

# WAX RECOMMENDATION



## MESABI EAST INVITE

**Giants Ridge, Biwabik, MN -- Saturday, Jan 10**

10 A.M., 5k, Classic and Skate races

Interval starts, one lap

<https://www.skinnySKI.com/racing/display.asp?Id=56862>

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**Forecast/Conditions:** Overnight low of 18 rising to 19-22 throughout the races.

Sunday's snow has not transformed yet, although with temperature is expected to peek over 32 for a short period on a cloudy Thursday before the Friday grooming for the races. Expect an excellent course with firm skating deck and classic tracks, although uphills could become soft with heavy skier traffic. A 40 percent chance of snow during the classic race dropping to 25 percent for the skate race. Expect the snow to glaze, especially in the classic tracks.

**Glidewax:** Apply HP Red Hot Wax, scrape and brush, lightly rub on Jet Bloc Red, polish with the Rotary Brush Merino Wool, repeat the Jet Bloc rub/polish for a second coat. Examine the base after applying the Jet Bloc, making sure the base looks black and feels slippery – you should not see any wax build up. Then quickly (about 2 to 3 seconds) spray [Jet Liquid](#) Red tail to tip, let sit for 10 minutes, go ski.

**Gripwax:** Roughen base with 150 grit sandpaper, iron in Nordic Base Wax Green, cork smooth, let cool. Then apply 2-4 layers of Nordic GripWax Red, corking smooth between layers. Later skiers may wish to substitute Nordic GripWax Yellow for Red.

**Structure:** A fine or universal structure covered by one pass with the Red Structurite tool after scraping and brushing the final Hot Wax or polishing the Jet Bloc but before applying Jet Liquid will best suit these conditions.

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Check the [Wax Tips](#) page at [TokoUS.com](http://TokoUS.com) before all of your races for the latest waxing information. Toko Race Wax Tips offer racers precise waxing advice on how to make skis perform optimally for a given event. If you do not have High Performance wax, substitute Performance or Base Performance wax of the same color (Blue, Red or Yellow), as the temperature ranges are the same. For a more economical option, omit Jet topcoats. All Race Wax Tips recommend ONLY fluorine-free products. To see optimal application procedures for both Glidewax and Gripwax, go to the [How To](#) link at TokoUS.com.