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## 2024-2025 Project Mayhem Cyclocross Technical Guide

### Mission Statement:

Project Mayhem CX aims to deliver a fun, exciting regional cyclocross series, providing an inclusive racing experience for all racers regardless of background. We welcome racers of all backgrounds, genders, races, ethnicities, nationalities, religions, incomes, and abilities. Our team of promoters and event organizers will transform every event into a compelling destination, attracting both participants and spectators alike.

### Overview:

Project Mayhem comes from a group of promoters who want to change the way cyclocross is seen across the northeast. We will operate on a consistent schedule. Promoters are united in their commitment to professionalism to ensure that every aspect of each race is meticulously executed. Each race within the series will bring its own unique flavor, but contribute to the overall series. We believe that as a series, we are greater than the sum of our individual races.

### Categories:

<b>Open 4/5</b>	<b>Women Masters 40+ (1-4)</b>	<b>Junior Boys U9</b>
<b>Open 3/4</b>	<b>Junior Boys 9-12</b>	<b>Junior Girls U9</b>
<b>Women's 4/5</b>	<b>Junior Girls 9-12</b>	<b>Open Pro/1/2/3</b>
<b>Women's 3/4</b>	<b>Junior Boys 13-14 Cat 4/5</b>	<b>Womens Pro/1/2</b>
<b>Open Masters 40+ (1-4)</b>	<b>Junior Girls 13-14 Cat 4/5</b>	<b>Open Singlespeed</b>
<b>Open Masters 50+ (1-4)</b>	<b>Junior Boys 15-18 Cat 4/5</b>	<b>Women's Singlespeed</b>
<b>Open Masters 60+ (1-4)</b>	<b>Junior Girls 15-18 Cat 4/5</b>	

### Additional Categories:

There may be additional categories held at each of the events in the series, however they will not be a part of the series. Please check each event's website for a listing of all event categories for each individual race.

## Schedule:

<b>8:30</b>	Open 4/5, Junior Boys 15-18	<b>30 min</b>
<b>9:15</b>	Women 4/5, Junior Girls 15-18	<b>30 min</b>

## Warmup time

<b>10:15</b>	Women 1/2/3, Women 3&4, Women 40+	<b>50/45 min</b>
<b>11:15</b>	Junior U9, 9-12	<b>20/25 min</b>
<b>11:50</b>	Kids Fun Race/Ride	
<b>12:10</b>	Junior 13-14	<b>30 min</b>

## Warmup

<b>1:00</b>	Open P123, Singlespeed	<b>50 min</b>
<b>2:15</b>	Open 3/4, Masters 40+	<b>45 min</b>
<b>3:15</b>	Masters 50/60	<b>45 min</b>

## Awards:

There will be awards for top 3 in the series

There will be merchandise/prizes for the top three finishers in all categories

In addition to merch/prizes, for the Open Cat 1/2/3 and Women's Cat 1/2 races the prize payout depends on how many people enter the race. Dollar amounts are listed in the order of payout for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. places.

**5 or fewer | \$85 — \$65 — \$45**

**6 racers | \$85 — \$65 — \$45**

**7 racers | \$85 — \$65 — \$45 — \$30**

**8 racers | \$85 — \$65 — \$45 — \$30**

**9 racers | \$85 — \$65 — \$45 — \$30 — \$25**

**10 or more racers | \$85 — \$65 — \$45 — \$30 — \$25**

## Points System:

Project Mayhem CX will award points at each event.

Points are calculated for all events that an athlete is registered for.

Updated points will be available to view at [CrossResults.com](http://CrossResults.com) and on our series website.

There is no additional cost to racers to become a part of Project Mayhem CX.

Once a racer enters any PMCX event, they are automatically entered within the series. Points will be tracked and tabulated. Additionally, racers do not have to sign in specifically regarding the series

Racers are not required to compete at each event.

Racers are/are not required to be present at the final event in the series to receive final series awards.

The points system applies to all categories.

