

# WAX RECOMMENDATION



## AMERICAN BIRKEBEINER, ALL WAVES

### Friday morning Gripwax update!

American Birkebeiner Trail, Cable, WI – Saturday, Feb 21

8:15 A.M., 50k Skate, 53k Classic

Wave start, Point-to-point

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**Forecast/Conditions:** Overnight low in the low teens, temperature at start about 15 and afternoon high about 28. Expect partly cloudy skies, with a breeze from the northwest. There is a chance of afternoon flurries. Expect glazing machined track conditions composed of primarily old icy snow, with classic tracks having an icy glaze.

**Glidewax:** For Elite through Wave 5, apply HP Blue Hot Wax/HP Red Hot Wax mixed 1:1, scrape and brush, sprinkle on [Jet Powder](#) Blue, make two passes with iron at 180c, let cool, scrape and brush using the copper brush and polish with a merino wool roller. Then quickly (about 2 to 3 seconds) spray [Jet Liquid](#) Blue tail to tip and let sit for 1+ hours at room temperature. No need to brush or polish the Jet Liquid. For Wave 6 and later, use HP Red Hot Wax, Jet Powder Red and Jet Liquid Red.

**Gripwax:** Roughen base with 150 grit sandpaper, iron in Nordic Base Klister Green (in klister zone), heat and smooth. While still warm, for Elite-Wave 2, apply Nordic Klister Red and Klister Blue mixed 2:1 in an alternating chevron pattern, smooth, let cool. Wave 3 and up, after Base Klister Green, apply Klister Red, smooth, let cool. If using skin skis, treat skins with Eco Skin Proof. For best performance, apply Eco Skin Proof the day before the event.

**Structure:** A universal structure covered by one pass with the Blue Structurite tool (all Skate waves and Classic waves Elite through 3) after scraping and brushing the final Hot Wax or polishing the Jet Powder but before applying Jet Liquid will best suit these conditions. For Classic Wave 4 and later, use the Red Structurite tool.

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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](http://TokoUS.com).