

Regional Cup #1
CRAFTSBURY COMMON, VERMONT, USA

December 11-12, 2021

OFFICIAL INVITATION



A. GENERAL INFORMATION

A.1 – Venue

Craftsbury Outdoor Center
Craftsbury Common, Vermont
Altitude: 1,240 feet

A.2 – Organizing Committee (OC) Contact Information

Address: 535 Lost Nation Road, Craftsbury Common, VT 05827 USA
Phone: (802) 586-7767
Email: biathlon@craftsbury.com
Website: www.craftsbury.com/biathlon

A.3 – Registration

Registration is online at skireg.com/biathlon-eastern-regional-cup-1

U13 and U15: Race Entry is \$30 USD for one race and \$60 USD for two races.

U17 and Above: Race Entry is \$30 USD for one race and \$60 USD for two races. Online registration closes on **December 9 at 10:00pm Eastern Standard Time**. There will be no day-of registration for this event.

IMPORTANT:

Please do not bring rifles inside Touring Center, gym, adjacent deck, or Dining Hall. Rifles can be put on racks in designated locations only.

A.4 – Licensing

All competitors must be a current member of USBA or their respective nation's governing body.

USBA Membership can be purchased online at:

<https://www.teamusa.org/us-biathlon/membership/join-usba-online>

A.5 – Release of Liability

The organizer shall not be held liable for any accidents and damages caused to persons or materials/equipment. By submitting the entry form the competitor confirms that they are medically fit to compete and possess sufficient health, accident and liability insurance (in accordance with paragraph 1.5.1.2 of IBU Event & Competition Rules).

A.6 – Import and Export of Rifles and Ammunition

This document may be used as an Official Invitation for the biathlon event to be presented to border patrol for purposes of transporting rifles and ammunition across the U.S. Border. Additional documentation, passports, visas, etc., will be necessary to cross into the United States.

A.7 – COVID19 Considerations

We are living in a pandemic. Please be mindful of this. There will be no indoor space at the Craftsbury Outdoor Center for day guests/racers. Toilets are in the white trailer in the main parking lot. Unvaccinated individuals are asked to wear a mask at all times when around others, even when outside. Vaccinated individuals must wear a mask at all times when inside. Full vaccination is mandatory for all overnight guests,

staff, GRP athletes, and visiting support personnel and fitness class participants. Read the entire Craftsbury COVID19 policy [here](#).

B. LOGISTICS

B.1 – Travel Route

By Car:

Comprehensive driving directions can be found at craftsbury.com.

By Air:

Burlington International Airport (BTV) – 1.5 hour drive to Craftsbury

Plattsburgh International Airport (PBG) – 2.5 hour drive to Craftsbury

Montreal International Airport (YUL) – 3 hour drive to Craftsbury, plus border crossing

Manchester Regional Airport (MHT) – 3 hour drive to Craftsbury

Boston Logan International Airport (BOS) – 3.5 hour drive to Craftsbury

Portland International Jetport (PWM) – 3.5 hour drive to Craftsbury

B.2 – Accommodation Reservation and Food

The Craftsbury Outdoor Center offers on-site lodging, from dormitory-style single beds to luxurious private cabins and cottages. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are included in our Vermont Fresh Network dining hall for overnight guests. Overnight accommodation for participants and families can be made by contacting stay@craftsbury.com or visiting craftsbury.com.

Off-campus lodging can be found at [Airbnb.com](https://airbnb.com) and [VRBO.com](https://vrbo.com). The town of Stowe, about 50 minutes away, also offers a number of hotels and rental accommodations.

New this year: There will be a food truck from Front Seat Coffee on Wednesday-Sunday all winter at the Outdoor Center. They will have drinks, soups, chili, empanadas and other yummy lunch items.

COVID policy: Full vaccination is mandatory for all overnight guests, staff, GRP athletes, and visiting support personnel and fitness class participants. This policy applies to those age 5 and over. For children not yet vaccine eligible or those incompletely vaccinated prior to 31 December 2021, a negative PRC test result within the prior 72 hours of your arrival will be required.

B.3 – Wax Room

Wax rooms may not be available for this event. Further information will be sent out *if* they become available.

B.4 – Wax Trucks & Trailers

Please let the OC know if your team will use a wax truck or trailer and needs a parking place with power. Let the OC know (biathlon@craftsbury.com) by December 9, 2021.

