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# WELCOME TO WINTER PARK RESORT miere mountain bike destinations.

All of us throughout the Winter Park community are thrilled to welcome back athletes, teams, and spectators to the 2021 USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Championship, as one of the country's premier mountain bike events comes to one of the country's pre-

Located just 67 miles from Denver, Winter Park offers a convenient mountain getaway close to a major metropolitan city and with a base area perched at 9,000 feet, the resort is the epitome of the Rocky Mountain experience, with spectacular vistas, cool, crisp air, and friendly people.

Winter Park Resort is home to Trestle Bike Park, one of the biggest and best downhill mountain bike parks in the United States, with over 40 miles of trails (featuring a variety of freeride and technical options for all abilities) serviced by four lifts, including a new 10-person gondola. Trestle is seamlessly linked to a network of over 600 miles of cross-country trails that span like a spider web throughout the Winter Park/Fraser Valley, creating a true mountain bike mecca for riders of every stripe.

When the snow flies, Winter Park truly lives up to its name, with an average of nearly 320" of snow each year blanketing 3,081 acres of terrain and creating a true winter playground. As the fourth largest ski resort in the state of Colorado, to go along with myriad activities for non-skiers/riders, there is literally something at Winter Park for everybody.

Regardless of the season, there are also plenty of options to eat, drink, stay, and relax either in the resort's full-service mountain village, or in Downtown Winter Park located three miles away. Whether in town or at the resort, the events calendar is packed yearround with live music, festivals, and abundant fun. Winter Park's convenient, free bus service also allows visitors to park and not touch their cars until it's time to begrudgingly go home.

Thank you again for visiting Winter Park and we hope to see you back very soon. In the meantime, here's to fast racing and a fantastic week.

Enjoy!

For more information on weather, trails, activities, and events please visit www.winterparkresort.com

**AVERAGE TEMPERATURES** 

High **73°** | Low **50°** 

SUNRISE/SUNSET

5:35 a.m. | 8:28 p.m.



#### **EVENT STAFF**

#### **USA CYCLING**

Tara McCarthy Director of National Events (Race director)

Chuck Hodge Chief of Racing and Events
Brian Myrick National Events Manager
Justin Evans Race Operations Manager

Valecia Frasier

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Tom Mahoney

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Event Services Regional Manager

Event Services Regional Manager

Event Services Coordinator

Marketing Operations Manager

Angelina Palermo Athletics Marketing Lead Katherine Santos Events Marketing Lead

Cody Dedow Manager, Brand & Content Marketing

#### ADDITIONAL EVENT STAFF/SERVICES

Socket Events Stage Manager & Merchandise

Cadence Event Fencing
One2Go Timing Timing and Results
Shimano Neutral Support

Julie Carter High School Festival Manager

John Hoopingarner
Leigh Donovan
Will Washam
Dejan Smaic
Tori Hernandez
Announcer
Announcer
Photographer
Photographer

#### **USA CYCLING OFFICIALS**

Ugur Tosun Chief Referee
Jurgen Heise Vice Chief
Leslie Ramsay Secretary
Dorothy Abbott Finish Judge

Juli Renquin Assistant Finish Judge

Cath Jett Referee
Amy Fear Referee
Michael McGuinn Referee
Joseph Kidd Apprentice









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RACK ATTACK

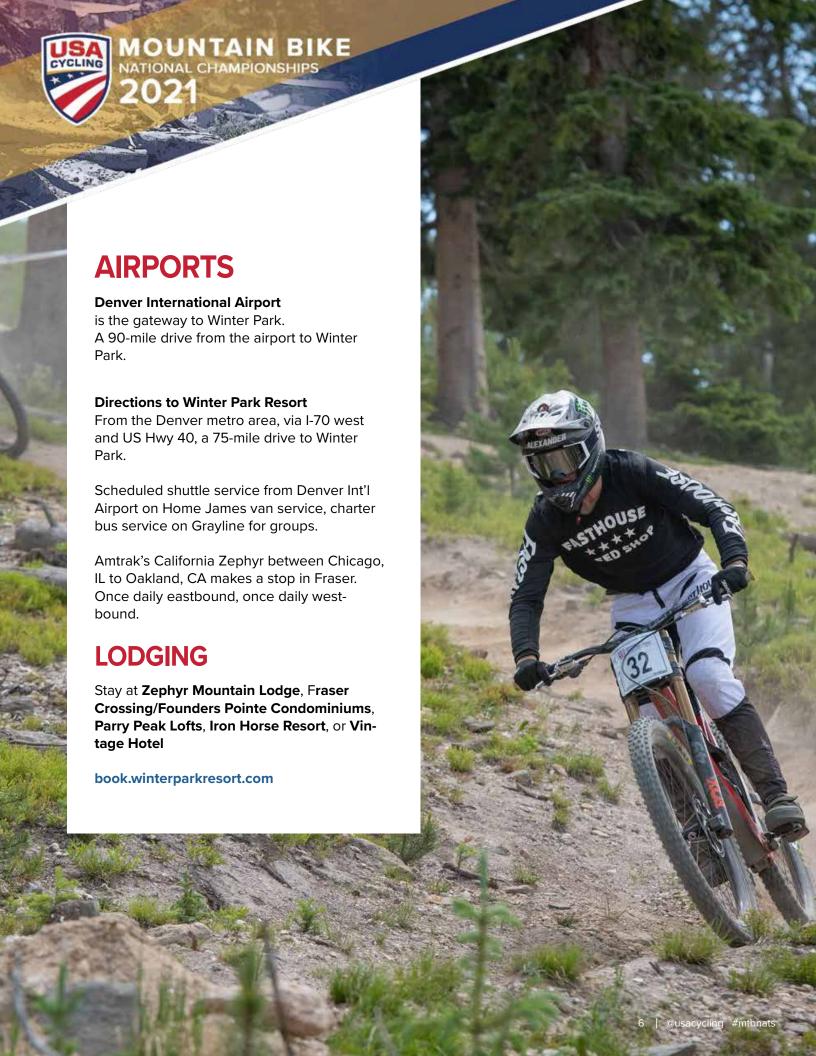
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Thank you to all of our partners for their support.







