

Life Time Sea Otter Classic

Dual Slalom Course Marshal Information

Course Marshals are front row, center stage witnesses for a world class, high energy, high profile competitive event. They are not spectators but active and proactive participants in the safety and orderly operation of the contests. Keep the riders safe, maintain the gates, and keep spectators off the course.

Safety First.

Racers are focused on moving as fast as possible down the course. For your own safety, **never turn your back to the course**. Pairs of fully geared, full speed riders and bikes, racing downhill, often airborne, can catastrophically impact your personal space before you hear, see, or sense anything coming. They can cover more ground in 3 seconds than you can walk in 30. Adaptive rider's rigs especially have a lot of mass. Stay aware.

Course Duties. Marshals are responsible for keeping the course clear, (of spectators and obstacles), and the gates functional. Gates will be damaged and need resetting. Again, **always face uphill and if you need to step aside, always move out toward the nearest fence off the course. Never between lanes!** Right after a rider passes, you have an opportunity. If more time or serious repairs are needed, radio the starting gate to close red or blue course.

Radios. You are on the air with the timing tent Officials at the Start and Finish lines. The radio's microphone is a small hole under the logo between the screen and the speaker. Protect it from the wind when you speak or we only hear static. Wait a second after pushing Talk button before speaking for the signal to transmit. **Always identify course color, issue, and location.** 'Gate down upper Red course'. 'Rider down Blue course berms.' 'Close Red Course'. 'Rider missed gate Blue course lower section'. **If you report an issue that closes the course, be certain you give the all clear when course is open and ready to resume racing.** Keep radio talk brief and on point.

Rider Down! Give them a few seconds to recover and vent before reporting, 99% will get up and off the course themselves without help. But do position yourself up the course to wave off the next rider to prevent collision if needed. Face oncoming traffic, make eye contact and with both hands forward, push palms down, signal stop. Radio gate to close red or blue lane. Do not move injured riders, tell them to stay still and breathe. Medical is on the course and at the ready.

Disqualification. Course Marshals do not disqualify anyone. We are eyes and ears on the hill for the Officials. If we are calling gates, we report 'Rider missed a gate, upper Red course'. Or, Rider on Red interfered with Blue. Officials will make determinations. A rider's front tire needs to go around the gate. Front tire between the poles through the flag is a missed gate. Many riders make a point to hit the gate on purpose with their pedals. Make sure the front wheel clears.

Spectators are known to use the course maintenance access gates to avoid going around the venue, even when racing is live. Needs to be monitored and discouraged. These gates are closed for competition but the lower gate across the Finish Line from the Timing Tent is open for Racers to enter and exit the course during inspection and practice. During inspection Racers are free to roam the course. Standard procedure requires racers to walk back to the top outside the fenced course, including Juniors, Beginners and Intermediates. Follow protocols the officials provide.

Professional Elites and Experts are exactly that and are given free reign on the course.

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You can find the complete dual slalom race schedule on the www.seaotterclassic.com website [here](#). For more information on volunteering contact: jeff@socfdn.org or melanie@socfdn.org.

— DUAL SLALOM TRACK INSPECTION & PRACTICE SCHEDULE		
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Day	Category	Time
Thursday	Elite	2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Friday	Intermediate / Beginner / Para	7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.
Friday	Elite	2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Friday	Expert / Jr Expert (Includes Jr. Expert boys/girls 15-16/17-18)	3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Friday	Juniors (NO Jr. Expert boys/girls 15-16/17-18) / Non Expert Women	4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Saturday	Expert /Jr Expert (Includes Jr. Expert boys/girls 15-16/17-18)	7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.
Saturday	Elite	2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday	Juniors (NO Jr. Expert boys/girls 15-16/17-18) / Non-Expert Women	7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Men's Dual Slalom Categories	Race Day	Start Time	Est Finish Time
Elite Men FINALS	Saturday	4:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
Expert 15-16 Men FINALS	Saturday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	12:45 p.m.
Expert 17-18 Men FINALS	Saturday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	12:45 p.m.
Expert 19-29 Men FINALS	Saturday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	12:45 p.m.
Expert 30-39 Men FINALS	Saturday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	12:45 p.m.
Expert 40-49 Men FINALS	Saturday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	12:45 p.m.
Expert 50+ Men FINALS	Saturday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	12:45 p.m.
Intermediate 19-29 Men FINALS	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Intermediate 30-39 Men FINALS	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Intermediate 40-49 Men FINALS	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Intermediate 50+ Men FINALS	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Beginner 19-29 Men FINALS	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Beginner 30-39 Men FINALS	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Beginner 40-49 Men FINALS	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Beginner 50+ Men FINALS	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 9-10 Boys FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 11-12 Boys FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 13-14 Boys FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 15-16 Boys FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 17 Boys FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 18 Boys FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Para Men	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Women's Dual Slalom Categories	Race Day	Start Time	Est Finish Time
Elite Women FINALS	Saturday	4:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m.
Expert Women FINALS (19+)	Saturday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
NON-EXPERT Women FINALS (19+)	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 9-10 Girls FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 11-12 Girls FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 13-14 Girls FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 15-16 Girls FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 17 Girls FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Junior 18 Girls FINALS	Sunday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Para Women	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Non-Binary	Friday	Qualifying 8:45 a.m./FINALS immediately after Qualifying	1:00 p.m.
Elite Men and Women Category QUALIFYING	Thursday	4:15 p.m.	5:30 p.m.