



Championship Structure 2024/2025

Regular Season Rankings - Teams and Individuals from all divisions will be *ranked from regular season races and seeded into heats at the Regional Championships.

- Regular Season Rankings - will be determined from regular season and collegiate cup races. Collegiate cup races will receive a full score with all other regular season races being ranked on a weighted scale (92%)
- End of Regular Season Rankings will be determined by each individual's highest score during the regular season.
- Team Rankings will be determined by combining the top 5 scoring athletes from each team. Each athlete will only be counted once.

In-Season Races

- Regular Season races (not Collegiate Cups) weighting- 92%
- Due date to receive ranking - Wednesday, 5:00 pm pst, the week following said race.
- First Rankings released -Wednesday, September 18th, 2024

Collegiate Cup

- Draft Legal, 10% +/- standard & super sprint distances (750m/20k/5k, 375/10k/2.5k) -RD's can submit a waiver for bike length discrepancies.
- Will be approved based on the projection of 35 athletes participating.
- Lap out rule will not be enforced for Cup races.
- Must be included in the master schedule June 3rd. To be considered after the June 3rd deadline, races CANNOT be within 300 miles and +/- 8 days of

an approved Collegiate Cup. Secondary races will be considered until August 1st

- Collegiate Cup races must be “open” to all varsity teams (not’ invitational’ to invited or pre-selected teams.)

Regionals

- The top 6 teams from Nationals 2023 will be circle seeded and assigned to regions, others will be assigned geographically. Teams can apply to change regions based on economic hardship. Deadline September 16th. *Please submit appeals to your At-Large and Division Rep.*
- Scoring - Teams and athletes will be scored based on finish time, regardless of which heat they’re in.
- Max score starts with the number of athletes registered in each region.
- Maximum number of athletes per team - 10.
- Top 5 athletes score with athletes 6 & 7 displacing. Athletes must be designated as scorers/displacers and non-scorers before the race.
- Minimum number of bike laps -2
- Top 5 teams per region, based on regular season rankings, will qualify up to 7 athletes for Heat 1. Designated non scorers from the top 5 teams are eligible for Heat 1 but must qualify as individuals. The top 40 Individuals from Non-Qualified teams and designated non scorers from qualified teams will qualify for the Heat 1. All other teams will qualify for Heat 2.

Nationals

- Scoring - Teams and athletes will be scored based on finish time, regardless of which heat they’re in.
- Max score starts at 225 points and decreases in single point increments.
- Maximum number of athletes per team -7.
- Waves will be capped at 75 athletes
- Championship Heat 1 will consist of the top 3 Scored teams from each region, and the top 33 ranked individuals on non-qualified teams. Teams and Individuals will receive call down spots based on their regional rankings.
- Championship Heat 2 will consist of the next 9 highest ranked teams regardless of Region and will fill with the top ranked athletes from non-qualified teams. Teams and Individuals will receive call down spots based on their rankings received from Regionals.
- Championship Heat 3 will consist of the next 9 highest ranked teams regardless of Region. The remaining teams will auto-qualify a maximum of 3 team athletes (ex. If a team qualifies 1 athlete for Heat 2 they would have 2 remaining team spots). The remaining spots will be filled with the top ranked athletes having not already received a team or individual

qualification. Teams and Individuals will receive call down spots based on their rankings received from Regionals.

- Declaration Deadline - Teams will need to declare for Nationals along with the number of athletes they are racing by end of day Tuesday, October 22nd, 2024.

*RANKING METHODOLOGY: For INDIVIDUALS AND TEAMS

For Collegiate Cups, and Regional Championships the top 3 finish times are averaged, and that time equals 100%. The entire field is then given a "score" expressed as a percentage of the average time of the top 3 finishers.

Ex. At Pleasant Prairie 2019 the average finish time of the top 3 athletes was 1:01.03. Kyla Roy finished in 1:00.44 (just under the average time) so she had a score of 100.5%.

For regular season races the same formula will be followed ("**See Regular Season races and Collegiate Cup Races, above.") but scores will be adjusted for race weight, and level of competition.

Athletes' best ranking score from the year will be taken to create Individual Rankings and the sum score of the top 5 Individuals from each team will create a Team Score and Ranking.