SLALOM!	ISSA 2007 Contest Sanction Application Rev 1.1	
Date of Contest:	Title of Contest:	
02-03 JUNE 2007	Oregon State Games	
Location of Contest:	Number and type of events at this contest (hybrid, tight, etc):	
Salem, Oregon, USA	GS (single-lane), Tight (single lane), Hybrid (dual lane)	
Sanction status desired (Basic, Prime, Main, Major, Worlds)	Classes of competitors: (Pro/Am, Open, Jr, Women, etc)	# Of runs per competitor, qualification method, bracketing method:
PRIME	Open	GS: min 2 runs, max 3, best run
		Tight: min 2 runs, max 3, best run.
		Hybrid: 2 qual runs, 3 heats of head-to-head ladder bracket (not elimination). Each heat will be 1 or 2 runs (time dependent) winner advances 1 place loser goes down 1 place. If only 1 run per heat is chosen, the challenger (lower place) can choose the lane. (See further explanation at end.)
Permits, insurance, arrangements for road closures, etc:		
A park use permit will be granted from Salem Parks department. A \$1M liability insurance policy will be purchased. Both of these will be purchased through our affiliation with State Games of Oregon. http://www.stategamesoforegon.org/index.html		
Prizes and value of prizes to be awarded:		
Oregon State Games medals (Gold, Silver, and Bronze) to the top 3 AMATEUR finishers in each race, and in each age group. The Oregon State Games limits medals to residents of Oregon (or residents of adjacent states without a slalom skateboard competition) – this would include CA, WA, ID, NV The age groups are:		
Masters: 45 and over		
Adults: 25-44		
Young Adults: 16-24		
Kids: 15 and under		
Irregardless of eligibility for the Oregon State Games medals, the top 3 overall finishers in each race will receive Open Class medals.		
There will be no cash prizes for PROS.		
Sponsor-supplied merchandise (decks, wheels, clothing, trucks, etc) will be distributed on Saturday and Sunday via a raffle system (each competitor receives a raffle ticket). Sponsors last year included Insect Skateboards, Roe Racing, Skaterbuilt, Daddies Board Shop, Subsonic Skateboards, and Seismic.		
Venue description (surface, pitch, length, etc):		
This is the Salem Soap Box Derby Track. Ultra smooth and fast, the surface is a 10/10, it is 600 feet of moderately-steep pitch, then 340 feet of low pitch, followed by 450 feet of flat run out. No foot braking is required. See here: http://www.salemsbd.org/salem's track.htm This is located in a city park with bathrooms at the top of the hill, shade trees, and picnic tables. The hill is surrounded by inclines on each		

side which provide excellent views of the race track without the need for bleachers.

Venue attractions (local attractions for non-skaters):

Oregon's capital. It is about 1 hr from Portland, 1hr from the Pacific Ocean, and 1.5hrs from Mt Hood. Silver Falls State Park, Oregon Garden, and other attractions. For skaters, there are a plethora of local skate parks that could be visited: <u>http://www.skateoregon.com/maps/SkateOregon_Go_Map_2005.gif</u> The Aumsville skate park is the closest one.

Press Coverage:

The Oregon State Games are covered by local TV and newspapers.

Competitor amenities (lodging, meals, gifts, etc):

Each competitor receives an Oregon State Games "T" shirt, bag of sponsor-supplied items (sunscreen, coupons, small clothing gifts, etc). The Oregon State Games are sponsored by Nike.

Race Equipment (ramps, timing, displays, safety gear, etc.):

Chronocone timing equipment with tape switches. Printed results at the end of each round are posted for the competitors. A P.A. system and announcer will call out the race results as they happen. Start ramps are not required on this hill because the 1st 10 feet of the hill form a natural start ramp (very steep).

Race Personnel (experience, training, etc) Please include Contest Organizer and contact info:

Contest organizer: Pat Chewning <u>pchewn@comcast.net</u> 502-645-0323 4 years experience

Course setting by PRO racer Paul Howard and AM racer John Stryker

Timing equipment setup by Pat Chewning.

