



US Biathlon National Championships

March 23-27, 2022

Mt. Van Hoevenberg

Lake Placid, NY USA

The Olympic Regional Development Authority and the US Biathlon Association invite you to attend the 2022 United States Biathlon National Championships, March 23rd-27th 2022.

Sprint – Pursuit – Relay

International Biathlon Union (IBU) categories:

Men, Women, Junior Men/Women, Youth Men/Women

United States Biathlon Association (USBA) Categories:

U15 Men/Women, U17 Men/Women, Masters Men/Women, Grand Masters Men/Women

International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Categories:

Standing, Sit Ski, Visually Impaired

Hosted by the Olympic Regional Development Authority at

Mt. Van Hoevenberg
31 Van Hoevenberg Way
Lake Placid, NY 12946

Event Website: mtvanhoevenberg.com

Registration link via skireg.com will be available on the event website soon.



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31 Van Hoevenberg Way
Lake Placid, NY 12946

January 27, 2022

Dear Athletes and Coaches,

The Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA) welcomes you to Mt. Van Hoevenberg for the US Biathlon National Championships, March 23-27, 2022. The organizing committee is looking forward to hosting athletes and coaches from across the US for an exciting week of competition.

Skiers will enjoy Mt. Van Hoevenberg's world class trails and snowmaking capabilities, as well as the newly built Mountain Pass Lodge. Trail passes and daily range fees will be included with registration fees and valid for Official Training and throughout the competition.

Registration for this event will be available soon via skireg.com.

Participants will be required to adhere to ORDA COVID policies. ORDA policies may be found here: <https://mtvanhoevenberg.com/health-safety-information/>. All participants are **required** to fill out the venue [Daily Health Attestation](#) **each day** they are on the venue:

Please reach out to Caroline Dodd with any questions leading up to the event.

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Organizing Committee

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Chief of Scoring: TBD

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IR-Para: Tip Ray

Questions should be directed to Caroline Dodd, cdodd@orda.org, 518-524-4258.

Eligibility to Compete

Any current member of USBA or Biathlon Canada in good standing may participate in this event. Competitors must be prepared to show a membership card or otherwise demonstrate proof of USBA or Biathlon Canada membership for the current year as part of the event registration process.



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Citizenship and Residency (per IBU constitution)

The IBU Rules with respect to the nationality of athletes will be used to determine any question of eligibility, for reasons of citizenship, of any athlete entered into a competition that is conducted under this invitation. There are no residency restrictions for this event.

Competition Ability

Any competitor registering for this event tacitly guarantees that they are fully able to compete at the level/category for which they are registered.

Age Categories

Your competition age is equal to your age as of December 31, 2021. You must be a USBA member in your age category to compete.

U15: 13-14 years old (2007-2008)

U17: 15-16 years old (2005-2006)

Youth: 17-18 years old (2003-2006)

Junior: 19-21 years old (2000-2002)

Senior: 22-34 years old (1999 and earlier)

Masters: 35-59 years old (1963-1987)

Grand Masters: 60+ years old (1962 and earlier)

Category Definitions

IBU: Includes Youth, Junior, Men, Women categories as defined by the IBU. Competitors must be USBA Red Book certified (or Biathlon Canada equivalent). Rifles are carried in competition, all shooting per IBU rule book.

USBA: Includes U15, U17, and Masters categories.

U15 competitors shoot Prone only, on standing targets.

U17 competitors shoot Prone/Standing, on standard Prone and Standing targets.



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Masters 35-59 and Grand Masters 60+: competitors shoot Prone/Standing, on standard Prone and Standing targets. Rifles carried on course.

IPC: Per IPC rules or as specified by US Paralympics.

Non-Resident Firearms Declaration Process

Competitors from outside of the USA must have authorization to bring their rifles into the US. They must have an approved USATF FORM 6 NIA **prior to entry into the US**. Processing of this permit may take 30 days or more. Information on this process can be found here: [Form 6NIA - Application/Permit for Temporary Importation of Firearms and Ammunition by Nonimmigrant Aliens \(ATF Form 5330.3D\) | Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives](#). This process requires an invitation for which you may use the cover letter of this document or request an invitation by name by emailing Caroline Dodd: cdodd@orda.org.

