# Mid-Atlantic Masters 2021/2022 Rules of Competition

### **Membership Requirements**

- 1. Competitors are requested to join Mid-Atlantic Masters at a cost of \$26 per season (early bird rate prior to Dec 1st). Competitors must be members to qualify for the seasonal Foy Cup, class (age group), team, and family prizes.
- 2. Mid-Atlantic Masters will honor the memberships of other Masters organizations for race participation such as New England and NY Masters, however, you must be members of Mid-Atlantic to qualify for the seasonal scoring and prizes.
- 3. A US Ski & Snowboard Masters or junior membership is required to compete in any Mid-Atlantic Masters US Ski & Snowboard Sanctioned Race. Season long or short term by the day licenses are available from US Ski & Snowboard. There is a one event limit on short-term memberships. An event is a series of races/training on three consecutive days. US Ski & Snowboard full memberships qualify for Expertvoice discounts. This typically gives you up to 40% off key name brand sports and other gear.
- 4. There is a good guide on the US Masters site with US Ski & Snowboard license considerations, costs and directions at this link. If you have any problems you can contact Member Services at 435-647-2666
- 5. Note, some races (such as Montage) are not US Ski & Snowboard Sanctioned, therefore you do not need a license for these races. You can determine which licenses are sanctioned by looking at the race information on the registration page, or the schedule area of the www.MAMasters.org website.

## **Mid-Atlantic Masters Membership Benefits**

Members of Mid-Atlantic Masters qualify for the following:

- Earning points toward the season-long Foy Cup and class (age group) awards and prizes
- Winning awards and prizes at the Mid-Atlantic-Masters Championships
- Ability to compete on a team and earn team prizes.
- Discounts from our sponsors (see MA Masters web page for more details)

US Ski & Snowboard Association membership also offers a wide variety of discounts for members. Benefits may be found at <a href="https://my.usskiandsnowboard.org/member-benefits">https://my.usskiandsnowboard.org/member-benefits</a>

### **Entry Procedures, Fees and Deadlines**

- Online registration for all races may be completed at <u>masters.adminskiracing.com</u>.
   Racers should update their account with current credit card and email information at the beginning of each season. New racers will need to create an adminskiracing account prior to registration. New and out of division racers should change to or select the "Mid Atlantic" Race series at the top of the home page. There is no extra cost to use skiracereg--it is fast and simple.
- 2. The cut-off for race entry is **noon two days before** the first race of the event (usually held over a weekend). Start lists will be generated the night before the race, then posted

- at racer check in and on adminskiracing. All racers should check in and review the start list for errors (and notify check in personnel, if necessary) by 8:15 am on race day.
- 3. Day-of race registrations generally will NOT be accepted--you must be on the start list prepared the day prior to the race to compete. If you are allowed by the race organizer to submit a late entry after the deadline has been reached, please be aware that a late fee of \$15 may be charged. Late submissions will be permitted only for extenuating circumstances.
- 4. Please be sure that you have your US Ski & Snowboard license prior to the race. There are instructions in the upper part of this document.
- 5. If the race is cancelled (e.g., due to weather), your credit card will not be charged. If you cancel your registration prior to the cutoff deadline (i.e., noon two days before the first race of the event), your credit card will not be charged. If you do not cancel prior to the cut-off time, you will not be charged for the registration, but there will be a \$15 DNS fee.
- 6. Racers entered in a race can be viewed on masters.adminskirace prior to the race date.

## **Race Bibs**

- 1. Bibs are available for purchase through Mid-Atlantic Masters, through masters.adminskirace.something....(you'll see bib purchase on the left). A purchased bib will serve as your permanent bib and racer identifier for all regular Mid-Atlantic Races. It is the responsibility of each racer to keep the bib in good condition, bring it to each race, and wear the bib during all races. If you forget your bib, you will be issued a temporary; in this case, please advise the starter of your permanent bib number, so that your race times and scoring can be recorded accurately. You can check out <a href="numbers available for purchase at the following link">numbers available for purchase at the following link</a>.
- 2. Out of division guests will be given a temporary loaner bib. You may keep this bib for the entire weekend.
- 3. Temporary bibs must be returned after the racer's last race of the weekend. A fee of \$25 will be charged for unreturned bibs.

