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WELCOME!

Welcome to Grand Junction, Colorado, home to the 2025 USA Cycling Collegiate MTB National Championships. In the heart of western Colorado, you will find red rock canyons, Colorado's wine and fruit country, and countless outdoor adventures, all wrapped in a vibrant small-town community. Whether you spend your time on our top-tier trails through the high desert and mountain tops, exploring the thousands of acres of public land, or just strolling through downtown, the Grand Junction community offers an unforgettable Colorado experience!

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Jurgen Heise—Chief Commissaire
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EVENT INFO

VENUE ADDRESS

48338 Powderhorn Rd, Mesa, CO 81643

Website: <https://mtbnats.usacycling.org/coll-mtb>

Website: <https://www.grandjunctionsports.org/usacyclingnats>

TRAVEL PLANNING

Grand Junction Travel Planning: <https://www.grandjunctionsports.org/triptips>

AIRPORTS

Grand Junction Regional Airport (GJT): 39 miles

Montrose Airport (MTJ): 65 miles

MEDICAL

Intermountain Health - St. Marys Regional Hospital: 40 miles

2635 N 7th St, Grand Junction, CO 81501

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<https://mtbnats.usacycling.org/coll-mtb>

REGISTRATION INFO

<https://mtbnats.usacycling.org/coll-mtb/register>

Onsite registrations must be completed by 12pm the day before competition. No day of registrations will be accepted.

ELIGIBILITY & RULES

<https://d31phgno5jngghy.cloudfront.net/mtbnats/documents/2025-Collegiate-MTB-Eligibility.pdf>

All riders wishing to race in downhill must check if they need to qualify before registering. For how to qualify, please reference this Eligibility & Rules document.

EVENT SCHEDULE

<https://d31phgno5jngghy.cloudfront.net/mtbnats/documents/2025-Collegiate-MTB-Schedule.pdf>

USA CYCLING RULE BOOK

<https://usacycling.org/resources/rulebook>

CLOTHING

Riders must follow USAC cycling clothing regulations for collegiate teams.



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DOWNHILL (DHI) INFORMATION

The race registration fee for DHI includes lift tickets for Friday, Saturday & Sunday inspection, practices and racing. Coaches lift tickets are available through registration for Spectator lift tickets are available on site.

All racers are **REQUIRED** to take one walking course inspection and at least two downhill practice runs prior to seeding. Racers not meeting these requirements will not be allowed to race.

Timing and results: Timing will be conducted via a transponder on the back of the participants number plate.

Start lists and Call-Up: Start lists and call -ups will be posted as soon as possible, after registration closes the day before competition or after seeding. All start lists will be posted online.

Re-runs will only be granted for those riders already on course when a medical or other course hold occurs. These riders must report to the official at the finish line to request the re-run. Re-runs will not be granted to faster riders blocked by slower riders. Slower riders are expected to yield to faster riders.

DUAL SLALOM INFORMATION

Athletes are encouraged to inspect the dual slalom course at the earliest opportunity. Practices with gate use are indicated in the schedule. Practicing outside of scheduled timeframes will result in disqualification.

Qualification/Bracketing

Riders will complete a qualifying run in each lane on a first-come basis. They will be seeded based on the combined time from both runs. Please note that the penalty during qualifying runs for missing gates, false starting, etc. is disqualification (see USAC Rule 8G4). Maximum bracket size at National Championship Dual Slalom events is no greater than round of 32 (USAC Rule appendix B1).

In bracket competition, riders will be timed by differential (at the finish) with a maximum differential time of 1.5 seconds. Riders will take one run on each course. Riders will advance based on differential time. Ties are broken by the second run winner (Rule 5E2(f-ii)).

XCO/XCC/TEAM RELAY INFORMATION

Athletes are encouraged to inspect the XCO/XCC course at the earliest opportunity. Team Relay will take place on the XCO course. Practice times are indicated in the schedule. Only team soigneurs and mechanics are allowed in the Feed Zone, no spectators. Staging/Start/Finish for riders will be located at the resort lodge area.

