

Hello All,

Please be advised that as per the **New International FIS standards**, as of last season ACA now requires FIS compliant helmets for **ALL** U14+ racing.

Label conformity with FIS specifications for racing helmets (GS/SG/DH):

Below is an example of the sticker required on the back of the helmet. This insures that the manufacturer of the helmet has met all FIS standards required for helmet safety.



Also, please be advised that back protectors (properly fitted) are **strongly recommended** for any speed racing (Super G and Downhill) and AOA will be considering adopting a mandatory rule for the 2018/19 season. ACA and FIS do not mandate back protectors for speed racing yet but we anticipate this will be the case for the 2018/19 season.

Both regulations can be found detailed in the soon to be released 2017/18 AOA Program Guidelines and the helmet rule will be enforced during the upcoming season. Retailers across the province will also be sent a memo with these specifics listed as well.

Please be advised that most ski shops that deal with racing product will have a supply of helmets with this FIS sticker. Squire John's Ski Shop in Collingwood currently has a large selection and I can confirm that the Beaver Valley Squire John's location will be open Dec. 16 and will also carry a large selection. The manager of BVSC Squires for the season will again be Matt Kentner.

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Regards

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