

# ***USWRA News Bulletin***



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## **2005 USWRA Team Competition**

### **Overview**

For 2005, the USWRA will be recognizing Team Competition at USWRA events starting May 2, 2005. This is an opportunity for riders to race in their individual races as they normally do and to combine their scores together for a total team score for the day. The team can compete against other teams in the region or can travel and compete against teams in other regions. Riders only need to register their team once for the season and go race (Team must re-register for World Finals.) There is no additional cost involved. Team Competition Champions will be recognized in Closed-Course and Supercourse.

### **Team criteria**

Teams will consist of one designated rider from each of the following class groupings for a total of five riders:

- 1 Pro-Am class
- 1 Junior, Women or Freestyle class (Pick one from the three.)
- 1 Amateur class (Can be Freestyle if not used from group above.)
- 1 Expert class
- 1 Novice class

One of the team riders must be designated as the Team Captain for the season.

You must use the same five (5) riders for the entire season within the same five (5) designated classes on your registration form. If a rider should get injured and be unable to continue to participate with the team, the Team Captain may request an alternate to replace the injured rider until such time the injured rider can return. During the time an alternate rider is being used, the injured rider may not compete in any other class or region and the rider's name cannot appear on any results or the team may be disqualified.

## **Requesting an Alternate**

Requests for alternates must be made by contacting [jhedges@uswra.com](mailto:jhedges@uswra.com).

## **Registering your team**

You can download a form at [www.uswra.com](http://www.uswra.com) . Complete the form and email to: [jdelzer@uswra.com](mailto:jdelzer@uswra.com) or fax to (714) 751-8609.

## **Does a team have to register for each race?**

Once the team is registered with the USWRA, it is registered for all events of the USWRA regional season. Teams will be posted at [www.uswra.com](http://www.uswra.com) . You only need to inform your promoter at check-in that your team will be competing.

For World Finals, all teams **must re-register before October 1**.

## **Can teams cross over regional lines?**

Yes. Teams may compete in other regions. Points will be accumulated for the National Team Competition Champion.

## **Are Regional points being kept?**

Yes. A closed-course team that competes within their region will accumulate region points up to the World Finals cutoff date. A Supercourse team will accumulate region points up to but **not including** the USWRA Supercourse National Championship. The team with the highest number of total points in the region will be recognized as the USWRA Regional Closed-Course or Supercourse Team Competition Champion.

## **Are National points being kept?**

Yes. National points will be kept for closed-course racing. Teams may travel across regional lines. The closed-course team with the highest number of total points from all competition up to the World Finals cutoff date will be recognized as the 2005 USWRA National Closed-Course Team Competition Champion.

The USWRA National Supercourse Team Competition Champion will be crowned at the USWRA National Supercourse Championship event with all competing teams starting the championship event with zero points.

## **What happens at World Finals?**

All closed-course teams will start over at zero. The team scoring the highest number of total points at World Finals will be recognized as the USWRA World Finals Closed-Course Team Competition Champion. Teams may be reorganized for World Finals but must be registered with the USWRA by **October 1**.

## **What happens at the USWRA Supercourse National Championship?**

All teams will start over at zero. The team scoring the highest number of total points at the USWRA Supercourse National Championship will be recognized as the USWRA National Supercourse Team Competition Champion. Teams may be reorganized for this event but must be registered with the USWRA by **September 1**.

## **What do we get for the team?**

Your team will have bragging rights from each event. Winning Regional, National, World Finals and Supercourse USWRA Team Competition Champions will be recognized at the end-of-the-year USWRA Awards Ceremony.

## **How is the winning team scored for each event?**

The three (3) highest finish position points from the five (5) designated riders on the team will be added together for a total team score. (Throw out the lowest two scores.) The team with the highest total combined points will be the winner of the event. If the team is missing one or more team riders, the team will receive a zero (0) for each missing position.

Closed-course teams will be scored on the 60-point scale. Supercourse teams will be scored on the 400-point scale. If a freestyle rider is part of the team, for the purpose of equitably calculating team scores, freestyle points will be converted to the 60-point scale for closed-course teams and the 400-point scale for Supercourse teams.

The team points tiebreaker will be based on the team with the higher number of first-place finishes of the team. If still tied, the team with the higher number of second-place finishes will be the winner. If still tied, the same procedure will be used throughout all the comparative place finishes. If still tied, the higher placing Team Captain for that event will designate the winning team. If still tied, the higher-ranking Team Captain from the Top 100 List will break the tie. If still tied, a flip of the coin will be used.

## **What is the cutoff date for counting points?**

Closed-Course Regional and National Team Competition will be calculated up-to the World Finals cutoff date. For World Finals, all closed-course teams start at zero. Points will be accumulated for each team throughout the World Finals event.

Supercourse Regional Team Competition will be calculated up-to but **not including** the USWRA Supercourse National Championship. For the Supercourse National Championship, all Supercourse teams start at zero. Points will be accumulated for each Supercourse team throughout the Supercourse National Championship event.

### **Contact information or questions.**

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