



**U.S. Biathlon Youth and Junior Nationals & International Team Trials**  
**Dec 26-31, 2024**  
**Soldier Hollow Nordic Center, Midway, Utah**

U.S. Biathlon is proud to invite all Youth & Junior Biathletes to the **U.S. Biathlon Youth and Junior Nationals & International Team Trials** to be held **December 26-31, 2024** at Soldier Hollow Nordic Center in Midway, Utah. National Championships medals will be up for grabs as well as selection to International Teams for the winter of 2024-25 and an incredible opportunity to gain experience while racing at the future 2034 Olympic Biathlon venue.

**Event Schedule:** (times subject to change)

Thursday, Dec 26th - Unofficial Training (range open 13:00-15:00)

Friday, Dec 27th- Official Training 13:00-15:00

**Saturday, Dec 28th-** 13:00 zero  
14:00 Women Start 6k Sprint  
14:45 Men Start 7.5k Sprint  
16:00 OPEN 5k Sprint *\*not part of Nationals event*

Sunday, Dec 29th- Official Training 09:30-12:00

**Monday, Dec 30th-** 09:00-09:45 Zero  
10:00 Men 12k Mass Start 60  
10:45 Women 9k Mass Start 60  
17:30 Banquet

**Tuesday, Dec 31st-** 09:00 Zero  
10:00 Women start 7.5km Sprint  
10:30 Men start 10 km Sprint

## **RACE REGISTRATION**

Registration is required for all competitors, and will be open by October 1, 2024.

Early registration entry fee of \$175 covers all training days, all 3 races & the banquet for athletes.

Individual race entry is \$60.

Early registration deadline is midnight (mst) on December 15, 2024.

Late registration will include a fee of \$25 starting December 16, 2024 (\$10 per race).

U.S. Biathlon membership required for all competitors (member # entered in registration)

A limited number of banquet tickets may be purchased by credentialed coaches and spectators in advance for \$25. Banquet tickets can be purchased online with the registration link below.

The one available OPEN race will have a registration fee of \$30 (& is not part of Nationals event).

All registration, and fees associated will be managed & accepted by Muddy Dog Sports.

Register here: [Muddy Dog Sports](#)

## **COACH ACCESS**

U.S. Biathlon Member Coaches in good standing are welcome and encouraged to attend this event, and may receive a Coach bib to access the range and venue. Coaches in good standing will have had an updated membership, recent SafeSport certification, background check, and must register for the event (free). Only U.S. Biathlon Member Coaches will be eligible to access the range for this event.

## **NATIONAL AWARDS, RECOGNITION, & INTERNATIONAL TEAM SELECTION**

This event will serve as the Official U.S. Biathlon National Championships for Youth & Juniors in the USA, as well as International Team Selection for the 2024-2025 season.

Top 3 in the IBU Youth & Top 3 in the IBU Junior categories will be recognized with National Championship titles and medals associated with this event.

U17 athletes will receive special recognition as a subcategory of the IBU Youth class. *\*Note - this will be a non-National Championship recognition, and will have no bearing on the ranking & points lists for International Team Selection, which will come from the overall IBU Youth Category.*

### Age categories recognized at this event in 2024-2025:

Juniors - born 2003, 2004, 2005

Youth - born 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009

U17 - born 2008, 2009 (recognition only)

### International Team Selection process:

Team Selection points list will be calculated with the best 2 of 3 results using the USBA percent-back system. Youth and Junior athletes will be scored together. Two lists will be created for each gender. The Primary List will include both Junior and Youth athletes. The Youth list will include only youth athletes.

\*Full Criteria for each team can be found on the USBA website under Athlete Resources at

<https://www.usbiathlon.org/athlete-resources>

## **WAX PROTOCOL**

All athletes will adhere to USBA's wax protocol policy.

- Athletes will deliver one pair of scraped skis, name clearly marked, to the designated wax room no later than 1 hour after Official Training or 2 hours after race conclusion on the day before the race. Full wax protocol details found [here](#).
- Race skis will be checked in and marked by USBA
- All skis will receive the same wax
- Race skis will be delivered to the start pen 10 minutes before the race. Race skis must stay in the start pen.

## **COURSE MAPS**

All course maps should be posted by November 1 on the USBA National Events page or [click here](#).

## **OFFICIALS, CHIEFS, & ORGANIZING COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP**

Chief of competition - Shawn Robison

Technical Delegate - John Barrick

International Referee - Tom Moffat

U.S. Biathlon Event Liaisons - Sara Studebaker-Hall & John Farra

U.S. Biathlon Chief of Scoring - Tim Burke

Timing Contractor - Jim Nallick, Muddy Dog Sports

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

For further information contact: Director of Operations - [Sara Studebaker-Hall](#); Director of Athlete Development - [Tim Burke](#); or Director of Sport Development - [John Farra](#)

## **SAFESPORT & MAAPP NOTIFICATION**

*Dear participants, parents, coaches, volunteers, & officials,*

*Thank you for your interest in participating in the U.S. Biathlon Youth and Junior Nationals & International Team Trials at the Soldier Hollow Nordic Center December 26-31, 2024. As a reminder, this event is sanctioned by U.S. Biathlon and therefore all U.S. Biathlon SafeSport and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) are in effect. You can find the U.S. Biathlon's MAAPP full policy on our website (<https://www.usbiathlon.org/safesport>).*

*To report a SafeSport concern, please go to The US Center for SafeSport's website (<https://safesport.org/report-a-concern>) or contact USBA via email ([USBASafesport@usbiathlon.org](mailto:USBASafesport@usbiathlon.org)), phone (207- 688-6500) or by filling out this Google Form: <https://forms.gle/3evGusWbFpgL8xSw8>. Reports can always be made anonymously.*

*Note that The US Center for SafeSport has exclusive jurisdiction over allegations regarding sexual misconduct. These allegations should be reported directly to The Center, while other concerns may be reported to The Center or directly to U.S. Biathlon.*

*Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns. We look forward to seeing you at the event!*

*U.S. Biathlon - [info@usbiathlon.org](mailto:info@usbiathlon.org)*