



2017 Ontario OCUP Finals (aka Provincial Championships) Information

The 2017 U16 OCUP Finals are being held at Searchmont March 10-13.

The 2017 U14 OCUP Finals are being held at Camp Fortune March 15-18.

Coaches Committee (CC):

The CC for each age group will be chaired by the appropriate NCD Age Group Chair and each NCD club (including the NCO in the case of U16) will have one representative. The NCD Age Group Chair does not have any voting privileges, unless a tie breaker is necessary.

Eligibility

With the introduction of the OCUP series, there are no quota limits for participation in the OCUP Finals, therefore, there is no need for selection criteria as there has been in previous years.

Only athletes that are competing in the NCD/OSZ race series (and are therefore registered with AOA for the OCUP Series) are eligible to participate.

Only athletes that submitted a fitness test result to AOA by Dec 31, 2016 are eligible to participate.

For athlete safety, seeding/participation in the OCUP Finals SG races will require that the athlete participated in at least one day of the speedcamp held for that age group. The CC will have the discretion to waive this requirement when the athlete is deemed qualified but was unable to participate in the speedcamp due to extenuating circumstances.

Coaching

- Each club may nominate an appropriate number of coaches to support their athletes.
- The CC will review the nominated coaches and finalize the team coaching staff.
- The CC will appoint the Team Captain for the NCD team from the nominated group of coaches.
- The CC will ensure that at least one selected coach has a Development Level coaching certification.
- It is desirable to have at least one selected coach from each gender representing the team. But this may not be possible should one not be available.

Seeding

- Seeding will be at the discretion of the coaching staff under the leadership of the Team Captain.
- Regional series rankings by discipline as of the start of the event, will be used as input to this process, but seeding may not follow the rankings exactly.

Registration

- The NCD Age Group Chair will coordinate with the clubs all registrations.
- The NCD Age Group Chair will submit the team entry to the ROC on behalf of the entire team. No other entries will be tolerated.
- Any breach of this policy will immediately disqualify the athlete(s) and his/her coach will be subject to sanction by the NCD Board of Directors, which may include, but is not limited to, the loss of course setting assignments for the balance of the season in any NCD sanctioned race.

Costs, transportation, accommodations, etc.

- Transportation and accommodations arrangements and costs are the athlete's family's responsibility.
- Registration costs (which generally include lift tickets for race days) are the athlete's family's responsibility.
- Each club is responsible for the coaching salaries and expenses of their own coaches.
- If the coaching staff organize lane space for training prior to the event, the participating athletes will be responsible for the additional costs of lane space and lift tickets.