



## ISSA 2007 Contest Sanction Application Rev 2.0

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**Date of Contest:**

10-12 May 2008

**Title of Contest:**

Grand Prix du Trocadéro (PSWC 2008, #6)

**Location of Contest:**

Trocadéro, Paris, France

**Number and type of events at this contest (hybrid, tight, etc):**

Three main events: Tight, Special, Hybrid/Giant

**Sanction status desired (Basic, Prime, Main, Major, Worlds)**

Main

**Classes of competitors: (Pro/Am, Open, Jr, Women, etc)**

Pro / AM, Women

**# Of runs per competitor, qualification method, bracketing method:**

Same format for all events:  
Quals: 2 runs each.  
Finals: Head to head: 16 Pros,  
32/16 AMs, 8/4 women.

**Permits, insurance, arrangements for road closures, etc:**

Permit already obtained from the city and concerned authorities.

Riderz association insurance from the French Skateboard and Roller Skating Federation (FFRS) and Mutuelles du Mans Assurances (MMA) - Contract **MMA/FFRS** n° 1.625.000

**Prizes and value of prizes to be awarded:**

Money will be distributed to Pro racers, per discipline. If women are at least 10, they will be rewarded with money too.

Pro Prize money : 5000€

A lot of sponsor prizes will be given to best racers, first to Amateurs and Women. We are negotiating with one of the best French surfwear brands. Also: high quality slalom and downhill boards, clothes, shoes, ...

The best three racers in each discipline will also receive trophies. A special trophy will be given to the best overall Pro racer.

**Venue description (surface, pitch, length, cone distance, etc). Please describe the hill and course as completely as possible:**

Special, tight and hybrid on the Trocadéro slopes, 140 m long, >4% pitch and perfect surface.

**Venue attractions (local attractions for non-skaters):**

The event will be held on the legendary Trocadéro slopes, where it has been held each spring since 2003. Beautifully located opposite the Eiffel Tower, it is without exaggeration the most excluding racing location in the world.

With 75 million foreign tourists per year, France is the most visited country in the world and Paris the main destination where everyone will find something to discover.

Paris lays claim to some of the world's most famous attractions, such as the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe and the hundreds of museums and monuments in the grand City of Lights (also known as City of Love).

**Press Coverage:**

In the past, the event ever had some good media coverage: National TV (including main news broadcast) and Regional TV coverage an even international broadcasts with ESPN and MalibuTV.

Radio announcements on mainstream radio stations and some important newspapers (Le Parisien, 20minutes, Metro..) and magazines (Thrasher Fr, Freestyler,..) announced and wrote about the event.

All these contacts will be reactivated and an important media coverage is expected.

We will have a dedicated press manager for the event (helped by some interns of PFG).

A Riderz/PFG video team will cover the event to offer a good video coverage (and particularly to quickly make images available to TV channels that wish to report on the event).

The Riderz website is the main information source for French downhill and slalom skateboard and also also for other fun sports and extreme sports in general (40 000 visitors/months).

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

A list of cheap hotel, hostels and various lodging is furnished by the organization.

For example, CISP Paris International Accommodation Centre (<http://www.cisp.asso.fr>)

Night and Breakfast rates per person per night, inclusive of accommodation tax from 20€ in clean 8-bed rooms. Rooms with showers and WC: 2-bed room at 25€ and Single room at 34€.

**Competitor Meals:** Lunch meals are included with the competitor pack (Pro), optional for Am and Women). Food will be also available at a fair price for people who didn't choose a racer pack, a good thing in this heavy touristic area.

Staff and helpers will have access to their own buffet meals.

**Gifts:**

A collector T-shirt is included in competitor packs.

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

Specific timing system : Trackmate timing, with the possible addition of large size timing displays to enhance racer and spectator experience.

Live starting list and result displays (PC screens).

New 1.40 m ramps going down from a custom built stage of approximately 4m x 5m. (under construction).

Onsite Medical support: during the three days Doctor and a first-aid team on the race site.

900 m of barriers to protect the race zone. Organization village. Sponsor village.

Public toilets from the City, we are looking for private toilets for the race.

Security: the man in charge of security is a police officer and two night security guards.

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

The Riderz team and its volunteers now has 6 years of experience organizing PSWC. The race is part of the Paris Festival Glisse, with a paid staff of 15 persons handling all the paper work and infrastructure (everything but the actual race). In addition Riderz will pay 2 persons to assist with any slalom specific infrastructure.

Organizer: Jani Soderhall / [jani@slalomskateboarder.com](mailto:jani@slalomskateboarder.com) and the Riderz/Pirate Slalom crew (Vincent Berruchon, Guillaume StCrique, Jean-Sebastien Dennebouy and others).

Race Director: Jani Soderhall

Race results: Dan Gesmer or Hans "Corky" Koraeus (under discussion).

Speaker: Sebastien Doral from Kanabeach (under discussion)

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

About 10.000 spectators per day.

In spring 2008 Paris will build a new concrete skatepark, EGP18 (3 000 m<sup>2</sup> with a snake, a cradle, deep end...) a we're trying to add organize a park slalom, possibly on the Thursday. To be announced.

Slopestyle contest on Saturday evening and a party on the spot organized by associations involved with PFG.

A lot of animations around PSWC on the Trocadero during the event :

Freestyle and street demos.

Rollerskate slalom contest and demos.

Mountainboard Big Air demos.

**Rules: Describe any exceptions to the ISSA rules, clarification of rules, equipment allowed or restricted (e.g. 6-wheels), competitors allowed or restricted, and any other special rules that will apply to this contest.**

We will respect the standard ISSA rules and French Championships Rules (RTS).

## ***Contest Description:***

After six years of providing slalom racing at the Trocadéro, we have decided that this event is an important part of the European race circuit and that it deserves every effort to be preserved. Thus rather than scaling down our organization we're putting efforts into making this event even better with a more professional approach.

This year we will have 2 full time paid staff members. We've ordered a custom built start ramp/stage structure. We're looking into the purchase of large display screens for the times. We're adding more result screens. We have a new speaker. And the main organization team of Paris Festival Glisse provides more of their assistance to our part of the event, which remains the center piece of attraction during the Paris Festival Glisse event which also includes roller skate, mountain board and other related sports.

The EGP18 skatepark is also a new attraction of Paris. Riderz is committed since the beginning to have private access, and we want to organize a park slalom event which will please to PSWC competitors and present a different type of skateboarding to local skaters.

## ***Race Event description:***

Since 2003 Riderz has helped the slalom scene by providing an annual, now classic, slalom event. It's creation and continuation is an important source of inspiration to new riders both in Paris, France and in Europe in general. Some highlights include:

- world class exposition of the sport on one of the best race locations in the World
- extremely good spot: grippy, fast, appropriate pitch
- one of the most experienced organization crews: Riderz, an official non-profit organization assisted by the Parisian Skateboard & Roller-Skating Committee (with full time paid staff).
- official support of official structures (mainly the French official federation: FFRS) and from authorities: the city of Paris and the Ile-de-France region.