



2025 BRITISH ARTIFICIAL SLOPE SCHOOLS SKIING CHAMPIONSHIPS- Bulletin 1

Swadlincote DE11 8LP: Sunday November 23rd 2025

ESSKIA is pleased to invite each Home Nation Schools Snowsport association to enter teams in the 2025 British Schools Ski Championship Races to be held at Swadlincote.

Team places are allocated by the National Schools Organisations of England, Scotland and Wales as follows:

Wales	13
England	18
Scotland	14
Total teams	45

Please note the National Schools Organisations of England, Scotland and Wales have agreed to use the following gender classes in competition: OPEN (male sex at birth, transgender, non-binary) or FEMALE (female sex at birth). The team competition will comprise Female, Open and Mixed categories as set out below.

Within England those teams qualifying via the Male gender category at the English Open Championships will proceed into the Open gender category in this race.

Individual Entries

Individuals who finish in the top 5 places overall at their own national champs, but who's team did not qualify are eligible to attend the British Champs and compete as an individual. Individuals who meet this criteria will be invited by their National Schools Organisations of England, Scotland and Wales. No other Individual Entries are possible.

Teams

Schools are invited to enter Teams into this race at the invitation of their National Association, normally based on the results of national qualifying Races. The Championships is for teams of four bona fide pupils from one school.

Teams must be made up as follows:

Female Teams – 4 team members, minimum 3 members

Open Teams – 4 team members, minimum 3 members

Mixed Teams – 4 team members consisting of 2 female and 2 open category team members, minimum 3 team members

Substitutions are permitted but must not change the original team category. No skier may race in two different teams. (Within England: see substitution rules as set out in Bulletin 1 for the English Open Championships).



The Race

The race will comprise two runs of a slalom course.

The team time will be the aggregate of the three fastest individual times per run. The race will be run under FIS rules as amended for artificial slope racing. The Race Committee shall have the power to waive or vary Race and Entry conditions if, in their view, the situation warrants it.

Whilst the fastest three times will count towards the team composite time on each run, the combined total of times from both runs will be used to calculate an individual's time.

Mixed Team results will be based upon the aggregate of the three fastest individual times per run.

If a Team turns up to race with fewer than the minimum number of skiers, those competitors **will** be allowed to race and will be included in Individual Results only.

AS A TEAM-COMPETITION, THE PROHIBITION ON STOPPING / HIKING WILL BE DISAPPLIED.

In the event that a qualifying team does not wish to take up its place at the Finals the team is encouraged to inform their National Schools Organisation either directly or via the Race Secretary in order that consideration can be given to inviting a team which failed to qualify.

Refreshments

There will be refreshments available for purchase from the Lodge at the ski centre.

Accommodation

Swadlincote and the surrounding area has a wide range of accommodation available. It is recommended that bookings are made as early as possible.

Ski Slope Location

John Nike Leisuresport, Sir Herbert Wragg Way, Swadlincote DE11 8LP. Telephone: [01283 890089](tel:01283890089)

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Parking

Parking will be at the Ski Slope. No unauthorised overnight parking is permitted.
Entrance opposite Morrison's Petrol Station.

Photography

ESSKIA operates an Opt-In policy in respect of photography. Team Managers can Opt-In in respect of their individual athletes at the time of entry via the ESSKIA Race Entry Website. Only the Official Photographer will be permitted to take photographs within the Race Area. The Race Area will be defined as the slope, top of the hill, start and finish areas.



Athletes are advised that members of the public (which for this purpose might include parents, team managers, other athletes, and any person not acting as a Race Official within the Race Area) are likely to be either videoing or taking photographs from the public area. ESSKIA does not control and is not responsible for photography from the public area but requests that sensitivity is demonstrated and that all avoid taking photographs of athletes other than their own. Athletes are reminded that their conduct is at all times subject to the Sportsmanship rule set out below, regardless of whether they are within the Race Area or not.

Race Management

Only Race Officials are allowed on the course. This includes the “Start” and “Finish” areas. Coaches will be permitted to assist their athletes during Inspection but are reminded that they do so at their own risk. Schools are advised to ensure that their coaches are appropriately qualified.

Event Medical Plan

First Aid cover will be provided and the Event Medical Plan published on GBSKI, at Team Managers Meeting and on the ESSKIA Race Entry Website.

Risk Assessment

The Risk Assessment is published on the ESSKIA Race Entry Website.

Fees and Payment

Team Entry Fees: £70 per team
Individuals invited under the ‘Top 5’ rule: no charge

Payment: Payment details will be included on the invoice, emailed to Team Managers on entry.

Entries

Entry will be via the ESSKIA Race Entry system at <https://schoolskiracing.co.uk/ESSKIA.html>

ESSKIA members should enter using their existing logins.

