



PROMOTERS

The goal of the FRCA is to ensure the quality and safety of cycling racing events held in the State of Florida.

Event Application: Promoters (Individuals, Teams, Clubs, and Others) wishing to promote (plan, organize, produce) a cycling racing event with the endorsement of the FRCA and with FPS – Florida Points Series designation must complete and submit the FRCA - Event Application, ****place link here****, 30 days before the date of the event.

The FPS – Florida Points Series designation provides Promoters with the following benefits and values:

- Endorsement from the FRCA as a quality event
- Free listing of the event online
- Free posting and tabulating of results
- Free use of the FRCA's owned timing and scoring system
- Points earned at the event are accumulated for end of seasons Prizes & Awards (For 2010, the FRCA will spend over \$10,000 in cash, trophies, medals, jerseys, and more for the various seasons and competitions organized).

You may also apply to receive Florida CUP and/or State Championship designation by submitting along with the above FRCA - Event Application.

FPS Fees: The FRCA assesses \$250 per race with a third or fourth race on the same weekend being \$125. Example: A RR & Crit weekend would be \$500 total and an omnium weekend with a RR, Crit AND a TT would be \$625. These fees fund 40% of the **FRCA Budget**. These fees must be paid in advance along with the FRCA Event Application, and they will be returned/reimbursed should the race need to be cancelled as long as the cancellation is greater than 30 days before the date of the event. Events cancelled within 2-4 weeks will receive a refund of 50% of the daily FRCA fee and events cancelled within 2 weeks of the event shall forfeit the entire FRCA race daily fee. This rule shall not apply to acts of nature that would cause an event to be cancelled.

Promoters may access the current USA Cycling rulebook at http://www.usacycling.org/forms/RdTrkCx_rulebook.pdf

Officials Requirements: All FPS races must have a minimum of 2 officials for Criterium events, 2 stand officials and 1 official per field for road race events, and 2 officials for time trial events (1 starter and 1 scorer if timing chips are used, 2 scorers if scoring by hand). These are the minimum number of officials. The race promoter shall submit a list of officials to the state official for approval at least 1 week prior to the event. The chief official shall not also be the race promoter. It is the duty of the chief official to ensure the course and safety of the race. The promoter is responsible for the promotion of the race only. It is the official's duty to score the race, assist with post race event forms, and resolve conflicts associated with entrants. The promoter shall promptly at the finish of the days events supply the chief official the count of entrants in each category and to assist with post event forms.



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Race Course: Promoters shall have their course approved by the FRCA before the event can be permitted. It is the promoter's responsibility to provide the necessary support staff to include registration, police, road closure, announcing, timing, and all other aspects of running the event. The chief official will have the duty to give final approval to the course for safety concerns before the event begins. All events will be run under guidelines as established by USA Cycling. AMB scoring chips will be used at all events unless so approved otherwise by the FRCA.

Scoring / AMB Scoring Chips: The FRCA owns the AMB scoring and timing system. All FRCA approved events must use this system for all races unless they receive special approval for the Board of the FRCA. All FRCA members have access to borrow this system for their event with the approval of the Board as long as they have a designated trained individual to run the system that has been approved by the FRCA. All entrants must have their own chips or use a rental chip. Rental chips are available for rental from TopView Sports. All promoters shall post their results and make prize payout at the event in a timely manner. All race results shall also be submitted to USA Cycling for ranking in the national ranking system.

FPS Points: FPS points will be awarded 25 deep in regular FPS events, 35 deep in Florida Cup and State Championship events. If an event has less than the 25 or 35 entrants for points, then the points will be awarded based on the number of entrants in the event. There will be 2 racing seasons with overall awards for each season and overall awards for the combination of both seasons.

Payouts: The following are payout Guidelines for FPS races:

Category	Road, Criterium, or Circuit	Time Trial
Juniors	Medals (3 deep)	Medals (3 deep)
Men PRO12	\$ 800	\$ 250
Men Cat 3	\$ 300	\$ 100
Men Cat 4	Not Required	Not Required
Men Cat 5	Medals (3 deep)	Medals (3 deep)
Men Masters 35+	\$ 100	\$ 50
Men Masters 45+	\$ 100	\$ 50
Men Masters 55+	\$ 100	\$ 50
Men Masters 65+	Not Required	Not Required
Women PRO123	\$ 200	\$ 100
Women Cat 4	Not Required	Not Required
Total	\$ 1,600	\$ 600



Promoters may set minimum field limits per their discretion. It is recommended that payouts on fields that don't meet the promoter's minimum be made at the rate of 50% of total entry fees for that race less the \$3 per rider insurance fee. The FRCA will maintain sample payout sheets showing depth of payouts for different payout levels to assist promoters with their payout amounts. It is recommended to not top load purses. USA Cycling rule 1F3 lists that the number of places that receive prizes in each event must be at least one for every \$100 in total prize value for the event up to \$2000 for the event. Paying a slightly deeper level and not top loading the payout may encourage more racers to attend your event in the hope of "being in the money".