Please refer to the venue site map on pg 15.



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PARKING

General parking will be offered on-site at no charge.

Team and rider parking will be available at the base of the mountain at Powderhorn Resort

TEAM VEHICLES & TRAILERS

Please reach out to Vanessa Drummond, via email regarding the number of and size of vehicle you will be bringing prior to October 1st, 2025. The amount of space is limited and we want to be sure we are able to meet your space needs.

There will not be power options for those bringing RV's or buses. Please plan on providing your own power source. All generators used to power larger vehicles may be run between 9:00 am – 8:00pm

MAPS

ALL COURSES AND MAP [All course maps and links can be found here.](#)

AWARDS

All awards ceremonies will be held on site at the venue. In inclement weather, awards will be held in the main lodge. Refer to the event schedule for times.

Men's and Women's individual race winners, team race, and individual omnium winners will be awarded for Varsity and Club 3 places deep. The team omnium standings will be determined for both Varsity and Club Teams and awarded to the top three teams within those categories. All winners are required to participate in the appropriate award ceremonies. No bikes will be allowed on the podium during the ceremonies. All riders required to participate in the awards ceremonies at USA Cycling National Championships shall appear wearing only team/club racing clothing identical to that worn in the competition unless stated otherwise in the technical guide for the event or noted below. In cold or inclement weather, team issued outerwear may be authorized.

PRIZES

No Prize money will be awarded at Collegiate Mountain Bike Nationals

MEDICAL

Powderhorn Resort Mountain Patrol and Intermountain Health will be providing medical support for all races. Medical tents can be found near the finish lines adjacent to the main lodge building.

MECHANICAL SUPPORT

Neutral Support will be provided outside of competition by Powderhorn Resort, located at the resort lodge bike shop. In addition, USA Cycling licensed mechanics will also be available for support directly next to the lodge bike shop/bike wash station.



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RESULTS

Results will be available live and posted near the finish of each venue. The protest period is 15 minutes after posting, after which time they become FINAL. Final results will be posted to the USA Cycling website.

RADIOS

While riding in training or competitions, riders may not use radios, telephones, or other communication devices. No earpieces may be worn. Audio playback devices are forbidden.

NUMBER PLATES

Riders must display number plates at all times on all courses for practice and race sessions. All coaches DH athletes pre-riding on the courses will be required to sign a waiver and pick up a “coach” plate at registration. Plates must be displayed on bikes at all times.

EQUIPMENT

All riders are required to wear a securely buckled helmet when on a bike, per rule 1J1. Riders competing in the downhill and dual slalom races are required to wear full-face helmets, per rule 1J2



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SEVERE WEATHER GUIDELINES

When looking at weather conditions, the safety of the athletes, spectators, staff, and volunteers is the utmost priority. While often providing an additional challenge, adverse weather in its extremes may result in hypothermia, heat exhaustion or other dangerous conditions. In preparation for the upcoming Collegiate Mountain Bike National Championships, USA Cycling and our host, Ride Rock Creek, have created the following plan to help mitigate any weather-related risks while respecting the unique racing conditions of the sport.

In the case of severe weather, the following group would be empaneled to make decisions regarding the conduct of the race(s):

Tobin Behling—Technical/Race Director
Jurgen Heise—Chief Commissaire
Ben Snyder—Local Organizing Committee
Teanna Allen—Powderhorn Resort
Ryan Robinson—Powderhorn Resort
Vanessa Drummond—USA Cycling
Art Daves—Production Director

CONVENING THE PANEL

This panel would be immediately convened under the following circumstances and will refer to the “Crisis Communications Plan”

A NOAA special weather statement is issued for the race venue.

Severe cold/heat and/or wind anticipated within 72 hours.

