



2019-20 U.S. IBU CUP TRIALS
CRAFTSBURY COMMON,
VERMONT, USA

December 18-22, 2019
OFFICIAL INVITATION



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A. GENERAL INFORMATION

A.1 – Venue

Craftsbury Outdoor Center
Craftsbury Common, Vermont
Altitude: 1,240 feet

A.2 – Organizing Committee (OC) Contact Information

Address: 535 Lost Nation Road, Craftsbury Common, VT 05827 USA
Phone: (802) 586-7767
Email: biathlon@craftsbury.com
Website: www.craftsbury.com/biathlon

A.3 – Registration

Registration is online at [SkiReg.com/ibucuptrials](https://www.skiereg.com/ibucuptrials)

Race Entry is \$40 USD for one race, \$80 USD for two races, and \$120 for three races. Online registration closes on **December 16 at 22:00 Eastern Standard Time**. There will be no day-of registration for this event.

A.4 – Report upon Arrival

Upon arrival, all teams should report to the COC Main Office/Guest Check-in (located in the white farmhouse on the west side of Lost Nation Road) for a race information packet and map of the Center. Overnight guests will receive lodging assignments.

IMPORTANT:

Please do not bring rifles inside Touring Center, gym, adjacent deck, or Dining Hall. Rifles can be put on racks in designated locations only.

A.5 – Licensing

All competitors must be a current member of USBA or their respective nation's governing body. The competition office will verify all memberships before race start.

USBA Membership can be purchased online at:

<https://www.teamusa.org/us-biathlon/membership/join-usba-online>

A.6 – Release of Liability

The organizer shall not be held liable for any accidents and damages caused to persons or materials/equipment. By submitting the entry form the competitor confirms that they are medically fit to compete and possess sufficient health, accident and liability insurance (in accordance with paragraph 1.5.1.2 of IBU Event & Competition Rules).

A.7 – Import and Export of Rifles and Ammunition

This document may be used as an Official Invitation for the biathlon event to be presented to border patrol for purposes of transporting rifles and ammunition across the U.S. Border. Additional documentation, passports, visas, etc., will be necessary to cross into the United States.

B. LOGISTICS

B.1 – Travel Route

By Car:

Comprehensive driving directions can be found at craftsbury.com.

We strongly encourage competitors, coaches, and spectators to carpool!

By Air:

Burlington International Airport (BTV) – 1.5 hour drive to Craftsbury

Plattsburgh International Airport (PBG) – 2.5 hour drive to Craftsbury

Montreal International Airport (YUL) – 3 hour drive to Craftsbury, plus border crossing

Manchester Regional Airport (MHT) – 3 hour drive to Craftsbury

Boston Logan International Airport (BOS) – 3.5 hour drive to Craftsbury

Portland International Jetport (PWM) – 3.5 hour drive to Craftsbury

B.2 – Accommodation Reservation

The Craftsbury Outdoor Center offers on-site lodging, from dormitory-style single beds to rustic private cabins and cottages. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are included in our Vermont Fresh Network dining hall for overnight guests. For overnight booking for participants and families call the office at (802) 586-7767.

Lunch and dinner at the COC Dining Hall can be arranged, if space allows, for those not staying at the Center by contacting the Office at (802) 586-7767 by 10:00 for lunch and 14:00 for dinner. Additionally, lunch and snacks are available for purchase for all in the Touring Center Café.

Off-campus lodging can be found at Airbnb.com and VRBO.com. The towns of Greensboro (about 20 minutes away) and Stowe (about 50 minutes away) also offer a number of hotels and rental accommodations.

B.3 – Wax Room

As an IBU Cup Team Trials Event, the *USBA Same Wax Policy* will be in effect for these races. For more information contact Tim Burke at tburke@usbiathlon.org

There is a communal first-come-first-serve wax room in the basement of the COC Touring Center with 12 waxing stations. The wax room is not a storage room - please do not leave anything in the wax room after waxing. **Fluorinated waxes are not allowed in the public waxing space.**

B.4 – Wax Trucks & Trailers

Please let the OC know if your team will use a wax truck or trailer and needs a parking place with power. Let the OC know (biathlon@craftsbury.com) by December 16, 2019.

C. COMPETITION INFORMATION

C.1 – Competition Rules

The event will be conducted in accordance with the following rules and regulations:

- IBU Event and Competitions Rules in the current version.
- USBA International Team Selection Criteria 2019/2020
 - <https://www.teamusa.org/us-biathlon/resources/team-selection-procedures>

C.2 – Target System

The COC biathlon range is equipped with 15 Kurvinen electronic targets.

C.3 – Team Captain’s Meeting

There is one Team Captains Meeting scheduled for this competition. It will be held at the Craftsbury Outdoor Center Touring Center building at **18:00 on Wednesday, December 18th**. Additional meetings may be scheduled as needed. Items to be covered at the meeting include competitor draw, modifications to the rules, and election of jury. Start lists will be posted on Craftsbury.com on Wednesday night after the Captains Meeting for the Sprint. Bibs and start lists for each of the races will also be available at the COC Touring Center Building two hours prior to the start of each race.

C.4 – Race Distances

As an IBU Cup Team Trials Event, all competitors will race in the Senior Category regardless of age.

Category	Sprint Dec 19, 2019	Mass Start Dec 20, 2019	Sprint Dec 22, 2019
Senior Men	10 km	15 km	10 km
Senior Women	7.5 km	12.5 km	7.5 km

C.5 – Event Program

Wednesday December 18 - Official Training

09:00 - 11:00 - Official Training. Metal targets open at 09:20

18:00 - Team Captains Meeting - Jury Election, Sprint Draw. COC Touring Center

Thursday December 19 – Sprint Competition

08:45 - 10:00 - Equipment Control Open

09:00 - 09:50 - Zero

10:00 - Sprint Competition

Friday December 20 – Mass Start Competition

08:45 - 10:00 - Equipment Control Open

09:00 - 09:50 - Zero

10:00 – Mass Start Competition

Saturday December 21 – Official Training

09:00 - 11:00 - Official Training. Metal targets open at 09:20

Sunday December 22 – Sprint Competition

08:45 - 10:00 - Equipment Control Open

09:00 - 09:50 - Zero

10:00 - Sprint Competition

C.6 – Competition Course and Stadium

Courses used will be dependent on the natural snow and the condition of the man-made snow. COC staff will provide the best possible conditions for the event. Watch craftsbury.com for updates and course maps.

D. MEDIA

D.1 – Media Center

The **Media Center** is in the competition office.

Craftsbury will have a photographer for the competition. Details will be available in race packet.

E. ENTRY DEADLINES

- December 16, 2019 – registration closes
- December 16, 2019 – wax truck notification due

F. ANNEX

A. Nearby Stores/Restaurants

- I. Craftsbury General Store - local products, catering, family style takeout, pizza, grocery
118 South Craftsbury Rd. Craftsbury VT 05826
<https://craftsburygeneralstore.com/>
- II. Craftsbury Village Store - deli, grocery, gas, diesel
25 South Craftsbury Rd. Craftsbury, VT 0582
www.facebook.com/cvillagestore
- III. Blackbird Bistro - bistro with craft cocktails, local beer, wine, and food. Opening soon!
1037 South Craftsbury Rd. Craftsbury, VT 05826
blackbirdbistrovt.com
- IV. Parker Pie - local pizza eatery with bar
161 County Rd. West Glover, VT 05875
<https://parkerpie.com/>
- V. Hill Farmstead Brewery - world-famous & award-winning craft brewery
403 Hill Road Greensboro Bend, VT 05842
<https://hillfarmstead.com/>