Registration

Registration will be available **online only via SkiReg on mtvanhoevenberg.com**. Payment must be made using a credit card. Online charges will apply. **Registration will close Monday March 21st, 2022. No registration will be taken onsite.**

Note that **all coaches must complete free registration via skireg.com. All US coaches must be SafeSport Certified.**

Entry Fees

One competition: \$35

Two competitions: \$70

Three competitions: \$105

Cancellation Policy: if the event is canceled on or before March 21st, a 50% refund of registration fees will be distributed. If any portion of the event is canceled after March 21st, no refund of registration fees will be given.

Trail Passes

Trail passes are required for all skiers at Mt. Van Hoevenberg. A trail pass is included in your registration fees and is valid for Official Training and Race Days.



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Additional trail passes required for unofficial and open training days and can be purchased at mtvanhoevenberg.com or at the front desk of the Mountain Pass Lodge.

Range Passes

A daily range pass is included for each day of competition. Competitors registering for all 3 competitions will receive a range pass to cover 4 days as part of their registration. Additional range passes are required for unofficial training days.

Competitions

Rules: [International Biathlon Union Event and Competition Rules](#)

Sprint: Sprint per IBU rules. Interval start with random draw within categories.

Pursuit: Modified pursuit format. 5 second interval start based on finishing order from previous day sprint competition.

Relay Race: The goal of this new competition format is to provide unique relay racing exposure for all age categories in a fun and challenging end-of-season club and regional competition. Clubs are encouraged to form teams in the following categories, but if you cannot fill a team in a certain category within your club, please work with other clubs to form teams that represent your region (East, Midwest, West, and Alaska).

Clubs should submit teams to compete in the following relay categories by **Friday, March 25th, 2022 at 17:00**. Please include a team name and your club or region represented.

If you are an individual without a team and registered for the relay races Sunday, you will be assigned to a team with other individuals from your region based on Friday's sprint results.



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Overview of Pilot Relay Categories

Relay Category	Age group eligible for team	Distance/Shooting Stages	# of persons per team	Choosing teams
1a. Devo Boys Relay 1b. Devo Girls Relay	U15, U17	3 x 1.5k (P, P)	2	Include any 2 persons from either U15 or U17 category within a gender.
2a. IBU Men Relay 2b. IBU Women Relay	Youth, Junior, Senior	3 x 2k (P, S)	3	Include 1 youth, 1 junior, 1 senior within a gender. Exceptions can be made in order to form the most number of teams.
3a. Masters Mixed Relay	Master, Grand Master	3 x 1.5k (P, S)	3	Include 3 persons any gender from a Masters category.





Table of Classes and Competitions

Category	Class	Year of Birth	Friday SPRINT	Saturday PURSUIT, Para 4-STAGE	Sunday RELAY, Para SPRINT
USBA	U15 Women	2007-2008	4.5km	5km	2-person relay: DEVO GIRLS & DEVO BOYS 3x 1.5k (P, P) Choose 2 people within a gender to form a team.
USBA	U15 Men	2007-2008	4.5km	5km	
USBA	U17 Women	2005-2006	6km	7.5km	
USBA	U17 Men	2005-2006	6km	7.5km	
IBU	Youth Women	2003-2006	6km	7.5km	3-person relay: IBU WOMEN & IBU MEN 3x 2k (P, S) Choose 1 person from each IBU age category within a gender to form a team.
IBU	Youth Men	2003-2006	7.5km	10km	
IBU	Junior Women	2000-2002	7.5km	10km	
IBU	Junior Men	2000-2002	10km	12.5km	
IBU	Women	1999 & earlier	7.5km	10km	
IBU	Men	1999 & earlier	10km	12.5km	
USBA	Master Women	1963-1987	7.5km	10km	3 person mixed relay: MASTERS MIXED 3x 1.5k (P,S) Choose 3 persons (can mix genders) within a Masters age class to form a team.
USBA	Master Men	1963-1987	7.5km	10km	
USBA	Grand Master W	1962 and earlier	6km	7.5km	
USBA	Grand Master M	1962 and earlier	6km	7.5km	
Paralympic	Stand Women	-	IPC Sprint	IPC Mid	IPC Sprint
Paralympic	Sit Women	-			
Paralympic	VIS IMP Women	-			
Paralympic	Stand Men	-			
Paralympic	Sit Men	-			
Paralympic	VIS IMP Men	-			

