

The Ski Challenge 2011-12

Participant's Information & Regulations



- League Schedule** All league racing begins on Friday, January 6, 2012* (*see complete league schedule online for details)
- First Week** Week one is a race! Individual registration to start one hour prior to inspection 1-1/2 hours prior to race. T-shirts & bibs issued, waivers & releases signed (Bibs and t-shirts not distributed until waiver is signed and fee is paid.) Participants must have bib to race. Captains will pick up Captain's packet when they register.
- Fee Due** Fee is Due prior to race. No one can participate or receive bib and t-shirt unless total fee is paid.
- Fee Includes:**
- T-shirt
 - Bib
 - Two Race runs per race
 - Scoring and Awards at each race
 - Medals at each race
 - Trophies and medals at final league race
 - Chance to win prize at each race participated in
 - Eight Weeks of Result newsletters
 - Website with updated scores every week
 - 2 - pre-season mailings
 - All Scores sent into NASTAR
 - Program Administration
- Fee Schedule** \$115 - After Oct 31 \$125 - at first race \$135
- Race Format** Standard modified giant slalom format with dual course. Each member makes one run in each course. The host ski area provides race crew, sets & maintains race course, provides pacesetter & par time.
- Cancellations** It is not Ski Challenge policy to cancel or postpone races, however, in the event of very severe weather, only the team captains should call the Ski Challenge office. The evening leagues will have a decision by 3:30 pm, Sunday morning/day by 9 am, Sunday evening leagues by 1 pm. Members should contact their team captain or the host Ski Area:
Buck Hill: 435-7174 ext 608 - Wild Mountain: 651-257-3550 - Hyland: 835-4250
- Race Make up** It is very difficult to make up races due to the tight schedule. Sorry, NO individual make-ups.
- Team Composition** Each team may have a maximum of 10 permanent racers (no substitutes). A team does not need all ten racers present to compete. Each member may participate on one team per league. Racers can be on more than one team just so they are in different leagues.
- Refunds** There are no refunds issued by The Ski Challenge office. If someone on your team drops out or gets hurt a replacement must be found. The replacement person pays the member who originally paid. If a replacement cannot be found, there is still no refund from Ski Challenge.
- Substitutions** No team member substitutions are allowed, only paid registered team members may race. Ineligible racers will result in loss of 50 team points for that evening.
- Age** A racer's age is as of December 31, 2010. It will NOT change during the season. Must be 18 or older to participate in Adult leagues.* (Call office for 16-17 year olds for weekend adult leagues) Children ages 4-17 may participate in the following leagues: Buck Hill Friday, Buck Hill Saturday and Wild Mountain Sunday PM, Hyland Wednesday Leagues (parent or guardian must be present at each race). Pre-season Wild Wed and Buck Friday all age - Buck Wed Adult.
- Roster Changes** Additions or changes to teams (up to the roster limit of 10) may be made up to and including the third league race. Re-entry of participants is not allowed. You can only make one roster change per bib number. Once a change is made, it remains for the remainder of the season.
- Switching Teams** If a member switches from one team to another, all race results prior to the switch will remain intact on the other team. If a guest racer joins a team, their race results from their guest race in that league will be added to the team they joined.
- Race Order** Teams race together in bib sequence each week. The race order is announced at first league meeting. This order will rotate throughout the series. The race order is posted one hour prior to race start. Teams are to be in the starting gate on time or will forfeit race order and race last in the course.

- Reruns** Reruns are determined by ski area race officials only. If there is interference or course obstruction a skier must ski out of the course and NOT go through finish. Skier should stop off the course and signal timer with ski pole, then report to starter. Racers should not take a re-run in the middle of another team's running order. Please take re-runs at the end of one team and beginning of another. Reruns should NOT interrupt a team sequence in the start. Racers cannot have a rerun if they pop out of bindings at start.
- Course Setting** Courses are set by the host ski area employees and are available for inspection one half hour inspections prior to race start. Competitors may side slip course - DO NOT shadow or ski through gates or finish. Depending on course conditions, participants may be asked by area official to slip out the course.
- Skiers / Skis** Telemark Skiers Eligible to compete. Will be given a 10 point handicap advantage. Telemark racers must race each week with telemark skis. They cannot switch back and forth from telemark to alpine. Snowboards Eligible to participate in ski league. Will be given a 10 point handicap advantage. Physically Challenged Special handicap considerations may apply. Check with the Ski Challenge office for details.
- Race Results** Unofficial results are announced & medals awarded approximately 10-20 minutes after the race. Official results with team and individual standings are available the next week at ski areas and sponsoring ski shops. You can also check the web site www.skichallenge.com for results. Results should be posted on website by next evening.
- Scoring** A handicap system is used to determine medals. The racers' best handicap of the two runs is used to determine medal and team points. Medals are awarded each night at the awards ceremony. Refer to the official handicap sheet for details on the handicap system. The top six scores from each team count for team points. These accumulate weekly through Race 6 to determine league champions. Racers #7, #8, #9 and bonus points will be accumulated each week to determine any tiebreakers at the last race.
5 pts for Platinum — 4 pts for Gold — 3 pts for Silver — 2 pts for Bronze — 1 pts for "I did it"
- Disqualifications** The Ski Challenge league director for each particular league has the authority to invalidate individual or team scores for flagrant violations of Ski Challenge or ski area policies/rules.
- Championships Eligibility** Members are required to have participated in a minimum of three league races for points to count in Championship competition. Special Bibs will be issued at State. All Teams are eligible to compete in the State Championships. Full teams of 10 are not required. Individual Championships will invite the top skiers from each age group at the fifth league race.
- League Champions Race 7** The team in each league with the most points accumulated after the 7th race is declared League Champions and awarded a team trophy. Medallions are awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place team members. In the event of a tie, the Championship Tie-Breaker formula below will use ALL SEVEN League races. Members must have participated in at least 4 of 7 weekly races to qualify for individual league awards such as Fastest and Most Improved of the league or team.
- Individual Championships** The top skiers from each age group are invited to compete in this event.
- State Championships** All teams are invited to participate. Teams will be divided into divisions with like average medals from the regular season. Trophies are awarded to first place teams in each division, medallions to 1st - 3rd place. The top three fastest males and females in each division will receive medallions.

Multiple Team at State Championships

Members on more than one team, in more than one division, will pay entry fees for each team Members they compete with. If on two teams in the same division the member pays \$20 for the team they will be racing with and scores will automatically be transferred to their other teams for no additional charge. The racer makes only two runs and scores count for all teams they are on in that division. Racer must indicate which team he/she is racing with when fee paid. If not, TSC will assign.

Tie Breakers at State Championships

In the event of a tie during a championship, the following formula is used: The score for the 7th racer for each team is counted. If the teams are still tied, the points for the 8th, then 9th racers are used. The 10th racer is not counted. If there is still a tie after using the 9th racer, the following shall apply: Subtract the handicap earned for each of the top 9 racers from the required handicap to earn that medal. These bonus points are added for the top nine racers. If the 10th racer has the same medal as the 9th, the highest bonus points will be used to figure bonus point totals. The team with the most bonus points is awarded the higher place.