

# **2017 New Mexico Road Series Rule Book**

## **2017 Scheduled Events**

<u>Event Name</u>	<u>Event Date</u>	<u>Event Location</u>
The Trifecta Series	March 4 & 5	Las Cruces/Hillsboro, NM
Tierra del Sol Road Race	March 25	Belen, NM
505 Cycling Classic	April 1 & 2	Albuquerque, NM
Tour of El Paso	May 20 & 21	El Paso, TX
Bill McLain Memorial Crest Race	June 11	Albuquerque, NM
New Mexico Regional Championship	June 25	Albuquerque, NM
Tour de Los Alamos	July 29 & 30	Los Alamos, NM
Santa Fe Hill Climb	August 6	Santa Fe, NM

## **Race Groups/Starts**

All road series events will schedule and run the following starts:

**Women Cat 1/2/3**

**Women Cat 4/5**

**Men Cat 1/2/3**

**Men Cat 4**

**Men Cat 5**

**Men Masters 45+ Cat 2/3/4**

**Juniors 16 and under** (Juniors 17-18 will race their category)

No separate collegiate race group/start. Collegiate racers race their category

Each group will start separately unless there are less than four participants (as per USAC rule 1H6). Race starts may also be combined when, due to unforeseen circumstances and at the discretion of the Chief Referee together with the race director, categories must be run together in order to best ensure rider safety. In all cases results will be reported for each of the seven start groups separately with field size reflecting the actual number of racers in a given road series prescribed start group.

## **Scoring and Awards**

### **Individual Event Scoring and Awards**

Each event/race director shall instruct their officials to score their event(s) broken out into the following "Race Categories". Note that although Women Cat 4 & 5 start together, they are scored separately. Also note Men Cat 3 are scored separately from their race start group. All Juniors, 16 and under, start together but Men and Women shall be scored separately.

#### **Race Categories:**

**Women Cat 1/2/3**

**Women Cat 4**

**Women Cat 5**

**Women Juniors 16 and Under**

**Men Cat 1/2**

**Men Cat 3**

**Men Cat 4**

**Men Cat 5**

**Men Masters 45+ Cat 2/3/4**

**Men Juniors 16 and Under**

### **Series Scoring and Awards**

Five (5) race minimum to qualify for series awards. Ten (10) best point earnings count toward total points. The number of series events can change during the season due to cancellations or additions to the schedule. Note that some events include several races. For example, "The Trifecta Series", "505 Cycling Classic" and "Tour of El Paso" all include multiple races within their respective event.

A winners' jerseys will be awarded to each of the overall "Race Category" winners. Prizes (gift certificates and/or merchandise) may be awarded to the top three (3) overall in each "Race Category", depending on availability.

Each rider's results in a minimum of five (5) and maximum of ten (10) races will be used to calculate their series point total. Points will be awarded based on field sizes according to the following point schedule:

	<b>Field Size</b>			
<b>Place</b>	<b>36+</b>	<b>20-35</b>	<b>6-19</b>	<b>1-5</b>
1	40	30	20	5
2	37	27	17	3
3	34	24	14	2
4	31	21	12	
5	29	19	10	
6	27	17	8	
7	25	15	6	
8	23	13	4	
9	21	11	3	
10	19	9	2	
11	17	7		
12	15	5		
13	13	4		
14	11	3		
15	9	2		
16	7			
17	5			
18	4			
19	3			
20	2			

All race participants receive minimum one (1) point per race completed.

For omniums, points will be scored for each individual race, and not for the final overall results.

Points are awarded according to the race category you ride in. The only exception to this rule is that juniors 16 and under who race category races will be scored as 17-18. If you ride in different race categories from race to race, you will accrue points in the corresponding categories. Points earned between different race categories will NOT be combined for the purposes of overall series standings.

One-day licensees (Cat 5 ONLY) do not accrue series points, but do displace points for eligible series racers. Likewise, Continental and UCI Pros racing the Men/Women Cat 1/2/3 race categories (at the discretion of the race directors) do not accrue series points but do displace points for eligible series racers.

### Racer Eligibility

In order to accumulate series points racers must be USAC annual license holders. One-day licensees (Cat 5 ONLY) will NOT be awarded points while racing on a one-day license. However, points WILL be awarded retroactively, up to two (2) races, to riders purchasing an annual license part way through the season. Points are accumulated from the date of purchase of an annual license.

### Upgrades/Downgrades

A rider who changes USAC category that also results in a change of series race category will retain any points earned in their old series race category but, will start with zero points in their new series race category.

### Tie Break

If two or more eligible riders finish the series with the same number of points the following rules apply to break the tie.

- a) racer with fewer race starts wins  
if tie remains
- b) racer with the highest awarded points in a single race wins  
if tie remains
- c) racer with the second highest awarded points in a single race wins  
if tie remains continue (b) / (c) process until winner is determined.

## Changes

The Series director reserves the right to change the Series rules due to any unforeseen situation(s).