

# WAX RECOMMENDATION



## PEPSI CHALLENGE

Giants Ridge, Biwabik, MN – Saturday, Feb 28

9 A.M. 50k/25k Classic and Skate, 8k Freestyle

Mass starts, 24k or 8k loop

<https://www.pepsichallengeskirace.com/>

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**Forecast/Conditions:** Overnight low Friday -5F after a 40 degree day. Friday afternoon a 20 percent chance of snow in blustery conditions. Temperature at the start -2F and gradually warming to 6F by noon. Mostly sunny with wind from the NW gusting into the high teens. Expect a racing platform of transformed snow with possibly some new snow mixed in that will glaze, especially in the classic tracks from skier traffic.

**Glidewax:** Apply HP Blue Hot Wax, 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.

**Gripwax:** Roughen base with 150 grit sandpaper, iron in Nordic Base Wax Green, cork smooth, let cool. Then apply alternating layers of Nordic GripWax Blue and Base Wax Green, corking between layers. Final layer should be Blue. Skiers at the front of the pack may wish to substitute Nordic GripWax X-Cold for Blue.

**Structure:** A fine structure covered by one pass with the Blue Structurite tool after scraping and brushing the final Hot Wax or polishing the Jet Powder 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.