C. COMPETITION INFORMATION

C.1 – Competition Rules

The event will be conducted in accordance with the following rules and regulations:

- IBU Event and Competitions Rules in the current version.
- Biathlon North America Hosting Policy for North American Championships and North American Cup events, 01 November 2016.

C.2 – Target System

The COC biathlon range is equipped with 15 Kurvinen electronic targets.

C.3 – Start Lists

Start lists will be posted on Craftsbury.com on Friday night after the Captains Meeting for the Scramble event. Bibs and start lists for each of the races will also be available at the COC Touring Center Building two hours prior to the start of each race.

C.4 – Race Distances

Category	Age	“Scramble” December 11, 2021 (2 bouts, PS, 3 spares + 150m penalty)	Short Individual December 12, 2021 (4 bouts, PPS, 45 second time penalty)
U13 Boys	12 and under	3km (PP block, 75m penalty)	5k (PPPP block, 30 sec. penalty)
U13 Girls	12 and under	3km (PP block, 75m penalty)	5k (PPPP block 30 sec. penalty)
U15 Boys	13-14	6km (PP, 75m penalty)	5 km (PPPP, 30 sec. penalty)
U15 Girls	13-14	6 km (PP, 75m penalty)	5 km (PPPP, 30 sec. penalty)
U17 Boys	15-16	6 km	10 km
U17 Girls	15-16	6 km	10 km
Youth Men	17-18	6 km	10 km
Youth Women	17-18	6 km	10 km
Junior Men	19-20	6 km	10 km
Junior Women	19-20	6 km	10 km
Senior Men	21-29	6 km	10 km
Senior Women	21-29	6 km	150km
Masters Men	30+	6 km	10 km
Masters Women	30+	6 km	10 km
Veterans Men	50+	6 km	10 km
Veterans Women	50+	6 km	10 km

What is a “Scramble”?

A “scramble” is a fun new race format that is borrowed from the scramble (first) leg of a biathlon relay race. It will be a mass start, where athletes will shoot twice, prone then standing, and just prone for U13’s and U15’s. Like a relay, athletes will be up to three spare rounds for missed targets, then will ski a penalty loop for each still open after the three spares. So, ski + prone (3 spares then penalty loops) + ski + standing (3 spares then loops) + ski.

C.5 – Event Program

Friday December 10 – Official

2:00-4:00pm – Official Training

6:00pm – Team Captains Meeting. Via Zoom. Stay tuned.

Saturday December 11 – “Scramble”

1:30-2:15 - Equipment Control Open

2:00-2:50 - Zero

3:00 - Start

Sunday December 12 - Individual

1:30-2:15 - Equipment Control Open

2:00-2:50 - Zero

3:00- Start

C.6 – Competition Course and Stadium

Courses used will be dependent on the natural snow and the condition of the man-made snow. COC staff will provide the best possible conditions for the event. Watch craftsbury.com for updates and course maps.

C.7 – Other Events

Note that there will be large ski races taking place in the morning and early afternoon on the race days. Don't be surprised when you show up to a parking lot full of cars and people!

E. ENTRY DEADLINES

- December 9, 2021 – registration closes
- December 9, 2021 – wax truck notification due

F. ANNEX

A. Nearby Stores/Restaurants. When visiting any of these establishments, please be mindful of COVID19 guidelines and be respectful of masking requests.

- I. Craftsbury General Store - local products, catering, family style takeout, pizza, grocery
118 South Craftsbury Rd. Craftsbury VT 05826
gennyvt.com
- II. Craftsbury Village Store - deli, grocery, gas, diesel
25 South Craftsbury Rd. Craftsbury, VT 0582
www.facebook.com/cvillagestore
- III. Albany General Store - local products, catering, family style takeout, pizza, grocery
843 Main St. Albany VT 05820
<https://www.gennyvt.com/albany>
- IV. Blackbird Bistro - bistro with craft cocktails, local beer, wine, and food.
1037 South Craftsbury Rd. Craftsbury, VT 05826
www.blackbirdbistrovt.com

- V. Front Seat Coffee – coffee and treats
101 S Main St. Hardwick, VT 05843
www.frontseatcoffee.com

- VI. Parker Pie - local pizza eatery with bar
161 County Rd. West Glover, VT 05875
<https://parkerpie.com/>