

Go Pro Big Mountain Challenge

Ages 12-14, and 15-18 Ski & Snowboard

MARCH 21-March 23, 2014

IFSA regional "Ride the Divide Series"



ATHLETE COMPETITION SCHEDULE

FRIDAY March 21, 2014

Day 1: Check-In Day

- 09:00am Venues Announced
- 12:00pm-03:00pm Venue Inspection
- 04:00pm Athlete Meeting – One Ski Hill Grill

SATURDAY March 21, 2014

Qualification: 12-14, 15-18

- 07:30am-08:30am Check-In- T-Bar
- 08:30am Athlete lift load
- 09:00am-10:00am Venue Inspection
- 10:15am Qualification Start
- 1:00pm Finals Start
- 3:30pm Awards

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2014

Day 3: Weather Day (if needed)

Schedule TBA

Avalanche Transceiver Mandatory in Venue

*The schedule is subject to change due to weather and conditions. Please attend athlete meetings for updates.

Breckenridge

EVENT SPECIALS

Lift Tickets	Athlete: \$35 Parent: \$55 Available at Peak 8 ticket windows
Lodging	Ask for Spring Fever deals

EVENT CONTACTS

Competition Director	David Little
Technical Director	Chris Carson
Head Judge	Rex Wehrman
Event Coordinator	Nicole Kotsos
Venue Chief	Keith McHugh

CONTACTS

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SPECIAL THANKS

Go Pro, Breckenridge Resort, Coaches, Parents, Team Summit Colorado

Partners

Breckenridge Ski Resort IFSA Team Summit Colorado

ATHLETE GUIDELINES

I Membership

1. All competitors who compete in an IFSA event must be registered members of the IFSA for that membership year.
2. The membership year is from October 1-September 30 of the following year.
3. Membership fees are non refundable
4. The IFSA board will set the membership fee for each year.
5. Members may register as both a snowboarder and a skier under one membership number.
6. Association members agree to complete all forms and paperwork accurately.
7. Association members will have personal health insurance during all events.

II Required to Compete

1. Health insurance
2. Helmets
3. IFSA Membership
4. Waiver signed by legal guardian (unless 18 years in US and 19 years in Canada). Coaches may not sign waivers.
5. Lift tickets for each day of competition (not included in registration fee)
6. Attendance at athlete meetings is mandatory

III Safety Equipment

1. Helmets are required
2. Event host has the right to require additional safety equipment such as back protectors, beacons, avy kits, etc...
3. Athlete must have safety equipment required by the event host
4. Additional safety equipment is encouraged. Examples are: back protectors, hip pads, and mouth guards.
5. Athlete must have proof of individual insurance at check-in and have it available for the duration of the competition.

IV Athlete Code of Conduct

1. Competitive members of the Association will abide by local, regional, state and federal law while participating in an Association event.
2. To maintain a professional image, the Association must regulate and enforce rules of competition and codes of conduct. The Association reserves the right to impose suspension or expulsion of any Association competitive member as determined on a case-by-case basis.
3. Association Members must observe all rules and codes of conduct of the host mountain.
4. Competitors must act in a professional manner and exercise good judgment.
5. Association Members will treat each other, promoters/organizers, sponsors, and the general public with respect and courtesy.
6. Association members will refrain from use of abusive language or behavior.
7. Association members will not slander sponsors in any way.
8. Association competitive members will in no way steal, deface, or destroy sponsors' or organizers' equipment or signage.

V Judging Categories

1. **Line Choice:** Each competitor chooses his/her line or route down the course. High scores are given for choosing difficult routes. Difficulty is determined by steepness, exposure, air, snow and course conditions.
2. **Control:** Competitors must remain in control at all times. Any loss of control will result in a lower score. Skillful recoveries will reduce penalties.
3. **Fluidity:** Constant direction towards a goal. This includes continuity, pace, and smooth transitions between sections of the course. Falling or stopping can have a negative impact in this category
4. **Technique:** Competitors are judged on style and turn quality relating to big mountain freeriding.
5. **Style & energy:** This encompasses the pace, energy and creativity with which a competitor attacks or descends his/her chosen line or route. Style focuses on freestyle execution of maneuvers.

