

# **FAR WEST SKI TEAMS**

## **Far West Ski Team**

The Far West Ski Team (FWST) recognizes the top racers in the Far West. The FWST has a maximum size of twelve. The 2017-2018 FWST is comprised of 7 men, and 5 women. This gender split will be adjusted annually based on SR, U21 and U19 gender population from the last membership list from the prior season received by the Far West office from U.S. Ski & Snowboard.

To be eligible to the FWST, a competitor must:

1. Fulfill all U.S. Ski & Snowboard, FWS and FIS (if age eligible) membership requirements by September 1.
2. Have an F number
3. Have competed in U.S. Ski & Snowboard /Far West and Western Region FIS races or Nor Am or have attended the U16 Junior Championships in the previous season, as a Far West member.
4. College athletes who are members of their school's team are not eligible for the FWST.
5. Must be participating with a full-time program registered with the Far West.
6. Srs must submit intent to compete to the Far West office by September 1<sup>st</sup> to be eligible for the FWST.
7. Have less than 70 points in two disciplines, if a male competitor
8. Have less than 80 points in two disciplines, if a female competitor

### **Automatic qualifiers for the FWST**

If an athlete is the winner of a discipline title or overall champion at the WR Jr Championships.

Athletes must complete a contract commitment by the response deadline, as prescribed by the Far West office.

The ACC, using modified International Team Selection Board method, selects the FWST from the July 2017 U.S. Ski & Snowboard points list, the last published list for 2016 season. Eligible competitors are listed by points in each discipline. Going from left to right, and top to bottom on the list, a competitor is selected for the FWST when he/she shows up the second time. Current US Ski Team members (A, B, C and Development) are not eligible for the FWST.

Additional automatic qualifiers to the FWST: U16 Jr Championship discipline or overall winners from the previous season are additionally named to the team of twelve.

All FWST members must submit a signed "Far West Ski Team Contract," supply a coach's contact that is registered with a Far West program and a jpeg photo by the designated deadline in order to receive the following FWST benefits:

1. Free lifts at all U.S. Ski & Snowboard /Far West races
2. Free entries at all U.S. Ski & Snowboard /Far West races
3. FWST uniform
4. FWST Pass for free skiing at all participating Far West Ski areas
5. FWST members will receive a day for day credit for races attended from designated U.S. Ski & Snowboard towards entries to the Western Region FIS Elite Spring Series (Up to 6 races)

Note: The above rules are for the selection of the 2017 FWST only. Due to factors outside the control of the Far West, such as publication dates for future year's U.S. Ski & Snowboard membership and point's lists, the selection procedure is reviewed, revised if necessary, and approved by the FW ACC in the summer for inclusion in each year's manual.