We will be seeking to work with the Boy Scouts of America to supply volunteer cone judges for the race. If so, we will train them.

The Cascade Slalom Association puts on about 6 races a year and we have about 15 to 20 people who regularly race and will pitch in with coneheading, training, etc.

Spectators (expected number, other attractions for spectators, provision for, etc.)

Races on the Salem hill typically have about 20 spectators associated with the racers, and about 40 to 50 spectators who happen to pass by. For this event I would expect over 100 spectators throughout each day. Spectators will be given a flyer describing the race format, rules, and contact information.

Rules: Describe any exceptions to the ISSA rules, clarification of rules, equipment allowed or restricted, competitors allowed or restricted, and any other special rules that will apply to this contest.

Equipment allowed: All skateboard equipment is allowed, including boards with more than 2 wheels. Equipment required: Helmet

The format of the Hybrid Slalom race is not a normal elimination bracket, it is a ladder bracket.

Starts for the GS, Tight, and qualification runs for the Hybrid will be "individual" tape-switch starts.

Starts for the head-to-head Hybrid runs will be "common" start with 2X false-start penalty.

If we are successful in obtaining volunteer conhead judges, cones will be assigned a time penalty value as usual. If we are not successful in obtaining volunteer conehead judges, then we may simplify the cone counting by having NO cone penalty for up to X number of cones, and a DQ for over X number of cones. This will be fully covered in the racer's meeting at the beginning of the race. We like to keep our races running at a good pace.

Contest Description:

This contest is great for all Amateur racers.

- A) The hill is the best Soap Box Derby hill west of the Mississippi river. In a great park location.
- B) Cascade Slalom Association is experienced at putting on good races.

C) Our affiliation with the State Games of Oregon association allows us permits for the hill, an online sign-up and fee payment, access to insurance, and great medals and non-skateboard sponsors.

Race Event #1 description: GS Single Lane

GS race of approximately 27 second duration on a very smooth fast hill. The course will be set easy enough for inexperienced longboarders to get through the course, but faster racers will have to choose whether to double or triple-pump between cones or get down in the tuck for speed. Single-lane. Best single run counts. Each racer will take at least 2 runs (3 runs if time permits). Push start. Electronic timing.

Race Event #2 description: Tight 100-cone Single Lane

Tight inline slalom race of 100 cone length, approx 24 second duration. Cones will be spaced between 5 and 7 feet, and the spacing will vary along the hill in an attempt to match the speed of the hill. Each competitor will get 2 runs through the course (3 if time permits) and the single best run counts for the final placing. Cone penalty will be 0.1s per cone. There will be a maximum number of cones for a DQ (TBD). Electronic timing.

Race Event #3 description: Hybrid Slalom Dual-Lane

Hybrid slalom event with cone spacings between 6 and 9 feet, with offsets, curves, and rhythm changes throughout the course. Racers will get 1 run in each lane (best single time counts) for the qualifying. In the Head-to-Head racing, a ladder bracket will be used to determine who advances and who is sent lower on the ladder. NOBODY is eliminated in Head-to-Head. Depending on the amount of time available, each round of head-to-head racing can take one of two forms:

- A) Two-run format: Each competitor gets a run in each lane. The combined time determines the racer who advances and the racer who goes down the ladder.
- B) One-run format: Each competitor gets a single run in only one lane. The lower-placed competitor gets to choose the lane.

The ladder bracket ensures that everybody keeps racing. It also keeps the races close, as the best are racing the best, and the slowest are racing the slowest.

Event #4 description: Park Slalom

Aumsville skate park Friday night 7pm to 10 pm -- Cones will be set in the park for a timed race. Two runs will be held (3 if time permits). There will be a cone penalty of 0.2 seconds per cone. This is not an ISSA event, but it is part of the Oregon State Games...

Example of ladder bracketing: Racers will be placed into the ladder based on qualifying times. Green arrows for the winner of the round, Red arrows for the loser. This ensures that:

A) Everyone keeps racing B) Racers are matched against people with similar times for close races.

