8 - PNSA / PNSAA / PNSEF ELITE SEASON PASS 2020-21

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 U.S. Ski & Snowboard competitor) to ski at all participating PNSAA areas, receiving a day-pass each day, with no black-out dates other than those noted in #9 below.

The following criteria will be used to determine eligibility for 2019-20:

Ladies & Men: Category 3 or better in any discipline

Women: SL - =<254 GS - =<240 SG - =<274
Men: SL - =<219 GS - =<189 SG - =<221

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 U.S. Ski & Snowboard competitors who meet the Elite Pass eligibility criteria as based on Category 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 PNSA.

3. The pass holder must have competed in 4 race starts during the 2019-20 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 U.S. Ski & Snowboard/PNSA membership on/after Oct. 16th 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 15th of the current season, with appropriate medical documentation.

Policies and Guidelines

9. In general, the pass will be valid November 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. 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.
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, U.S. 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 PNSA to include possible suspension or revocation of the Elite Pass. (Please review the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Code of Conduct in your U.S. Ski & Snowboard 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.

13. All on-hill conduct falls under the National Ski Areas Association’s Responsibility Code.

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**PACIFIC NORTHWEST SKI AREAS**

**HONORING THE ELITE PASS IN 2020-21**

Alpental (See Summit at Snoqualmie)
Anthony Lakes Ski Area
Bogus Basin
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
Warner Canyon
White Pass Ski Area
Whitefish Mountain Resort
Willamette Pass Resort