

USSA Volunteer Race Worker Registration Form

Name (Please Print): _____

Address: _____

Read the following warnings carefully before signing this form. This is a waiver of certain legal rights:

Ski and snowboard competitions involve *many inherent risks, dangers and hazards*. These risks, dangers and hazards may exist at any time and at any place in and around the competition course or facility. They may threaten not only the competitors themselves, but may also threaten me as a competition worker.

Due to high speeds, slick surfaces and icy conditions, you will be at risk of being struck by competitors and/or runaway equipment. While you *must pay close attention to the intervals between competitors*, you must also be aware that such intervals are sometimes irregular. You must *pay special attention to competitor fall zones and likely trajectories of competitors* who may lose control and/or fall. If you have any questions or concerns about fall zones and/or trajectories, you should inquire with a member of the Competition Jury.

The Competition Jury is responsible for controlling the competition. You must comply with instructions of the Jury regarding opening and closing of courses, and regarding your positioning on the course. However, given the unpredictability of ski and snowboard competition and the winter mountain environment, following the advice of Competition Jury members or any other person *does not and cannot guarantee your safety*. If you believe that complying with a Competition Jury instruction would expose you to risk of injury, you should clearly state your concern to a Jury member and state your intention not to follow the instruction.

Competition equipment may be cumbersome and heavy. Exercise caution in carrying and handling such equipment to avoid injury from strain or exertion, particularly when working on steep and uneven terrain. Also, pay attention to climatic conditions and protect yourself from exposure and dehydration.

Side-slipping of race courses involves many of the risks and dangers inherent in the sport of skiing. These risks may be exacerbated by short time periods between racers in which side-slipping must be completed. If you lack advanced skiing skills or are otherwise unwilling to assume the risks inherent in this activity, do not participate in side-slipping of courses.

Consumption of alcohol or illegal drugs by race workers in USSA competitions is strictly prohibited.

By affixing my signature below, I represent that I am over the age of eighteen (18) years, have read the foregoing warnings and in spite of the risks, dangers and hazards involved in such activities, I nevertheless choose to volunteer my services as a USSA Race Worker. By so doing, I agree to release, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the United States Ski and Snowboard Association, its employees, affiliates, insurers, and sponsors from any and all claims arising from my participation as a race worker. I also understand and agree that as a volunteer I am not entitled to workers compensation coverage for injuries arising from my participation in these activities and agree not to seek coverage under USSA's workers compensation insurance.

Signature

Date