Schools in Scotland or Wales should click their national flag and provide school details. Following a login approval process they can re-visit the site and on entering their password will receive an automated one-time password by email each visit.

Fully completed application forms must be submitted and payment made by Wednesday 19 November 2025.

Late entries will NOT be possible. The organisers reserve the right to exclude teams in respect of which entry fees have not been paid by the time of the competition.

Entry fees will be refunded in respect of any team which withdraws prior to the day of the event. In order to withdraw, re-visit the Race Entry system and use the Delete button next to the appropriate team. A new, reduced, invoice will be issued and you should pay only the final invoice amount.



Saturday Training

There is an open practice session for held for racers ahead of the British School Championships on the Sunday. Session will Start at 5pm on Saturday 22nd November and each session will last 45 minutes. Early booking is advised as places are limited to 40 per session.

Times

- Session 1: 17.00 - 17.45
- Session 2: 17.45 - 18.30
- Session 3: 18.30 - 19.15
- Session 4: 19.15 - 20.00

Cost is £10 per person per session.

Bookings can be made either online at: <https://www.jnlswadlincote.co.uk/> or by phone 01283 890089



CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Officials: This event is organised by ESSKIA, however it will be necessary to call upon additional assistance in terms of officials on the day of the event. Each team will be expected to contribute one official. We will be sending a separate email requesting specific roles are fulfilled, your assistance and cooperation in this matter is appreciated. Officials are asked to report promptly for briefings and to be in their designated post.

Attire: Racers must wear suitable protection for arms and legs including long trousers, long sleeve shirt, which must cover the midriff, and gloves.

Helmets: Ski helmets must be worn as set out in the [GB Competitive Skiing Regulations](#). It is advisable for pupils to wear their own helmet. Slopes have very few to rent/borrow. No cameras, camera mountings, coverings or stickers are allowed.

Bungs on Poles: Under Snowsport England safety rules, competitors must either use the slope's ski sticks, or ensure that their own poles have tip protectors (rubber bungs) with a minimum of 15mm diameter.

***Athletes who present at the start gate without appropriate attire, helmet
or without bungs will not be permitted to start.***

Insurance Cover

All racers are required to hold a minimum of 3rd Party Civil Liability Insurance Cover. Schools are responsible for ensuring, and required to confirm, that this Insurance is in place for their team/s. Within England this is included within ESSKIA membership. If further advice is required please contact the Race Organiser.

Personal Equipment

You may use your own equipment, but no liability can be accepted for any damage or loss that may be caused to such equipment. **Your own equipment is used entirely at your own risk.**

Sportsmanship

We wish to remind all racers, coaches, parents and spectators that appropriate personal conduct is expected at all ESSKIA events. Whilst a competitive atmosphere is to be encouraged, inappropriate or unsportsmanlike behaviour will not be tolerated and can ultimately lead to sanctions, including disqualification and / or suspension from ESSKIA events. Examples of such behaviour include: equipment abuse, swearing, aggressive behaviour, discrimination of any form, heated arguments, disrespect shown to any official or volunteer.

All ESSKIA events are "family friendly" environments with appropriate behaviour to be demonstrated at all times.

British Schools Ski Championships

English Schools Skiing Association

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SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23rd – SWADLINCOTE DE11 8LP

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

07:30	Access for officials <u>ONLY</u>
08:00	Gates open, Bib Issue from race office
08.15 – 08.45	Girls' practice. Bibs must be worn with the number visible.
08.30	Team Managers' Meeting, race office in the bar, upstairs in lodge. followed immediately by the Officials Meeting.
08.45 – 09.15	Open practice. Bibs must be worn with the number visible.
09.15	Course Setting
09.30 – 09.50	Girls' course in location. Athletes must NOT ski the course
09.50 – 10.10	Open course inspection. Athletes must NOT ski the course
10.10 am	Start of Race. Forerunners, Run 1 followed by Forerunners, Run 2

At the end of Run 2 protocol will be issued.

Depending upon the number of entries and time allowing, it is proposed to run a fun head-to-head dual-salom team event 'Nation vs Nation'. It is envisaged that each Nation will enter two teams of seven athletes, all teams to race each other for points.

Followed by Prizegiving on the patio between the lodge and the slope.

