September 2026

Dear PNW Competitor,

PNWSEF, PNW and PNSAA would like to invite you to participate in the Elite Season Pass Program for the 2026 – 27 season. The Elite Pass has been offered to PNW athletes for nearly 40 years. The program is unique in the U.S. ski racing world. The benefit for athletes is obvious – one pass good for all the ski areas in the Northwest, literally saving the athlete money while training at their home hill and racing across the Northwest. Proceeds from a pass purchase benefits the PNSAA office, ski areas in the Northwest, and PNWSEF. As you might know, PNWSEF is the fund-raising arm of PNW. PNWSEF provides grants for PNW camps, individual grants to athletes to help offset competition costs, scholarships to athletes moving onto college, and education grants for coaches and officials. PNWSEF is also a huge contributor to the safety of all PNW athletes – the foundation made the initial purchase of B-net that is used across PNW to keep racing venues safe. Every alpine athlete who races in PNW has benefited from the efforts PNWSEF has made to support ski racing in the Northwest. Purchasing an Elite Pass benefits you in more ways than imagined.

Elite Pass Rules

US Ski & Snowboard National Points are used to determine eligibility:

Women: 270 Pts or less in GS, SL or SG
Men: 250 Pts or less in GS, SL or SG

(National Points list 22 from the 2025-26 season used to qualify athletes)

This download contains your pass application and mandatory forms. **Please fill out every form included in the packet.** Mail your paperwork in a timely manner to get the most out of your Elite Season Pass. Please note a couple of important points regarding your pass:

1. You must be a current US Ski and Snowboard/PNW member to apply for an Elite Pass.
2. The price of the Elite Pass is $800.00 (US Ski and Snowboard/PNW renewals on/after Oct. 16th incur a PNW $30 late fee – total cost goes to $830.00).
3. The processing dates are every other Friday beginning September 18th through Dec. 11th. **No new passes will be issued after Dec. 18th.**
4. The application, cheque or Pay Pal payment, current photos, and mandatory forms must be completed, signed and **postmarked by Dec. 10th**.
5. Limited to competitors age 13-24 years old.

Photos:
Email a current photo to pnw@pnwdivision.org. The office can size and print as needed.

Send new, quality pictures for your pass. **No** pictures with hats, goggles, or sunglasses. Ticket checkers must be able to recognize you.

Fill out and return all forms in this package.

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PNW / PNSAA / PNWSEF ELITE SEASON PASS 2026-27

The Elite Pass is a unique PNW tradition. It is an arrangement between ski area operators and ski racing unprecedented in the U.S. The PNW/PNSAA/PNWSEF Elite Season Pass allows the purchaser (valid USSS competitor) to ski at participating PNWA areas.

The following criteria will be used to determine eligibility for 2026-27:

Women: 270 Pts or less in GS, SL or SG
Men: 250 Pts or less in GS, SL or SG

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Eligibility

1. The competitor, to be eligible for a pass, must be a member of an established PNW Team or Club, or on the list supplied by the NWCSC, and in good financial standing with PNW. Limited provision is made to accommodate non-club racers. The pass is only available for competitors age 13 - 24.
2. The Elite Pass will be sold to all valid USSS competitors who are members of PNW and who meet the Elite Pass eligibility criteria as based on point ranking. For NWCSC athletes, the top 10 men and 10 women from last year's NWCSC final totals are eligible to purchase an Elite Pass. All athletes must be registered to compete during the season the pass is purchased and must also be in good standing with PNW.

Purchasing and Refund

3. Applications will be processed six times each fall at approximately two-week intervals. Applications received after the current processing date will have to wait until the next processing date for the pass to be print and sent.
4. Passes must be purchased by the last processing date of the competition year. For sufficient reasons, a petition may be submitted to the PNW office asking for approval to purchase a pass after that date.
5. Athletes who renew their US Ski & Snowboard/PNW membership on/after Oct. 16th are subject to a $30 PNW late fee. Pricing structures are included in the Elite Pass application.
6. If a pass is lost, a replacement pass can be purchased for an additional processing fee of $30.00.
7. If a pass holder should be injured, the racer may apply to the PNW for a refund on a pro rata basis. Refund requests must be submitted by March 15th of the current season, with appropriate medical documentation.

