BY-LAW ARTICLE XVII
Cross Country
Boys and Girls

Sect. 1: Cross Country shall be administered by the NHIAA Cross Country Committee and the rules of the National Federation will govern the sport when applicable. The NHIAA Cross Country Championship Meets will be organized, financed, and directed by the NHIAA Cross Country Committee.

Sect. 2: State Divisional Championships

A. The State Divisional Championships shall be held on the last Saturday in October at sites determined by the NHIAA Cross Country Committee.
B. For an athlete to compete in the State Championships, he/she must have participated in at least one (1) Cross Country meet during the regular season.
C. The distance for races will be approximately 5 km.
D. The boys and girls will each be divided into three (3) Divisions: I, II and III.
E. Entry Procedure - See Cross Country Policies and Procedures Manual.
F. Scoring – To be considered in the scoring for team championships each school must have a minimum number of five (5) finishers. Schools which start with fewer than five (5) runners, will not be eligible for team awards. Team scores will be determined by adding the places in which the first five (5) runners from each school finish. The finish positions of non-team competitors will be eliminated and team finish positions re-ranked in order to determine team scores. Ties in team scoring shall be resolved by comparing the sixth place finishers from the tying teams. The team with the best sixth place finisher shall prevail.
G. Awards – Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, as well as 13 team medals, will be awarded in each of the divisional meets. In addition, 25 individual medals will also be awarded in each division for boys and girls.

Sect. 3: Meet of Champions

A. These meets will serve as the qualifier for the New England Meet, when applicable.
B. The selection of competitors for these meets will be based on the finish in the divisional meets as determined by the Cross Country Committee. (See Cross Country Policies and Procedures Manual)
C. The Meet of Champions shall be held on the first Saturday in November at a site determined by the NHIAA Cross Country Committee.
D. Awards: Official NHIAA medals will be awarded to the top 25 individuals for boys and girls.

Sect. 4: Divisional Alignment

Cross Country shall be aligned into three (3) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

2011-12 Boys Cross Country Divisional Alignment

DIV. I (1251+) 18 Schools		DIV. II (651–1250) 24 Schools		DIV. III (1–650) 31 Schools	
Pinkerton	3325	Goffstown	1235	Monadnock	649
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Dover	1563	Kennett	853	Hillsboro-Deering	513
Spaulding	1550	John Stark	838	Belmont	498
Merrimack	1514	Laconia	782	Newfound	464
Timberlane	1477	Sanborn	755	Raymond	459
Alvirne	1463	Plymouth	748	Mascoma	436
Man. West	1383	Hanover	740	Mascenic	425
Winnacunnet	1265	Windham	734	White Mt.	424
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		Oyster River	698	Newmarket	310
		Pelham	690	Epping	293
		St. Thomas	676	Littleton	269
		*Trinity	409	Derryfield	248
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