VI Judging Format

1. Line choice score will be established by the head judge and concurred by the rest of the judging panel. Line choice is not relative to how it is ridden. Line Choice is the difficulty of the terrain. All other scores are directly related to Line Choice score.
2. Scores in the other categories control, fluidity, technique, and style & energy may only exceed the line score by 3 points.
3. Falling and unsuccessfully landing jumps, cliff drops, or airs of any kind will have a significant negative impact on judging categories control, fluidity and technique.
4. Tricks, and freestyle maneuvers are may be awarded in style & energy, technique, fluidity and control categories. Juniors may only go 3 above in this category.
5. Control is the second category judged. If a competitor loses control in a no fall zone, determined by the head judge, scores in the remaining categories will not exceed the Control points by 2 points.
6. No fall zones are not allowed in junior events. If an area has enough consequence to be considered a no fall zone it should be closed to juniors.
7. The technical director, with input from the head judge, will make competitor cuts after every run.

VII Judges

1. If judges are separated throughout the venue, due to the length of a venue or weather, radios must be used to establish a clear venue with each judge announcing "Venue Clear".
2. If judges are separated throughout the venue, each judge will score all categories, including line in their respective zone.
3. Judges will give the competitor scores to a scorekeeper throughout the competition for score tabulation.
4. All decisions made by the judges are final and may not be protested. Scores are reviewed at the end of the day before they are made public. This is to identify any clerical errors. Scores may not be changed based on preference or subjectivity.
5. The technical director and head judge may cancel a run or day due to weather and/or visibility. Cancellation will be announced at the completion of an entire run or before the start of a run.
6. In the event that it is necessary to cancel the remaining athletes in a division part

way through the field, the technical director will be allowed to resume competition the following day in the same order as the previous day by running the entire division.

VIII Competition Rules

1. Competitor and both skis must cross the finish line. Competitors who do not cross the finish line with both skis will be disqualified. The ski does not have to be on the foot of the athlete and can be carried across the finish line. Poles, goggles, helmet cams, etc. may be left behind on venue without penalty.
2. Competitors are not required to cross the finish line with their poles or any other non-essential equipment.
3. Judging continues into the finish area.
4. Falling or entering the finish area out of control will negatively affect a competitor's score.
5. Competitors will not enter the finish area in a manner that affects spectators, crew or personal safety.
6. Competitors must finish their run in the finish area and time will not stop until the athlete does so.
7. Inverted aerials are up to the discretion of the host site/organizer.
8. Each course is assigned a generous time limit by the judges after the forerunners have completed their run. The time limit must be communicated to the starter and to the athletes. Competitors who do not cross the finish line in the allotted time will receive a time disqualification (TDQ).
9. Starting positions will be determined by a random sort and not reflect the number assigned.
10. If a competitor is disqualified for riding in a closed zone, the competitor will be notified within five minutes upon completion of the run.

IX Competitor Responsibility During Competition

1. It is the responsibility of the competitor to make their start time.
2. Athletes must understand their riding ability level.
3. Junior athletes shall consult with their coach about line choice.
4. In case of crash and/or loss of equipment, the athletes shall refrain from riding additional features that may further delay the competition.
5. Helmets are required at all times when inspecting, competing, or riding within the venue.
6. Competitor bib/sticker must be worn during inspection and competition.
7. Competitors who miss their start and believe it was due to circumstances outside of their control must refer to the starter. The starter will consult with the technical director. The technical director has the final say. An athlete may run last if there is ample time.
8. Ride in control and obey all slow signs when riding outside of the venue.

VI Protests

1. Protests are to be filed only due to run interference.
2. All scores are final. Scores will not be changed or adjusted.
3. The only protest concerning scoring will be if the athlete wishes to pay the protest fee of \$25 to check addition of scoring.

4. If the technical director cannot make the determination of a provisional rerun, it is up to the discretion of the head judge.
5. The technical director will decide at the completion of the run or day if the provisional re-run will stand.
6. If the re-run stands, the athlete may not choose to change his/her mind and take the score of the first run.
7. If protest is unsubstantiated by another competitor it will be automatically denied.
8. Competitor protests cost \$25 immediately following the competitor's run.
9. It is the responsibility of the competitor to contact the technical director at the finish area and pay \$25.
10. The technical director may grant a provisional re-run on a case by case basis only after the collection of the protest fee.
11. It is the responsibility of the competitor to substantiate their protest.
12. Under no circumstances may a competitor protest to the judges.

