





# 2023-24 National Brotherhood of Skiers' Grand Prix Program

The Rocky Mountain Freestyle (RMF) NBS Mogul Grand Prix is a financial aid program operated through RMF to award scholarships to RMF athletes, to be used for education or qualified freestyle programs or competition expenses, based on their performance in the RMF competitive mogul series (COMP Series).

Rocky Mountain Freestyle is a competition committee of the Rocky Mountain Division of the United States Ski & Snowboard Association and sanctioned by the United States Ski & Snowboard Association. These competitions provide competitors with a ranking within the US, and provides opportunities for National and International level competitions, ultimately presenting athletes for consideration by the US Freestyle Ski team. US Freestyle Team athletes represent the US at the Freestyle World Cups and Olympic Winter Games. Typically, over half the athletes named to the US Freestyle Team began their careers in Rocky Mountain Freestyle.

### **Grand Prix Participant Requirements:**

- 1) **Only Colorado residents**: A three-year proof of Colorado residency is required with proof of address.
- 2) Participants competing in all Rocky Mountain Freestyle events <u>must possess an active US Ski &</u> <u>Snowboard Competitor License.</u>
- Participants must be active <u>members of the Rocky Mountain Division (RMD)</u> for the past three years with no lapses in membership. RMD must be your home division for those three years and RMD divisional dues must have been paid continuously.
- 4) Participants <u>must compete at RMF Regional Championships</u> (Moguls and Dual Moguls) to be eligible for the Mogul Grand Prix.
- 5) **Current members of the US Ski Team, Moguls D team are eligible** (full members of the US Ski Team are ineligible)

# Mogul Grand Prix Sub-Committee:

- The RMF Competition Committee will form a Grand Prix Sub-Committee (GPSC) to oversee and administer the Grand Prix Program.
- The GPSC is responsible for administering the rules for participation, calculation and posting of standings.
- The GPSC will ensure that all participants have satisfied the Division's residency, licensing and competition requirements and will further cause to deliver to the Competition Committee a list of approved participants (Grand Prix Participants) prior to the start of the first competition. Participants not included on this list will not be eligible in the Grand Prix Program.
- The GPSC will be determined each year at the Fall Competition Committee meeting and approved at that meeting.
- At the Fall Competition Committee meeting, the program rules will be reviewed and amended by vote. Once approved, the program rules will stand for the upcoming season and will not be reviewed until the following year. There will be no changes to the program rules and requirements during the competition season. The GPSC has no authority to change the program rules. All proposed changes will be submitted to the RMF Competition Committee for debate and ratification at the annual meeting.
- The GPSC will be comprised of the following members:
  - RMF Competition Chair or Vice Chair (Standing)
  - Member-at-Large (2)
  - Active Coaches (2)
  - Athlete Representative (1)
  - o The current RMF Competition Chair will hold a standing position on the Sub-Committee.
  - One Member-At-Large will be appointed from the Competition Committee and the other Member-at-Large will be appointed by the Competition Committee after receiving written interest from current Freestyle community members.
  - o One of the Coaches positions will be held by a voting Program Director currently serving on the Competition Committee. The other position will be appointed by the competition committee after receiving written interest from currently active coaches.
  - o The Athlete Rep will be appointed by the competition committee from any current licensed Competitive Series athlete in good standing with the Division and US Ski & Snowboard.
- All members of the committee pledge to act and carry out their responsibility to the rules and program in an honest, responsible, and diligent manner. Since coaches, parents and fellow athletes have a conflict of interest in their relationship with the participants in the Grand Prix

Program, any acts that raise a question about the integrity of a member of the committee will come before the Competition Committee for review. The Competition Committee reserves the right to remove any member of the Sub-Committee.

• The GPSC, upon final calculation of standings, will present, in writing, to the Competition Committee, the GPSC's recommendations for candidates for the Grand Prix Awards and the awarding of scholarships. Upon receipt, the Competition Committee will meet and vote to give final approval in the awarding of the Grand Prix scholarships.

# **Rules:**

**Mogul Grand Prix Events:** Only RMF Competitive Series Mogul and Dual Mogul that are confirmed by <u>December 31st, 2023</u> may count toward Mogul Grand Prix Points.