#### **COVID PROTOCOL**

#### **USA CYCLING**

Below you will find final event COVID protocol for Mountain Bike Nationals. This protocol is a mixture of guidance from the CDC, Grand County COVID restrictions, as well as from our Chief Medical Officer. We ask that all of these protocols be followed while at the event as we have athletes who do not qualify for the COVID-19 vaccine.

#### 1. Testing requirements

a. No testing is required

#### 2. Mask requirements

- **a.** All riders and support/staff wear masks during registration/packet pickup and meetings
- **b.** Per CDC guidance, fully vaccinated people attending the event are not required to wear masks
  - i. Fully vaccinated means:
    - **1.** 2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or
    - **2.** 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine
- **c.** Per CDC guidance, unvaccinated people attending the event should continue to wear masks and social distance

#### 3. General requirements

- a. Daily self-health check, www.cdc.gov/coronavirus
- **b.** Contact Tara McCarthy, tmccarthy@usacycling.org if athlete or rider support/staff is showing symptoms or are alerted that someone they've been in close contact is showing symptoms for further guidance.
- c. Maintain social distancing

#### 4. Anti-doping procedure

**a.** Mask are required for all athletes and support staff if athlete has been selected for anti-doping testing

#### 5. Spectators

a. There are no spectator limitations



#### **DOWNHILL INFORMATION**

Non-championship racer entry includes a discounted chairlift access on Monday and Tuesday only, championship racer entry includes chairlift access Monday through Sunday. Current season pass holders may not use their passes in lieu of purchasing lift tickets. Track walks are open to all downhill participants. Lift service prior to 9:30 a.m. will be restricted to the listed races practice schedule. Check the additional race details section for lift ticket access information.

Riders will take the gondola to the start at the top of the mountain. Athletes must take into consideration the 10-minute lift time to arrive at the top, with a short ride to the start house for their start time. Athletes will be able to use the Explorer Express for practice runs.

If a rider misses their start time, athletes will not receive a new start time for a missed start unless disrupted by a course hold or force majeure or given a new start time by the start official.

The rider's race clock will have been started at his or her assigned start time and will not be adjusted, and no new start time will be assigned. Racers who miss their assigned start time for either the seeding run (if applicable) and/or the finals through no fault of the officials or organizers will not be allowed to start their run until after the last rider of either their own category or the very end of the competition, depending on available time gaps between categories.

Downhill competitors lift access will be granted by RFID lift access cards distributed at registration, please note you will only be allowed to upload a bike during your specific practice or race times. Spectators may purchase a gondola lift ticket for \$34 per day with an advance ticket,

www.winterparkresort.com/things-to-do/activities/summer-scenic-gondola, or \$39 per day walk up. This ticket does not allow bike loading. If spectators do want to load a bike they can purchase a \$59.00 lift ticket that would allow for riding on any non-race trail.

