



## ISSA 2012 Contest Sanction Application Rev 1.0

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<b>Dates of Contest:</b>	<b>Title of Contest:</b>	
May 23-24, 2015	Slalom St. Louis the 13 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>Location of Contest:</b>	<b>Number and type of events at this contest (hybrid, tight, etc):</b>	
St. Louis, Missouri, USA	Three – Dual-lane straight TS, Single-lane GS, Single-lane Hybrid	
<b>Sanction status desired (check attachment)</b>	<b>Classes of competitors: (Open, Jr, Women, etc)</b>	<b># Of runs per competitor, qualification method, bracketing method:</b>
Main	OPEN – (Dual-lane will be cut into A,B and C groups after qualifying)	Dual TS uses standard qual/bracket scheme; Single-lane: Three runs per racer, of which TWO fastest runs count
<b>Permits, insurance, arrangements for road closures, etc:</b>		
Insurance secured; all permits secured for Tower Grove Park		
<b>Prizes and value of prizes to be awarded:</b>		
\$1,050 total cash: In each race discipline, top three finishers win \$200, \$100, \$50 respectively		
<b>Venue description (surface, pitch, length, cone distance, etc). Please describe the hill and course as completely as possible:</b>		
South Drive at Tower Grove Park has a mild slope and acceptable surface. Road starts off straight, then bends about 45 degrees right; straightens out again, and finally bends back left. Total course length: approx. 560 feet (170 meters). TS cone will start at 6' on center, then go to 6.5' and finally 7'. GS will be mainly offset gates with a rhythm and spacing that encourage the skater to make smooth, broad turns and build speed all the way down the hill. Hybrid will be a mixture of spacings between 6' and 15'.		
<b>Venue attractions (local attractions for non-skaters):</b>		
Zoo and art museum are both free and world-class; Gateway Arch; City Museum; numerous restaurants		
<b>Media Coverage:</b>		
Will collaborate with Maria Carrasco for possible inclusion in <i>Concrete Wave</i> magazine		
<b>Competitor amenities (lodging, meals, gifts, etc):</b>		
Free sandwich/fruit/beverage station both days; free lunch for racers on Sunday; free BBQ on Saturday		
<b>Race Equipment (timing system, displays, safety gear, etc.):</b>		
Trackmate timing (IR beacons)		
<b>Starting Ramps description (height, width, s-shaped or straight, material):</b>		
Standard S-shaped starting ramps (based on Eric Brassard design)		
<b>Race Personnel (experience, training, etc) Please include Contest Organizer and contact info:</b>		
Approx. eight dedicated cone judges expected, not incl. chief judge Jeff Goad. Timing by Stephen Blane.		
<b>Spectators (expected number, other attractions for spectators, provision for, etc.)</b>		
Between 20 and 70 spectators expected; plenty of shade available.		
<b>Rules: Describe ALL exceptions to the ISSA rules, clarification of rules, competitors allowed or restricted, and any other special rules that will apply to this contest. <a href="#">ISSA RACING RULES</a></b>		
For TS, we may ask racers to vote on whether to use traditional “per cone” penalty or “maximum allowable cones hit” method, i.e., the “Jack Smith” method.		

## ***Contest Description:***

Thirteenth year in a row, so organizers are experienced and prepared. Feedback from racers has been almost universally positive every year, with the possible exception of (A) asking for a steeper GS hill and (B) running late on Sunday the past two years – both times due at least partly to delays caused by bad weather. We thought we had (A) taken care of this year, but it fell through at the last minute. (B) has been addressed as thoroughly as possible by ensuring that a detailed schedule, all race divisions, courses, timing, spreadsheets, racer amenities and extra cone judges are already prepared, so nothing short of catastrophic weather or other unforeseeable circumstances should prevent events from starting, running and ending on time.

## ***Race Event #1 description:***

DUAL STRAIGHT TIGHT SLALOM (Saturday, May 23, 2015)

Sixty-eight cones set in a straight (non-offset) line that follows the curve of the hill, spaced as follows:

Cones 1-17: 6 feet on center

Cones 18-50: 6.5 feet on center

Cones 51-68: 7 feet on center

If we use the traditional “per cone” penalty of .10 for every cone hit, then the cone limit for DQ will be 10 (i.e., hitting  $\leq 10$  cones is OK, but hitting 11 or more is a DQ)

If  $\geq 50\%$  of racers say they would prefer that we use the alternate cone penalty method (no “per cone” time penalty but rather a max. number of allowable cones), the cone limit for DQ will be seven (7), i.e., hitting  $\leq 7$  cones is OK, but hitting 8 or more is a DQ.

## ***Race Event #2 description:***

SINGLE-LANE GIANT SLALOM (Sunday, May 24, 2015)

Approx. 30 cones set in mostly large offsets. Most spacings will be between 12 and 18 feet, perhaps with a couple of quicker cones to help racers build speed at top and/or to break up the rhythm further down the course.

Each racer gets THREE runs, of which the fastest TWO will combine for the racer’s final time.

Traditional “per cone” penalty of .2 for every cone hit. DQ limit will be approx. 15% of total cone count, e.g., for a 30-cone course, 4 cones is OK but 5 or more is a DQ.

## ***Race Event #3 description:***

SINGLE-LANE HYBRID SLALOM (Sunday, May 24, 2015)

Between 40 and 50 cones with a variety of spacings (approx. 6’ to 15’) and offsets. Course will emphasize pumping skill and power.

As in GS, each racer gets THREE runs, of which the fastest TWO will combine for the racer’s final time.

Traditional “per cone” penalty of .15 for every cone hit. DQ limit will be approx. 15% of total cone count, e.g., for a 50-cone course, 7 cones is OK but 8 or more is a DQ.