



MOUNTAIN BIKE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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USAC Nationals Enduro Format

Saturday, July 10, 2021

Course maps will be posted online on the evening of Monday, July 5.

There will be 4 timed stages for all age groups and classes. Follow the stage transfer signs. Riders will begin the day at the gondola and ride transfer 1 to stage 1 where they will be started according to their assigned start time. If athletes have not started Stage 4 by 11:45 a.m., the officials will pull them from the race for safety of the riders, medical staff, and volunteers. Should this happen, any pulled racers will still be placed accordingly. Even racers who have met the Stage 4 cut off time may be subject to being pulled from the race for safety reasons at the discretion of race staff.

Please be aware that Stage 4 is different for the Pro/Open race and all other races. The Pro/Open racers will race the Pro DH track for Stage 4. All other races will race the Am DH track for Stage 4.

In the event of weather that dictates shortening the amount of stages, final results will be calculated off the last completed stage of the age group or category.

Results will be posted at the bottom of Stage 4 at the Snoasis lodge overhang across from the finish. Preliminary results will be posted throughout the day electronically and updated periodically. Final results will be posted as all riders in an age group or categories have finished. Riders will have until 1:45 p.m. to protest final results for the 7:45 p.m. awards ceremony. If an age group's final results have not been posted by 1:45 p.m., that age group's awards ceremony will be moved to Friday evening's awards ceremony and a protest period will be communicated to riders in those affected age groups or categories.

Practice times are:

- Tuesday 8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Stages 1-3
- Tuesday 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Stage 4
- Tuesday 5:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Stages 2-3
- Wednesday 8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Stages 1-3
- Wednesday 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Stage 4
- Wednesday 5:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Stages 2-3
- Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Stages 1-3



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- Thursday 5:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Stage 2-3
- Thursday 5:45 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Stage 4
- Friday 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Stage 4
- Friday 8:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Stage 1-3
- Friday 5:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Stage 2-3

Race sequence: You must race in order of the designated stage sequence; failure to do so will result in disqualification.

Timing for the Enduro will be via active transponders that attach to the rider's bike. All athletes are responsible for picking up their transponder at registration. Failure to have your transponder will result in no time. Athletes are also responsible for returning the transponder once they have finished their Enduro at the bottom of Stage Four in the finish corral. If you forget, please return the transponder to registration. Any athletes failing to return their transponder will be charged \$100 per missing transponder.

Racers will depart the start line of each stage individually on 30 second intervals.

Course cutting or taking short cuts in order to gain an advantage is not allowed. Riders not following the designated route will be disqualified.

Each rider must be completely self-sufficient in regard to equipment and nutrition, carry with you what you will need. Any external assistance, including between riders, from non-racers, or by means of retrieving personal equipment from your car or condo will result in disqualification (DQ). Neutral water available at the official feed stations is excluded from this rule.

Each athlete must use the same frame for all four stages. Any infractions will result in disqualification (DQ). Riders are allowed to support other riders through mechanical assistance in the interest of sportsmanship.

While riding their bikes, all riders must wear a helmet from the start of their Enduro competition until they have crossed the finish line, including all timed stages and transfer stages. Full-face helmets are strongly recommended on all stages. Please carry your full-face at the start of the day.

This Enduro event needs to keep moving/progressing without breaks. All riders are strongly encouraged to make continuous progress. Stopping for lunch, social visits or the like may prevent athletes from riding one or more of the final stages. If athletes have not arrived to



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Neutral water will be available at the top and bottom of all lifts, and at the top of the mountain at Sunspot Lodge and the top of Stage 3.

Permanent bathrooms will be available at the top of the mountain at Sunspot Lodge, at the bottom of Stage 1, and at the Olympia Alice's Restaurant. Portable toilets will be available at the top of Stage 3 and the top of the Olympia.

Stage 1: Double Jeopardy, Shy Ann, Dirty Dozen

Transfer directions to Stage 1: Ride Gondola, follow yellow signs to Shy Ann Bike Trail access to Summer road, continue to follow yellow signs down Summer road to top of Double Jeopardy Trail/Race Start. (Approximately 0.5 miles)

Stage 1 Course Description: Double Jeopardy is a fast-paced blue/black diamond technical trail that features one technically demanding rock garden at its halfway point. Double Jeopardy will then merge with a short section of Shy Ann, a blue square flow trail that will include a flat ground pedal across 5 points to the start of Dirty Dozen. Dirty Dozen is a fast, technically demanding black diamond technical trail that features rock gardens, natural rock doubles, drops, and gaps. This is a 1.65 mile stage.

