

# **US Biathlon National Championships**

**March 22-26, 2023**

**McMurry Mountain Park**

**Casper, WY USA**

The Casper Mountain Biathlon Club and the United States Biathlon Association invite you to attend the 2023 United States Biathlon National Championships, March 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> 2023.

Sprint – Pursuit – Relay

**International Biathlon Union (IBU) categories:** Men, Women, Junior Men/Women, Youth

Men/Women

**United States Biathlon Association (US Biathlon) Categories:** U15 Men/Women, U17

Men/Women, Masters Men/Women, Senior Masters Men/Women, Veterans Men/Women, Senior

Veterans Men/Women, Senior II Veterans Men/Women, Senior III Veterans Men/Women,

**International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Categories:** Standing, Sit Ski, Visually Impaired

**CMBC Novice Categories:** U13 Men/Women, U22 (13-21yrs) Men/Women, Senior 22+

Men/Women, Adaptive Novice (\*All novice shoot prone on standing targets\*)

Hosted by Casper Mountain Biathlon Club (CMBC)  
Casper Mountain Biathlon Club, 1110 East End Road, Casper, WY 86201

Event Website: <https://caspermountainbiathlonclub.org>

Registration link via skireg.com will be available on the event website soon.

**Casper Mountain Biathlon Club  
1110 East End Road  
Casper, WY 86201**

August 25th, 2022

Dear Athletes and Coaches,

The United States Biathlon and Casper Mountain Biathlon Club (CMBC) welcomes you to Casper, WY for the US Biathlon National Championships, March 22-26, 2023. The organizing committee is looking forward to hosting athletes, coaches and spectators from across the US for an exciting week of competition.

Skiers will enjoy Casper Mountain Biathlon Club's world class trails, Casper winter amenities and services. Trail passes and daily range fees will be included with registration fees and valid for Official Training throughout the competition.

Registration for this event will be available soon via [skireg.com](http://skireg.com).

Please reach out to Race Secretary Stacy Moore with any questions leading up to the event at email address [staceyalanna@hotmail.com](mailto:staceyalanna@hotmail.com) or cell number 307-277.9957. Leave a message and she'll get back ASAP after work.

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## **Organizing Committee**

**Chief of Competition: Rob Rosser**

**Event Chair: Shawn Robison**

**Chief of Logistics: Scott Thomas**

**Assistant Chief of Logistics: Mary Thomas**

**Sport/ Event Manager: Janet Viscome**

**Race Secretary: Stacy Moore/ Rob Swanson**

**Range Tech: Tyler Jacobs**

**Chief of Marketing: Jenny Hunter**

**Chief of Course: Bryan Price**

**Chief of Stadium: Matt Young**

**Chief of Timing: Jim Nallick**

**Chief of Volunteers: Martha Karavitis**

**Chief of Grooming: Joe Gillingham**

**Assistant Chief of Grooming: Paul Spackman**

**Chief of Range: Kevin Bittenbender**

**Chief of Scoring: Rebecca Meyer**

**Technical Delegate: Shawn Robison**

**IR-Range: Russ Meyer**

**IR-Para: John Farra**

## **Eligibility to Compete**

Any current member of US Biathlon or Biathlon Canada in good standing may participate in this event.

Competitors must be prepared to show a membership card or otherwise demonstrate proof of US Biathlon or Biathlon Canada membership for the current year as part of the event registration process.

## **Citizenship and Residency (per IBU constitution)**

The IBU Rules with respect to the nationality of athletes will be used to determine any question of eligibility, for reasons of citizenship, of any athlete entered in a competition that is conducted under this invitation. There are no residency restrictions for this event.

## **Competition Ability**

Any competitor registering for this event tacitly guarantees that they are fully able to compete at the level/category for which they are registered.

## **Age Categories**

Your competition age is equal to your age as of December 31, 2022. You must be a US Biathlon member in your age category to compete.

U15: 13-14 years old (2008-2009)

U17: 15-16 years old (2006-2007)

Youth: 17-18 years old (2006-2007)

Junior: 19-21 years old (2001-2003)

Senior: IBU 22+ years old (2000 and earlier)

Masters: 30-39 years old (1983-1992)

Senior Masters: 40-49 years old (1973-1982)

Veterans: 50-59 years old (1963-1972)

Senior Veterans: 60-69 years old (1953-1962)

Senior II Veterans: 70-79 years old (1943-1952)

Senior III Veterans: 80+ years old (1942 and earlier)

## **Category Definitions**

**IBU:** Includes Youth, Junior, Men, Women categories as defined by the IBU. Competitors must be US Biathlon Red Book certified (or Biathlon Canada equivalent). Rifles are carried in competition, all shooting per IBU rule book.

