 

**NVC U14 SG Qualifier, M/W 7 February 2016**

Stowe Mountain Resort – Stowe, VT.

MT. MANSFIELD SKI CLUB

403 Spruce Peak Rd.

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Directions: <http://www.vara.org/club/mount-mansfield-ski-and-snowboard-clubs/54/>

**Eligibility:** NVC/USSA/VARA U14 Racers

**Entry:** Entry by coaches list.

**Entry Fee:** $35 lift ticket included. **Cash or check made out to MMSC. No Credit Cards at Registration!**

**To prepay by credit card go to** <http://mkt.com/teamMMSC/u-nvc-sg>

**Registration:** 7:00am – 8:00am in MMSC Club house on the second floor

Release forms MUST be signed by Parent/Guardian. Form is page 3 of this announcement.

**Race Trail:** Main St. on Big Spruce

**Team Captain’s meeting:** 7:15am in the Staff room at MMSC (Coaches tickets available at the meeting.)

**Lift for Jury and Coaches:** 7:30am

**Lift for competitors:** 8am

**Controlled free ski on Main St:** 8:15-9:00am

**Course Inspection:** 9-9:30am

**Course Closed:** 9:45am

**Training Run:** 10:00am

**Re-inspection:** 11:45am-12:15pm

**Race Starts:** 12:30pm

**Awards:** In front of the MMSC Club House after the B-net is removed from the hill.

**Parent tickets:** Voucher available at registration. Parent tickets are $89 + $5 ESC card

**Start List Preparation:** Council Ranking

**TD:** Doug Hall

USSA/VARA rules apply

**Vermont state law requires use of the safety bar on the lifts.**

Check fact sheet prior to Saturday 2/7/2016 for any changes on [www.vara.org](http://www.vara.org).

**No spectators inside the netting**

**No SG Skis on trails other than the race trail.**

**Absolutely no movement on the hill during the training run and race.**

**All B-net will be stripped from the hill after the race. Your help is much appreciated!**

To Visiting Athletes, Coaches and Parents:

**MMSC is delighted to host the U14 SG.** We hope you will enjoy the day on Spruce Peak. We have made great efforts to provide you with an excellent event.

Welcome to our club house and we are glad to host you for this event! Please remember that this is our home and to please clean up after yourself and be respectful of our members.

There is no food service at the MMSC Club House

* While visiting Stowe, please adhere to the following guidelines:
* Parking is in the MMSC Lot.
* Race Registration takes place in the MMSC Building on the 2nd floor
* Stowe’s motto is Awareness, Accountability, and Attitude. We expect proper ski etiquette while at enjoying this incredible facility: observe lift lines, ride lifts with safety bars down, watch your speed on open public trails, and treat all Mountain staff, race workers and officials with respect.

**• Don’t forget your pass. The gate will not open at the lift unless you have your pass!**

**Have a great Race Day!**

**MMSC PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT**

**EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND FORUM SELECTION AGREEMENT**

I understand and accept that participation in competitive skiing training and events, and other forms of winter mountain sports, are hazardous, with many inherent risks and resulting injuries. Therefore, in consideration of this knowledge, and being allowed to participate in Mt. Mansfield Ski Club (hereinafter MMSC) events at Mt. Mansfield Company, Inc., d.b.a. Stowe Mountain Resort, (hereinafter SMR), I freely and willingly accept and voluntarily assume all risk of property damage, personal injury, or death which occurs as a result of my participation in the **NVC U14 SG** and which occurs as a result of the inherent risks of the sports.

I further agree that the phrase "inherent risks" means those risks which are listed in this agreement, or those that can reasonably be inferred therefrom. I also agree that these risks are both obvious and necessary to these winter sports activities. I agree that these inherent risks include but are not limited to changing weather conditions; surface and/or subsurface snow conditions as they may from time to time exist and may change or be affected by weather, skier, or other participant usage (whether such conditions are surface or subsurface or consist of ice, hard pack, powder, packed powder, wind pack, corn, crust, slush, cut up snow, and/or machine made or machine enhanced snow); other risks and/or conditions including bare spots, forest growth and debris, stumps and trees, stream beds, water and/or water bars, and other such conditions, whether or not they are visible, and/ or collisions with such objects; collisions with lift towers, signs, posts, fences or other enclosures, water and/ or air pipes or other manmade structures and/or their components such as hydrants used in snowmaking or for other necessary purposes, whether or not these structures are marked, padded or shielded; collisions with well marked or plainly visible snowmobiles, snow grooming, or other over-snow vehicles or equipment; collisions with other skiers, riders or others; variations in steepness of terrain including but not limited to roads, terrain modifications, features or variations which occur naturally or as the result of slope design, feature design, weather events and/or changes, snowmaking and/or snow grooming operations, or participant usage.

Therefore, in consideration of all of the above I agree that I will not make any claim nor bring any suit for any damages, injury or death to myself, which results from any such inherent risks, as I have agreed they are defined herein. I also agree, that in the event that anyone makes any claim against SMR and/or MMSC, or any of their respective officers, directors, shareholders, agents, employees and/or volunteers as a result of any of my activities on their premises or the use of their facilities, that I will, to the fullest extent allowed by law, release from liability, defend, indemnify and hold harmless SMR and/or MMSC from such claims.

**I further agree that any dispute arising under this contract and/or from any use by me of any of the premises or facilities at SMR and/or MMSC shall be litigated exclusively in the Superior Court of Lamoille County, Vermont, or the U.S. District Court for the District of Vermont.**

This contract may also be plead as an affirmative defense to any claim that I might make as a result of any damage, injury, and/or death, which I may sustain as a result of my participation in and caused by the inherent risks of winter sports. I further agree that this contract is binding upon myself, my heirs and assigns. To the extent that I am signing this document on behalf of any minor, I represent and guarantee that I have full authority to do so realizing the full binding effect of this contract on them as well as on myself, and I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless SMR and/or MMSC for any claims brought on behalf of the minor relating to any damages allegedly sustained by the minor while he/she was participating herein I acknowledge that I have read, agree with, and understand the terms of this Express Assumption of Risks and Forum Selection Agreement and that I am signing it freely and that the terms of this contract state that I expressly assume all risk of damages, injury and/or death resulting in any way from any inherent risks of the sport in which I may participate at SMR or the MMSC. I also agree to abide by the terms of any rules of conduct for sports participants posted at SMR or contained in its seasonal trail maps or brochures or adopted by the MMSC.

This document is a legally binding contract, but is not intended to assert any claims or defenses which are prohibited by law. If any portion of this Agreement is deemed unenforceable, the remainder shall be given full force and effect.

I grant SMR and MMSC permission to use my image in advertising and promotional materials in the event it is captured on the premises.

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Printed name of Participant Signature of Participant Date

(If participant is under 18, signature of parent/legal guardian is required.)

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Printed name of Parent/Guardian Parent/Legal Guardian signature Date