2012 X-C Grand Prix scoring and rules for New England USATF members.

The 2012 USATF-NE Grand Prix consists of 5 events, scoring the best 4 of 5 performances towards awards.

The New England Championships is weighted 50% more than any other event.

Divisions:

OPEN MASTER (40 & older) SENIOR (50 & older) VETERAN (60 & older)

Individual points (table updated 9/12)

Place	Open Men Open Women Masters Men	Masters Women - Senior Men	Senior Women Veteran Men Veteran Women
1	100	50	25
2	90	42	20
3	81	35	17
4	73	30	14
5	67	25	14
6	61	20	11
7	55	17	8
8	49	14	5
9	43	11	3
10	37	8	1
11	31	5	
12	25	3	
13	19	1	
14	13		
15	10		
16	7		
17	4		
18	1		

Team points:

The basic team scoring for each Grand Prix event will be as follows:

1st place - 15 points 2nd - 12 3rd - 10 4th - 8 5th - 6 6th place - 5 7th - 4 8th - 3 9th - 2 10th - 1

Traditional cross country scoring system, using place, will be used to score teams

Only runners with current USATF-NE memberships, competing for a USATF-NE team, will be scored. Runners on incomplete teams, unattached runners, runners not on USATF-NE teams, and runners without valid USATF memberships WILL NOT be included in team scoring.

In Men's Open and Masters and Women's Open divisions, the team's top 5 runners will score with the 6th and 7th runners acting as displacers. Runners finishing 8th and above for a team will not be included in scoring. If a team fails to finish 5 runners, they are considered "incomplete" and will not be included in team scoring.

In Women's Masters and Senior and Veterans divisions and Men's Seniors and Veterans divisions, the top 3 runners (with 2 displacers) will be scored. If one of these teams fails to finish 3 runners, they are considered "incomplete" and will not be included in team scoring.

The sum total of the top 5 or top 3 runners' points (depending on division) will constitute the team score, with the low score winning. In the case of a tie, the team with the better placed sixth (or fourth) runner wins.

Runners may earn individual points even if they fail to score for their team.

Teams do not need to declare eligible scoring runners prior to competition. Individual USATF-NE membership is required prior to race to count in scoring.

Runners dropping down in age divisions for team scoring purposes must run in the appropriate age division race. Individual points will only be awarded for the age division race in which the runner competed in.

That is, if there are separate Open and Masters races, and a Master runner competes in the Open race for team scoring purposes, that runner may earn individual points in the Open division, but no points will be awarded in the Masters individual division.

Each individual and team will score season-end points. The USATF-NE Championship race is not a required competition, but the New England Championships will be weighted 50% higher or 1.5 X the individual/team point value.

Complementary Entries: The top scoring individual in the season-end grand prix standings in each division will receive complimentary entries to all grand prix events in the following season. In order to receive a complimentary entry to a race, an athlete who has earned complimentary entries must pre-register with the race by the early entry deadline.

Team scores for each XC Grand Prix race will be posted on this site. Clubs have 7 days to reply to the Association XC Chair and resolve any corrections, disputes, or other matters concerning the team scores. Team scores become official at the conclusion of the 7 day period. Current X-C GP standings for individuals and teams will be posted at each event.

For an event to be considered for inclusion in the Grand Prix, it must meet the following requirements:

- A. Obtain a USATF sanction.
- B. Have a written safety plan.
- C. Have medical supplies or med personnel on hand, and a written emergency medical plan.
- D. Present a well-marked and reasonably well-measured course.
- E. Have accurate timing.
- F. Present timely, organized results to the Grand Prix scorer or the USATF-NE representative on race day, and email final/corrected to the GP scorer and USATF-NE office by the end of the first working day following the event.
- G. Indicate each competitor's actual age on both entry forms and in results (in order to score age division competition).
- H. Provide adequate water and restroom facilities at the start/finish area.
- I. Share in promotion of other XC Grand Prix events.
- J. Assist with promotion of sponsors.

USATF-NE XC Grand Prix events in the same age division may not be held the same weekend as one another.

All selections of Grand Prix events, rules decisions, and protests will be considered by the USATF-NE board. Rules and policies will be in keeping with those of USA Track & Field.