



To Whom It May Concern

Central Cross Country Ski Association would like to request a special use permit for use of air rifles for the 2012 International Paralympic Committee Cross Country Ski/Biathlon World Cup. Air rifles will be use at the shooting range only during practice and competition under supervision of trained volunteers. Riffles will be stationed at the shooting range and competitors will ski without riffles during competition and training.

Police officer can be assigned at the shooting range during practice and competition for the safety purposes if necessary. Similar competitions has been done in the U.S. In the past at the state and local parks and similar competition will be stationed in Minneapolis, MN in 2012 at the city park.

About International Paralympic Committee Biathlon World Cup:

Biathlon was introduced in Innsbruck in 1988 (for athletes with a physical disability). In 1992, athletes with a visual impairment were also able to compete in Biathlon. The competition is open to athletes with a physical disability and blindness/visual impairment. It consists of a 7.5km route divided into three 2.5km stages. Between the two stages athletes must hit two targets located at a distance of 10 meters. Each miss is penalized by an increase in the overall route time. The most important success factor lies in the capability of alternating the skills of physical endurance and shooting accuracy during the competition. Athletes with blindness/visual impairment are assisted by acoustic signals, which depending on signal intensity, indicate when the athlete is on target. The sport is governed by the IPC with co-ordination by the IPC Nordic Skiing Technical Committee following the modified rules of the International Biathlon Union (IBU).

Event Tentative Schedule (biathlon range open from 9am to 3pm for practice and competition):

Jan 20, 2012 - Arrival
Jan 23, 2012 - Mon – Opening Reception
Jan 24, 2012 - Tue – course inspection
Jan 25, 2012 - Wed - CC distance race in Madison
Jan 26, 2012 - Thu - CC race distance in Madison
Jan 27, 2012 - Fri - off
Jan 28, 2012 - Sat - Biathlon race in Madison
Jan 29, 2012 - Sun - Biathlon race in Madison
Jan 30, 2012 - Mon - Departure

250 participants
150 volunteers
5,000 spectators

Shooting Range Specifications:

Gun range size: 50 meters
Distance to target: 10 meters
Number of shooting stations: 10
Number of shots per competitor: 5
Back and Side Wall Drop: heavy vinyl

Air Rifle Specifications:

Total length: 1.040 - 1.090 mm
Total height: 280 - 300 mm
Length of sight: 730 mm
Height of sight: 35 mm

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Length of barrel: 425 mm
Ø barrel: 15 mm
Caliber: 4,5 mm (.177)
Total weight: 3.600 g
Trigger: mechanical
Trigger pull: 200 - 600 g
Trigger blade adjustable: in all directions

Biathlon Range Location

Biathlon Range – Blue
Back and Side Wall Drop – Red



Sincerely,

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