

Regional Intent to Compete Declaration Method, 2007-2008

Intents will be used to construct Regional Selection Boards for:

- US National Alpine Championships
- US Continental Cup NorAm competitions
- Canadian NorAm Competitions (national quota)
- US National J2 Olympic Championships
- Canadian FIS competitions (national quota)
- Canadian National Championships (national quota)
- Rocky-Central FIS competitions
- Eastern Region FIS competitions
- FISU competition (national quota)

Intents will be due on the first of each month for the following month's competitions:

- October 1 (10th) for competitions in November Races
- November 1 for competitions in December
- December 1 for competitions in January
- January 1 for competitions in February
- February 1 for competitions in March
- March 1 for competitions in April

Intents will expire. Only one month at a time will be considered; example: Intents declared October 1 for November races expire October 31 and no December- April races will be considered during October.

Intents will not be considered that are not for specific races. Intents will not be considered that state something like "anything I qualify for". Conflicting races must be prioritized.

[New for 2007-08] Intents maybe filed for multiple race series for any given dates within a period. Multiple series must be prioritized. Athletes qualifying for any particular prioritized series, as identified as their first choice, will be removed from all other lists both at the time the lists are constructed and as the athlete becomes eligible for a first choice.

[New for 2007-08] Intents may be made for full series participation only. Western Quotas may not be used for partial entry to any out-of-region FIS series. The Regional Director may allow 1) a first year eligible FIS racer exceptions to this provision in order to comply with FIS entry limitation rules, or 2) an athlete qualified USST or NDS invitation to an international competition or a Western Region quota team to a COC event. 3) Four event series will be considered in such a way as to account for athletes not participating in one or more of the event spectrum by the director.

Intents for the above race categories are to be electronically transmitted to the regional director with a copy to the respective divisional selection person by the primary club

coach or club director for all club members. The electronic transmission must be in the form of a FIS entry inscription as per Western Entry procedure listing FIS number, Full name, YOB, current FIS points, USSA number, and USSA points.

Intents **MUST** be in the following format. [It only takes once to set it up and will be a giant help to regional staff if we don't have to grapple with 30 different personal preference set-ups every month.]

Instructions:

1. Use a plain excel spreadsheet with no special features as an attachment to your message. Do not send the information in the body of the email text.
2. Don't send Zip files.
3. Use a separate workbook page for each gender
4. Each Series of races should be included in a separate list
5. Do not cut and paste out of the USSA points list from the web. *The point values do not transfer from your attachment!*
6. Use Arial as the font type
7. Use 10 point as the font size
8. Do Not use **Bold**, *Italic*, or Underlined type
9. Do Not use **color type** or background
10. Do Left-hand align
11. In column 1 list the FIS # of the athlete
12. In column 2 list the name of the racer, as it appears on the FIS list, last name first, example = Smith, Joe R.
13. In column 3 list his/her 2digit YOB, 1988 = 88
14. In column 4, 5, 6, 7, (as many as necessary for the number of events) list the **USSA** points on the list valid on the selection date (same as deadline dates Oct 1, Nov 1, Dec 1) for the disciplines contested in the races intended. Order is DH, SL, GS, SG, the same as the FIS entry form. *You only need to list the events being contested in the series being applied for!* **[New order]**
15. In the next 1-4 columns list the valid **FIS** points on the same day of selection, again for the disciplines being contested. *You only need to list the events being contested in the series being applied for!* **[New order]**
16. Again, you do not need to list rank/points for events not in the race series being applied for.
17. In the last column list the USSA number
18. **Do Not** apply for athletes ineligible under USSA rules:
 - a. Racers must have less than 100 USSA points in a discipline to be contested to go to Canada.
 - b. Racers must have under 120 points in a discipline to be contested and have been selected to an WR Elite FIS race to go to an out-of-Region elite FIS race.
 - c. Racers must have less than 120 FIS points to race in NorAm competitions. Development nominations are exempt from this requirement but NorAm development requests originate in the Regional office so that exception does not impact this procedure.

- d. The region does not enter foreign athletes.
- e. See your competition guide for more information.

Example for a RMD SL + GS series:

FIS #	Name	YOB	USSA SL Pts	USSA GS Pts	FIS SL Pts	FIS GS Pts
53101	Smith, Richard	88	65.65	60.33	75.65	50.33
53202	Jones, Samuel	90	95.00	91.01	X	90.10

Example for a technical NorAm in the USA

FIS #	Name	YOB	USSA SL Pts	USSA GS Pts	FIS SL Pts	FIS GS Pts
53101	Smith, Richard	88	65.65	60.33	75.65	50.33
53202	Jones, Samuel	90	95.00	91.01	X	90.10

Example for a NorAm in Canada*

FIS #	Name	YOB
53000	Kelley, Mary	89

* All quotas in Canada are national and determined by national rank, using FIS points, by the national office.

Ranking lists will be constructed for selection purposes based on the USSA points valid on the due date for the coming month.

Those athletes selected clubs' will be notified as soon as the boards are done, electronically. Clubs will have 72 hours to confirm or pull athletes. Unconfirmed athletes will be dropped.

Not Attending a Confirmed Race Series

Athletes who do not attend confirmed races in the Canadian FIS or out-of-region USA FIS category without an extremely valid reason (injury, sickness, family tragedy, faced with academic failure) would not be considered for those categories for one year. All athletes who are selected and confirmed for any category of competition who cannot attend must be accounted for by contact to the regional director.

Races Conflicting With Western Region Elite FIS Series Events

No Western Region USSA competitor member, other than named members of the US Alpine Ski A, B, C, or Development teams, who has achieved automatic status, may attend a FIS competition that conflicts with a scheduled Western Elite Series race and subsequently use a Western Region quota slot to the NorAm Cup, the US Alpine Championships, or the J2 Junior Olympic National Championships unless attending such a race as part of a USST invitational competition trip or as a member of an NDS group named to a competition project.

The region will not enter USSA Western members in conflicting race series. Those Western Region USSA members who attend conflicting FIS races on other

quotas, such as the collegiate quota, will lose eligibility for access to future Western quotas for the remainder of the season and the following season.

The time period defining a conflict will be the dates of the actual races, one day prior to the race days and one day following the Western series in question. The regional director in consultation with the ACC Vice-chair may make exceptions in extraordinary circumstances.