

UPGRADE POINTS vs USAC RANKING POINTS

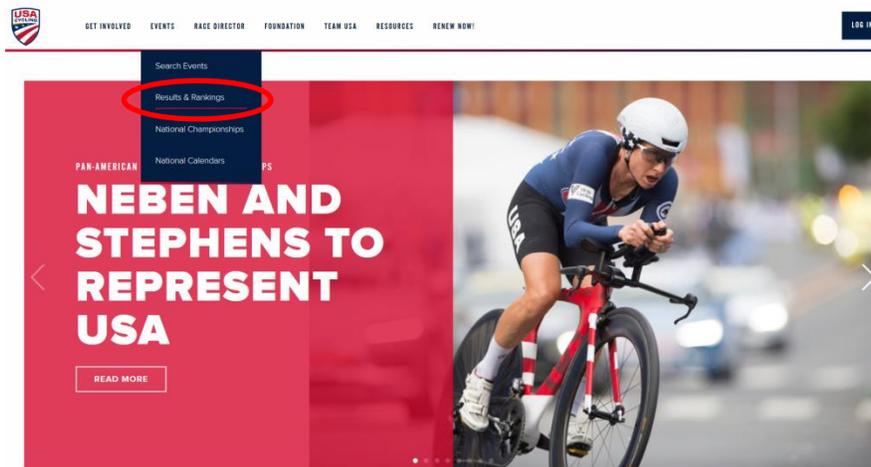
What is the difference between upgrade points and USAC ranking points?

Upgrade points: Are points allocated to you based on your place in the race results. If the race has 5-10 racers it's three places deep for upgrade points (First Place 3pts, Second Place 2pts, and Third Place 1pt). [USAC Guidelines for Upgrade Points](#)

Ranking points: The ranking system allows USAC members to be more accurately ranked within their given disciplines. It compares racers in Road, Crit, TT, etc., category, age, and location. The points system takes into account the (i) quality of the race, (ii) points per place, and (iii) ranking points. The system allocates points between 0 and 600 based on a really weird and convoluted algorithm. Fewer points mean you have a better ranking. So the goal is to earn the fewest points possible. It's important to know three things: (1) The field size can have a significant impact on the points earned, i.e. the more racers there are the wider the gradation of points. (2) For the race to be a high quality race 5 racers with a strong USAC ranking need to be in the race and they need to finish well. (3) Ranking points are used by USAC to predict the outcome of a race based on the current ranking of each racer in the race. USAC also use ranking points to do call-ups for various national championship races. [USAC Ranking Points FAQ](#)

Step 1: Want to find out where you rank according to USAC? Go to <https://www.usacycling.org/>

Step 2: Go to "Results & Rankings"



Step 3: Set your parameters.

RESULTS AND RANKINGS

USA Cycling's Results & Rankings system allows you to search results from races across the country as well as compare the nation's top riders across various disciplines, age and ability categories. Our revamped rankings program aims to provide increasingly accurate rankings using an innovative new algorithm emphasizing quality over quantity. The new system looks at who a rider competes against, and not which events, or how many. A rider's overall ranking is determined by averaging point totals from their top races. The lower a rider's point average, the higher they are ranked.

SEARCH

RESULTS

View Event Results By State
 Search USA Cycling Event Results
 You may search for results by event name or event id.
 Event name or ID
 Or you may search for results by rider name or license number.
 Rider's name or license #

RANKINGS

State: All
 Gender: Men
 Discipline: - Please Select -
 Class: Cat 1
 Age Range: 1 - 99

Note: Your ranking in Road Races will be different from your ranking in Crits, Time Trials, Cyclocross, etc. because they are different discipline.

USA CYCLING RIDER RANKINGS

Region: All | State: Texas | Gender: Women | Discipline: Road Race | Category: Cat 04 (1-99) | Age Range: 1-99

Note: Ranking points are NOT upgrade points. An explanation of ranking points can be found here.

Current rank points for Road Race Women Cat 04 (1-99) [\[Compare selected riders\]](#)

Rank	Points	Name	City	State	License	Rating	Age
1	20194	Heidi Benavides Perez	College Station	TX	426269	31	31
2	49104	Tamara Roberts			647474	43	31
3	40818	Helenia Chang	Dallas	TX	525823	36	31
4	50177	Christy Richbourg	Tyler	TX	495950	50	31
5	50615	Emily Trahan	Lubbock	TX	519168	36	31
6	50819	Georgia Mearns	Austin	TX	511063	49	31
7	51168	Yen Nguyen	Austin	TX	404839	36	31
8	51182	Laura Sarkis	Houston	TX	523997	38	31
9	51645	Jacqueline Howard	Austin	TX	544978	33	31
10	51642	Lauren Koon	Mckinney	TX	514689	26	31
11	52139	Nicole Calabrese	Denton	TX	499564	36	31
12	52405	Kim Murphy	Dallas	TX	460249	50	31
13	52646	Kate Thomson	Austin	TX	547482	36	31
14	52848	Amy McChane	Brownsville	TX	496460	43	31
15	54085	Lori Francis	San Antonio	TX	39021	41	31
16	54013	Lisa Carastiene	San Antonio	TX	479487	24	31
17	54718	Rita Deadoud	Austin	TX	532339	36	31
18	55027	Helen Scott	Houston	TX	529065	45	31
19	55438	Rose Seaborn	Austin	TX	511211	32	31
20	55513	Leah Taylor	Dover Park	TX	466387	25	31

Example of Road Race Ranking

USA CYCLING RIDER RANKINGS

Region: All | State: Texas | Gender: Women | Discipline: Crit Race | Category: Cat 04 (1-99) | Age Range: 1-99

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Current rank points for Road Race Women Cat 04 (1-99) [\[Compare selected riders\]](#)

Rank	Points	Name	City	State	License	Rating	Age
1	51710	Yen Nguyen	Austin	TX	404839	31	31
2	17125	Rose Seaborn	Austin	TX	517271	32	31
3	18189	Lisa Carastiene	San Antonio	TX	479487	24	31
4	19832	Georgia Mearns	Austin	TX	511063	49	31
5	19919	Emily Trahan	Lubbock	TX	519168	36	31
6	22243	Stephanie Gale	Houston	TX	496961	34	31
7	24334	Judi Shah	Richardson	TX	489490	24	31
8	24481	Sevan Stearns	Dallas	TX	399238	23	31
9	24734	Lori Francis	San Antonio	TX	39021	41	31
10	24973	Heidi Calabrese	Denton	TX	499564	25	31
11	25232	Heidi Benavides Perez	College Station	TX	426269	31	31
12	25407	Faith Dease	New Braunfels	TX	474068	34	31
13	26162	Leah Loggin	Dallas	TX	31881	32	31
14	26186	Rose Seaborn	Denton	TX	519168	20	31
15	27849	Laura Sarkis	Houston	TX	523997	38	31
16	28016	Amy McChane	Brownsville	TX	496460	43	31
17	28077	Lisa Stearns	Carrollton	TX	402065	44	31
18	28722	Helen Scott	Houston	TX	529065	45	31
19	29199	Helenia Chang	Dallas	TX	525823	36	31
20	29620	Sevan Stearns	Richardson	TX	489490	29	31

Example of Crit Race Ranking