Policies and Guidelines

8. In general, the pass will be valid from a ski area opening day through the Golden Rose race of the current competition season. *PNSAA resorts reserve the right to adjust the validity dates to match their seasonal operating schedules. The Elite Pass is not valid for use at participating resorts for events held on un-scheduled winter operating days, i.e., days the resort is not scheduled to be open. In addition, ski areas may choose not to honor the pass early season should the resort have less than 75% of their terrain open to the public.* The pass is not valid at PNW sponsored training camps where the lift ticket is included in the camp fee. Ski area operators may choose to honor, or not honor, the Elite Pass at Oregon Interscholastic Ski Racing Association (OISRA) competitions.
9. Use of the Elite Pass is a privilege and is restricted to use by the purchaser only. All rules and regulations of the PNW, PNSAA, US Ski & Snowboard and other ski area policies where the pass is used shall apply. Abuse of the Elite Pass can result in prosecution by the ski areas and/or in disciplinary sanctions by PNW to include possible suspension or revocation of the Elite Pass. (Please review the US Ski & Snowboard Code of Conduct in your US Ski & Snowboard Alpine Competition Guide and the PNW Conduct and Disciplinary policies presented in the PNW Alpine Competition Manual).
10. The pass holder assumes all risks and liabilities associated with the sport of skiing.

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST SKI AREAS HONORING THE ELITE PASS IN 2026-27

Alpental (See Summit at Snoqualmie)
Cooper Spur Ski Area
Crystal Mountain Resort
Eaglecrest Ski Area
49º North Mountain Resort
Hoodoo Ski Area
Hurricane Ridge
Lookout Pass
Loup Loup Ski Bowl
Mission Ridge Ski & Board Resort Mt. Ashland
Mt. Bachelor
Mt. Baker Ski Area
Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Resort
Mt. Hood Skibowl Winter Resort
Mt. Spokane Ski & Snowboard Park
Schweitzer Mountain Resort
Silver Mountain Resort
Ski Bluewood
Stevens Pass Mountain Resort
Summit at Snoqualmie
- Alpental
- Summit East
- Summit Central
- Summit West

Timberline Lodge & Ski Area
White Pass Ski Area
Whitefish Mountain Resort

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ELITE SEASON PASS APPLICATION 2026-27

Name _____ USSS # _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City, State, Zip_____ Email _____

(Please use the address where your pass should be mailed)

Additional Donation to PNWSEF: $_____

Home Ski Area _____

* I have read and agree to abide by all the attached Elite Pass Rules and Guidelines set forth for use of the PNWSEF / PNSAA / PNW Elite Season Pass.

Competitor_____ Date _____

Parent_____Date_____

* The above competitor is a bonafide member of this race team and will be racing on a regular basis this season.

Head Coach / Program Director_____

Team _____

Pricing:
Competitor **renewed with USSS** Oct. 15th or earlier: $800
Competitor **renewed with USSS** Oct. 16th or later: $830 ($30 PNW late fee included)

Please send a check for the appropriate amount, made payable to PNW.

Photos: Send new, quality pictures for your pass. No pictures with hats, goggles, or sunglasses. Ticket checkers must be able to recognize you. Email a current photo to pnw@pnwdivision.org. The office can size to fit the pass.

Elite Pass Processing Dates: Every other Friday beginning September 18th through Dec. 11th.
Application must be postmarked by Dec. 10th

Mail to: PNW
1329 Section Ave
Quincy, WA 98848

Office Use Only
Pass #_____ Date pd_____ Ck #_____

Photo _____ Athlete Contact _____ Medical Release _____

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PNW MEDICAL RELEASE

2026-27

WE DO HEREBY AUTHORIZE any licensed physician and/or responsible staff member of any hospital in any state to administer whatever medical or surgical treatment, or therapeutic procedures they deem necessary for the diagnosis and treatment of _____ (THE SKIER). We consent to any examination, administration of any medication or anesthetic and medical and/or surgical treatment or other hospital services rendered under the general or special instruction or supervision of such physician or hospital staff person. This release is valid for the period from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

Every effort is made to contact parents or legal guardians of SKIER in the event emergency medical care is needed. Some hospitals, however, will not accept verbal authorization for treatment. Therefore, we suggest that parents fill out this form and send it to the PNW Office.

SKIERS WHO WISH TO TRAVEL AS PART OF THE DIVISIONAL TEAM MUST SUBMIT THIS COMPLETED FORM.

INSURANCE CO.:_____POLICY #_____

Please list any medical conditions your racer has that the Coaching Staff should be aware of. (Drug Allergies, Diabetes, Heart Trouble, Asthma, Medications, Injuries, Food Allergies, etc.):

_____

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_____

In case of Emergency, please notify:

NAME:_____PHONE #:(_____)_____

NAME:_____PHONE #:(_____)_____

DATED:_____,20____.