Entry Fees: Each promoter may set their own entry fees with a general guideline of the following. All categories \$15-\$35 / race, pro 1-2 \$25-\$40 / race, \$10-\$20 second race same day, \$5 - \$10 late entry fee. Junior entry fees are not to exceed \$10 for a junior race. If a promoter elects to have free entry for junior racers, the FRCA will reimburse the promoter \$3/ junior entry fee to cover the costs of USA Cycling insurance. All requests for reimbursement shall be made within 30 days of the race completion.

FPS Schedule: The preliminary race schedule will be decided by the Board with attendance and input from clubs and promoters at the fall race promoter's meeting. Preference for race dates will be given to events that have a history of quality, amenities, and duration.

FPS Events Requirement:

- Must meet payout guidelines as established by the FRCA
- Must include the following categories of racing. Categories may be combined at the promoter's discretion. Exceptions must be mentioned in our FPS Application and pre-approved by the BOD.
- Men Pro 1-2 men cat 3,4,5, women's cat 1,2,3,4, master's 35+, 45+, 55+, 65+, Junior 10-12, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18. Junior events may be excluded from road racing events if due to safety on the road, but it is recommended to accommodate juniors if at all possible.
- Must provide adequate announcing, awards, registration, road closure, support, officials
- Must pay FRCA daily race permit fee to be on FPS schedule
- Must use AMB timing chips
- Race must be run under all USA Cycling rules
- Medical kit and medical support for the event

Florida CUP Requirements:

- Must meet the requirements of FPS events
- Will have approximately 6-8 per year
- Must have been held previously as a FPS event on the same course.
- Should show superiority in the event, such as:
 - food, water, or other nutritional items
 - increased awards or prize money and awards ceremony
 - increased prizes for races
 - superiority in quality or challenge of course
 - increased support from the local community



- increased press coverage to support the event
- podiums for all categories
- pictures taken and posted of event
- superiority in announcing of event
- superiority in location of event for spectator appeal
- availability and proximity of parking
- location of start/finish for spectator appeal
- sufficient rest room / port-o-lets
- arranging hotel discounts for racers
- availability of food for spectators and racers
- donation of partial race proceeds to charitable cause

State Championships Requirements:

- These events are considered at the same level of those for Florida Cup events. The primary difference is that these events will be chosen with a higher focus on the course quality for a state championship event.

Official's Fees: You can find the USA Cycling rules for official's reimbursements at the following site.

<http://www.usacycling.org/news/user/story.php?id=2727>

The organizer shall pay licensed officials a daily fee based on the race category. Most Florida series races will be category D or E races where the following would apply.

Chief Referee	\$80
Chief Judge	\$60
Other Officials	\$50

For any races where the official works longer than 8 hours, the officials will receive an additional \$25.

Site visits: When deemed necessary by USA cycling or the local association, the organizer will pay the chief official or other designated official \$25 for pre-event venue inspection trip plus \$15 for each venue inspection report, in addition to travel expenses.

Official's Expenses: In addition to the daily fee, the organizer will provide each official with the following:

1. Round trip transportation from the official's home and during the race, or reimbursement for the transportation according to the published rates of USA Cycling.
2. In one day races lasting 5 hours or more, either a meal or \$10 additional; for races or more than one day, either two meals a day or \$25 per day.
3. Basic housing when overnight lodging is necessary before, during, or after the race
4. Reimbursement for any other expenses which are reasonable and necessary for the official's duties.



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Paramedic and Announcer Fees: USA Cycling and the FRCA do not have rules governing these fees. Guidelines would be to expect to pay from \$Free to \$200 per day at the discretion of the organizer and individual providing the services.

Police Protection: An organizer can expect to pay \$35 to \$65 per hour for police support for your event.