Stage 2: Happy Camper, Happier Camper, Green World, Paper Boy

Transfer Directions to Stage 2: At the end of Stage 1, bottom of Dirty Dozen, load the Olympia lift for an 11min ride. At the top of the Olympia lift follow yellow signs to ride Diane bike trail and continue to follow signage onto lower roof of the Rockies to Happy Camper/Race Start. (Approximately 0.6 miles).

Stage 2 Course Description: Happy and Happier Camper are fast paced blue, and blue/black flow trails respectively. They feature small to large dirt doubles, tight switchbacks and optional large gap features and some off-camber landings. Happier Camper merges onto Green World for a short section of green circle technical trail which rides fast. From Green World, racers will merge onto Paper Boy, a fast and smooth blue flow trail featuring hip jumps and dirt doubles. This entire stage is a very fast paced race on flow trails built for riders with intermediate to advanced jumping skills. AVERAGE RACE PACE ON THESE TRAILS WILL BE



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FASTER THAN NATURAL TRAIL SPEED. Riders should use control at race pace and look to "scrub," or absorb air-time over trail features. This stage is 2.49 miles long.

Stage 3: Lower Eye to Eye to Ice Hill

Transfer Directions to Stage 3: From Little Vasquez Road at the bottom of the Stage 2 race (Paper Boy Trail) pedal uphill on Little Vasquez Road, past the Olympia lift and aid station, and continue on road following yellow signs to turn left onto Lower Arapahoe XC trail. Continue on Lower Arapahoe to the Eye to Eye trailhead. Follow yellow signs and begin to ride Eye to Eye trail. Cross Tunnel Hill Road (passing aid station) and resume Eye to Eye trail by following yellow signs to Stage 3 Race Start/Lower Eye to Eye. (Approximately 2.25 miles)

Stage 3 Course Description: Eye to Eye is a technical downhill trail with a cross country designation with a skinnier, looser and more natural trail than any other stage. It features tight switchbacks, random rocks, and brief areas of slight uphill grade. At the bottom of Eye to Eye, racers will turn left for a brief section of Ice Hill trail, which will be fast with roots and rocks. This stage is 1.15 miles.

Stage 4 PRO Course: Trestle Downhill Witness. This is a 1.31 mile stage.

Stage 4 AM Course: Search and Seizure, Trestle Downhill, Boulevard, Trestle Downhill, Witness. This is a 1.94 mile stage.

Transfer Directions to Stage 4: At the finish of Stage 3 on Ice hill trail continue on Ice Hill trail to the intersection with Arapahoe Road. Follow yellow signs to continue uphill on Arapahoe road which will be a moderate to challenging uphill grade. Continue to follow signs and pass underneath large water pipe to continue pedaling up road. At next intersection use yellow signs to turn right onto Tunnel Hill Road, and immediately left onto Vasquez mountain trail. Complete a brief but steep and rocky pedal and follow signs to turn left onto Little Vasquez Mountain Road. Pass through a heavily signed mountain "portal" to re-enter main resort property and continue pedaling uphill on road all the way to bottom of Olympia/Aid Station. (Approximately 2.75 miles). Ride Olympia Chairlift. At top of Olympia Chairlift follow yellow signs to ride downhill on Summer Road watching for crossing bike park guests. Turn right at Summer road intersection following yellow signs to pedal briefly uphill, behind Sunspot Lodge, to top of both Stage 4 race courses.

Stage 4 PRO course description: Trestle Downhill is the bike park's most challenging technical trail. It features several rock gardens, natural and man-made drops, and steep rutted



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segments. Racers then merge onto Witness, a tight black diamond technical trail with steep switchbacks, a rock garden, gap jump, and high-speed finish.

Stage 4 AMATUER course description: Search and Seizure is a fast, black diamond technical trail with moderate rock gardens, small gap jumps, and fast switchbacks. It merges briefly onto Trestle Downhill for a short but challenging steep rock garden at the bottom of which racers will exit Trestle and merge onto Middle Boulevard. Boulevard is a bermed technical trail with high speed segments, and one flat pedal zone about halfway down the course. Racers will again merge onto Trestle Downhill "Tater Patch" segment which is a technically demanding segment of trail featuring man made and natural drops, with rocky and rooty sections. Racers then merge onto Witness, a tight black diamond technical trail with steep switchbacks, a rock garden, gap jump, and high-speed finish.