

# Jon Sassi Race Wax Recommendation 2025

Weather from noaa.gov:

## **Friday**

Mostly sunny, with a high near 24. West wind 5 to 10 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

## **Friday Night**

Mostly clear, with a low around 3.

## **Saturday**

Sunny, with a high near 25.

## **Discussion:**

Many of you have heard me say it before Rumford snow always acts a touch warmer than the temperature says it is. I have 40 years of institutional knowledge on that snow, it's a fact. This won't matter as much this year with a skate only race, but keep it in mind. Snow will be mixed manmade, old and a touch of new. This usually means it will act like manmade snow.

## **Glide for The Sassi:**

Iron in Rode Graphite. Let cool and then scrape and brush well. When you are done brushing, take two more passes to make sure the ski is clean.

Iron in Rode R20 Blue or better yet Rode RX22 WC for the boy's races. For the girl's race I recommend mixing a little Rode R30 or RX32 Violet in with the Blue from the binding back to help warm the Blue wax up just a touch. Other options could be: Rode Endurance or Swix PS6 or HS6 or Marathon White. I usually only use the Swix 6 series wax in new not mixed snow though, be wary of it otherwise.

Put on Rode Racing WC Liquid Blue. This would be my number one choice for these conditions. I don't always recommend liquids when race time temperatures are at or below 20F, but this wax was very good on that snow a couple weeks ago and it has been a winner all year. You could also use Rode Racing Liquid Extra Cold or Cold. Rex G41 liquid might be decent, as could Swix HS6. After applying the liquid use the wool floppy roto brush to push it further in the ski after drying, or the Rode Felt hand brush. Then brush out using hard white nylon.

## **Structure:**

Use the Holmenkol Cross Structure Tool with a single roller and medium pressure from the back of the binding to the tail on any older skis that don't have great structure.