

Information for Athletes, Parents, and Coaches Regarding 2022 Youth Bouldering Divisionals Registration

There are two key components related to competing at the Youth Bouldering Divisional Championships: 1) becoming eligible and 2) registering for the event.

Eligibility: Per sections 18.6 and 19.2 of the USA Climbing Rulebook, there are a few paths to earning eligibility to compete at Youth Bouldering Divisionals.

- <u>For US citizens</u>: finish in the top thirteen (13) in your Region's Bouldering Regional Championships among only US citizens not pre-qualified for Divisionals.
- <u>For non-US citizens</u>: finish in the top thirteen (13) in your Region's Bouldering Regional Championships among <u>all</u> athletes in your Region. (Unlike above, non-US citizens and Divisionals pre-qualified athletes may affect another competitor's place in this ranking.)
- Athletes who are pre-qualified for Divisionals are those who:
 - are a current World Champion, Pan American Champion, or National Champion in Bouldering in either the Youth or Elite Series; or
 - are the current National Champion in the All-Around Combined, among US citizens who competed in all of the Boulder, Lead/Top Rope, and Speed Disciplines at the 2021 Youth National Championships; or
 - o are a resident of the state of Hawaii (Hawaii residents compete in Division 3)

USA Climbing will publish a list of athletes eligible for each Youth Bouldering Divisional championship on USAClimbing.org no later than Sunday, January 23.

Registration: USA Climbing will send an invitation to all athletes who meet the eligibility requirements above to the <u>email address associated with the primary contact in their USAC</u> <u>Membership System account</u> (usaclimbing.sport80.com) per the schedule outlined at the end of this document. Eligible athletes wishing to compete must have an active Competitor Membership, and their Membership Region must be in the Division of the Youth Divisional Championship for which they are registering. Registration and payment takes place through the USAC Membership System; the 2022 Divisionals registration fee is \$165.

Important: Even before an invitation email has been received by an eligible competitor, they may register for their respective Bouldering Divisional event through their USA Climbing account once registration for that event opens. Any competitor who believes they are eligible for the Bouldering Divisional event, but is having difficulties registering, should contact USA Climbing at <u>events@usaclimbing.org</u> immediately, prior to registration close.

The timeline for the registration process for the Youth Divisional Championships is guided by sections 2.6.6 and 19.3.2 of the Rulebook. In the 2021-22 season, there are two different weekends in which the Youth Bouldering Divisional Championships will be taking place, depending on the Division. As such, there will be two registration periods based on the date of the Divisional Championship; the timeline for each Division is outlined below.

NOTE: there is only a single registration round (with Normal and Extended periods), and there are no "pass-down" invites to other athletes in the Region if an eligible competitor fails to register by the Extended Registration deadline.

	Divisions 1, 2 & 5	Divisions 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 & 9
All Bouldering Regional Championships	Saturday, January 22	
have been completed		
Divisionals Eligibility lists published on	Sunday, January 23	
USAClimbing.org		
Invitations Emailed to Eligible Competitors,	Monday, January 24	Monday, January 31
and the Normal Registration Period Opens		
Normal Registration Period Closes, and	Friday, January 28	Friday, February 4
the Extended Registration Period Opens	@11:59PM Mountain	@11:59PM Mountain
Extended Registration Period Closes	Wednesday, February 2	Wednesday, February 9
	@11:59PM Mountain	@11:59PM Mountain
Divisional Championship Weekend	Saturday & Sunday	Saturday & Sunday
	February 12-13	February 19-20