

Below are brief descriptions for **CROSS COUNTRY** positions we have to offer you. Cross Country ski races require that volunteers perform in a different role before, during, and after each race.

BEFORE RACE

REGISTRATION - receives racer's registration forms and entry fees, and hands out race bibs. People skills and attention to detail are important.

COURSE AND/OR START/FINISH SET-UP - set-up start/finish area as directed. May assist with putting up fencing, pin flagging, bamboo, etc. Ability to work as a team is important.

DURING RACE

STARTER AND ASSISTANT(S) - the starter starts the racers in the correct sequence according to the start list. The assistant starter presents each racer to the starter in the precise order as determined by the start list and records actual start times. Good people skills and calm under pressure are important.

STEWARD – controls access to course and start/finish area, maintain crowd control. People skills are important.

CONTROLLER – checks bib numbers at control points on course; monitor technique in classic races.

FINISH TIMER - reads the stop watch/timer as the racers cross the finish line. If you are interested in learning to use our stop watches/timers and can remain calm under pressure, this job is for you.

FINISH TIME RECORDER - works closely with the finish timer and records the finish times in sequence. At the conclusion of the race, the finish timer and recorder need to be available to the calculators for clarification of any times missed or disputed. Legible handwriting and calm under pressure are important.

BIB CALLER - calls out the bib numbers in sequence as the racers cross the finish line. Calm under pressure and ability to be precise are important.

BIB RECORDER - records the bib numbers in sequence as called by the bib caller. Calm under pressure and legible handwriting are important.

AFTER RACE

All volunteers are asked to work together to tear down the start/finish area and return fences, flagging, timing gear, etc. to the appropriate places. This is usually a quick job if all volunteers do their part.

Note:

Please be prepared for the tasks assigned to you by packing a bag with plenty of extra clothing for inclement weather conditions. Bring food and water with you. On nice days, races usually run smoothly. On bad weather days, races take longer (more crashes, course stops, etc.). Be prepared to be outside for 4 - 6 hours each day.