



Race Information Sheet

NYSSRA/SPC U18+ State Champs and U16 LCQ GS
@ Bristol Mountain
Saturday, February 28, 2026



Dear Racers, Coaches, Officials, Race Volunteer Workers, Families, and Spectators:

Good Morning and Welcome to Bristol Mountain for the 2026 NYSSRA/SPC U18+ State Champs and U16 LCQ GS at Bristol Mountain. We are proud to host these races and encourage you to do your best and enjoy the day.

Registration is at the Event Center for clubs, officials and race workers. Bibs are to be returned to the **finish area** immediately upon conclusion of each day's activities. Tickets are loaded only for the day.

Note to Volunteers: If you do not already have an assignment you can report to the official's registration area to let us know you are available to work the race. We are grateful that you are willing to work and will use you if we need you!

Complementary coffee for coaches and volunteers will be in the bottom of the timing building. Please bring a refillable cup if you can. Sandwiches and water will be available in the bottom of the timing building.

Races will be held on courses set on **Comet/Roadway/Outer Orbit**. Only racers, coaches, and race officials should be on the course trails. Parents and spectators are not allowed on the race trail or inside the fences and ropes for safety purposes. **Racers will lose their lift pass if they ski fast in the slow skiing areas.**

Where to Watch: The **Finish Area** will have a **fenced spectator area** for the best viewing area. With the course set it is recommended that spectators do not stop directly alongside the course fencing. Race Officials will be keeping this area clear. The Comet Express Lift carries you directly over the course and will provide an exceptional view.

Spectators can easily walk to the finish area. Please remember, no one is allowed on the lift without skis and a lift ticket. Also, all spectators need to remain both off the race trail and outside of safety fencing and avoid standing directly under the lift. When skiing, please cooperate with officials, ski patrollers, and all mountain staff. With your help, this race will be fun and safe for everyone.

Food Services are available in the Rocket Lodge- Second Floor. The designated picnic area is in the Event Center and Wi Fi is available in the Event Center. **Please note – upstairs in the Rocket Lodge is reserved for patrons of Bristol Mountain who have purchased food from the mountain – it is not a picnic area or “day space”, or a spot for storage of equipment.**

REGISTRATION OPEN SAT @ 7:45 AM

GS Race starts at 9:45AM

Note: All times/plans are tentative and will be finalized at Team Captain's meeting.

7:30 am	Jury and course crew load Comet lift. Coaches are welcome to help setup.
7:45am	Registration in Event Center. New tickets and bibs are assigned each day.
8:15am	Spectators may pick up Friends and Family lift ticket purchases from AdminSkiRacing in Event Center.
8:30am	Lifts for athletes
8:30-9:30am	Inspection (30 min. window at Start)
9:00am	Start closed
9:40am	Forerunners
9:45am	First Run Start <i>We will notify everyone if a slip protocol is needed for the day.</i>

Second Run approximately 1 hour after conclusion of First Run. Reset to follow last racer. Inspection to open following reset. 2nd Run Inspection and start times will be posted on Live Timing and communicated to coaches. Referee reports will be posted on scoreboard.

Protests: In writing at Finish Building with \$50 fee

Athletes: Return bibs at finish after 2nd run. Return lift ticket to pumpkin pail in Event Center for recycling.

Awards ceremony ~ 30 mins. after race. Top 10 U18+ men and women. Top 5 U16 men and women.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL RACERS!

Sincere Thanks to all Officials and Volunteers and the Mountain Management!

RFID tickets at Bristol Mountain:

The RFID ticket must be present on the left side of the body between the chest and waist. The card cannot be near an electronic device. Athletes must have this card on their person to access the lift. The RFID card must be on the athlete during the race- either inside a race suit or in a coat. Do not leave the RFID ticket in a coat at the start area for the race as you will not be able to return to the start area without the RFID ticket once your run is complete. **Take a picture of your card with the identifying number in case of loss. The only way a RFID card can be replaced for \$5 is with the number on the front of the RFID card. Without a picture of the card and the associated number, the replacement cost will be the window price on the day of event**