Freezing rain, heavy snow or other threatening precipitation is forecast.

Other atmospheric conditions that could affect the health and welfare of athletes, spectators, staff, and volunteers.

Road / Trail conditions, travel and transportation to and from the venue, poses danger to volunteers, staff, spectators, or athletes.

Other onsite event, such as a major medical incident or protest

Any member of the panel would also be empowered to request that the group convene based on conditions out-side of those mentioned above.



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ACTIONS

The following actions may be taken based on the forecast and conditions:

No direct action/monitor situation

Modification of the course

Change of start times (e.g. later starts when warmer or precipitation has stopped)

Combining of classes and categories

Shortening of individual races

Change of start date

Cancellation In addition to the above actions affecting race participants, the following actions may be considered in relation to spectators, staff and volunteers:

Increased medical staffing

Warming/cooling areas provided

Decrease in shift times/exposure

In the event that a DH final cannot be completed or run, the seeding results will be considered the final results.

These lists are not exhaustive, and may be used in combination or separately on different days or at different times.

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

Status updates, and if needed revised schedules, will be communicated to the affected parties through a variety of methods:

Posting at the venue at pre-designated notice areas.

An e-mail update will be sent directly to registered athletes/participants by USA Cycling

USA Cycling will utilize its social media platforms to provide outreach to spectators and volunteers

Venue announcements will be used in the case of on-site modifications and notifications, using Public Address System and posted materials at Race Office/Awards Stage.

Credentialed media will be provided with updates through USA Cycling communications staff Relay to parking staff as well as post on boards throughout the venue.



ANTI-DOPING

Doping Control

This competition is subject to anti-doping rules, and competitors may be selected for in-competition testing. Keep reading to learn more about anti-doping rules and expectations.

What is clean sport?

Clean sport means that athletes have the opportunity to compete on a fair and level playing field free from the influence of performance-enhancing substances and methods.

How do we protect clean sport?

The U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) is charged with managing the anti-doping program for all United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC), recognized sport national governing bodies, their athletes, and events, and this program encompasses in-competition and out-of-competition testing, results management processes, drug reference resources, and athlete education.

What substances and methods are prohibited?

As a signatory to the World Anti-Doping Code, USADA tests for substances and methods found on the World Anti-Doping Agency Prohibited List. Athletes can check prescription and over-the-counter medications and ingredients on [GlobalDRO.com](https://www.globaldro.com) to determine the prohibited status. Be aware that even everyday products, such as those used to treat acne and altitude sickness, may contain prohibited substances. In many cases, athletes can consider alternative but similar treatment options that do not contain prohibited substances.

Do I need a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) to use a prohibited substance or method?

There may be a time during an athlete's career when they have a legitimate medical need to use a prohibited substance or method. USADA can grant a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) in these situations in compliance with the World Anti-Doping Agency's International Standard for TUEs. The TUE application process is thorough and designed to balance the need to provide athletes with access to critical medical care while protecting the rights of clean athletes to compete on a level playing field.

Whether an athlete needs a TUE for the use of a prohibited medication or method depends on the athlete's competition level and the Prohibited List category of the treatment. Athletes can submit a [TUE Pre-Check Form](#) to USADA to determine if a TUE is required before using the prohibited substance.

Can I use prohibited medications and treatments if they are prescribed by a physician?



No, having a prescription does not permit the use of prohibited substances or methods. Athletes should submit a [TUE Pre-Check Form](#) to USADA to determine if they need a TUE before using a prohibited substance.

What if I've started using my medication but do not have a TUE?

First and foremost, we encourage athletes to consider their health first and athletic competition second. If you have a medical condition for which you have been prescribed a prohibited substance, medication, or method, consult with your medical provider. Depending on your competition level and the prohibited status of the substance, medication, or method, if you compete without a TUE, are tested, and your sample is positive for the prohibited substance, you could be at risk of having committed an anti-doping rule violation (ADRV), which may result in a sanction and public announcement. However, it may also be possible to receive a retroactive TUE depending on the circumstances.