**Mogul Grand Prix Points:** Only skiers who have competed at Rocky Mountain Division Championships may earn Grand Prix Points. Grand Prix Points are awarded based on placings at RMF Mogul and Dual Events according to the following scale:

Placing	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
Mogul	10	8	7	5	4	3	2	1	1	1
Dual Mogul	10	8	7	5	4	3	2	1		

Grand Prix Standing or Overall Ranking is composed of each skier's 5 best results:

- 3 Rocky Competitive Series Mogul Events (one of which must be Division Championships Mogul)
- 2 Rocky Competitive Series Dual Events (one of which must be Division Championships Dual Mogul)
- Skiers may have less than 5 results.

The Grand Prix Standings will be published on the Rocky Mountain Freestyle website on Wednesday by 5pm for each competition phase as listed in this document.

After Rocky Division Championships the list will be adjusted to include only the skiers who have competed in Mogul and Dual Mogul events at Rocky Division Championships. In addition, the Grand Prix Points from events before Rocky Championships will be recalculated to award points only to those skiers who have competed at Rocky Division Championships.

Only skiers who have competed at Rocky Division Championships are eligible to earn Grand Prix Points. All skiers who have earned at least one Grand Prix Point in a Rocky Division Competitive Series Event in the **<u>2023-24 season</u>** will be ranked in the Grand Prix Standings. Grand Prix Standings will be updated after each Rocky Competitive Series Event:

- Preliminary List 1: January 10, 2024
  - Includes Steamboat Ski Town USA Moguls, RMF Moguls & Dual Mogul, Jan 6 & 7, 2024
- Preliminary List 2: January 24, 2024, updated to include:
  - Aspen Steadman Clinic Moguls, RMF Mogul & Dual Mogul, Jan 20 & 21, 2024
- Preliminary List 3: January 31, 2024, updated to include:
  - Vail NBS Mogul Classic, Jan 27 & 28, 2024
- Preliminary List 4: February 7, 2024, updated to include:
  - Winter Park Winter Heat, RMF Dual Mogul, Feb 4, 2024
  - Note: WP single run mogul events on Feb 3 will not be included in the Grand Prix points calculation
- Preliminary List 5: February 14, 2024, updated to include:
  - Copper Mountain Summit Open, RMF Mogul & Dual Mogul, Feb 10 & 11, 2024
- **Readjusted List 1 (Pre Championships List): March 8, 2024**, updated based on athletes registered for Divisional Championships

Any skiers who will not be competing at Divisional Championships Mogul and Dual Events will be dropped from the Grand Prix Standings and Grand Prix Points from all previous events will be recalculated to include only athletes competing at Divisional Championships.

- **Readjusted List 2 (Post Championship Moguls List): March 9, 2024**, updated based on athletes that competed in Divisional Championships Moguls, updated to include:
  - Telluride Divisional Championships Moguls, Mar 9, 2024

Any skiers who did not compete at Division Championships Moguls will be dropped from the Grand Prix Standings and Grand Prix Points from all previous events will be recalculated to include only athletes who competed at Division Championships Moguls.

# • Final List (Post Championship Duals List): March 10, 2023

 Telluride Divisional Championships Dual Moguls, Mar 10, 2024 Any skiers who did not compete at Division Championships Dual Moguls will be dropped from the Grand Prix Standings and Grand Prix Points from all previous events will be recalculated to include only athletes who competed at Division Championships Dual Moguls.

# RMF Grand Prix Committee will oversee the Grand Prix Standings and certify the rankings prior to publishing on the Rocky Mountain Freestyle webpage.

**Tie-Breaking: -** Ties will be broken according to the following protocol:

- 1. 1st highest place result
- 2. 2nd highest place result
- 3. 3rd highest place result
- 4. 4th highest place result
- 5. 5th highest place result
- 6. If all 5 results are equal, then the tie will stand, and any award will be split evenly.

### Awards:

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	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Women	\$6 <i>,</i> 500	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$2,000	\$1,000
Men	\$6,500	\$5,000	\$3,000	\$2,000	\$1,000

Scholarships will be awarded based on the standings in the Final List.

The awards listed above are contingent on receipt of additional donations that have been promised verbally but have yet to be received; in the event that these donations are not received the awards will be adjusted down, from the above total of \$35,000 to a total of \$25,000, on a pro rata basis.

# Appeals:

Appeals to the rules must be submitted to the Mogul Grand Prix Committee by December 31st, 2023. Appeals to the standings must be submitted to the Grand Prix Committee prior to the start of the next calendared event.