**US Biathlon:** Includes U15, U17, and Masters categories.

U15 competitors shoot Prone only, on prone targets.

U17 competitors shoot Prone/Standing, on standard Prone and Standing targets.

Masters 30-39, Senior Masters 40-49, Veteran 50-59, Senior Veteran 60-69, Senior II Veteran 70-79, Senior III Veteran 80+: competitors shoot Prone/Standing, on standard Prone and Standing targets. Rifles carried on course.

**IPC:** Per IPC rules or as specified by US Paralympics.

**CMBC Novice:** Shoots prone on standing.

### **Non-Resident Firearms Declaration Process**

Competitors from outside of the USA must have authorization to bring their rifles into the US. They must have an approved USATF FORM 6 NIA **prior to entry into the US**. Processing of this permit may take 30 days or more. Information on this process can be found here: [Form 6NIA - Application/Permit for Temporary Importation of Firearms and Ammunition by Nonimmigrant Aliens \(ATF Form 5330.3D\) | Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives](#). This process requires an invitation for which you may use the cover letter of this document or request an invitation by name by emailing Caroline Dodd: United States Biathlon

### **Registration**

Registration will be available **online only via SkiReg on <https://caspermountainbiathlonclub.org>**. Payment must be made using a credit card. Online charges will apply.

**Registration will close Monday March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023. No registration will be taken onsite.**

Note that **all coaches must complete free registration via skireg.com. All US coaches must be SafeSport Certified.**

### **Entry Fees**

One competition: \$40 Two competitions: \$80 Three competitions: \$120

Cancellation Policy: if the event is canceled on or before March 21<sup>st</sup>, a 50% refund of registration fees will be distributed. If any portion of the event is canceled after March 21<sup>st</sup>, no refund of registration fees will be given.

### **Trail Passes**

Trail passes are required for all skiers at Casper Mountain Biathlon Club. A trail pass is included in your registration fees and is valid for Official Training and Race Days.

Additional trail passes are required for unofficial and open training days and can be purchased at the Gruner Building adjacent to the parking lot at the venue.

### **Range Passes**

A daily range pass is included for each day of competition. Competitors registering for all 3 competitions will receive a range pass to cover 4 days as part of their registration. Additional range passes are required for unofficial training days.

### **Competitions**

**Rules:** [International Biathlon Union Event and Competition Rules](#)

**Sprint:** Sprint per IBU rules. Interval start with random draws within categories.

**Pursuit:** Modified pursuit format. 5 second interval start based on finishing order from previous day sprint competition.

**Relay Race:** The goal of this competition format is to provide unique relay racing exposure for all age categories in a fun and challenging end-of-season club and regional competition. Clubs are encouraged to form teams in the following categories, but if you cannot fill a team in a certain category within your club, please work with other clubs to form teams that represent your region (East, Midwest, West, and Alaska).

Clubs should submit teams to compete in the following relay categories by **Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 17:00**. Please include a team name and your club or region represented.

If you are an individual without a team and registered for the relay races Sunday, you will be assigned to a team with other individuals from your region based on Friday's sprint results.

## Overview Relay Categories

<b>Relay Category</b>	<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Distance/Shooting Stages</b>	<b># of persons per team</b>	<b>Choosing teams</b>
1a. Boys Relay 1b. Girls Relay	U15, U17	3 x 1.5k (P, P)	2	Include any 2 persons from either U15 or U17 category within a gender.
2a. IBU Men Relay 2b. IBU Women Relay	Youth, Junior, Senior	3 x 2k (P, S)	3	Include 1 youth, 1 junior, 1 senior within a gender. Exceptions can be made in order to form the most number of teams.
3a. Masters Mixed Relay	Masters Combined	3 x 1.5k (P, S)	3	Include 3 persons any gender from any Masters category.