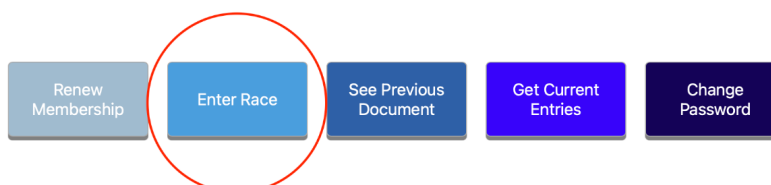


ENTRY SYSTEM

1. To enter please go to our race-entry system at <https://schoolskiracing.co.uk/esskia.html>
2. Existing ESSKIA member schools should login using one of the email addresses registered to their account. The email address and password will be the same as the one used last year and for the Indoor Championships (but may be different to that for competitions organised by other organisations managed via the same site).
3. Schools in Scotland or Wales should click their national flag and provide details, following an approval process will be emailed a one-time password. Scottish and Welsh schools should **NOT** 'Renew Membership'



English Schools' Skiing Association Race Entry System



4. Select the “**ESSKIA26 / Esskia Championships 2025/26**” series, and “**British Finals**” from the dropdown.

RACE SERIES

ESSKIA25 / ESSKIA Championships 2024/25 / CLOSED ▾
ESSKIA 24/25 - Dry Heats - Aldershot / 2024-09-21 / CLOSED to entries ▾

5. Complete the short online entry form providing details of your school and submit. Your entries will be saved and can be edited any time up to the closing date for the race.



6. Complete your team submission and submit.

Your entries will be saved and can be edited any time up to the closing date for the race. The rules of entry are reiterated at the top of the screen. Rows will turn green to signify that data has been validated against the rules.

For English schools teams will be pre-populated and you should **NOT** add additional teams.

Note that during drafting you may have teams which do not fully conform to the rules, or even “empty teams”. In order to preserve the data for editing later select the “Details Later” tag.



English Schools' Skiing Association Race Entry System

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ESSKIA24 / ESSKIA 23/24 - Dry Heats - Chatham

Please read before completing Team Sheet

Compulsory Fields: Fields with grey background are optional. All other fields **MUST** be filled.

Photography: Note that Esskia operates a 'positive confirmation' policy in respect of Photography. If not selected it will be assumed that you do not consent to photography.

Team Numbers: Teams in Category 1 must have a minimum of 2, maximum of 3 athletes.

Teams in Category 2-5: must have a minimum of 3, maximum of 4 athletes.

Team Composition: Mixed teams must comprise of not 1 member of the same sex.

(NG, NMG or NMG in Cat 1; NMG, NMG, NMG in Cat 2)

Completed athletes are highlighted in green. Unless highlighted in green the athlete will not be saved as part of the team.

To enter a team but specify members later, select the "Details Later" checkbox beneath the team name. You can use this function when you enter before teams are known, when teams have been partly populated but are not yet to complete, and after teams are complete but still subject to change before final submission.

Illegal teams will **NOT** be submitted unless the details later flag is ticked. Use this function **ONLY** to help with drafting. If a team is illegal on race day it will be disqualified.

Team Sheet

Add Junior Team Add Senior Team

Team: A Cat: 1 Gender: Male Comp: 3 Type: Junior Details Later: ☐

Volunteer: Team Official

Family Name	First Name	DOB	School Year	Cat	Gender	Photo	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
W	W	01/09/2012	6	1	Male	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
W	W	01/09/2012	6	1	Male	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
W	W	01/09/2012	6	1	Male	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight

Delete Team

Team: B Cat: 2 Gender: Male Comp: 4 Type: Senior Details Later: ☐

Volunteer: Team Official

Family Name	First Name	DOB	School Year	Cat	Gender	Photo	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
S	S	01/09/2011	7	2	Male	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
S	S	01/09/2011	7	2	Male	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
S	S	01/09/2011	7	2	Male	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
S	S	01/09/2011	7	2	Male	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight

Delete Team

Team: C Cat: Team Category Gender: undefined Comp: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Type: Senior Details Later: ☒

Volunteer: Team Official

A senior team (Category 2/3/4/5) must contain either 3 or 4 members

Family Name	First Name	DOB	School Year	Cat	Gender	Photo	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
Family Name	First Name	04/04/2024	Year	TBC	Select	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
Family Name	First Name	04/04/2024	Year	TBC	Select	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
Family Name	First Name	04/04/2024	Year	TBC	Select	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight
Family Name	First Name	04/04/2024	Year	TBC	Select	☐	Boot Size	Ski Length	Height	Weight

Delete Team

Submit

7. Download copies of your invoice and forms for entry. For your convenience these will also be sent to you by email. Send the Invoice to your Finance department and ask them to pay for your entries!

INCASE OF ANY QUERIES, OR IF YOU EXPERIENCE DIFFICULTIES WITH THE RACE ENTRY SYSTEM WEBSITE, PLEASE CONTACT THE ESSKIA RACE SECRETARY BY EMAIL OR TELEPHONE:

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