_____ _____

(Signature of Parent or Guardian) (Signature of the Skier / Athlete)

ADDRESS:_____Phone (Wk)_____

_____Phone (Hm)_____

Phone (Cell)_____

Email: _____FAX:_____

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SKI SCHOOL RELEASE OF LIABILITY

PSIA - NW and Member Schools Group Policy for the 2026-27 Season

1) I am aware that skiing/snowboarding is a hazardous sport that includes certain risks and dangers, including the risk of serious injury to me. I voluntarily accept full responsibility for all risks involved, including risks inherent in skiing/snowboarding and in the ski area/mountain environment.

2) I accept my responsibility to ski safely at all times, to abide by the Skier Responsibility Code, and to obey all posted behavior notices and any other ski area rules and policies. Any equipment I use while skiing, I use at my own risk.

3) I agree to RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY PNW Division Ski School and the WA, ID, OR, NV, CA, WY, MT, UT USA, or AB, BC CAN Ski Areas and any of (their/its) employees, agents, contractors, subsidiaries, officers or owners from all claims for any injury or damage resulting from any cause, including negligence, which arises out of participation in or travel to and from the WA, ID, OR, NV, CA, WY, MT, UT USA, or AB, BC CAN Ski Schools/ Clubs. This Release is also binding as to any other persons, including all family members, heirs, and executors.

4) *If you are enrolling a minor child in ski school, please read and understand the following:* As part of ski school instruction and skiing/snowboarding, your child will ride the chairlifts. The ski school and/or ski area cannot guarantee that your child will ride the chair lift with any particular person. Your child may ride the lift with a student, instructor, a member of the public or may ride the lift alone. If this is not acceptable please do not enroll your child in ski school. By enrolling your child in ski school you understand and agree to have your child ride the lift with another ski school student, a member of the public, with an instructor or alone.

5) If I am signing on behalf of a minor, I recognize that I may not release any claims the minor ma have. However, I accept full responsibility for all medical expenses incurred as a result of the minor's participation in or travel to and from PNW Division Ski School I also agree to RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY the WA, ID, OR, NV, CA, WY, MT, UT USA, or AB, BC CAN Ski Schools/Clubs for any claims brought by or on behalf of the minor.

Student _____ Date

Birthdate

_____ Date

Parent/Legal Guardian if under 18 yrs. of age

Print Parent/Legal Guardian name here:

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PNW Code of Conduct for Athletes

All PNW competitors at all levels of PNW racing, and when representing PNW as part of an official team or as an individual shall adhere to the following Code of Conduct Policies:

- US Ski and Snowboard Code of Conduct
- US Center for Safesport Code/MAAAP
- Western Region Code of Conduct
- PNW Code of Conduct
- Individual Member Club Code of Conduct Policies (for your home club)

As an athlete representing PNW, while on a PNW sponsored trip I will:

1) Treat fellow competitors, coaches and officials with respect and consideration for their health, safety and emotional well-being.
2) Abide by the rules of competition.
3) Respect the role of race officials, volunteers, and spectators.
4) Respect the guidance of coaches and follow the coaches' directions.
5) Refrain from behavior that is disruptive, disrespectful, or damaging to PNW's reputation.
6) Dress appropriately and refrain from the use of clothing that contains endorsements for alcohol, tobacco or illegal drugs.
7) Commit no criminal acts.
8) Refrain from personal cell phone use during team activities
9) Refrain from the use of banned substances in racing and training (See USOC list of banned substances).
10) Abstain from the use and/or possession of illegal drugs, alcohol and tobacco products.

I understand that if I violate one or more of these codes of conduct during a PNW trip / project I will be subject to punishments ranging from verbal warnings to exclusion from team functions or being sent home at my own expense.

Violations of the Codes of Conduct noted above may give rise to sanctions to be imposed by the competitor's sponsoring organization, PNW, and U.S. Ski & Snowboard. It is PNW's philosophy that immediate resolution of any violation best serves all parties involved. It is the goal of PNW to complete a speedy and factual determination of any violations. Whenever possible an on-site resolution is preferred so that all involved can move forward. None of this should interrupt the need for due process for everyone involved.

SafeSport violations or concerns are outside of the purview of PNW and should be reported and resolved via the SafeSport on-line system.

By signing my name below, I indicate that I have read, understand, and agree with this code of conduct.

Print Athlete Name_____

Athlete Signature _____ Date_____

Parent Signature_____ Date_____

Parent 2 Signature_____ Date_____

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