



ISSA 2008 Contest Sanction Application Rev 2.0

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Date of Contest:	Title of Contest:	
18-20 July 2008	North American Championships	
Location of Contest:	Number and type of events at this contest (hybrid, tight, etc):	
USA, Oregon, Hood River	Super-GS single. Hybrid Slalom dual. Tight Slalom dual	
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:
MAJOR	SGS: Pro, Open, Women, Jr Tight: Pro, Open, Women, Jr Hybrid: Pro, Open, Women, Jr	SGS: Two runs (single best) TS HS: Two Qual runs. H2H: 16 Pro, 16 Open, 8 Women, 8 Jr (maximum)
Permits, insurance, arrangements for road closures, etc:		
Permits from Oregon State Parks (SGS venue) and Hood River (TS, HS venue). Insurance purchased through ISSA's insurance program.		
Prizes and value of prizes to be awarded:		
Prize money and medals will be awarded to the top four Pro male and three female finishers on each days. That's 7 checks a day for those of you keeping score. Prizes and medals will be awarded to the top 5 Open and Jrs as well.		
Venue description (surface, pitch, length, cone distance, etc). Please describe the hill and course as completely as possible:		
<p>Super Giant Slalom: Friday's event will be fast and technical. The fastest times of the day will be from those racers who possess a delicate balance of guts, brute force, endurance and the agility of a ballet dancer. We plan on leveraging off of last year's course which had 95 cones and was a half-mile long! Winning times will be those who can complete the course in just under a minute and a half. The course itself is on the resurfaced Historic Columbia Gorge Highway – which is now a road-wide bike path. The course snakes down along the scenic Columbia Gorge. Speeds approach 30 MPH and the course consists of wide-open turns (with tucking), mixed with pumping sections. Legs will feel the burn after these runs! The runout is long, flat, and open. (This year, we are racing the W side of the road, as opposed to the E. side).</p> <p>Dual Tight Slalom, Downtown Hood River: Tight Slalom Skateboard racing returns to Hood River. Saturday's race will be a dual Tight Slalom course with 50 to 60 cones spaced from 5-1/2 to 8 feet. The course will have several different sections consisting of straight cones, offsets and step-overs. Dexterity required! The road surface is not perfect, but rates about a 7 out of 10. Winning times range around 20 seconds, so this is 3 cones per second racing.... The runout is long, uphill and wide. No foot-braking is required. The course is right downtown in front of the Full-Sail brewery.</p> <p>Dual Hybrid Slalom, (Exact road TBD) in Hood River: Dual Hybrid slalom on a road TBD, length TBD, cones spacing TBD. At a minimum, this will be on the same road as the tight course, right in front of the Full-Sail brewery.</p>		

Venue attractions (local attractions for non-skaters):
The Columbia River Gorge offers world-class kiteboarding and windsurfing, as well as numerous other outdoor recreational opportunities such as kayaking, mountain biking, paragliding, and skiing/snowboarding on Mt Hood's Palmer snowfield (open all summer). The Mt Hood National forest has hiking and camping facilities. 2008's event will be part of Hood River's "Gorge Games" – a week long festival of mountain biking, kite-boarding, windsurfing and other events.
Press Coverage:
Hood River News (newspaper); <u>The Oregonian</u> (Portland newspaper); <u>Silverfish</u> (web news); <u>Concrete Wave</u> (magazine). Local TV news/sports will also be contacted.
Competitor amenities (lodging, meals, gifts, etc):
T-shirts for all competitors and course workers. An informational packet with lodging suggestions, and local restaurants will be included.
Race Equipment (ramps, timing, displays, safety gear, etc.):
Starting ramps approx 1.5m high. Trackmate timing system with automatic entry into spreadsheet. Race results printed and posted on display board after each round. Helmets are required. Full pads are required for the SGS event.
Race Personnel (experience, training, etc) Please include Contest Organizer and contact info:
Cascade Slalom Association has been putting on this race for a number of years. Pat Chewning – timing, Gareth Roe, Paul Howard, Brad Jackman, Michael Dong – course setting, cone-penalties, etc.
Spectators (expected number, other attractions for spectators, provision for, etc.)
For the Super-GS race, spectators are few due to the remote location, but still there are about 30 or more spectators not associated with the racers. For the Tight Slalom, the downtown location offers a hundred or more spectators. The Hybrid slalom is a new event in a location TBD, so spectators are unknown.
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.
Limit on <u>maximum</u> # of racers in the H2H: 16 PRO, 16 OPEN, 8 Women, 8 Jr
Limit on the # of cones hit before a DQ: 10 cones (Easier and more accurate cone counting)

Contest Description:

The Hood River race has been a premier slalom skateboarding race for the past several years. The combination of location (close to other recreational activities), the support of the town, and the excellent SGS course venue make this a favorite destination for slalom racers. The CSA crew is experienced, dedicated, and committed to make this an exciting and fun race for all participants.

Race Event #1 description:

Friday, July 18th - Super Giant Slalom Saturday's event will be fast and technical. The fastest times of the day will be from those racers who possess a delicate balance of guts, brute force, endurance and the agility of a ballet dancer. Winning times will be those who can complete the course in just under a minute and a half.

This event will be a single-lane Super Giant Slalom. Racers will get two runs and be ranked by their top time.

This race will start early in the morning to avoid the late-afternoon high winds.

Race Event #2 description:

Saturday, July 19th - Dual Tight Slalom, Downtown Hood River Tight Slalom Skateboard racing returns to Hood River. Sunday's race will be a dual Tight Slalom course with 50 to 60 cones spaced from 5-1/2 to 8 feet. The course will have several different sections consisting of straight cones, offsets and step-overs. Dexterity required!

The race will take place in the middle of downtown Hood River. What could be more fun than racing in the streets of Hood River with a throng of spectators and a stiff tail-wind. We are excited to be back!

Sunday's event is a single elimination with the top qualifiers going head to head. The fastest third of the field of qualifying racers will be seeded in the "A" bracket, the next third in the "B" bracket and the final third in the "C" bracket.

Race Event #3 description:

Dual Hybrid Slalom, (Exact road TBD) in Hood River: Dual Hybrid slalom on a road TBD, length TBD, cones spacing TBD.