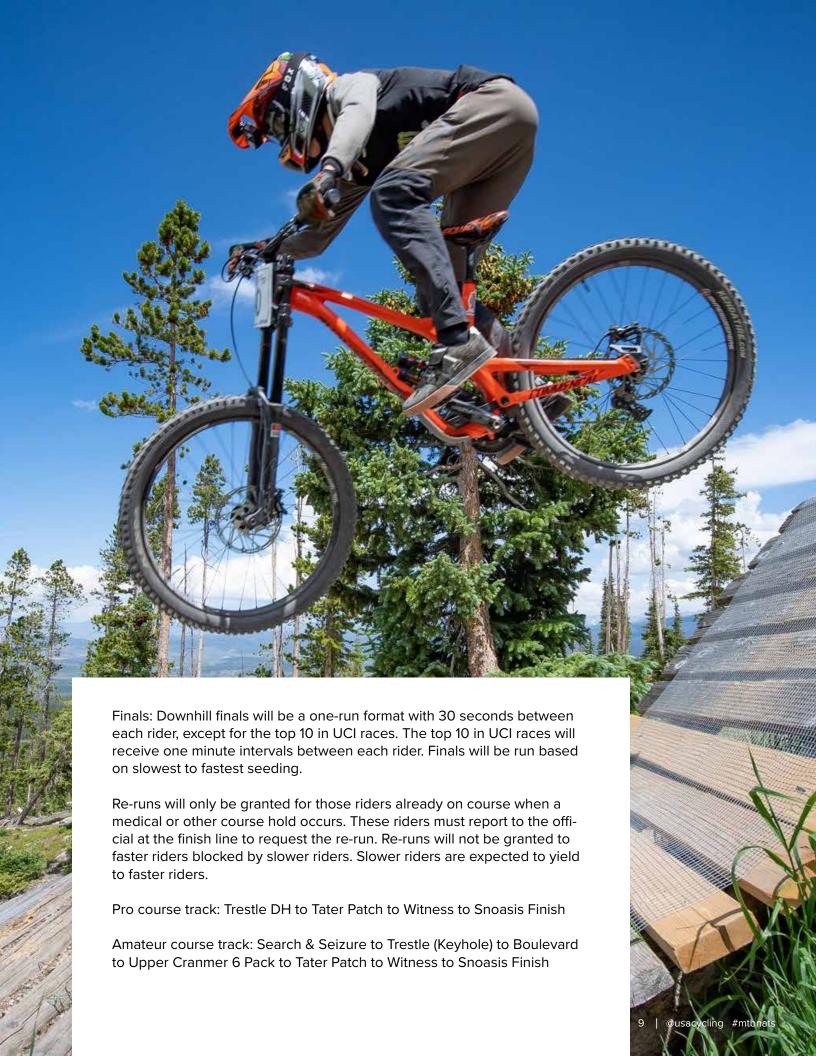
Please take a picture of your lift ticket in the case that you lose the lift ticket. For those without a photo of the lost lift ticket you will be required to purchase an additional lift ticket.

All riders are STRONGLY ENCOURAGED to take at least two downhill practice runs prior to downhill racing or seeding (if applicable). The walking inspections are also strongly recommended.

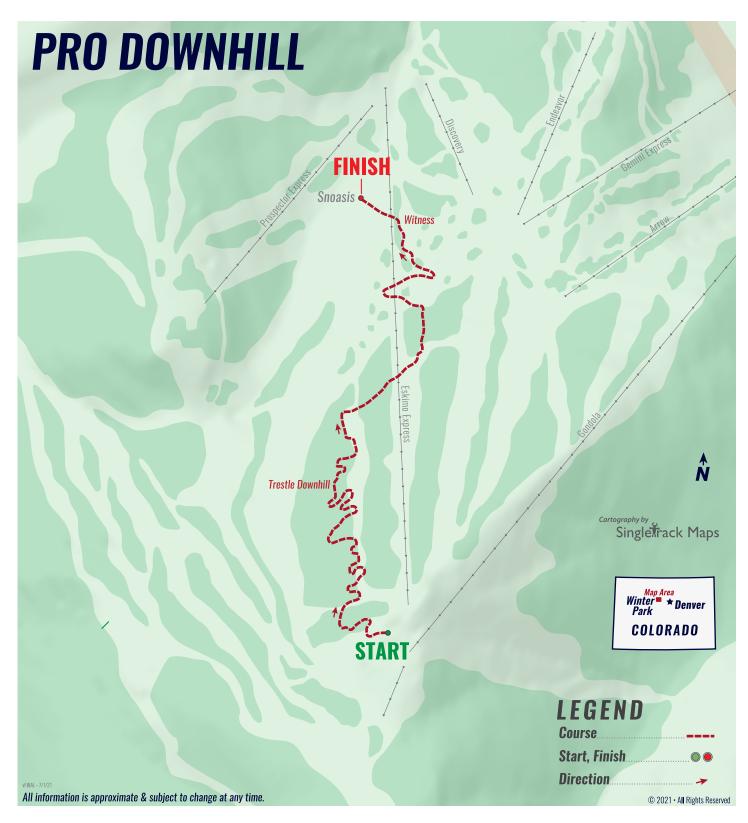
Timing and results: Timing will be conducted via a timing chip. Timing chips will be distributed the night before seeding at the riders meeting and the morning of seeding at registration/packet pickup.

