

2018 USATF SAN DIEGO-IMPERIAL ROAD SERIES RULES

Series Races & Overview

Participating 2018 series races will be posted on the USATF San Diego-Imperial Association website at www.sandiego.usatf.org. The list of qualifying races is subject to amendment according to the discretion of the Road Series Committee.

Series Entry

In order to be eligible for the road series the following criteria must be met:

- Must be 18 years or older by the start of the first race in the series.
- Must be a current member in good standing of the USATF San Diego-Imperial Association. Participants may register for Association membership online at the www.sandiego.usatf.org using the "Membership" tab on the top bar of the screen.
- Participants must complete three (3) of the four (4) eligible races to qualify for awards at the end of the series.

Competition Divisions

Open Division (Men & Women): Any competitor between 18-39 years old at the conclusion of the last race in the series is eligible to compete in this category.

Masters Divisions (Men & Women): Any competitor 40 years old or older at the conclusion of the last race in the series is eligible to compete in this category.

Club Division: The top three (3) finishers on each USATF San Diego-Imperial club team will be scored according to their cumulative times at each championship race in the road series. Club teams must declare themselves to the series scorer prior to the start of the race.

Series Awards

Individual Prizes & Awards

At the conclusion of the series the following prize awards will be given out to the top series point scorers in each division. **In order to be eligible for prize awards at the conclusion of the series an individual must complete and score in three (3) of the five (5) races in the series.**

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Individual Prizes & Awards (continued)

Open Men		Open Women	
1st	\$500	1st	\$500
2nd	\$300	2nd	\$300
3rd	\$200	3rd	\$200
4th	\$100	4th	\$100
5th	\$100	5th	\$100
Masters Men		Masters Women	
1st	\$300	1st	\$300
2nd	\$200	2nd	\$200
3rd	\$100	3rd	\$100
4th	\$100	4th	\$100

Cash prizes will be awarded in the form of checks issued by the USATF San Diego-Imperial Association. Checks will be mailed to winners using their membership address on file with the Association. All winners will be announced online via the Association website (sandiego.usatf.org) and road series homepage.

Club Prizes & Awards

At the conclusion of the series the following prize awards will be given out to the club with highest point total in each division. **In order to be eligible for prize awards at the conclusion of the series a club must compete and score in three (3) of the four (4) races in the series.**

Open Men & Women		Masters Men & Women		
1st	\$100.00	1st	40-49	\$100.00
			50-59	\$100.00
			60-69	\$100.00
			70+	\$100.00

Series Scoring

Individual Scoring

- A runner's total score for the series will be his or her three best scores in the series.
- In order to be eligible for prize awards an individual must score in three (3) of the five (5) races in the series.
- An individual must complete the declaration form for each race in the series in order to be scored. The declaration form can be found on the Road Series webpage.

Open Division Scoring (Men & Women)

- Series scoring for the Open division in all races will be the following:

1st – 10 points	5th – 4 points
2nd – 8 points	6th – 3 points
3rd – 6 points	7th – 2 points
4th – 5 points	8th to last finisher – 1 point

Masters Division Scoring (Men & Women)

- Series scoring for the Masters division will be based on Age Graded scoring. Age Graded scores will be assigned to all finishers in the Masters division.
- Age Graded scores will be assigned using current WMA and USATF standards.
Link: <http://www.howardgrubb.co.uk/athletics/wmaroad15.html>
Link: http://www.usatfmasters.org/fa_agegrading.htm
- A runner's score will be determined by their age-graded calculation taken to the tenth decimal place.
Example A: Robert is 45 years old and runs 18:10 for 5k. His score is tallied as 78.26 using the WMA calculator and he would be assigned a score of 78.2 points.
Example B: Linda is 75 years old and runs 31:05 for 5k. Her score is tallied as 72.98 using the WMA calculator and she would be assigned a score of 72.9 points.
- **A runner's division for the series is determined by his or her age on the date of the last championship race in the series. For example, a runner turning 40 before the last race in the series would compete as a 40-year-old for series scoring.**

Team Scoring

The 2018 Road Series will include club team scoring at each championship race.

- Teams may have an unlimited number of entrants but will only be scored using the first three (3) runners on their team to finish.
- Teams need a minimum of three (3) runners to score as a team.
- Individuals on a team are determined by a club's online roster through USATF. When a club registers with USATF San Diego they are required to have a designated club "leader" who can access their club's online portal and view their roster.
- An individual runner appears on a club's roster when they enter that club's USATF club number during registration/renewal. Once affiliated with a club that runner does not need to repeat the process unless they would like to join a another club or become "unattached" (not affiliated with any club).
- For more questions regarding becoming affiliated with a club, switching to another club, or becoming an "unattached" runner please contact Membership Chair, Tina Breen, at membership@sandiego.usatf.org
- Eligible runners must:
 - Meet all series entry rules.
 - Be registered members of the same Association club as it appears on your online member portal. To access your membership online go to: <https://www.usatf.org/myUSATF/index.asp> and enter your ID and password.
- Club team places in each age division will be determined using a team's combined time. For example, if the three scorers run 32:00, 33:00, and 34:00 minutes for 10k their combined time would be 1 hour : 39 minutes : 00 seconds or 1:39:00.
- Series scoring for all club divisions in all races will be the following:

1st – 10 points	5th – 4 points
2nd – 8 points	6th – 3 points
3rd – 6 points	7th – 2 points
4th – 5 points	8th to last finisher – 1 point
- Time will be determined via chip timing.

Tiebreakers

Tiebreakers will be decided by head-to-head competition throughout the series. In the event individuals or clubs are still tied it will be left to the discretion of the series director to determine how awards will be divided.