Are supplements safe to use?

Dietary supplements are risky because they could contain ingredients that can cause a positive anti-doping test and/or health problems, and in some cases, those ingredients aren't listed on the label. Dietary supplements are regulated in a post-market fashion, which means that no regulatory body approves the accuracy of the label or safety of the contents before they are sold to consumers. As such, no dietary supplement can be guaranteed to be 100 percent risk-free. If athletes choose to use supplements despite the risks, USADA has always recommended that athletes use only dietary supplements that have been certified by a third-party program that tests for substances prohibited in sport. USADA currently recognizes NSF Certified for Sport® as the program best suited for athletes to reduce the risk from supplements. Learn more at USADA's [Supplement Connect](#) resource.

What kind of testing should I expect?

Athletes selected for testing are subject to both urine and blood testing. The sample collection process is designed to protect both the integrity of the sample as well as the rights of athletes. The Doping Control Officer (DCO) will make the process as comfortable and consistent as possible, and there can be modifications to the process for athletes with impairments. When USADA tests an athlete who is a minor (under the age of 18), USADA urges a minor athlete to appoint a representative to accompany them at all times during the sample collection process, including in the washroom area. The representative will not witness the passing of the sample unless authorized by the athlete and of the same gender as the athlete (unless the representative is a parent). Additionally, the DCO will have a second sample collection person present throughout the sample collection process. Learn more about the [sample collection process and athletes' rights and responsibilities here](#).



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Ineligibility

Athletes who have notified USADA, their National Governing Body, and their International Federation of their retirement from sport are not eligible to participate in this competition. Anyone serving a suspension for an anti-doping rule violation is also not eligible to compete.



MAAPP/SAFE SPORT

Athlete safety and well-being are of the utmost importance to USA Cycling. To help create and foster a safe environment that is free from misconduct and abuse at all USA Cycling events, please review USA Cycling's Safe Sport Program [Policies](#), including reporting [requirements](#) and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies ([MAAPP](#)). All Participants at USA Cycling sanctioned events must abide by these policies.

Prohibited Conduct

All participants at this event are expected to refrain from engaging in Prohibited Conduct as defined by the US Center for SafeSport [Code](#). Prohibited Conduct includes but is not limited to the following: sexual misconduct, emotional misconduct, physical misconduct, bullying, harassment, hazing, and violations of the [MAAPP](#).

These policies have been adopted by USA Cycling to establish clear boundaries between participants in cycling and to reduce isolated one-on-one interactions between minors and adults in cycling. These policies apply during all USA Cycling events, including before, during, and returning from the event: [One-on-One Interactions](#); [Meeting & Training Sessions](#); [Athletic Training Modalities](#); [Locker Rooms](#); [Transportation](#); [Lodging](#); [Electronic Communications](#).

Reporting Requirements

Adult Participants are required to report violations of USA Cycling's Safe Sport Program, including violations of the [MAAPP](#). The mandatory reporting requirements apply to adult participants, however, USA Cycling encourages anyone who becomes aware of or experiences misconduct or abuse to report those allegations via the links provided below. While USA Cycling is committed to providing a safe environment for all participants, the organization can't address behaviors or problems it is unaware of, so your engagement in reporting is instrumental in ensuring safety for all.

Report suspected or known incidents of *sexual misconduct* directly to the US Center for SafeSport: <https://uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern/>

Report *other forms of misconduct*, including physical misconduct, emotional misconduct, and MAAPP violations, to USA Cycling: <https://usacycling.org/safesport/report-other-misconduct>



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MEDIA INQUIRES

Media representatives interested in covering this event must fill out the [USA Cycling Media Credential Application](#). Credentialed media will be provided with updates before the first race day through the USA Cycling communications staff. All media representatives must wear a media credential in order to access authorized areas for the press.



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