X Venue Inspection

1. On-venue inspection is mandatory for all athletes at all events.
2. During inspection, athletes must be aware of everyone else around them.
3. Slow riding is mandatory during venue inspection.
4. The technical director and/or any judge may disqualify a competitor from the competition for riding fast or recklessly during inspection.
5. Athletes may not session a line during inspection or jump/drop any features on the venue. Both infractions may result in disqualification from the event.
6. In blind areas, it is advised that athletes verbally announce themselves to make others aware of their presence.
7. Athletes are to be respectful of fellow athletes, coaches, and officials during inspection.

XI Terrain Enhancement

1. Building of jumps or modifying natural terrain to benefit a competitor's own line may be acceptable if it does not interfere with another possible line, is permitted by the local host site and must be approved by the technical director. This policy must be announced at the earliest opportunity to all competitors and coaches.
2. Types of enhancement:
 - None: No alteration of terrain
 - Soft: Athletes may make minor alterations to the terrain with equipment on their feet (i.e. side-stepping on in-run or landing, moving snow with skis or snowboard on). No shovels.
 - Medium: Athletes may alter terrain with ski and snowboard equipment off. No shovels.
 - Full: Athletes may use shovel work to create new features and enhance existing features.
3. Enhancement construction must be completed the day before the event begins.
4. Enhancement during inspection on the day of the event is grounds for DQ.
5. If a venue has limited features, the TD may enhance the venue to create a more challenging and safe venue.

COMPETITION, RACING AND TRAINING WARNING, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE OF LIABILITY & INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING. THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY & WAIVER OF CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS.

1. The person who is taking part in ski or snowboard racing, competition, or training activities as an athlete, coach, staff member, or other participant is referred to as "Participant." The "Undersigned" means the Participant and, when the Participant is under 18, it includes the Participant's parent or legal guardian. The Undersigned understands that skiing, snowboarding, race training, competition, ski or snowboard testing, wax testing, using freestyle terrain or terrain park features, performing any other training or competition related activities, and/or using any of the facilities of the ski area, including but not limited to use of the lifts, ski slopes, trails, and other equipment, for any purpose (the "Activity"), can be **HAZARDOUS AND INVOLVE THE RISK OF PHYSICAL INJURY AND/OR DEATH.**
2. The Undersigned understands the dangers and risks of the Activity and that the Participant, as a "skier" (as may be defined by statute or other applicable law), **ASSUMES ALL INHERENT DANGERS AND RISKS.**
3. The Undersigned understands that he or she is expressly **acknowledging and assuming additional risks and dangers that may result in property damage, physical injury and/or death above and beyond the inherent dangers and risks of the Activity, including but not limited to:** Falling; exercising; free skiing; following the direction of an instructor or guide; avalanches; cornices; suffocation; crevasses; equipment malfunction, failure or damage; improper use or maintenance of equipment; slick, icy or uneven surfaces; loss of balance; rugged mountainous terrain; bumps; tree wells; downed timber; rocks; holes; debris; marked and unmarked obstacles; drainage channels; varying visibility; unmaintained or unmarked trails/roads; trail obstructions; the negligence of Participant, an instructor (including selection of terrain that exceeds Participant's ability), or others; Participant's failure to comply with signage; collisions with natural or man-made objects or other people; encounters with snowmobiles and/or other motor vehicles; becoming lost or separated; lack of shelter; lift loading, unloading, and riding; storms, lightning, hail, snow and other adverse weather; limited access to and/or delay of medical attention; Participant's health condition; strenuous activity; exhaustion; dehydration; hypothermia; altitude sickness; frostbite; and/or mental distress from exposure to any of the above. **THE UNDERSIGNED UNDERSTANDS THAT THE DESCRIPTION OF THE RISKS IN THIS AGREEMENT IS NOT COMPLETE AND VOLUNTARILY CHOOSES FOR PARTICIPANT TO PARTICIPATE IN AND EXPRESSLY ASSUME ALL RISKS AND DANGERS OF THE ACTIVITY, WHETHER OR NOT DESCRIBED HERE, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN, INHERENT OR OTHERWISE.**
4. Participant assumes the responsibility of maintaining control at all times while engaging in the Activity and for reading, understanding and complying with all signage, including instructions on the use of lifts. Participant must have the physical dexterity and knowledge to safely load, ride and unload the lifts. The Undersigned understands that a minor Participant may use the ski lifts without an adult present. The Undersigned acknowledges that snowmobiles, snowmaking equipment, and snow-grooming equipment may be encountered at any time, and that falls, collisions, and injuries occur and are common.
5. The Undersigned agrees that the Participant is a competitor at all times, whether practicing for competition or in competition, that Participant shall inspect the training and competition courses prior to participating in the Activity, and that Participant assumes the risk of all course conditions, including but not limited to course construction, layout and obstacles.
6. Additionally, in consideration for allowing the Participant to participate in the Activity, **THE UNDERSIGNED AGREES TO HOLD HARMLESS, RELEASE, INDEMNIFY, AND NOT TO SUE** Vail Resorts, Inc., The Vail Corporation, Heavenly Valley Limited Partnership, and all of their affiliated companies, parent companies and subsidiaries, including but not limited to the resort operator, Activity organizer, Activity promoter, United States Ski & Snowboard Association, Snow Park Technologies, LLC, the United States, and all their respective insurance companies, successors in interest, commercial and corporate sponsors, agents, employees, representatives, assignees, officers, directors, and shareholders (each a "Released Party") **FOR ANY PROPERTY DAMAGE, INJURY OR LOSS TO PARTICIPANT, INCLUDING DEATH, WHICH PARTICIPANT MAY SUFFER, ARISING IN WHOLE OR IN PART OUT OF PARTICIPANT'S PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THOSE CLAIMS BASED ON ANY RELEASED PARTY'S ALLEGED OR ACTUAL NEGLIGENCE OR BREACH OF ANY CONTRACT AND/OR EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY.**
7. The Undersigned represents that Participant is in good health and that there are no special problems associated with Participant's physical or mental condition. The Undersigned authorizes a licensed physician or other medical care provider to carry out any emergency medical care for Participant which may be necessary and agrees to be fully responsible for any costs associated with such care or transport to such care.
8. The Undersigned agrees that any and all claims for loss, injury and/or death arising from the Participant's participation in the Activity shall be governed by the law of the state where the alleged incident occurred and that exclusive jurisdiction of any such claim shall be the state or federal court in the state where the alleged incident occurred, except that all cases arising out of an alleged incident at Heavenly shall be governed by California law and the exclusive jurisdiction of any such claim will be a California court of competent jurisdiction.

