



## **AJSBA/NZJSBA Regional/Club Riders Briefing Notes**

### **Welcome**

Introduce yourself as official Race Director as appointed by AJSBA/NZJSBA

Advise Event is running to IJSBA and or APBA including Supplementary Rules as formally adopted by the AJSBA/NZJSBA.

Introduce all official staff; Assistant RD, Tech inspector, Head course Marshall, other Marshalls, Scorers (minimum of 2), Riders Reps (2 ski, 2 runabout), Club officials, other.

### **Roll Call**

To include all competitors class by class (anyone not present will not be permitted to race)

Announce race order and lap numbers

### **Duty of Care Statement**

“Under my duty of care as Race Director, part of my responsibility is to inform you that the sport of PWC racing is dangerous. It can harm, cause severe injuries including death. If you wish to withdraw from the event, you may do so with a full refund available up until the end of practise prior to racing commencing. If you choose to compete and feel unsafe at any stage during the event, we advise you to remove yourself from the racecourse and approach an official immediately with your concerns”.

### **Insurance**

The public liability insurance policy held by the governing is exactly that for the public should a incident occur, in no way are you or your craft and for that matter whatever you hit covered this would be your own responsibility to look after yourself and equipment.

### **Site Info/House Keeping**

Announce any Local Bylaws that need to be observed ie slow speed zones, riding outside nominated event site zone all local water bylaws must be adhered to and any Health and Safety requirements of site.

Race Day Schedule including breaks and any set finish time

Outline official Pit area including launching/retrieving skis, refuelling

Advise Smoking/drinking/narcotics not permitted within event site unless dedicated area is set aside

### **Event Conduct**

Rider/Crew must follow IJSBA/AJSBA/NZJSBA Code of Conduct at all times.

Advise penalties if not followed

All racing incident enquiries to come to Race Director via Riders Reps only

Absolutely no abuse towards any officials/staff/volunteers/riders/crew or spectators

All riders MUST wear minimum required safety equipment (this is checked at scrutineering).

All riders are responsible for care/maintenance of his/her craft and safety equipment. Event officials reserve the right to disqualify a rider from the event for faulty or poor condition of their equipment.



## **Course Map (visually on board or handouts)**

Run through full course pointing out event/track limits

Pick up Buoys (do not circle back to pick up missed buoy)

Merge Buoy (cannot cross, automatically docked a lap)

Joker/Equaliser Buoy (if used take once during a race, generally not used for Junior or Novice classes)

Log Jump (generally not to be taken on 1<sup>st</sup> Lap)

Finish line (rider and ski must cross as 1 unit), Must cross between chequered buoys

Penalty for missing buoys

Testing/Warm Up area and procedure for use

## **Flags**

To be displayed to riders as discussed:

- Red = track closed/race has been stopped
- Yellow = Caution on track, no passing in a yellow flagged area
- Black = Penalty, rider to safely exit course and report to nominated official to receive penalty
- Blue (sometimes with yellow stripe) = being lapped, maintain line, slow down if possible and hold tight in corners to allow faster rider to pass. You cannot race a rider lapping you.
- White = starting final lap
- Black/White Checked = finish (all riders to stop on finish flag regardless of laps completed)

## **Starting**

Walk/Ride to the Line (via official launching area/ramp)

Grid Draws (how to get) and positions online (ie 1-9, 10-18?) or (odds and evens)

Warming up skis; Advise what classes eligible, length of time allowed, must come to start line prior.

Holders and Mechanics on start line (1 holder per ski, 2 per runabout) Mechanic to clear start line up as two board begins.

General Start (explain how starts will proceed, lights/2-1 board)

2-minute holds Both rider and Ski must be on line to start (1 per race), can only call when 2 board displayed. Rider or holder can call (fully raised hand is sufficient).

Re starts, previous penalties stand (ie previous jump start) no person can join in after 1st official start begins

Jump/false starts/line breaks = Lanyard start, arm raised straight above head (Announce RD maximum number before alternative penalty used)

Holding of lines up start straight (Advise event rules and penalties)

## **Racing**

No deliberate bumping, blocking, spraying, hitting, team riding

If rejoining the course for whatever reason you must not cause another rider to take evasive action

To receive points must cross finish line once

On course assistance by officials only



Race stoppage less than ½ way = full re start.

At race finish slow after check flag and raise hand to indicate stopping. Stay in holding area or in some cases site specific circle the outside of the track slowly (if required) until all skis finished, then proceed back to retrieval area. Or any other method advised by the race director.  
Replacement/back up skis, must have passed tech (advise other regulations for event)

### **Course Marshalls**

Course Marshalls are at key positions on the track for your safety. You are required to follow all flags that marshal's display.

Should you fall from your ski a marshal will come to you as soon as possible (they may have to give way to competitors on the track before coming to your aid).

On course assistance may only come from officials unless authorised by Race Director.

### **Accidents**

Officials/medics are on course and site to offer immediate assistance to any accident that may occur.

If you are involved in an accident on the course, we advise that if able... raise your hand to indicate your position to other riders and officials.

Rider safety is paramount.

### **Tech**

Advise competitors of any tech procedures including random tech and post-race technical inspection.

Advise of Protests procedure (in writing with fees within 1 hour of final results being posted)

### **Results/Points**

Advise where they posted

It is a rider's responsibility to check posted points and then advise if they think something is incorrect

Protests in writing to RD 30 minutes after finals posted

Your Intent to Protest against other competitors craft must be made before the last moto or within 10 minutes of the completion of your last race for the meeting otherwise we cannot say if the ski has been removed from site or at major events the official area tech area.

No Rider or ski is to leave the Pitts and/or Tech area until 10 minutes after your last moto

### **Presentation**

Place/time

### **Questions from Riders**