## Seeding (Start Order)

First and second run seeding (start order) will alternate between the oldest women and men's classes through class 10, followed by all the remaining women's and men's classes--not alternating, from oldest to youngest. Juniors U14 or less will run prior to all other classes. The jury may change the start order at its discretion. If a Mid-Atlantic Masters race is held concurrently with a US Ski & Snowboard Junior or open race, the Masters division will be scored as a separate race.

First run seeding within classes will be by the order of signup, among those entries received by the entry deadline. Late entrants will run last in their respective classes. Second run seeding will either be the same as the first run order for smaller races, or reverse order for larger races.

All racers holding a Masters or USSA junior seasonal or short-term license may compete in the Mid-Atlantic Masters Skiing Championships; however, only those who are also Mid-Atlantic Masters members will qualify for championship awards and door prizes.

## **Course Specifications & Equipment**

Race rules shall conform to all US Ski & Snowboard rules. Courses shall meet the standard requirements for USSA Masters.

Starting this season (2021-2022) it is NOW REQUIRED that Masters use helmets that meet the FIS standards for FIS and U.S. Ski & Snowboard Masters GS, SG and DH competitions. Helmets which meet the FIS standard have a sticker affixed by the manufacturer that states "Conforms to FIS Specification RH 2013". Helmets without hard ear covering are permitted for Slalom.

## <u>Scoring</u>

### **Individual Scoring:**

Only Mid-Atlantic Masters members may earn points toward the overall seasonal and class (age group) awards. Foy Cup overall (top five men and top five women) and season-long class results (top three in each class) will be determined by scoring the individuals' best races identified as Mid-Atlantic points races (see below for the number of races that are counted). Overall scoring is based on the Alpine World Cup point scoring system.

Scoring for age class	Scoring for overall
10 points for 1st	100 points for 1st
8 for 2nd	80 for 2nd
6 for 3rd	60 for 3rd
4 for 4th	50 for 4th
2 for 5th	45 for 5th, etc., through 1 for 30th

- Number of Best of # of races
  - The number of races counted is according to the formula (Total races in season / 2) rounded up to the next whole number.
  - o If there is a tie after the best of number, finishes within the category the tie is in are taken into account (i.e. class, discipline, overall).
- Min # Races
  - A minimum of six races is required to qualify for overall scoring. Should the
    weather in the season or other conditions dictate otherwise, the board may
    choose to adjust this number downwards. The target is to have a minimum of
    just about one third of all scored races.

Unless announced otherwise, the Mid-Atlantic Masters Skiing Championship (end-of-season) Giant Slalom Race will be scored within predetermined ability groups, rather than by age groups. You will be placed in an ability group based on your average handicap across all completed races. Your start order will still be by age group, but scoring will be by ability.

### Team Scoring:

Teams will be scored at each race by counting the top four finishers for each team. Team rosters of up to twelve racers must be identified by the second weekend of racing for the season. Should a team not have enough finishers, ghost times will be used (the time of the slowest racer that qualified for team scoring for that particular gender, plus 30 seconds). Team scoring will be based on an age and gender handicap points. All team members must be members of Mid-Atlantic Masters. You can register your team at the following link.

#### IronMan (person):

An IronMan award will be presented to the person (man or woman) who completes the most starts for the season, and who has not yet won the award.

## Other Scoring

**Family** – There will be a seasonal award for parent(s) & child teams. Either parent may race with their child, and the best races for each family will count towards the award.

### Useful links

- Some general guidelines for course inspection and a few key rules to be aware of can be found in the following document.
- The US Ski & Snowboard Masters Web Site can be found at: https://usskiandsnowboard.org/masters
- The full US Ski & Snowboard Masters 2021 Competition Guide can be found at this link.
- The US Ski & Snowboard Alpine Competition Guide can be found at this link.
- The FIS Alpine Rules and Precisions can be found at this link.

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