Official results will be used to determine series points. No changes will be made to official results. You must dispute the results within 15 minutes of the results posting at the race.

In the event of a tie, the rider with the higher place at the final race will break the tie.

If riders did not attend final race, we will ad-lib a tiebreaker on the spot, with the following possibilities: pushup contest, rock-paper-scissors, anything else that comes to mind.

Racers who upgrade mid season may carry half their points with them to the new category.

Upgrade to carry points with must be completed before Belltown.

Win 2 series races and you will be promoted to next category with half your points

If you don't upgrade, you will not be eligible for series prize

Individual final standings will be the total accumulated points over the entire series MINUS the lowest points scored at any two races (drop races) (top 6 races count)

Final race will be worth 25% more (i.e 62.5, 52.5, 47.5.....)

### **Series Entry Raffle:**

Raffle for Maple Wheels and Endurance Threads Gift Cards to be based on total entries. Need not be present to win.

Raffle entries are as follows by number of races- 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19

Promotional Team not eligible for raffle.

**Place Points:**

1st – 50	10th – 24	19th – 15	28th – 6
2nd – 42	11th – 23	20th – 14	29th – 5
3rd – 38	12th – 22	21st – 13	30th – 4
4th – 34	13th – 21	22nd – 12	31+ – 3
5th – 32	14th – 20	23rd – 11	DNF 2
6th – 30	15th – 19	24th – 10	DNS 0
7th – 28	16th – 18	25th – 9	DNE 0
8th – 26	17th – 17	26th – 8	
9th – 25	18th – 16	27th – 7	

**Race Schedule and Location :**

Please refer to each individual event within the series for race schedules and categories

**September 8 - Damned at the Damn**

Hosted at Mansfield Hollow State Park, Mansfield, CT

**September 14 - Pain in the Neck**

Hosted at Haddam Neck Fairgrounds, Haddam Neck, CT

**September 22 - Hidden Valley CX**

Hosted at Forbes Bluff, New Haven, CT

**October 6 - Newtown CX**

Hosted at 2nd Company Governor's Horseguard, Newtown, CT

**October 20 - Belltown Throwdown CX**

Hosted at Camp Ingersoll, Portland, CT

**November 17 - Moran CX**

Hosted at Moran Middle School, Wallingford, CT

**December 1 - The Orchard Scorcher**

Hosted at Bishop's Orchards, Guilford, CT

**Registration:**

Registration will be handled by each race individually on BikeReg.com.

**Registration protocol:**

All athletes must agree to the associated online waivers for each event through Bikereg.com

**Rules:**

The first rule is we do not ask questions. ;)

All races are held under USAC Permit.

All racers are required to hold a USAC License or purchase a one-day License.

All riders must fully complete and sign the standard USAC waiver of liability at each prior to beginning each race or riding on the course. A racer's failure to do so will result in loss of all series points earned up to that event.

All racers must wear an ANSI or SNELL approved helmet while using their bike before, during, and after a race.

No bar-ends are allowed on mountain bikes per USAC rules.

Racers may ride any type of bicycle legal for mass start events per the USA Cycling rules (cyclocross, road, mtn. bike, fixed gear etc.). No e-bikes per USA Cycling rules. All bikes must be human powered only.

Single Speed Rules: Riders must either have a single cog in the rear or are required to zip tie shifter or remove shifter battery. There should be no way to change between front chainrings.

All USA Cycling rules apply.

Staging will be based on: CX Results race predictor for first race  
After the first race, staging will be based on series placement for top 16 riders, then crossresults race predictor for pre-registered riders, then day of registrations (if applicable).

All mixed gender junior fields will be staged as follows:

First Race - Front row split 4/4 by cross results race predictor. Rest will be mixed by cross results race predictor.

Remaining Races: Top 8 (front row) will be 50/50 boys and girls by PMCX series standings. Rest of field will be mixed according to cross results race predictor.

**Timing:**

All races will be professionally timed.