
2016 U16 USSA PARA State Championships
February 26-28, 2016

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Dear PARA Racer,

Congratulations! Your racing results have qualified you for an invitation to the 2016 PARA U16 State Championship at Blue Mountain Resort, February 26-28, 2016. Regional results reflecting qualifying racers are posted on the PARA web site. If you have qualified and cannot attend this event, notify your Region Chairperson as soon as possible. Registrations will be handled through www.AdminSkiRacing.com and will close at 11:59pm on Wednesday 2/24/16. The results at this U16 Championship will qualify racers to be named to the following:

MEMBERS OF THE 2016 PARA U16 STATE TEAM
(12 Men—12 Women)

2016 PARA TEAM TO U16 EASTERN CHAMPIONSHIPS
March 10-15 at Sugarloaf, ME
(4 Men -- 4 Women)

2016 PARA TEAM TO THE EASTERN U16 FINALS
March 12-15 at Okemo, VT
(8 Men—8 Women)

FORMAT

Your invitation includes the 3 days of events as well as the athlete banquets.

DAY 1: Fri 2/26/16 - Super G- Training Run(s) on Race Hill and 1 Timed Run

DAY 2: Sat 2/27/16 - Giant Slalom- 2 Run Scored Race

DAY 3: Sun 2/28/16 – Slalom- 2 Run Scored Race

TEAM SELECTION AND AWARD CRITERIA FOR SELECTION TO PARA STATE TEAM

World Cup points will be accumulated from each day's race results. Team selection will be based on the highest aggregate number of World Cup points. Tie breaker methods apply as indicated in the PARA guide.

SL & GS AWARDS

Awards for individual Slalom and Giant Slalom will be determined by the combined run results for each discipline.

REGULATION HELMETS are mandatory for the Super G, Giant Slalom, and Slalom races

RACE SCHEDULE

All Championship event runs will be held on Razor's Edge

<https://www.skiblument.com/winter-sports/skiing-riding/trail-map/>

Friday- Super G

Lifts open at 8:30 AM

Warm up Runs- on controlled Race Hill.....10:00am to 11:30am

SG Course Setting.....11:30am

Inspection12:00pm-1:00pm

Forerunners1:15pm

SG Race start1:30pm

Saturday- Giant Slalom

Lifts open at 8:00am

1st Run Course Inspection8:30am-9:15am

Forerunners9:30am

1st run..... 9:45am

2nd Run Course Inspection will take place approximately 45 minutes after conclusion of 1st Run

2nd Run will start at approximately 12:30pm

Sunday- Slalom

Lifts open at 8:00am

1st Run Course Inspection8:30am-9:15am

Forerunners9:30am

1st run.....9:45am

2nd Run Course Inspection will take place approximately 45 minutes after conclusion of 1st Run

2nd Run will start at approximately 12:30pm

BANQUET AND SOUP/SALAD/POTATO BAR

The racer's registration fee includes their meal tickets for the following. Additional tickets can be purchased online at www.AdminSkiRacing.com or Friday morning ONLY at registration with cash or check made payable to BMRA.

SATURDAY—Dinner and Prize Drawing. There will be a banquet in the Vista Room located in the Summit Lodge at 5:00 PM (doors and cash bar open at 4:00pm) including a buffet dinner, followed by a racer prize drawing. Dinner menu includes Caesar salad, pasta with alfredo, marinara and pesto sauces, chicken breast, meatballs, rolls, cake, soft drinks and coffee/tea. Additional tickets may be purchased for \$25.00 per adult, \$10 per child (10 & under). Please let us know if you need a gluten free meal at the time of purchase. Coaches will receive their FREE tickets at the coaches meeting and are encouraged to attend.

TICKETS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR!

SUNDAY—Soup/Salad/Potato Bar and Awards. There will be a selection of soup, salad and potatoes and topping, and soft drinks in the Vista Room at 3:30 PM (doors open at 3:00). Additional tickets may be purchased for \$15.00 per person (adult or child). Coaches will receive their FREE tickets at the coaches meeting and are encouraged to attend.

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PHOTOS

A photographer will be at all 3 days racing events. Photos will be available online after the weekend for you to download at <https://u16championships.shutterfly.com/>.

