



2021 USA Climbing: North American Cup Series **Informational Document – Reach Climbing + Fitness**

September 17th – 19th, 2021 | Reach Climbing + Fitness | 401 E 4th St, Bridgeport, PA 19405

Schedule

- September 16th, 2021** | Technical Meeting ([Virtual – Zoom LINK](#))
- September 17th, 2021** | Speed Qualification & Finals w/ lead rope check in between rounds
- September 18th, 2021** | Lead Qualification
- September 19th, 2021** | Lead Semi-Finals & Finals

A more detailed schedule may be found on the event webpage [HERE](#).

Travel Information

Nearby Hotels:

- TBD

Event Participation

In an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, spectators may be limited or not allowed.

- Registration is open to all competitors who are aged 16 or over in the year of the competition and members of their respective National Federation. A competitor's respective National Federation must be a member Federation in good standing of the IFSC
- Eligible competitors shall register for NACS competitions through the National Federation hosting the respective NACS competition. Final registration eligibility will be verified by the competitor's respective National Federation.
- National Federations may register any number of Team Officials (Team Managers, coaches, or qualified medical/para-medical personnel) through their respective National Federation according to the registration procedures and deadlines established by the Event Organizer of each NACS competition.
- To register follow the steps on the North American Cup Series webpage (linked above).
- Registration will open Monday August 18th, 2021 and close September 9th, 2021 at 11:59 pm MT.
- Athletes will be randomly assigned to climbing sessions if there is more than one per gender. See event schedule for more details.

COVID-19 Countermeasures

In an effort to hold the safest event possible, **ALL** attendees of the 2021 USA Climbing North American Cup Series being held at Reach on September 17th – 19th, 2021 must adhere to the USAC North American Cup Series COVID-19 Countermeasures document will be posted on the event webpage [HERE](#).

Athlete Check-In & Start Lists

- All Competitors must check-in during their respective check-in times as outlined on the schedule. Competitors will receive their competition bibs at check-in and will be expected to wear them in the middle of their back throughout the competition.
- Competitor start lists for speed and lead, route A will be random and route B will be the same as route A but with a 50% stagger.

Format

Qualification:

- Speed
 - Fastest time
- Lead
 - Flash format | two routes per competitor

Semi-Finals:

- Lead
 - The top 26 ranked competitors based on the results of the Qualification round will advance to the Semi-Final round.
 - Onsight format with 1 route. Competitors will have a maximum of 6 minutes to climb the route.
 - The running order for each round after the Qualification Round, will be the reverse of the ranking from the preceding round, i.e., the highest ranked starts last.

Finals:

- Speed
 - The top 16 (less if not 16 competitors with eligible times) will advance to the Final round.
- Lead
 - The top 8 ranked competitors based on the results of the Semi-Final round will advance to the Final round.
 - Onsight format with 1 route. Competitors will have a maximum of 6 minutes to climb the route.
 - The running order for each round after the Qualification Round, will be the reverse of the ranking from the preceding round, i.e., the highest ranked starts last.

Results

Results can be viewed during all rounds of competition, on the USA Climbing website. Results will be made “official” following each round of competition on the USA Climbing website. Given the COVID restrictions placed on this North American Cup Series stop, the appeals process and timeline will be further communicated during the virtual Technical Meeting, September 16th and provided to competitors as they check in for their competition.

North American Cup Series Ranking

- A Series Ranking shall be calculated for each Category and discipline using the methodology set out in the IFSC Rules for the calculation of World Cup rankings, with the following adaptations:
 - When two (2) NACS competitions have been held, all results shall be counted;
 - When more than two (2) NACS competitions have been held, the number of NACS results counting will be two (2).

Additional Topics

- Use of liquid chalk or a chalk ball is strongly encouraged.
- Personal fans (including but not limited to electric or manual) are prohibited.
- Competitors must use the brush designated to the route(s)/problems(s).
- Competitors must carry all personal belongings with them through each part of the competition. Personal belongings are not permitted to be left in Isolation or Warm-up areas.
- Competitors must wear masks at all times including during climbing and maintain 6-foot physical distance as much as feasible.
- MASKS: Facial masks shall cover the nose and mouth and extend below the chin. Acceptable masks for use during competition include: two-layer cloth masks, surgical masks, and sport facial masks. Masks **not acceptable** during competition include: N95 masks, Leon Paul Face Mask Shields, Neck/face sleeves or gaiters, masks with one-way valves. Single-use masks will be provided should an individual’s mask be deemed inappropriate by USAC personnel.
- Competitors are responsible for providing their own climbing rope and rope bag, where the rope diameter must be between 9.6mm to 10.1mm and a minimum of 40 meters. Competitors may share a climbing rope with another competitor but if sharing a rope there must be at least 1 hour separation in climbing times, subject to additional sharing limitations established for the competition. If competitors do not arrange for a climbing rope for their personal use, they may not be able to climb in the competition. If you have any questions, please contact us: events@usacimbing.org or 303.499.0715.