA Eastern Region has opened 4 races in selected states for 2nd year JIII's to score points to be stored for next year as a first year JII. This option is only open for in state designated races and not open to non-NJSRA competitors. NJSRA designates races to be used for this purpose. (see schedule for dates).

Selection Criteria--JIII State Team

Scoring for JII State teams will be as follows:

The best (6) scored runs will be used, or 1/2 of the total scoring opportunities rounded down to the nearest whole number, where each run is counted as a scoring opportunity, and where each overall race result is counted as a scoring opportunity. Based on (2) SL's and (2) GS's and (1) SG...this is equivalent to 13 scoring opportunities in three separate disciplines. One half of the scoring opportunities is 6.5, rounded down to the nearest whole number is (6) scoring opportunities. For the JIII division, the athlete is required to take the best (6) scoring opportunities from (2) separate disciplines. For example, if an athlete has their best (5) scoring opportunities in 5 runs of SL, then the last scoring opportunity must come from either GS or SG. This scoring will be used to determine post season rankings as well as NJ State Team Standings. All Cup events and The Pier Family Cup, will be based on traditional total race scores or results.

The Chairman, with Board concurrence, also has the authority to:

- a) Name alternate racers to the team in the event of extenuating circumstances, such as illness or injury.
- b) Allocate these quota slots differently among men and women if it will best serve the team.
- c) Chose to not fill all the NJ slots allocated for post season events.

JIII State Team

The State Team is announced within 72 hours of the last qualifier. The team consists of: **3 women and 3 men.**

JIII Eastern Olympics

New Jersey has a quota of 5 athletes to send to the Jr. III Eastern Olympics

JIII Eastern Finals

New Jersey has a quota of 15 athletes to send to the JIII Eastern Finals.

NOTE: JIII racers are only allowed to accept quota slots for one post season event unless there are unfilled slots available.

PLACE POINT SYSTEM

The place point scoring system is simple and easy. First place gets one point, second -- 2, third --- 3, and so on. The lowest cumulative total wins. Ties will be broken by next best-scored result. Additional ties will be broken by next best result, then by total place points for all qualifiers.

Notification/Acceptance of Quota Slots

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New Jersey State Awards—JIII

The top three State Team members will be recognized at the annual awards dinner.

Slalom Championship--JIII

One qualifier race each year will be designated the JIII Slalom Cup Race. Individual men's and women's cups will be awarded to the winners of this race.

Giant Slalom Championship--JIII

The Giant Slalom Cup is awarded in the same manner as the Slalom Cup. Individual trophies will be awarded to the winners of this race.

JIV COMPETITION

NJSRA conducts a series of qualifying events to determine a state team at the JIV level

State Team Selection Criteria

JIV state team selection of 3 men and 3 women is **based on place points assigned to one less than half of the total number of scoring opportunities**. The best (7) scored results, where each run is counted as a scoring opportunity, and where each overall race is counted as a scoring opportunity. Based on (2) SL's and (2) GS's and (1) Kombi race, this is equivalent to (15) scoring opportunities. One half of the scoring opportunities is 7.5, rounded down to the nearest whole number is (7) scoring opportunities. At the JIV_V level the best (7) results of any discipline will count as the athlete's scored results. The scoring will be used to determine post season rankings as well as NJ State team Standings. All Cup events will be based on traditional race result scoring.

The Chair, with Board concurrence, also has the authority to:

- a) Name alternate racers to the team in the event of extenuating circumstances, such as illness or injury.
- b) Allocate these quota slots differently among men and women if it will best serve the team.
- c) Chose to not fill all the NJ slots allocated for post season events.

JIV Post Season Regional Camp/Race

A quota of 12 New Jersey JIV racers may attend the regional USSA Future Stars training camp and race. The camp's varied fun activities make it on of the season's highlights. Quota slots are filled based on State Team standings.

NOTE: JIV racers are only allowed to accept quota slots for one post season event unless there are unfilled slots available.

JV COMPETITION

NJSRA conducts a series of qualifying events to determine a state team at the JV level.

