

Registration

Race registrations are the responsibility of the athlete and his/her family.

At the beginning of the season the coaches select the races they feel are appropriate for each team and will share them on the team calendars and weekly emails. Some races are recommended over others, but ultimately each athlete (with input from coaches and parents) chooses his or her own race schedule.

We do not recommend that racers attend additional races outside the team schedule during December, January, and February. These core months of the season are busy, and we feel that extra races during this time are not beneficial. We choose the race schedule carefully based on both our experience, and national guidelines for skiers of different ages. We would always rather have the kids hungry to race more, than get tired of racing. When the core of the season ends in early March there are still quite a few open races kids can go to if they want to race more.

Most registrations are completed online through <u>skireg.com</u>.

At the Race

Before the event, the coaching team will email out a detailed plan for the day including what to pack, when and where to meet, etc. WhatsApp communication becomes really helpful for the U12s and U14s to keep folks up to speed on the progress of the race order, where to pick up coats (if left at the top of the course), when to meet up after snack, etc.

Athletes love to be cheered on by friends and families so come support them. Spectators are usually allowed on foot or skis / boards. Athletes often appreciate a snack and/or warm coat and hug at the end of a race.

State Finals & Championships

The U12 and U14 athletes will have the opportunity to ski in NHARA's culminating season events, NH State Finals and Championships. Based on the results of division qualifier events in February, athletes can qualify to race in the state Championship held in early March. Those who do not qualify for state Championship based on divisional races have another opportunity to qualify through state Finals the week before the Championship.

The volunteer Championship Coordinator will arrange blocked hotel rooms or other accommodations so that teammates can stay close to one another. This is part of the fun!