AWARD CEREMONY FOR TOP FINISHERS OF INDIVIDUAL DISCIPLINES

**Ceremony will take place after the Soup/Salad/Potato Bar
on Sunday in the Vista room of the Summit Lodge**

2016 U16 PARA State Championship Men & Women Slalom 1st-8th
2016 U16 PARA State Championship Men & Women Giant Slalom 1st-8th
2016 U16 PARA State Championship Men & Women Super G 1st-8th
2016 U16 PARA Overall Women's and Men's State Champion
2016 U16 PARA State Team

STATE TEAMS

There will be a brief meeting of all those selected for the teams and alternates immediately following the awards ceremony. **Please come prepared to give a FIRM decision on whether or not you will attend the following events.**

Eastern U16 Championships	March 10-15	Sugarloaf, ME
U16 Eastern Finals	March 12-15	Okemo, VT

EVENT CHECK-IN

Friday - 7:30AM to 8:30 AM in the Summit Lodge Alpine Room (near cafeteria)
Registration for the championship event closes on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at 11:59pm, and can be found at www.AdminSkiRacing.com.

3-DAY EVENT ENTRY FEE -- \$306.00
MUST REGISTER AT www.AdminSkiRacing.com

The entry fee covers each competitor's race registration, lift ticket, T-shirt, Saturday evening banquet, and Sunday afternoon soup/salad/potato bar.

LIFT TICKETS

Racer lift tickets are included in 3-day event entry fee. 3-day family tickets will be available via www.AdminSkiRacing.com. 3-day and single-day Family member discounted tickets may be purchased at the ticket windows on the days of events. Cash, check, or credit card will be accepted. **LIFT TICKETS** must be with Racers **at All Times**.

	<u>Family Member</u>
3-day lift ticket Friday through Sunday	\$140
1-day lift ticket (any event day)	\$ 52

RACE BIBS

Bibs for all three days for all events will be issued at registration. Bibs will be collected at the end of the 2nd run on Sunday, February 28, 2016. A bib deposit of \$20 cash will be collected at registration and returned to the racer after Sunday's race.

PARENTS PARTICIPATION

It is requested for each racer to have a parent or friend assist with officiating or gate judging at **least** one of the three days. Volunteer sign-up sheets are available online at <http://www.bluemtraceteam.org/#!/volunteers/hbt&q>

SPECTATORS

Shuttle service is available between the Summit and the Valley for non-skiing spectators. Walkers can hike up the side of the Homestretch trail to the finish area.

On Friday, Feb 26th for the Super G, **NO spectators are allowed on Razor's Edge**, the race trail. Spectators may observe from the Challenge trail, the service trail from Dreamweaver, or the connector just above "The Falls." **For safety reasons all spectators MUST remain at least 7ft behind the b-netting.** We recommend that spectators observe from the finish area.

COACHES LIFT TICKETS

Please e-mail names of coaches, team affiliation, number of racers attending the event, and USSA# to racing@skiblument.com by February 24th. Coach's lift tickets will be provided at the Coach's meeting each day. Coaches MUST have a current USSA license to receive a complimentary lift pass.

COACHES MEETING

Friday, Feb 26th: 8:30-9:15am. Location- Competition Center Coaches room. Racer representation will be confirmed at this meeting - as well as detailed information about coach's roles for the Super G event.

Saturday, Feb 27th: 8:00am Location- Comp Ctr Coaches Room- meeting and lift tickets

Sunday, Feb. 28th: 8:00am Location- Comp Ctr Coaches Room- meeting and lift tickets

RACE DAY APP

Once again, Blue Mountain Racing Association will be using an app to replace a printed program booklet. The app is called "BMR Race Day" and can be downloaded from the Apple and Google App stores. There will NOT be a printed program. The alert module of the app will provide any updates that take place over the weekend, i.e. 2nd run start times, delayed start times, etc.

The app will also link to social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter) so that everyone can share their photos by using #paraU16.

QUESTIONS - PLEASE EMAIL

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**CONGRATULATIONS RACERS, WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO
SEEING YOU AT BLUE MOUNTAIN!!!**