9. BY SIGNING ON BEHALF OF A MINOR, THE UNDERSIGNED REPRESENTS THAT HE OR SHE IS A LEGAL PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF THE PARTICIPANT and acknowledges that the Participant is bound by all the terms of this Agreement. By signing this Agreement without a parent or legal guardian's signature, Participant, under penalty of fraud, represents that he or she is at least 18 years old. The Undersigned parent or legal guardian agrees that but for the foregoing, the minor Participant would not be permitted to participate in the Activity.

10. The Undersigned understands that this Agreement is a contract and shall be binding to the fullest extent permitted by law. If any part of this Agreement is deemed to be unenforceable, the remaining terms shall be an enforceable contract between the parties. It is the Undersigned's intent that this Agreement shall be binding upon the assignees, subrogors, distributors, heirs, next of kin, executors and personal representatives of the Undersigned. THE UNDERSIGNED AGREES TO INDEMNIFY THE RELEASED PARTIES FOR ALL LIABILITY AND CLAIMS, INCLUDING ATTORNEYS FEES, ARISING FROM ANY MISREPRESENTATIONS OR FRAUDULENT EXECUTION OF THIS AGREEMENT.

MINOR PARTICIPANT (UNDER 18) INFORMATION

MINOR PARTICIPANT – Last Name, First Name, M.I. (please print) AGE

** Parent or Legal Guardian Must Complete and Sign Below*

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE FOREGOING AGREEMENT AND UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT I AM RELEASING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS THAT I OR MY CHILD OTHERWISE MAY HAVE.

ADULT INFORMATION – PARTICIPANT / PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN

LAST NAME, FIRST NAME, M.I. (please print) X SIGNATURE DATE

ADDRESS – Street Address/Mailing Address (please print) City, State Zip Code

DATE OF BIRTH (MM-DD-YYYY) EMERGENCY CONTACT RELATION PHONE NUMBER