

CCBC Glide Waxing Protocol for Midget Age Categories and Younger

Preamble:

At the CCC AGM held in June 2014, Divisions discussed the cost barriers to participation in our sport. As a result of this discussion it was agreed to discourage the use of high fluoro wax application for young skiers (defined as the Midget category and younger) at provincial and local races. Cross Country BC is therefore adopting a 'No Fluoro/Low Fluoro' policy for all Midget age categories and younger for the 2014/15 ski season. Alberta, Ontario and Quebec are expected to adopt a similar protocol for this season as well.

Further consultation with the ski community will be undertaken later in the 2014/2015 season at which time we will be requesting feedback from coaches, parents and wax technicians regarding the implementation of this protocol.

Protocol:

Cross Country BC respectfully requests all coaches, wax technicians, and parents abide by a self-governed protocol while waxing skis for athletes racing in the Midget age categories and younger. This request applies to all local, regional and provincial events taking place in British Columbia (e.g. club races, loppets, regional cup races, BC Cup races, BC Championships, BC Midget Championships and the BC Winter Games). This request also applies to athletes traveling to BC from out-of-province or out-of-country.

The recommended **glide** waxing protocol is as follows:

- Non-Fluoro (NF) or Low Fluoro (LF) glide waxes ARE permitted
- Medium Fluoro (MF) or High Fluoro (HF) glide waxes are NOT permitted
- Pure Fluoro glide waxes (powders, pucks, blocks and liquid) are NOT permitted
- Cold weather powder additives and hardeners are NOT permitted

The adherence to this protocol is self-governed and is the responsibility of the coaches, parents and wax technicians.

Note that this protocol does not extend to National level events held in BC (e.g, Western Canadian Championships). Nor does it extend to Midget-age athletes racing up into a Juvenile category or older.