Start lists: Start lists will be posted as soon as possible, after registration closes the day before competition or after seeding (if applicable). They will be posted online, at registration at Balcony House and on race day at the start.

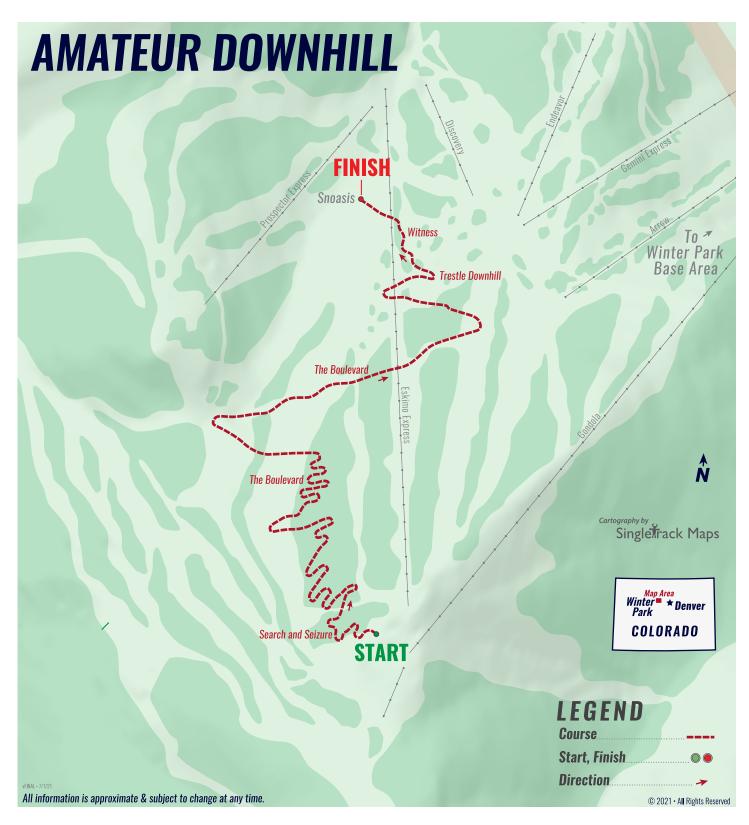
Seeding (if applicable): Downhill seeding will be run in the order of returning national champion, agedup national champion, and USA Cycling ranking at 30 second intervals with the exception of UCI races. UCI downhill seeding will be run in the order of returning national champion, UCI rankings, National DH Series rankings, and then USA Cycling ranking at 30 second intervals with the top 10 at one-minute intervals. 17-18 Cat 1 riders will seed and race with the elite/pro riders. They will be placed within the elite/pro race as well as a separate 17-18 podium. Riders must start their run to advance to finals. Riders who miss their seeding run will not be allowed to start in the finals.















## CROSS COUNTRY INFORMATION

Courses are not available to ride outside of practice times. Part of the XC course goes up a downhill Trestle bike park trail and should not be ridden outside of posted practice times.

Courses will be marked by yellow and black signs; each sign will indicate which course by the inclusion of a sticker that is the same color as the course name.

Staging will begin 15 minutes prior to each race start.

Call-ups will be conducted based on the information in the rules and eligibility section. There will be no call-ups for the category 2/3 XC races.

The feed and tech zone will be located near the start/finish line. This area will be open for athlete support during amateur and junior races. Pro, U23 and Cat 1 17-18 athletes are limited to two support personnel in the feed/technical assistance zone. Passes will be given out at the rider meeting on the day before the respective race. They will also be available from the race secretary on race day. It is the rider's/team's responsibility to locate the race secretary and procure the needed passes.

Technical assistance will be allowed only for the following XC races: pro men, pro women, U23, Cat

1 junior 17-18. These categories will have separate technical assistance and feed zones and an additional tech zone at the top of the right as riders make a right off the road. Team support staff must walk equipment to this area and signage will be placed all week for team support and riders to identify the location. For all other categories this zone will be only a feed zone.

The number of laps will be determined during race week before the races, depending on weather and trail conditions. This will be communicated in the riders' meetings, in communique(s), and online.

All riders, including those who have been lapped, will finish on the same lap as the leader. Riders may be pulled and will be placed in the results. Riders who have been lapped by the leader in their respective category/age group will finish on the same lap as said leader. For safety reasons, riders out of contention may be pulled at the discretion of the chief referee. Any pulled riders will be placed in reverse order that they were removed from the course. Riders that are pulled will be placed based on their finish under the truss.

Courses will run in a clockwise direction. Laps will run through the finish line. See maps for details.