### Table of Classes and Competitions

Category	Class	Year of Birth	Friday SPRINT	Saturday PURSUIT, Para 4- STAGE	Sunday RELAY, Para SPRINT
US Biathlon	U15 Women	2008-2009	4.5km	5km	2-person relay: GIRLS & BOYS 3x 1.5k (P, P) Choose 2 people within a gender to form a team.
US Biathlon	U15 Men	2008-2009	4.5km	5km	
US Biathlon	U17 Women	2006-2007	6km	7.5km	
US Biathlon	U17 Men	2006-2007	6km	7.5km	
IBU	Youth Women	2004-2007	6km	7.5km	3-person relay: IBU WOMEN & IBU MEN 3x 2k (P, S) Choose 1 person from each IBU age category within a gender to form a team.
IBU	Youth Men	2004-2007	7.5km	10km	
IBU	Junior Women	2001-2003	7.5km	10km	
IBU	Junior Men	2001-2003	10km	12.5km	
IBU	Women	2000 & earlier	7.5km	10km	
IBU	Men	2000 & earlier	10km	12.5km	3 person mixed relay: MASTERS MIXED 3 x 1.5k (P,S) Choose 3 persons (can mix genders) within a Masters age class to form a team.
US Biathlon	Master Men	1983-1992	7.5km	10km	
US Biathlon	Master Women	1983-1992	6km	7.5km	
US Biathlon	Sen Master Men	1973-1982	7.5km	10km	
US Biathlon	Sen Master Women	1973-1982	6km	7.5km	
US Biathlon	Veteran Men	1963-1972	7.5km	10km	
US Biathlon	Veteran Women	1963-1972	6km	7.5km	
US Biathlon	Sen Vet Men	1953-1962	7.5km	10km	
US Biathlon	Sen Vet Women	1953-1962	6km	7.5km	
US Biathlon	Sen Vet II Men	1953-1952	6km	7.5km	
US Biathlon	Sen Vet II Women	1953-1952	6km	7.5km	
US Biathlon	Sen Vet III Women	1943 & Earlier	6km	7.5km	
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Paralympic	Stand Women	-	IPC Sprint	IPC Mid	IPC Sprint
Paralympic	Sit Women	-			
Paralympic	VIS IMP Women	-			
Paralympic	Stand Men	-			



Paralympic	Sit Men	-			
Paralympic	VIS IMP Men	-			
Novice	U13 Men	-	3.6km	5km	Not Scheduled
Novice	U13 Women	-	3.6km	5km	
Novice	U22 Men	-	3.6km	5km	
Novice	U22 Women	-	3.6km	5km	
Novice	Senior 22+ Men	-	3.6km	5km	
Novice	Senior 22+ Women	-	3.6km	5km	
Novice	Open Adaptive		1.5km	2.5km	

Schedule and classes may change due to weather conditions and number of competitors. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to change the event schedule as needed and will alert participants of changes.

## **Awards**

US Biathlon National Championships Awards will be presented to the top 3 USA competitors in each category, including US Biathlon, IBU, IPC and CMBC Novice categories.

Presentation will take place during the following times: Day 1 and 2 during banquet Saturday night; Day 3 immediately following competition on location at CMBC venue.

## **Competition Office and Team Captain's Meetings**

The competition office will be located in Casper Mountain Biathlon Club's Parking Lot 1: Wax Cabin 1 will be the Race Office, where bib pick-up will occur. The Team Captain's Meeting on **Thursday** will be virtual; link will be distributed to athletes and coaches.

## **Wax Facility**

Ramkota Hotel

## **Waxing Protocol**

All participants must adhere to the [US Biathlon Waxing Protocol](#). Please read it carefully before arriving at the event.

## **Venue Information**

The Casper Mountain Biathlon Club facility has a 30-point Biathlon range. Casper Mountain Biathlon Club continues to maintain 15km of legacy trails and 42km of Natrona County trails. Trail passes are required for days outside of competition and official training.

## **Travel and Accommodations**

Airports in Denver, CO, Salt Lake City, UT and Casper, WY are the closest arrival points for air travel to Casper Mountain. Casper offers a variety of accommodations. Visit <https://www.visitcasper.com>. There are several concurrent events in Casper, so early booking is encouraged.

## Event Schedule

### Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>

08:00-16:00	Unofficial Training (Trail and Range Pass Required)	CMBC
17:00	Online registration closes – <b>NO REGISTRATION TAKEN ON SITE</b>	

### Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

08:00-16:00	Unofficial Training (Trail and Range Pass Required)	CMBC
15:00-17:00	Competition office open for competitor/team check-in/ registration corrections	CMBC
18:00	Opening Ceremonies / Welcome Ceremony	TBD

### Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>

08:00	Range Open for Zeroing	CMBC
09:00-12:00	Official Training	CMBC
09:00-12:00	Competition office open	CMBC
18:00	Team Captains Meeting	Ramkota & Virtual

### Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

08:00	Range Open for Zeroing	CMBC
09:00	<b>Sprint – IBU/US Biathlon Categories (U15 – Senior III Veterans)</b>	CMBC

Range closed after event

### Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

08:00	Range Open for Zeroing	CMBC
09:00	<b>Pursuit – IBU/US Biathlon Categories (U15 – Senior III Veterans)</b>	CMBC

Range closed after event

18:00	CMBC Social Event / Award Ceremony	Ramkota
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### Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>

08:00	Range Open for Zeroing	CMBC
09:00	<b>Relay</b>	

Range closed after event