

## Risk Assessment for SASA Interschools Challenge 2023

**Location:-**

Southampton Alpine Centre

**Date :-**

21st May 2023

**Time :-**

08.00am to 13.30

**Site managed by:-**

Active Nation

This Risk Assessment relates ONLY to the activities and presence of event race competitors, accompanying school staff, guardians, officials and volunteers.

**Sections 1 to 6**

Relates to their use of the venue and their interaction with the premises and facilities.  
It DOES NOT in any way cover the activities or presence of other members of the public, slope staff and those whose services are engaged by the slope management although it does make reference to such persons.  
This is deemed to be responsibility of the Ski Centre and its appointed staff.

**Section 7**

Relates solely to any vendors engaged by SASA for the event.  
This gives greater detail and expands upon the summary contained in this main assessment.

**Section 8 .**

Covers general safety procedures, medical emergencies and evacuation procedures.

**Section 9**

Covers any additional information



**Section 1**

**The Location:-**

The site consists of the following areas/ rooms:-	
Ski issue	Toilets
Race hut	Stores area
Changing rooms	
Ski Slope	

<b>Maintenance of the site is the responsibility of</b> Active Nation	<b>Maintenance records and slope inspection records are</b> Available on site
<b>Control measure:-</b> No maintenance work or repairs (other than emergency repairs) will be undertaken while skiers are on the slope.	

**Access to areas:-**

The following are open to change on the day according to requirements of the event, however they should be adhered to as far as possible.	
<b>Who</b>	<b>Area</b>
Skiers and officials	Slope
Skiers and officials	Slope, buildings and surrounding areas
Parents etc.	Buildings and surrounding areas
Vendors	Buildings and surrounding areas
Public	Buildings and surrounding areas

## Section 2

### People on site:-

<b>Persons</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Interaction and control measure</b>
Skiers	Race skiers with varying levels of experience - for some this may be their first race.	Event rules covering skiing ability and protective clothing/equipment.
Accompanying school staff/parents/ guardians	Racers must be accompanied by either school staff, parents or nominated guardians.	Event rules. Expected to only interact with their own children and any they are acting in loco parentis for.
Site Staff	Site staff will issue equipment and control all activities on site.	Active Nation corporate H&S governance.
Vendors	3rd party vendors (e.g. selling ski equipment) may be on site.	Supervision and control by site staff and organisers. Provide services and goods as required.
Organisers	SASA club members and volunteers from accompanying staff/parents/guardians. Organisers will arrange refreshments.	All members of the organising team will be briefed on the event rules. Provision of refreshments to be controlled by organisers. Organisers not responsible for ingredients in donated or other foodstuffs. Key persons DBS checked.
All persons	parents, skiers, school staff, volunteers, spectators	Covid precautions will follow national guidance and facility protocols.

### Section 3 - Activities and People Affected

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Persons affected</b>	<b>Risk</b>
Skiing	Downhill ski racing in accordance with event rules.	On main slope	All skiers and organisers	Falls, slips and trips. Resulting in muscoskeletal injuries or head injures, in exceptional circumstances may result in death.
Moving around site for changing or meal and toilet breaks	Breaks during racing for refreshments and comfort.	Buildings and toilet areas	All skiers, accompanying school staff/parents/guardians, vendors and organisers	Falls, slips and trips.
Vendors activities	Sale of goods and services to skiers and others.	Buildings and surrounding areas	All persons on site	Falls, slips and trips.

#### 4 – Risk Evaluation before control measures (using 5 x 5 matrix)

Activity	Description	Risk	Likelihood	Severity	Impact
Skiing	Downhill ski racing in accordance with event rules.	Falls, slips and trips resulting in skin abrasions, muscoskeletal or head injuries and in exceptional circumstances death.	3	4	12
Moving around site for changing or meal and toilet breaks	Breaks during racing for refreshments and comfort.	Falls, slips and trips resulting in minor to significant muscoskeletal injuries. Children wandering off during breaks (the centre is in a large public park.)	2	3	6
Vendors activities	Sale of goods and services to skiers and others	Falls, slips and trips caused by possible congestion at stalls and uneven surfaces.	2	3	6

