

# Race Information

## ***2022 U.S. Paralympics Nordic Skiing Sit Ski Nationals***



*December 29, 2021 – January 2, 2022*

*Crosscut Mountain Sports Center  
275 Wedeln Dr, Bozeman, MT 59715*

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Sit Skier Competition

These races are for sit skiers. There **will not** be competitions for standing or visually impaired athletes at this event.

### Vaccination Requirement

All coaches, athletes, officials, and volunteers will be required to be vaccinated or receive an exemption to be able to participate. Information about this requirement can be found here: [www.teamusa.org/Coronavirus/Vaccine-Requirement](http://www.teamusa.org/Coronavirus/Vaccine-Requirement). More details about how to verify vaccination are in the next step.

### Race Registration Information

These races are sanctioned with World Para Nordic Skiing and all competitors are required to have a WPNS license. Race fees are \$25 per person, per race.

Due to the vaccination requirement, there will be a **2 step registration process** for these races. Please note there are different deadlines for each step of this process. We need extra time to complete the vaccination verifications.

**Step 1:** All participants (athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers) are required to adhere to the USOPC vaccination requirement. To do this, please send an email to [Kristina.trygstad-saari@usopc.org](mailto:Kristina.trygstad-saari@usopc.org) indicating intent to participate in this event. If you are sending an email for multiple people, please include NAME and EMAIL address of each participant. We will then send this information to a 3<sup>rd</sup> party who will send each person an email with a link to upload your verification of vaccination or exemption request. **DEADLINE: December 1, 2021.**

**Step 2:** Sit skier competitors need to register at <https://my.raceresult.com/series/4769/>. Any athlete who has registered for the races but has not completed the vaccination requirement will not be permitted to start. Race fees will not be refunded. **DEADLINE: December 26, 2021, 12PM mountain time.**

### Schedule

Dec 29 – arrival Bozeman

Dec 30 – 10AM-12PM training\* Crosscut

Dec 31 – 10AM-12PM training\* Crosscut

Jan 1 – Cross country sprint- sit skiers

10AM qualification

10:30AM Heats

Jan 2 – Cross-country short – sit skiers (5k for all)

10AM race start

\*Training session supported by USPN coaches. Please be prepared to start skiing by 10AM. More details to be sent out via WhatsApp in advance of the event.

### Passes/Trail Fees

Trail fees for training days will be \$10 and will be included in the registration.

### Rules

Races will be run according to WPNS Rules and Regulations:

[www.paralympic.org/sites/default/files/2021-10/2021\\_09\\_30%20WPNS\\_Rules%20and%20Regulations\\_2021-22\\_0.pdf](http://www.paralympic.org/sites/default/files/2021-10/2021_09_30%20WPNS_Rules%20and%20Regulations_2021-22_0.pdf)

### Communication

All event information will be sent out via WhatsApp before competition days (please download the app ahead of time!).

## **Venue**

Crosscut Mountain Sport Center is undergoing a lot of changes! While we have some amazing new sit ski terrain, we do not yet have an indoor facility. Please plan to base out of your vehicle for training and race days. There will be accessible parking and porta potties. Additionally, plan to bring your own food to the venue, as there are no purchase options.

Here is the address for the new base area: Crosscut Mountain Sports Center, 275 Wedeln Dr, Bozeman, MT 59715

## **Equipment**

If you have equipment questions or equipment needs, please contact Bethann ([Bethann.chamberlain@usopc.org](mailto:Bethann.chamberlain@usopc.org)) as soon as possible.

## **Race Wax**

We will wax all athlete skis for the races, but please come to the training sessions with your skis scraped and ready to go. Please mark all equipment clearly with your name and be ready to leave race skis with coaches after the training session on December 31.

## **Lodging**

We recommend reserving lodging as soon as possible, as Bozeman is extremely busy, especially around the holidays. Airbnbs and hotels book quickly!