#### **15-18 MENS** CROSS COUNTRY INFORMATION

Due to a lack of racing over around the country the last year and the unknown COVID restrictions during the planning process, we have tried to be as inclusive as possible given the circumstances. Since that time, COVID restrictions have been reduced and we have obtained our desired cross country start and we are increasing the final field of both 15-16 and 17-18 men's cross country races to 120 riders. In the case that registration exceeds that *race will be as follows:* number we will run heats following the below procedure. Riders will be informed on the afternoon of July 8 if there will be qualifying heats.

#### 15-16 and 17-18 Men's XC Heat Procedure

If any of the races' final registration is over 120 riders, all riders will be required to compete in qualifying heat races on July 8.

The riders will be separated into two qualifying heats based on whether they would have an odd or even call up within a full field call up. Without knowing how many riders will be registered when registration closes, we do not know how many riders will be in each qualifying heat. We will take 120 riders to the final races on July 9.

The call up procedure for the 15-16 men's qualifier heats will be as follows:

Aged up National Champion, USAC ranking, then random for riders without any rankings.

The call up procedure for the 15-16 men's final race will be as follows:

Finisher 1 in qualifying heat 1, finisher 1 in qualifying heat 2, finisher 2 in qualifying heat 1, finisher 2 in qualifying heat 2, and so on.

The call up procedure for the 17-18 men's qualifier heats will be as follows:

Aged up National Champion, UCI XCO ranking, USAC ranking, then random for riders without any other rankings.

The call up procedure for the 17-18 men's final

Finisher 1 in qualifying heat 1, finisher 1 in qualifying heat 2, finisher 2 in qualifying heat 1, finisher 2 in qualifying heat 2, and so on. Riders with UCI XCO points who do not finish within the top 50 of the qualifying heats will move on to the final race as protected riders. These riders must finish the qualifying race in order to maintain a protected status. They will start after the 100 riders who placed within the top 50 in the qualifying heats based on their finish place in the qualifying heats.

Qualifying races will be run on the Blue XC course and the total number of laps will be two.

If qualifying heats are not used the following call up procedures will be in place for the final races:

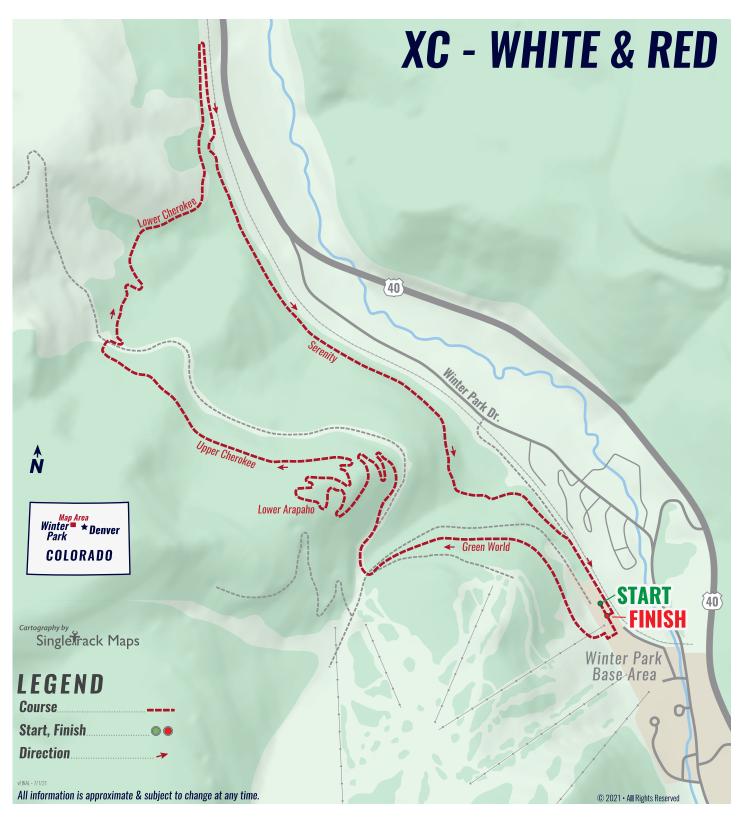
The call up procedure for the 15-16 men's:

Aged up National Champion, USAC ranking, then random for riders without any rankings.

