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The Event

1. The RN Alpine Championships 2012 will be held in Tignes Val Claret in the French Alps from Saturday 7 to Saturday 21 January under the auspices of the Royal Navy Winter Sports Association (RNWSA), with the authorisation of the Director Navy Physical Development (DNPD).

2. The Championships will involve Alpine racing in Slalom (SL), Giant Slalom (GS), Super Giant Slalom (SG), Skicross, Snowboard Parallel GS, Boarder Cross and Slopestyle. Instruction will be available at Beginner and other more advanced levels in both Skiing and Snowboarding and there will also be races for Novices and Beginners in both disciplines.

Rules

3. The rules of racing are laid down in BR 9471, available on the RN Web. All competitors

MUST read these rules before competing. The document is also on the RNWSA website at www.rnwsa.co.uk. All personnel attending are reminded that appropriate insurance cover must be in place before being allowed to race. Insurance policies will be checked by officials prior to racing. Participants must also be members of the RNWSA and membership application forms can be found on the above website or, in extremis, at the venue.

Duty Status

4. In compliance with Tri-Service regulations, personnel are considered on duty when:

- Travelling to/from the authorised overseas destination.
- Taking part in official activities from departure from accommodation each day until completion of competition, training or official duties.

At all other times, participants are NOT considered to be on duty

5. All personnel attending the Championships must ensure that their parent unit is aware of their attendance, dates and adequate contact details whilst away in order that any necessary recalls may be facilitated.

CILOR

6. CILOR may be claimed through individuals' own units by serving personnel attending the Championships who are part of the organising committee and by serving personnel who achieve the following participation criteria:

- Successfully complete the beginners package for either week (4 days of instruction + race) or,
- Participate in a minimum of 3 days of official activity (to include at least 1 race).

Sports Travel

7. Regulations laid down by Joint Services DIN permit participants who meet the same criteria as for CILOR above, to travel at public expense subject to local unit travel budget approval and maximum amounts. The current regulations are as follows:

Maximum per capita sums are:

a. Those based in UK:

1. Return travel between unit and the point of departure from the UK - £50
2. Return travel between UK point of departure and the Championship venue - £125

b. Those based in Europe:

1. Return travel from the unit to the championships venue - £125

8. Claims are to be supported by appropriate receipts and travel via White Fleet vehicles is subject to the above maximum per capita sums not being exceeded.

Travel Company

9. As for previous seasons it is strongly recommended that all accommodation bookings are made through the recommended travel company which for 2012 is Event Travel Company (ETC). 2012 marks ETC's third year with RNWSA and appropriate details can be found on their website www.eventtravelcompany.com. (also linked through www.rnwsa.co.uk). The engagement of a travel company is to ensure best practice for duty of care of personnel and to provide an efficient casualty notification procedure. In addition attendees booking through ETC will benefit from savings both on the booking of the trip and in venue.

Royal Navy Sports Lottery

10. The RN Sports Lottery recognises the uniqueness of Winter Sports activities and as such supports RNWSA by the award of an annual grant to assist in the conduct of all Association disciplines. The RNWSA is the only RN Sports Association to be afforded such a grant. The RN Alpine Championships benefits from this grant and consequently, the hitherto personal award of £50 per Sports Lottery member will no longer be available.

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