

## **BY-LAW ARTICLE XVIII**

### **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 ten (10) team medals, will be awarded in each of the divisional meets. In addition, 30 individual medals will also be awarded in Division I, 25 individual medals would be awarded in Division II; 20 individual medals would be awarded in Division III for boys and girls in each division. (CM 1.20)

#### **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.

### 2021-22 Boys & Girls Cross Country Divisional Alignment

<b>DIV. I (1075+)</b> <b>19 Schools</b>	<b>DIV. II (500-1074)</b> <b>22 Schools</b>	<b>DIV. III (1-499)</b> <b>33 Schools</b>
Pinkerton 3283	Goffstown 1071	Gilford 489
Nashua South 1901	Windham 997	Monadnock 479
Nashua North 1735	Hollis/Brookline 857	Fall Mountain 465
Exeter 1649	Oyster River 839	Prospect Mnt. 454
Concord 1530	Milford 833	Winnisquam 448
Bedford 1505	Man. West 804	Campbell 439
Dover 1474	Merrimack Valley 795	St. Thomas 402
Londonderry 1458	Kingswood 794	Newfound 391
Man. Memorial 1430	Pembroke 763	Berlin 378
Keene 1382	Souhegan 751	Conant 373
Man. Central 1331	Hanover 743	Hillsboro 367
Spaulding 1308	Kennett 739	Belmont 358
Merrimack 1226	Con-Val 718	Raymond 351
Salem 1175	Coe-Brown 691	White Mountains 348
Portsmouth 1119	Sanborn 651	Mascoma 345
Alvirne 1115	Plymouth 644	Trinity 324
Timberlane 1100	Bow 638	
Winnacunnet 1087	John Stark 618	
*Bishop Guertin 793	Lebanon 606	
	Pelham 605	
	Laconia 542	
	Kearsarge 508	
		Hopkinton 320
		Newport 316
		Inter-Lakes 305
		Bishop Brady 304
		Mascenic 293
		Newmarket 280
		Derryfield 269
		Epping 251
		Moultonborough 168
		Wilton-Lyndeborough 163
		Por. Christian at Dover 155
		Gorham (G) 138
		Hinsdale 136
		Profile 129
		Lin-Wood 97
		Canaan, VT 74
		Pittsburg 32

\*Petition