

SNOWGUM Wodonga

Glide Waxing for Australian wet snow conditions

Skier/Boarder Type	Application Methods	Suggested Waxes	Recommended Tools
1. ENTRY LEVEL Wishing to improve skis/board performance.	Rub on solid or fluid/paste waxes.	Swix F4 (block, liquid or paste) Start Easy Wax Fluoro (block liquid & paste) Start "Dope" wipe Fluoro liquid Zardoz Notwax clean snow only.	Nil Chux superwipe or a soft cloth.
2. RECREATIONAL Wishing to get more durability from applied waxes.	Hot wax (iron on) basic Paraffin wax Hydrocarbon waxes; these waxes are "hydrophilic" attracts/absorbs water & dirty snow. LF waxes can be added as a top layer.	SWIX CH waxes Star Uni block Briko Skating Start SG Glider.	START/SWIX Groove/Edge scraper. Old household iron. Flat plastic scraper. Stiff nylon/mix brush eg. Rode, Star or Swix.
3. RECREATIONAL Club Racer, senior & Junior Ski racer/boarder Club/School ski team.	As for a recreational skier – hot wax low concentrate Fluoro carbon (LF/LA) waxes. Fluoro carbon waxes are "hydrophobic" ie. Resists water & dirt. Two layer application for best results.	Swix LF glider Star LA Low Additive Briko B3 series.	As above plus stiff horsehair brush Swix Fibertex.
4. REGULAR WEEKEND RACER Senior Junior & Masters competition.	As above plus highly concentrated Fluoro carbon solid waxes (HF/HA). Two layer application. For extra durability, use antistatic base waxes or hard wax eg. Swix CH3.	Swix HF gliders Star HA Briko B7 series HF Start SFP Fluoro HF.	Ski waxing iron temperature varies less than 4% eg. Star and Swix waxing irons. Scrapers. Bronze/Brass brush. Stiff & soft nylon brushes. Stiff horsehair brush or soft Bronze Brush.
5. SERIOUS COMPETITOR State & National Championships.	As above plus: 1. Antistatic base layer 2. Mid layer of HF or VHF very high Fluoro concentrated FC wax 3. Rub on additive top layer film Base wax Star Map Black & MAP 200 Start SG graphite Swix Graphite LF.	1 Base Wax: Star Map Black Star MAP200 Swix Graphite cold or warm Start Graphite 2. Mid Layer: LF or HF/HA waxes as above Swix HF & HFBD 10,8,7 Star HA series eg. HA2, HA4 Briko B7 series Start BM Black Magic BM2, BM4 4. Rub on top layer FC Wax Star MP10 Star MP30 Star Dice 100% Fluoro.	As above plus Polishing cork or felt pad. SWIX Racing Pro Brushes: Brass Coarse Brass Medium Brass & Nylon Blue Nylon super soft for polishing FC's
6. ELITE/ NATIONAL TEAM COMPETITORS	Three layers of waxing for optimum performance. All of the above plus iron or rub on special 100% Fluoro carbon powders and blocks.	Swix FC1's, FC2's & FC10, 8, 7 (20 & 30 Gram) Start BM5 & BM7 Star F1's & F2's Start SF99 Briko 10.1 Start Golden Line.	As above & at this level a minimum of 2 nylon & 2 horsehair brushes – brushes designated for particular waxes. Rotary brushes, corks & felt rollers are also used.

Base Structuring/Rilling is essential in Australian wet snow. Methods of structuring include hand sanding, wire brushing, hand rilling, and stone grinding.

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