

## **8 - PNSA / PNSAA / PNSEF ELITE SEASON PASS 2016-17**

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

The following point cutoff will be used to determine eligibility for 2016-17:

Note: Cut-off points are reviewed each season by the Board, and can be adjusted up or down.

Ladies & Men: 200 or below in any discipline

### **Eligibility**

1. The competitor, to be eligible for a pass, must be a member of an established PNSA Team or Club, or on the list supplied by the NWCSC, and in good financial standing with PNSA. 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 USSA competitors who meet the Elite Pass cut-off points using the USSA points list #14 from the 2015-16 season (see points cutoffs above) For NWCSC athletes, the top 5 men and 5 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 PNSA.
3. The pass holder must have competed in 8 race starts during the 2015-16 season (each race equals one race start – 2 races on one day equals 2 race starts).

### **Purchasing and Refund**

4. Applications will be processed eight 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 printed and sent.
5. Passes must be purchased by the last processing date of the competition year. For sufficient reasons, a petition may be submitted to the PNSA office asking for approval to purchase a pass after that date.
6. Athletes who renew their USSA/PNSA membership on/after Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> are subject to a \$30 PNSA late fee. Pricing structures are included in the Elite Pass application.
7. If a pass is lost, a replacement pass can be purchased for an additional processing fee of \$30.00.
8. If a pass holder should be injured, the racer may apply to the PNSA for a refund on a pro rata basis. Refund requests must be submitted by March 15<sup>th</sup> of the current season, with appropriate medical documentation.

### **Policies and Guidelines**

9. In general, the pass will be valid September 15 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.
10. The pass is not valid at PNSA 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.
11. Use of the Elite Pass is a privilege and is restricted to use by the purchaser only. All rules and regulations of the PNSA, PNSAA, USSA 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 PNSA to include possible suspension or revocation of the Elite Pass. (Please review the USSA Code of Conduct in your USSA Alpine Competition Guide and the PNSA Conduct and Disciplinary policies presented earlier in this Manual).
12. The pass holder assumes all risks and liabilities associated with the sport of skiing.

# PACIFIC NORTHWEST SKI AREAS HONORING THE ELITE PASS IN 2016-17



Alpental (See Summit at Snoqualmie)  
Anthony Lakes Ski Area  
Bogus Basin  
Cooper Spur Ski Area  
Crystal Mountain Resort  
Eaglecrest Ski Area  
49° North Mountain Resort  
Hoodoo Ski Area  
Hurricane Ridge  
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  
Spout Springs Ski Area  
Stevens Pass Mountain Resort  
Summit at Snoqualmie  
    Alpental  
    Summit East  
    Summit Central  
    Summit West  
Timberline Lodge & Ski Area  
Warner Canyon  
White Pass Ski Area  
Whitefish Mountain Resort  
Willamette Pass Resort