Far West Masters Ski Racing

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Season Scoring and Open Class

Season standings are maintained based on results of racers over the entire season to award competitors for consistently outstanding results in their class, as well as to award the colored "leader bibs" for the following season to the top men and women in the open class rankings from each race. Season standings are computed using the "new World Cup" points system, where points are awarded to the top 30 finishers on a scale of 100, 80, 60, 50, 45, 40, ..., 1.

For 2016-2017, the season standings are based on your best results in 75% of the races (rounded up). All races organized by the Far West Masters on our division schedule will be counted, including any races that are rescheduled from the originally published schedule or added to the schedule during the season in response to changing conditions or special opportunities.

2016-2017 scoring: best 20 finishes of 26 races are counted

Eligibility

Racers must have at least 6 starts to qualify for a season award and must be current paid members of Far West Masters for the current season. The minimum-starts rule may be waived for competitors 70 and over, however, and at the discretion of the awards committee, it may also be waived on an individual basis to allow for exceptional conditions such as injury or illness.

Open Class

A new system of the Open class was established starting in the 2015-2016 season. The race will be conducted under standard USSA masters age class rules, but competitors may elect to be scored in the Open class drawn from all age classes rather than their age class for race awards and season scoring.

Open class participation may be elected on a season basis, or for a specific event. To elect Open class, contact scoring director Deb Lewis at <u>dlewis@farwestmasters.org</u> or sign up at race checkin before the start of the race. Open class participants will be noted on start lists and the finish board whenever possible so that all competitors know who is competing within their age class and who is being scored in the overall Open class.

The season leader bibs will be awarded based on the rankings of the Open class.

Open Class Opt-In

Open class is optional, but <u>YOU</u> are responsible for communicating an "opt-in" decision to be scored in the overall Open class no later than checkin on the morning of the race.

***PLEASE SIGN UP OR CONFIRM AT CHECKIN TO ELECT OPEN CLASS **