



Dear USASA Community,

We have been closely following the situation regarding COVID-19, as I am sure many of you have as well. With the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines discouraging travel and large public gatherings, and based on input from many in our snowboard and freeski community, I am writing to inform you that we have made the very difficult decision to cancel the 2020 USASA National Championships.

After careful consideration and deliberation, we believe the impact COVID-19 will have on this year's participation and athlete representation would adversely affect the integrity of the event. Further, holding the event at this time could create unnecessary risk for USASA athletes, parents, coaches and staff.

It is with sincere compassion that we share this news with you, and we want to underscore our appreciation for the hard work and determination of the USASA athletes who have worked so hard this year for their chance at this event. To each of you, and to your families, we extend a heartfelt congratulations – your hard work and efforts did not go unnoticed. USASA will work on the proper recognition of the top athletes across the country and in due time will prepare additional statements.

In the meantime, we encourage you to please be proactive in reaching out to those you have made travel plans with. If there is a question that USASA can answer, we will handle each question personally and as quickly as possible. You may reach out to <u>2020help@usasa.org</u> for event inquiries or to ask a question.

For those who booked directly with Copper Mountain lodging, your reservation will not automatically be canceled. If you wish to cancel and receive a full refund, please email groupres@coppercolorado.com with your reservation number or the name listed on the reservation.

If you booked through another property management company or online with AirBnb or VRBO, we encourage you to reach out to the appropriate contact to discuss your options.

We look forward to hosting the event again next year, and hope that the hard work and determination to be one of the best at something you love can be used to motivate you for future events.

Sincerely,

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Michael Mallon

Executive Director