

NHARA Quick Reference

GLOSSARY OF JOB DESCRIPTIONS - ALPINE

Please note: the U.S. Ski & Snowboard website has more information.

Assistant Referee - (Downhill and Super G only) works closely with the Technical Delegate and the Referee on technical matters within closed the competition area. [601.4]

Assistant Starter - calls the competitors to the start in the correct order. [612.2]

Assistant (Manual/Hand) Timekeepers - separate and independent of electronic timing at start and finish is required. Art. 611.2.2 - Two individuals operate manual timekeeping equipment; one maintains complete record with registered times of all competitors. [612.5]

Chief Gate Judge - organizes/supervises work of Gate Judges; designates gates to supervise; places them in position. At end 1st run/end of race, will collect control cards for delivery to Referee. Should distribute to each Gate Judge material needed; be prepared to offer assistance either to help keep spectators off the course, or to help maintain the course, etc. Should make sure that the numbering and the marking of the gates are done within the required time. [601.3.5]

Chief of Calculation - responsible for quick and accurate calculation of results; supervises immediate duplication of unofficial results/publication of official results after expiration of protest time, or after any protests. [612.7]

Chief of Course - responsible for preparation of courses in accordance with decisions of race committee and Jury. He should be familiar with local snow conditions on terrain concerned. [601.3.2] Chief of Course must have access to all necessary equipment and should lead the course crew and be responsible for dispatch of the course crew during the event.

Chief of Course Equipment - responsible for provision of all equipment/any tools for preparation/maintenance of courses, conduct of race, diffusion of information when these duties have not specifically been assigned to another official. [601.3.9.2]

Chief of Medical and Rescue Services - responsible for organizing adequate first aid, medical coverage during official training periods/actual competition. Should verify that telephone or radio communication is available over entire length of course and coordinate plans with CR before start of official training. Race doctor should meet with team doctor to coordinate plans. He should be in telephone or radio communication with his assistants. [601.3.8]

Chief of Race/technical director - directs/controls work of all officials, summons meetings of race committee for consideration of technical questions and acts as chairman of team captains' meetings after consultation with TD. [601.3.1]

Chief of Timing and Calculation - responsible for coordination of officials at start and finish, including timing and calculations. In agreement with Jury, decides interval between starts in slalom. [805.1] Following officials under his directions: Starter, assistant starter, start recorder, chief timekeeper, assistant timekeepers, finish controller, chief of calculation/assistants [601.3.6]

Chief Steward - is responsible for keeping spectators off the course. [601.3.9.1]

Chief Timekeeper - is responsible for accuracy of timing; synchronizes watches with starter as shortly before and after race as is possible; should publish unofficial times as quickly as possible (on scoreboard, etc.); if electronic timing fails, should communicate immediately with start referee and the TD. [612.4]

Course Setter - with proof of appropriate experience, is nominated at team captains' meeting. If setting a DH, should be acquainted with peculiarities of particular racecourse. The Course Setter must consider the terrain, the snow cover and the caliber of the competitors. Sets the racecourse under supervision of the Jury; the Jury is responsible for the course. [603]

Finish Controller - supervises section between last gate and finish [612.6] supervises proper crossing of finish line according to art. [611.3.1] Records order of finishing of all racers who complete course. [612.6]

Finish Referee - must remain at Finish from beginning of official inspection time until the end of the training/race; makes sure rules for organization of finish and in-run and out-run of finish are observed; supervises finish controller, timing/crowd control; must be able to communicate immediately with the Jury at all times; reports to Referee names of DNF competitors and informs Jury of all rule infringements; mark Finish with coloring substance [601.3.4, 615.2]

Gate Judges - responsible for supervision of one or more gates; should observe accurately; whether passage of competitor was correct through his area of observation; should also fulfill a number of other important functions described in detail under article [660]

Jury Advisor – A general category of Alpine Officials' classification describing those individuals serving as Start Referee or Finish Referee. JA classification is used to record work history for those positions; they are in radio communication with the Jury.

Race Secretary - responsible for all secretarial work for technical aspects of competition/preparation of draw; should verify that official results contain information required by Art. [617.3.4]. Responsible for minutes of race committee, Jury/Team Captains' meetings; should verify all forms for start, finish, timing, calculation, and gate judging are well prepared, handed over to officials concerned; receives protests; should facilitate calculation of results by appropriate preparation and then verify they

are duplicated/published as quickly as possible after completion of competition.
[601.3.7]

Referee - draws start numbers; inspects course immediately after it is set, alone or accompanied by members of Jury; may change course; receives reports of Start/Finish Referees about rules infractions/gate faults at end of 1st run/end of race and posts immediately on Official Notice Board also at Finish a list of recommended sanctions; signs Report/Referee; works very closely with TD; in critical cases, directions of TD binding. [All sections of 601.4.6, 601.4.7, 601.4.10]

Start Recorder - responsible for recording actual start times. [612.3]

Start Referee - must remain at the Start from beginning of official inspection time until the end of the training/race; makes sure regulations for start and start organization are properly observed; determines late/false starts; must be able to immediately communicate with the Jury at all times; reports name of NPS and DNS competitors to Referee; informs Jury of all infringements against the rules such as false/or late start or other violations against the rules for equipment. The Start Referee must verify that reserve bibs are at the start. [613, 601.3.3]

Starter - should synchronize his watch with those of assistant starter, and by telephone or radio with chief timekeeper within ten minutes of start; is responsible for warning signal and start command as well as for accuracy of the intervals between these signals; assigns supervision of competitors to assistant starter. [612.1]

Technical Delegate - makes sure rules and directions of U.S. Ski & Snowboard/FIS are adhered to; sees that event runs faultlessly; advises organizers within scope of duties; is official representative of FIS; casting vote in case of tie; TD decides on questions which are not covered or are insufficiently covered by the Alpine Competition Regulations (ACR) or the FIS Rules (ICR), in so far as these have not already been decided by the Jury and do not fall within the scope of other authorities. [601, 602]

Technical Advisor - appointed by Committee for Alpine Skiing for all categories of races to support the Jury; has right to express opinion within Jury; has no vote. [601.4.11]

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