



2007 USAT Southwest Region Development Race Series

USA Triathlon recognizes that not every junior athlete is ready for or interested in the draft-legal (ITU) format. Draft-legal requires a unique skill-set that takes time to master. Junior Development Races provide athletes a gateway into the development pipeline. Athletes will experience triathlon in its traditional, non-drafting format, officiated using USA Triathlon Rules. Junior Development Races are typically sprint-distance and have been selected for their "junior-friendly" atmosphere and age-appropriateness.

The Southwest Region of USAT is sponsoring a series of developmenta sprint races to encourage youth (13-15) and junior (16-19) athletes to participate in triathlons. Age is determined by USAT rules (age as of Dec. 31, 2007).

Each event winner will receive an award provided by the region as well as ranking points. Rankings will be updated throughout the year. The last event of the season will crown the series champion in each gender in each age group. For more information on these races or the series, please contact Sharon Osgood, Regional Athlete Development Coordinator at tballntricoach@aol.com

Points are awarded to all racers based upon their finish as follows:

Finish Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th
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