Schedule and classes may change due to weather conditions and number of competitors. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to change the event schedule as needed and will alert participants of changes.



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Awards

US Biathlon National Championships Awards will be presented to the top 3 USA competitors in each category, including USBA, IBU, and IPC.

Presentation will take place during the following times: Day 1 and 2 during banquet Saturday night; Day 3 immediately following competition.

Competition Office and Team Captain's Meetings

The competition office will be located in Mt. Van Hoevenberg's Parking Lot 1: Wax Cabin 1 will be the Race Office, where bib pick-up will occur. The Team Captain's Meeting on **Wednesday** will be virtual; link will be distributed to athletes and coaches.

Wax Cabins

Wax cabins will be available for advance reservation March 1st via Mt. Van Hoevenberg's [website](#). A refundable security deposit and credit card information will be collected. Contact Lucy Beaulieu lbeaulieu@orda.org with any questions.

Waxing Protocol

All participants must adhere to the [USBA Waxing Protocol](#). Please read it carefully before arriving at the event.

Venue Information

The Mt. Van Hoevenberg facility has gone thru a major revitalization project in the last couple years. Our venue has a new 30-point Biathlon range, 5k of competition trails, a comprehensive snowmaking system and a new stadium. In addition, the new Mt. Pass Lodge offers services for recreation and sport and amenities to enjoy your stay in Lake Placid. All competition services will happen in our new Team Compound. We have 18 wax cabins with power, light and ventilation, with direct access to the Field of Play. In addition to the new upgrades, Mt. Van Hoevenberg continues to maintain 50km of legacy trails. Trail passes are required for days outside of competition and official training. Visit mtvanhoevenberg.com for venue information.

Travel and Accommodations

Airports in Albany, NY and Burlington, VT are the closest arrival points for air travel to Lake Placid. Lake Placid offers a variety of accommodations. Visit <https://www.lakeplacid.com/lodging>. There are several concurrent events in Lake Placid, so early booking is encouraged.



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Event Schedule

Tuesday, March 22nd

08:00-16:00 Unofficial Training (Trail and Range Pass Required) MVH
17:00 Online registration closes – **NO REGISTRATION TAKEN ON SITE**

Wednesday, March 23rd

08:00-16:00 Unofficial Training (Trail and Range Pass Required) MVH
15:00 – 17:00 Competition office open for competitor/team check-in/
registration corrections MVH
18:00 Team Captains Meeting VIRTUAL

Thursday, March 24th

08:00 Range Open for Zeroing MVH
09:00-12:00 Official Training MVH
09:00-12:00 Competition office open MVH
18:00 Opening Ceremonies / Welcome Ceremony TBD

Friday, March 25th

08:00 Range Open for Zeroing MVH
09:00 Sprint – IBU/USBA Categories (U15 – Masters) MVH
IPC Sprint event start after completion of IBU/USBA categories
Range closed after event

Saturday, March 26th

08:00 Range Open for Zeroing MVH
09:00 Pursuit – IBU/USBA Categories (U15 – Masters) MVH
IPC Mid event start after completion of IBU/USBA categories
Range closed after event
17:00 USBA Social Event / Award Ceremony TBD

Sunday, March 27th

08:00 Range Open for Zeroing
09:00 Relay
IPC Sprint start after completion of IBU/USBA categories
Range closed after event



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