State Team Selection Criteria

Jr. V State team selection is **based on place points assigned to one less than half of the total number of scoring opportunities**. The best (7) scored results, where each run is counted as a scoring opportunity, and where each overall race is counted as a scoring opportunity. Based on (2) SL's and (2) GS's and (1) Kombi race, this is equivalent to (15) scoring opportunities. One half of the scoring opportunities is 7.5, rounded down to the nearest whole number is (7) scoring opportunities. At the JIV_V level the best (7) results of any discipline will count as the athlete's scored results. The scoring will be used to determine post season rankings as well as NJ State team Standings. All Cup events will be based on traditional race result scoring.

The Chair, with Board concurrence, also has the authority to:

- a) Name alternate racers to the team in the event of extenuating circumstances, such as illness or injury.
- b) Allocate these quota slots differently among men and women if it will best serve the team.

c) Chose to not fill all the NJ slots allocated for post season events.

Post Season Opportunities –JIII, JIV & JV

The JIII, JIV & JV season concludes with the Thompson Invitational Trophy championship race at Gunstock, NH. **Should New Jersey be invited to participate in this post season event**, the selection of athletes to participate will follow the invitational team guidelines:

JIII Athletes.....6 Athletes.
JIV Athletes.....12 Athletes.
JV Athletes.....18 Athletes.

The Chair, with Board concurrence, also has the authority to:

- a) Name alternate racers to the team in the event of extenuating circumstances, such as illness or injury.
- b) Allocate these quota slots differently among men and women if it will best serve the team.
- c) Chose to not fill all the NJ slots allocated for post season events.

REMINDER: Racers wishing to compete in the JIV and JV races and for a slot on the State Team must be USSA and NJSRA members.

PLACE POINT SYSTEM

The place point scoring system is simple and easy. First place gets one point, second -- 2, third --- 3, and so on. The lowest cumulative total wins. Ties will be broken by next best-scored result. Additional ties will be broken by next best result, then by total place points for all qualifiers.

Notification/Acceptance of Quota Slots

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New Jersey State Awards—JIV & JV

State Team Awards

The State Team is announced within 72 hours of the last qualifier. The team is comprised of 3 Men/3 Women

There are two designated qualifiers in which the winners' names are engraved on perpetual trophies. They are as follows:

Peter Lorentzen Cup – JIV

The namesake of this trophy was the president of Levelor Blinds. His desire to see some young racers win a huge trophy motivated him purchase this perpetual prize. Individual men's and women's cup will be awarded to the winners of this race (best-combined time for both runs) at the Awards Dinner.

Rudi Loegel Memorial Trophy – JV.

This is a designated qualifier offering individual men's and women's trophies. The winners will be awarded (best-combined time for both runs) at the Awards Dinner.

Learn to race and Youth Ski League (YSL) Programs

The individual mountains usually have their own Learn to Race Programs. These programs help youngsters develop basic skiing skills while introducing them to the sport of alpine racing. There is usually only one race at the end of the season. These racers are not required to join USSA or NJSRA. However, they cannot compete in any USSA races without membership.

RULES TO REMEMBER

(This is a partial list, see the USSA Comp Guide for more details).

- 1) All racers must have a current USSA membership card IN-HAND at race registration. No card--no race.**
- 2) All racers wishing to compete for a slot on the NJ State Team must join NJSRA. A late fee of \$15. will be imposed for each late racer membership if received after October 15th (Newcomers exempt from late fee)
- 3) All competitors **must wear a helmet** manufactured for ski racing
- 4) **No-show penalty.** Racers registered for an event under a New Jersey quota that fail to attend may be sanctioned by the NJSRA Board.
- 5) Racers must clearly display their bibs during course inspections. Penalty is disqualification.
- 5) Racers who are clearly disqualified by missing gate must exit the course. Juries can sanction violators.
- 6) A racer who claims interference must exit the course immediately and contact a jury member for a rerun. If a racer completes the run, no rerun will be awarded.

- 7) **Race entry fees and vouchers must be received by the host organization one week prior to race day. Late entries even with late fees do not have to be accepted. No-shows forfeit race entry fees.**
- 8) NJSRA, coaches, officials and parents enforce these rules and the USSA Code of Conduct. Bottom line: be polite, considerate and cool.

Not knowing a rule will not be an accepted reason for breaking it. Please ask NJSRA Board members for explanations or questions that may come up.

