



Alpine Technical Committee Terms of Reference

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Alpine Technical Committee (ATC) is to assist the Alpine Sub-Committee (ASComm) in the implementation of the Alpine strategy and lead all technical matters pertaining to the annual delivery of the competitive Alpine disciplines in New Zealand.

2. Membership

The ATC shall comprise of a minimum of four (4), one of which must be the elected member of SSNZ, and have a maximum of eight (8) people as follows:

- a. An employee of Snow Sports NZ allocated by the Chief Executive with responsibility for that Snow Sport, who shall be required to attend all meetings of the ATC (unless otherwise directed by the Chief Executive) but shall have no voting rights;
- b. Three (3) other people with exceptional Alpine technical skills and experience appointed by the ASComm. Formally recognised representative bodies of Alpine ski racing may recommend individuals for these appointments, and such recommendations will be accepted by the ASComm unless it has good reason to reject such recommendations; and
- c. One (1) other person (who must be a Member of Snow Sports NZ) elected by the Members who designated Alpine as their Designated Snow Sport. This election shall be held just prior to the annual Alpine Forum on a date approved by the Chief Executive or if filling a vacancy under SSNZ Constitution Rule 21.8b, at a forum called by the ATC for this purpose. Each Individual Member shall be entitled to one (1) vote at each such forum.
- d. One (1) other person who is an active or retired Alpine athlete appointed by the ASComm and as in 2b above regarding formally recognised representative bodies but shall have no voting rights.
- e. One (1) other person who is a Ski Areas Association NZ (SAANZ) Alpine representative appointed by the ASComm and SAANZ may recommend individuals for these appointments, and such recommendations will be accepted by the ASComm unless it has good reason to reject such recommendations
- f. The Alpine Director who shall also be the Chairperson.
- g. The Chief Executive shall be an ex-officio member and may attend any meeting of the ATC.
- h. The quorum for the ATC shall be one-third of the total number of voting ATC members, and in any event no less than four (4) members.

2.1. Term of Office

The term of office for all members of the ATC (other than the Alpine Director and the employee allocated by the Chief Executive in Rule 2a shall be two (2) years, commencing at the conclusion of the Alpine Forum at which their election is effective, and expiring at the conclusion of the second forum after their election. Each member of the ATC shall have the right to be re-appointed or re-elected for further terms of office.

3. Operating Principles

- a. At all times work with the ASComm to align with the strategic goals of the Alpine Strategy in the conduct of ATC Responsibilities described hereunder;
- b. The ATC may invite to committee meetings additional members of management, staff and athletes and such other persons as it deems necessary to provide appropriate information and explanations;
- c. Consider the interests of Alpine and Snow Sports generally;
- d. At all times act in good faith and in the best interest of Snow Sports New Zealand;
- e. Be bound by all ATC decisions and act in accordance with the principle of collective responsibility;
- f. Exercise the care, diligence and skill that a reasonable Sport Committee member would exercise in the same circumstances;
- g. disclose to the ATC and the Chief Executive the nature and extent of any interest in a transaction or proposed transaction as soon as the Sport Committee member becomes aware of the fact that s/he has such an interest. For the purposes of this Rule, an interest in a transaction or proposed transaction shall have the same meaning as defined in section 139(1) of the Companies Act 1993 (or any equivalent provision under any replacement legislation);
- h. take such other steps as determined by the ATC and the Chief Executive in respect of any interest, which may include, without limitation, abstaining from deliberations and/or any vote regarding such interest; not disclose any information that the ATC would not otherwise have available other than in his/her capacity as an ATC member, to any person, or make use of or act on the information except:
 - I as agreed by the ATC for the purposes of Snow Sports NZ
 - II as required by Law; or
 - III to persons, or for reasons identical to those specified in sections 145(2) and 145(3) of the Companies Act 1993;
- i. Make reasonable efforts to attend all forums and other meetings of the ATC
- j. use their best efforts to consult widely with Members who designated the Snow Sport of the Snow Sport Committee as their Designated Snow Sport and others in the community to keep abreast of the issues facing them, provided that this Rule shall not waive the duty of confidentiality in respect of information disclosed to them as Sport Committee members under Rule 21.9i; and
- k. positively promote Snow Sports New Zealand and not bring it into dispute.

4. Responsibilities

- a. provide high level experience and expertise in relation to technical matters affecting competitive pathway Alpine ski racing;
- b. recommend coaches, managers, selectors, officials, and other support personnel for appointment to national representative Alpine teams and squads;
- c. revise and update the rules and regulations relating to its Snow Sport, including competitions or events, conditions of entry, and including Snow Sport Competitive Events;

- d. revise and update the selection criteria for the New Zealand Alpine Ski team, all other national representative teams and squads including all pinnacle Alpine events other than the Winter Olympic Games,
- e. Support the Alpine Director in the development of an annual plan (including a calendar of events) for Alpine ski racing which is aligned to the Alpine Strategy and the Snow Sports NZ strategic plan;
- f. hold at least one (1) forum each year for those Members who designated Alpine as their Designated Snow Sport to hear their views, keep them up to date with developments in Alpine, and to elect members of the ATC; and

In addition, the ATC shall examine any other matters referred to it by the Alpine Sub-Committee.

5. Authority

- a. The Committee is authorised by the ASComm to investigate any activity covered by its functions and responsibilities.
- b. The ATC shall have no executive powers with regard to its findings and recommendations other than those bestowed by the ASComm.

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