

Eastern Alpine Competition Committee Report  
to  
Pennsylvania Alpine Racing Association Annual Meeting

**Post Season & Championship Events**

Best guess is U14 & U16 events will not be earlier than the 9<sup>th</sup> of March.  
2017 Eastern High School Championships are March 10, 11 & 12

**Equipment rules and regulations**

We will likely see revisions to both the Equipment Matrix and the Course Setting Matrix. Keep an eye out on your USSA mail feed after conclusion of the USSA Congress. USSA Congress wraps up on 15 May.

There was a request that the 60" gate rule be revisited, again watch for info after the congress.

**Quota Process for U16 & U14 Eastern Events**

The process for calculating Division (read state) quotas to U14 & U16 Regional Championships remains unchanged. We can expect to see yearly fluctuations in the number of athletes PARA will be allowed to send to these events and we need to address the issue of how we determine the size of our "State Teams".

**Seeding at U16 Championships**

Seeding at U16 Regional Championships will remain as it presently is, by state rotation. A proposal was put forth from the Eastern Development Committee to seed U16 Championships based on USSA points. This proposal was voted down by the Eastern ACC.

**National would like to rejuvenate "USSA" racing at the regional level.**

We may see a change in the structure of post-season events; this change could possibly affect Eastern USSA Finals. This event has been sited at Gore for the last several years and to which PARA sends a significant number of U19 athletes. We might possibly see a "USSA U19 Nationals", to which the eastern division would need to qualify U19 USSA athletes, and we'd likely see a renewed interest in Eastern USSA Finals from other Eastern Divisions. The full structure of this change and the implementation time frame is unclear at present.

**Women's World Cup at Killington – Nov 26 & 27, 2016**

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