ALPINE OFFICIALS

USSA administers all Alpine Officials programs in New Jersey. A vital alpine officials program is mandatory for holding USSA-sanctioned events. USSA staffs all sanctioned races with qualified Technical Delegates.

WE NEED YOU!

Our pool of officials needs continuous replenishment with new folks as racing parent volunteers move on with their children. Contact your club to see how you can help. It's fun and rewarding work that gets you involved with a great group of people. Plus, you're supporting *your* kids.

Clinics

USSA train and certify parent volunteers to become Alpine officials. You can start right now as a gate judge and earn certification during the clinics held in

New Jersey and throughout the Northeast. NJSRA's Official clinics will be held throughout the season. Contact your Club President for dates.

Miss the Clinics??? Talk to your club. Or call Stan Goldschmidt or John Resch who are the NJSRA Officials committee. Stan and John will gladly arrange to get you up to date allowing you to participate and volunteer. Also, each mountain club has training films and books to loan for **any** interested person.

THE RACE DAY ORGANIZATION

In order to run our NJSRA and USSA sanctioned races, we need the following Alpine Officials:

Race committee:

Appointed by the host area club, this body runs the race, with the assistance of other officials and volunteers.

Chief of Race - Named by host club to coordinate the entire race, from planning through the awards ceremony.

Race Secretary - Named by the host club, handles all race entries, paperwork, computer work and seeding preparation.

Chief of Course - Named by the host club, responsible for course preparation and maintenance.
Chief Gate Judge - Named by host club, recruits, organizes and supervises gate judges (gatekeepers).
Chief of Timing and Calculation - Named by host, coordinates timing and calculation officials
Start & finish referees (Jury Advisors) - Named by the host club, they are responsible for the fair, accurate and safe operation of the race course start and finish areas.
Timekeeper - Named by host, handles timing.
Starter - Named by host, handles start.
Course setter - Named by host, sets safe course.
Others as appropriate

Race Jury:

The jury handles all race decisions, arbitrates protests and upholds race rules. The TECHNICAL DELEGATE ALONE handles race results.

1. Technical delegate - Named by USSA this is the top official responsible for race results and a safe and fair competition.
2. Chief of race - Named by the host club to coordinate the entire race, from planning through the awards ceremony.
3. Referee - Appointed by the TD, inspects the course, collects and posts disqualification's.
4. Assistant referee, for DH & SG only

Jury members and course setters must be members of USSA or another FIS-allied national federation. At least one jury member must be Level III Certified or above.

Gate judges:

Also known as **gatekeepers**, are the most important people on the hill, second only to the racers. Gate judges play a critical role in conducting a fair and safe ski race. They are responsible for supervising one or more gates, accurately observing and recording each competitor's correct passage through each gate. They also perform a number of other functions.

IF YOUR YOUNGSTER IS RACING this year, you'll be asked to serve as a gate judge. We can't conduct races without your help. Thank You !!!

HOW TO ENTER RACES

NJSRA offers a full schedule of races each season, open to USSA members in the appropriate age divisions. These races are used to determine the State Team and state quota slots.

Check the schedule now

After you've met the requirements on the preceding pages, you may enter the appropriate races listed as qualifiers for NJSRA.

Send entries to host area/club

Complete a separate race voucher for each event and for each competitor. Be sure Date of Birth and Age Classification is correct. Check the USSA Comp Guide to determine who the check should be made out to. The assessed late fee for the event must be added to all vouchers received later than seven days prior to the event. Racer points are not required to be filled in.

ENTRY FEES ARE DUE ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE RACE DATE

New for 2010 ,all entries received after the Monday before the designated race will incur a \$25 late fee.

RACE ENTRY ADDRESSES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

HIDDEN VALLEY RACING ASSOCIATION

P.O.BOX 407

HIGHLAND LAKES, NJ 07422

973-764-6161

Make race checks payable to **HVARA Race Secretary**

MOUTAIN CREEK RACE DEPARTMENT

Mountain Creek RACING

200 Route 94

Vernon, NJ 07462

973-827-3900 EXT 681

Make race checks payable to **Mt. Creek**

MOUNT PETER

P.O. BOX 425

WARWICK, NY 10990

Make race checks payable to **Mt. Peter**

TEAM CAMP GAW

PO Box 562

Mahwah, NJ 07430

Make Race Check Payable to **Team Camp Gaw**