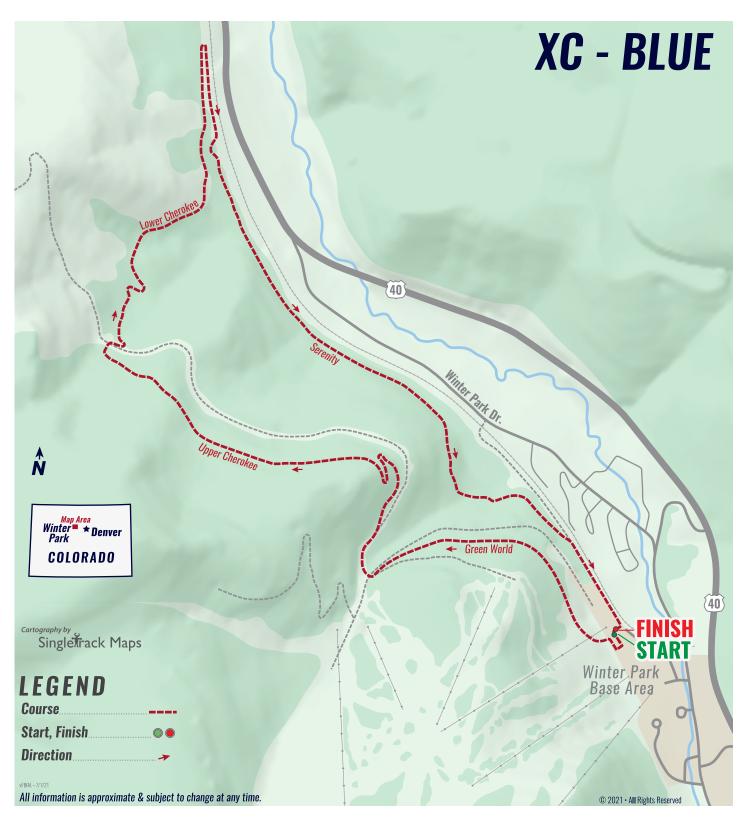
The call up procedure for the 17-18 men's:

Aged up National Champion, UCI XCO ranking, USAC ranking, then random for riders without any other rankings.

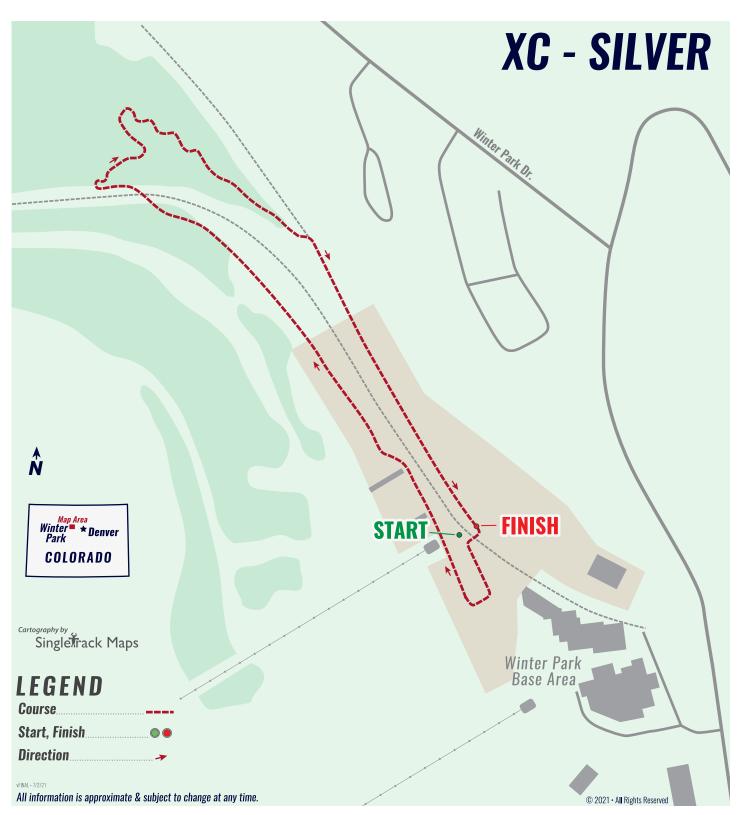


















## SHORT TRACK CROSS COUNTRY INFORMATION

Staging will begin 15 minutes prior to each race start.

Call-ups: will be conducted based on the information in the rules and eligibility section.

Course will travel in a counter-clockwise direction.

Race duration for females 11-16 and males 11-14 is 10 minutes + 1 lap. Race duration for all other age groups and categories is 20 minutes + 3 laps.

If a races registration exceeds 50 riders, qualifying heats will be conducted per rule 7G4.(b).