### 5 – Risk Evaluation after control measures (using 5 x 5 matrix)

Activity	Risk	Controls	Likelihood	Severity	Impact
Skiing	Falls, slips and trips resulting in skin abrasions, muscoskeletal or head injuries and in exceptional circumstances death.	ALL skiers MUST wear helmets. All skiers MUST wear appropriate protective clothing and equipment (gloves, long sleeves, long trousers).ALL skiers to be of a competent level. ALL skiers to be fit and well BEFORE commencement of activities. ALL ski equipment to be suitable and of a mechanical standard for racing. Protective bungs MUST be fitted to tips of ski poles. Matting to be kept in good state of repair by site staff. Crash mats fitted by site staff at finish area of slope and on other potential obstacles. All non-skiers on slope MUST wear high-viz jackets and remain vigilant at all times. Course set by the organisers will be appropriate for a wide range of skiing ability including beginners. Adherence to these rules to be monitored by organisers.	3	3	9
Moving around site for changing or meal and toilet breaks and between runs.	Falls, slips and trips resulting in minor to significant muscoskeletal injuries. Children wandering off during breaks (the centre is in a large public park.)	ALL skiers and accompanying public to be made aware of building environment, location of toilets etc. , areas where public must not enter and emergency procedures in result of an incident. Vehicular access to ski-centre is strictly controlled. School staff/parents/guardians to monitor childrens' whereabouts when not skiing.	2	2	4

Vendors activities	Falls, slips and trips caused by possible congestion at stalls and uneven surfaces.	Officials provided to control access to vendor area and checking and rectification of surfaces for significant trip hazards prior to use.	2	2	4
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## 6 - Monitoring

Activity	Risk	Persons affected	Monitoring
Skiing	Falls, slips and trips resulting in muscoskeletal or head injuries and in exceptional circumstances death.	All skiers and organisers	Skiers to be monitored closely by officials for behaviour, skill levels, competence and equipment standard, throughout the entire day.
Moving around site for changing or meal and toilet breaks	Falls, slips and trips resulting in minor to significant muscoskeletal injuries. Children wandering off during breaks (the centre is in a large public park.)	All skiers and public accompanying skiers	Centre staff will monitor public areas, organisers and officials will monitor behaviour of children while on slope. School staff/parents/guardians will monitor behaviour of children while off slope.
Vendors activities	Falls, slips and trips caused by possible congestion at stalls and uneven surfaces.	All persons on site	Race organisers and site staff will provide officials to monitor and control vendor area and access.

## Risk matrix employed

Likelihood of event occurring	5	10	15	20	25
	4	8	12	16	20
	3	6	9	12	15
	2	4	6	8	10
	1	2	3	4	5
	Severity of event				

  

	Insignificant
	Low
	Moderate
	Serious
	Unacceptable

## 7 – Vendors on site

### General points:-

All stall organisers or vendors will be made aware of this RA and asked to comply. All stalls and vendors will be responsible for their own safety on site and the management of their own health and safety.

Any electrical or other power sources MAY be inspected prior to use on the day and will be expected to conform with all current safety regulations relating to electrical or other power supplies. NO ELECTRICAL GENERATORS WILL BE PERMITTED ON SITE other than that used by the race organisers. A minimum requirement will be current PAT marking on all electrical items in use.

Vendors will make available if requested a Health and Safety policy document for inspection by organisers which will be kept on file by SASA.

### Location:-

All vendors will be positioned in areas as specified by centre staff.



## 8 – Medical facilities and emergency procedures

On site first aid will be provided by:- Site staff	The location will be:- Within main building	Emergency access will be:- Main entrance
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<b>Location of nearest hospital A&amp;E department:</b> Southampton General Hospital Telephone: 023 8077 7222 Address: Tremona Road, Southampton, Hampshire, SO16 6YD Website: www.uhs.nhs.uk
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The SASA safety coordinator for the event will be: Lesley Gash

### In the event of a serious emergency (e.g Fire or other life threatening general event)

Organisers will stop event and assist in evacuation  
 Organisers will call 999

**No access will be allowed to the site until race organisers AND centre management have declared the area safe.**

## 9 - Attachments

Date	Review date	Prepared by:-
17/05/2023	16/05/2024	Lesley Gash