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Racer must be a current member of US Ski and Snowboard and NYSSRA.
2. Helmets, ski brakes and baskets on poles are required. Slalom helmet face guards are strongly discouraged. Also, straps on warm-ups/bibs must be worn correctly or removed, athletes will not be allowed to load lifts with straps hanging loose.
3. Bibs must be fully visible at all times on mountain.
4. No cutting of lift lines. Respect other skiers' rights. Skis must be stood up in the ski racks. Do not leave skis lying on the ground or leaning against the building. No skis or poles in the Lodge.
5. Skiing which endangers oneself or others will result in disqualification and revocation of lift privileges.
6. Racers may inspect the course by **side slipping** the course. Skiing through gates or shadowing the course is grounds for disqualification. The course will be closed for entry 30 minutes after inspection begins, inspection will be open for 1 hour. After inspection there will be **NO** on course movement unless approved by the Chief of Race. **Clothing must be skied down the hill outside of the race arena.**
7. All US Ski and Snowboard and FIS rules will be in effect.
8. Racers must clear the finish area as soon as possible. However, racers must also slow to a full stop before exiting the finish area. Use caution and good sense.
9. Please return your bibs after 2nd run. Return RFID card for recycling in Event Center.
10. If heading down the south side of the mountain from the start (skier's right), for the purposes of taking clothes or just free skiing, PLEASE use Southern Cross to Sunset and do not go down the loop – this is a slow skiing zone and very busy teaching area and any “fast” skiing will cause the loss of your lift ticket.

Any tucking or fast skiing, faster than the flow of skiers, down any 'SLOW SKIING AREA' including, but not limited to Southern Cross, Eclipse, Sun Belt and Infinity will cause immediate ticket revocation.

This will prevent you from racing!!!

There will be no exceptions!!!



Race Day Hill Access

Lift Tickets

Coaches – Tickets will be available to active coaches who have registered for the race through AdminSkiRacing. It is expected that each club will bring a reasonable number of coaches based on club and athlete attendance. A reasonable maximum ratio is 1 coach for 4 athletes. On the other end of the scale would be 3 coaches for 20 athletes. Complementary lift tickets for this race are only offered through Race Administration. The Mountain offices do not offer complementary tickets.

On-Hill Volunteers - the Race Administrator will present Tickets at the Registration Desk.

Pre-Sale Lift Tickets- If you purchased a Friends and Family lift ticket through AdminSkiRacing, you may pick up these tickets at the registration desk in the Event Center **after** the athlete registration is complete.

Race Trail Access

Insurance regulations mandate limited access to the race arena at Bristol Mountain. Access to the trail will be limited to athletes, coaches and officials and entering the closed trail by others is a violation of your lift ticket agreement. The course will be closed at the top of the trail. **Public and parent access past this point is not permitted.** Only those included as insured under the Race Agreement are allowed trail access.

The access to the race trail will be limited to the following individuals only, with proof of USSA Membership or completion of a USSA Wavier filed with the Race Administrator: Participating Athletes, Forerunners, Coaches, Race Officials, Race Workers and Race Maintenance Staff.

Spectators and Parents are not permitted on the Race Trail or in the Race Arena unless they are listed as Race Officials, Race Crew or Coaches.

IMPORTANT: Policy regarding parents in and around the start area. Please read the rules outlined below.

IN ORDER TO ALLOW EACH RACER SOME QUIET TIME IN THE STARTING GATE TO MENTALLY PREPARE FOR HIS OR HER RUN, TO DEVELOP HIS/HER OWN PERSONAL PRE-RACE RITUAL, AND TO RECEIVE ANY LAST MINUTE INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE COACH, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE START AREA BE AS FREE OF DISTRACTION TO THE RACER AS POSSIBLE. FOR THIS REASON, PARENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE FENCED START AREA.

PARENTS, RACERS, AND COACHES ARE NOT ALLOWED TO ENTER TIMING BUILDINGS FOR ANY REASON DURING A RACE - ONLY THOSE INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED BY THE RACE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE ARE ALLOWED IN THE TIMING BUILDING.

As parents, we want you to be at the events if you can to support your son or daughter no matter the results. Loud cheering and open arms in the finish are the best things you can do for them all!

Climbing or skiing to view the race from the hill must be well clear of course fencing.

Officials will keep all areas along and adjacent to course fencing clear.

Athlete Safety: U.S. Ski & Snowboard works to provide a safe environment in which athletes can train and compete, free from abuse and inappropriate behavior. Please review U.S. Ski & Snowboard's Athlete Safety policies, the SafeSport Code, and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies.

If you are an athlete who has experienced inappropriate behavior or know of an athlete who has experienced inappropriate behavior, please report to the U.S. Center of SafeSport or U.S. Ski & Snowboard. QR code is below. All adult participants are mandatory reporters. Reporting violations may be made anonymously and there are no fees for reporting. We all are part of promoting a culture of safety through education, listening, and speaking up