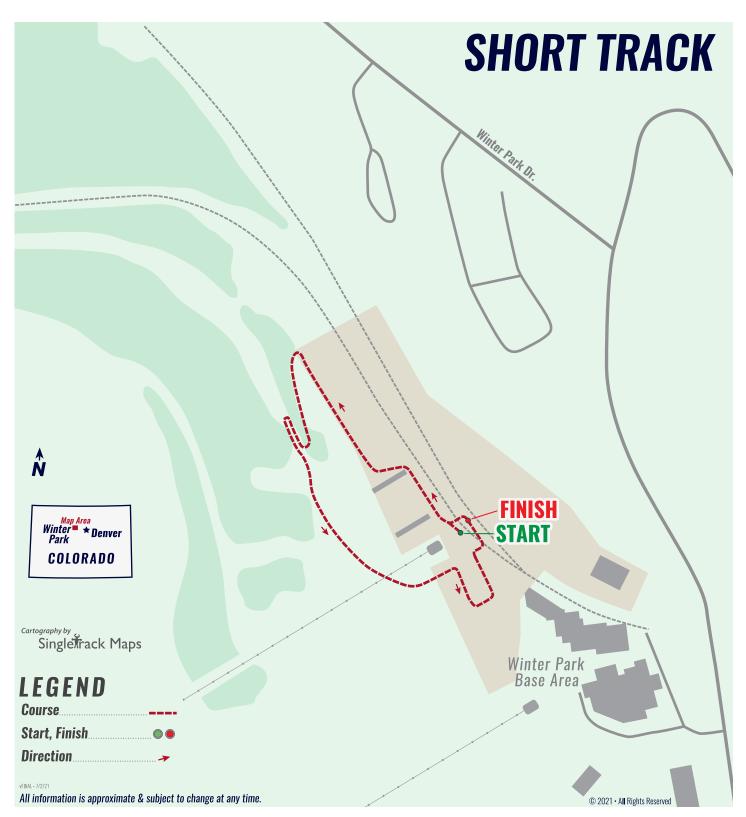
There will be no feed or technical assistance zone for the short track cross country races.

All coaches of junior 14-and-under riders interested in riding on the courses with their athletes during official training times will be required to sign a waiver and pick up a "coach" plate at registration/packet pick-up. One coach plate will be allowed per junior 14-and-under athlete. Plates must be displayed on bikes at all times. No coaches for riders 15-and-older will be permitted to accompany their riders during official training.

Riders who are 80% behind the leader on any given lap may be pulled. Pulled riders will be placed in reverse order that they were removed from the race. Riders who are pulled will be placed based on their finish under the truss.

All riders, including those who have been lapped and were not pulled, will finish on the same lap as the leader.







## **EVENT INFORMATION**

#### **OFFICIAL EVENT WEBSITE**

usacycling.org/events/national-championships/2021-mtb-nationals

#### **USA CYCLING RULE BOOK**

usacycling.org/resources/rulebook

#### **EVENT SCHEDULE**

Event schedule can be found here, usacycling.org/mtb-nats-schedule. This is the official event schedule and all others should not be referenced.

#### **TRANSPORTATION & PARKING**

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

Winter Park: Get around Winter Park by downloading The Lift: www.theliftwp.com/all-routes/#lift-rider

#### **AWARDS**

All awards ceremonies will be held on the Village Plaza Stage July 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11. In inclement weather, awards will be inside West Portal Station main level outside of Moffat Market. Awards for Thursday, the 8 will take place at 8 p.m. at the Rendezvous Event Center in Hideaway Park located at 78821 US-40, Winter Park, CO. Refer to the event schedule for times.

The top-3 male and female finishers in the UCI categories of U23 and Jr 17-18, and Elite/Pro/Open and the top-5 finishers in each category are required to participate in the appropriate award ceremonies. No bikes will be allowed on the podium during the ceremonies.

#### **PRIZES**

All non-elite/pro races will receive medals for the top five and a stars and stripes jersey for the first-place finisher. For

the elite/pro races in DS, DH, XC, STXC, EN a prize purse will be given to the top five finishers. The payout will be as follows:

1st: \$350

2nd: \$250

3rd: \$175

4th: \$125

5th: \$100

#### **UCI POINT DISTRIBUTION**

Please refer to the UCI rulebook for points distribution for XC and DH,

www.uci.org/docs/default-source/rules-and-regulations/2021.01.18--mtb-en-left-column---egi.pdf

#### **CALL-UPS & SEEDING**

Call-ups and seeding for downhill, short track cross country, and cross country will be conducted based on the information in the rules and eligibility section and will be posted with start lists the night before the event.

#### DAILY RIDER MEETINGS

While not mandatory, athletes and coaches are encouraged to attend the daily rider meetings, particularly if they are racing the following day. Important race-day information will be given at these meetings, including verification of number of laps for XC races, possible course changes, important notes, and time for questions at the end. Rider meetings will be held in West Portal/Moffat.

#### **MEDICAL**

Winter Park Resort Patrol will be providing medical support for all races. In case of an emergency, Denver Health East Grand is located at the base of Winter Park Resort, (970) 726-4299 (open during race hours), in Winter Park, Colorado and Middle Park Medical Center in Granby, CO, (970)-887-5839, located 20 miles from the mountain.



#### **EVENT** INFORMATION

#### **NEUTRAL SUPPORT**

Shimano will be providing neutral support outside of competition throughout the event and will be located near XC finish in the vendor village...

#### **RESULTS**

Results will be posted at 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 of 14-and-under XC and 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 fullface helmets, per rule 1J2.

