



Pennsylvania Alpine Racing Association U14 State Championships Proposal - 2025 & 2026

Date of Proposal: April 14, 2023

Event: U14 State Championships
Years to Host: 2025 & 2026

Host Club: Western Pennsylvania Race Club (WPRC)
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Venue: 7 Springs Mountain Resort
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Address: 777 Waterwheel Drive, Seven Springs, PA 15622

Reasons for Selecting WPRC:

- Race hills homologated for SL, GS, and SG
- Age appropriate race venues, especially for SG event
- Emphasis on making this a PARA wide event by encouraging and fostering interactions between athletes and coaches across the state
- WPRC has invested in the equipment necessary to run the U14 States, including 75+ rolls of b-net and 60" SL gates
- Strong support from 7 Springs to prepare race venues and run event
- 7 Springs has facilities on-site to support all aspects of the event's activities (race venues, coaches' meetings, registration, banquets, and lodging)
- Ample lodging is available onsite (hotel and condos)
- Alternate lodging and dining options available in Somerset and Donegal (approximately 20-30 minute drives from the resort)
- Experienced race crew, typically running 6-7 races in the season prior to PA State Championships

Entry Fee:

The entry fee was \$200.00 in 2023, and is subject to change. The entry fee includes the following for each athlete:

- Race registration for all 3 days of the event (Speed Training, SL, & GS)
- 1 Race Bib – Athletes use the same bib all 3 days. These bibs are theirs to keep.
- 1 PARA U14 State Championships sweatshirt
- 1 ticket to Saturday's Athlete Banquet

The entry does not include lift tickets – please see the Lift Tickets section for more information on discounted lift tickets.



Lift Tickets

Race registration does not include a lift ticket. 7 Springs is now a Vail Corporation mountain and honors corresponding Epic passes. For those that do not have an Epic pass, the mountain offered a \$74.00 event rate for the athlete in 2023.

Race Format:

The format for the weekend will be:

- Friday – optional Speed Training (skills training, and then training runs)
- Saturday – 3 runs of Slalom
- Sunday – 3 runs of Giant Slalom

Assuming PARA maintains the same scoring methods as in 2020, the PARA U14 State Championships will consist of 3 runs of Slalom and 3 runs of Giant Slalom, and an optional Speed skills day on Friday. New World Cup points will be assigned for each run of Slalom and Giant Slalom. Overall State Champions and State Team / post-season event selection will be based on total New World Cup Points from the six runs. Tie breaks follow the "Inside/Out Method".

Discipline awards will also be given for Slalom and Giant Slalom based on total New World Cup Points from all three runs of each discipline. Tie breaks follow the "Inside/Out Method".

Banquets:

The racer's registration fee includes their meal tickets for both the Saturday Athlete Banquet and the Sunday Pizza Party. Additional tickets for family or friends must be purchased in advance.

Saturday 5:00 pm: Athlete Banquet & Prize Drawing

There will be a banquet on-site at 7 Springs at 5:00 pm (doors open at 4:30 pm) including a buffet dinner, followed by a racer prize drawing. Athletes must be in attendance to receive a prize. In 2023, additional tickets could be purchased for \$35.00 per person, and coaches who worked the venue Friday received a complimentary ticket. This rate is subject to change.

Sunday 3:00 pm: Award Ceremony / State Team Selection

Awards will include Discipline & Overall State Champions, as well as selection for Eastern regional events. There will be a brief meeting of all those selected for the teams and alternates immediately following the awards ceremony.