

Thank you for all the ROCs & Race Secretaries who made sure all of their race results were submitted to USSA for proper scoring and posting in the USSA system. PARA was the only governing body in the US to have all their scored & non-scored races properly submitted as of April 14 2011.

Changes from Youth Competitions for 2011/12

- An additional day will be added to the J3 Eastern Junior Regionals (formerly known as J3 Olympics) to accommodate running the Giant Slalom on separate days for Men and Women
- Future Stars will run Men and Women on separate days for Giant Slalom allowing the non-racing group to participate in the Skills Assessment portion of the event.
- The J4 Camps instituted in the 2010/11 Season were a great success. We anticipate hosting a similar one-day camp in the NY region with attendance for PA racers.

Preliminary Eastern Calendar (Tentative)

March 4-7, 2012 USSA Finals (J1, J2, Sr)
 March 7-11, 2012 Junior FIS Finals
 March 15-16, 24-27 Eastern Cup Finals (FIS)

No Youth Schedule is available at this time.

Eastern Alpine Competition Committee by-laws and operating guidelines were revised. Dirk Gowens did a fantastic job of updating information on the USSAEAST.ORG website.

The Age Change

Starting in 2012/13 season racers must be 16 years of age to compete in FIS scored competitions. The proposal before USSA is shown below along with the changing of nomenclature for age classes. This proposal awaits adoption at the USSA National level.

Alpine Age Change Planning

<u>Nomen - clature</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U14</u>	<u>U16</u>	<u>U18</u>	<u>U21</u>
Season 2012-13 Ages	2003-later 9 & younger	2001-02 10-11	1999-00 12-13	1997-98 14-15	1995-96 16-17	1992-94 18-20
Alpine Training System Focus	Play and games – innovative motor and technical skill focus SL, GS, Kombi	Leagues and teams – instill love of sport SL, GS, Kombi	Introduce terrain elements SL, GS, SG, Kombi	Introduce speed elements, skill acquisition DH, SL, GS, SG	4 event focus, skill perfection	4 event focus, mastering all domains
Competition	USSA U10 State and Divisional Council Festivals	USSA U12 State and Divisional Festivals	USSA U14 State and Divisional Champs	Select FIS Children, USSA U16 Regional JOs	FIS WJR, NAC and U18 National JOs	FIS WJR and COC
Ranking	N/A	N/A	N/A	USSA	FIS/USSA	FIS/USSA