#### 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 Road National Championships in Clay County, FL; USA Cycling and a cross section of key constituents 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):

- Tara McCarthy Director of National Events
- Chuck Hodge Chief of Racing and Events
- LOC- Tom Carey and Bob Holme
- Team Mgr- to be chosen prior to event
- Chief Referee- Ugur Tosun

Other staff and experts may be included and consulted based on the specific conditions.

#### CONVENING THE PANEL

This panel would be immediately convened under the following circumstances:

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

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



#### **EVENT INFORMATION**

#### **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 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:

- · 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 onsite modifications and notifications, using Public Ad-dress System and posted materials at Race Office/Awards Stage.
- Credentialed media will be provided with updates through USA Cycling communications staff.

#### **EVENT PHOTO SERVICES**

Event photos will be provided by Dejan Smaic. Visit www.sportifimages.com for copies of your photos.

#### **ANTI-DOPING**

**UNITED STATES ANTI-DOPING AGENCY The** United States Anti-Doping Agency is the independent anti-doping agency for the Olympic



Movement in the United States. USADA is dedicated to eliminating doping in sport, preserving the well-being of sport, and ensuring the health of athletes through drug testing, research initiatives, and educational programs.

SELECTION OF RIDERS FOR DOPING CONTROL By registering to compete at this event you have consented to be subject to drug testing and adhere to the penalties associated with an anti-doping rules violation. Noncompliance or refusing to be tested will result in the same penalties as a doping violation. For more detailed information concerning USADA protocol and banned substances, please visit the USADA website at www. usantidoping.org. All athletes should check the USADA Anti-Doping Station once they complete their race. If athletes are selected for testing, numbers of selected riders will be posted here. Due to COVID 19 Protocols, there will not be a Results board on-site. All results will be posted online.



#### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Please note that to compete in a USA Cycling National Championship, riders must have their date of birth, gender and citizenship or permanent resident status verified. Having verified this information, a free UCI ID is issued. If a UCI ID is not currently displayed on your license, log into your USA Cycling My Account and look for this in your Profile link. If you need help obtaining a UCI ID please contact membership@usacycling.org and include a copy of your birth certificate or passport and Permanent Resident Status (Green Card) as it applies for processing.

#### ONLINE REGISTRATION CLOSES JULY 2 AT 11:58 P.M. PT

#### **CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT REGISTRATION FEES & SCHEDULE**

	Online Registration May 14, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. ET	Price Increase June 10, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. PT	Onsite Registration
Juniors 14 & under	XC: \$80	XC: \$95	XC: \$120
	STXC: \$75	STXC: \$90	STXC: \$115
	DH: \$155	DH: \$170	DH: \$200
	DS: \$80	DS: \$95	DS: \$125
Juniors 15-18	XC: \$85	XC: \$100	XC: \$125
	STXC: \$75	STXC: \$90	STXC: \$115
	DH: \$160	DH: \$175	DH: \$205
	DS: \$85	DS: \$100	DS: \$130
	Enduro: \$190	Enduro: \$210	Enduro: \$235
High School	XC: \$80	XC: \$95	XC: \$120
	XC: \$95	XC: \$110	XC: \$135
	STXC: \$85	STXC: \$100	STXC: \$125
Amateurs	DH: \$170	DH: \$185	DH: \$215
	DS: \$95	DS: \$110	DS: \$140
	Enduro: \$195	Enduro: \$215	Enduro: \$240
Pro & U23	XC: \$105	XC: \$120	XC: \$145
	STXC: \$95	STXC: \$110	STXC: \$135
	DH: \$185	DH: \$200	DH: \$235
	DS: \$105	DS: \$120	DS: \$150
	Enduro: \$225	Enduro: \$245	Enduro: \$265

All Downhill and Enduro race prices include a lift ticket for July 5-11.



#### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

#### NON-CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT REGISTRATION FEES & SCHEDULE

	Online Registration May 14, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. ET	Price Increase June 10, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. PT	Onsite Registration
Juniors 14 & under	XC: \$80	XC: \$95	XC: \$120
	DH: \$100	DH: \$115	DH: \$140
	DS: \$80	DS: \$95	DS: \$115
Juniors 15-18	XC: \$85	XC: \$100	XC: \$130
	DH: \$105	DH: \$120	DH: \$145
	DS: \$85	DS: \$100	DS: \$130
Amateurs	XC: \$95	XC: \$110	XC: \$140
	DH: \$115	DH: \$130	DH: \$155
	DS: \$95	DS: \$110	DS: \$140

All Downhill race prices include a lift ticket for July 5-6.

- All participants taking part in the enduro and wishes to take part in the EWS qualifier must be EMBA member, please see EWS qualifier info here.
- All riders wishing to race in either the cross-country or downhill championship events must check if they need to qualify in their given discipline. For how to qualify, please read the Rules, Qualifications, & Call Up document.

If you have any further questions about the registration process, please contact **Stuart Lamp** or (719) 209-8211.

