



**LOCAL REGULATIONS**  
**FAI CIVL Category 2 Event PG/HG Cross Country**



**US Open of Paragliding 2026**  
June 20 - 27, United States Chelan

Event Name:	US Open of Paragliding 2026
Dates:	20 - 27 June 2026
Alternate dates:	Not defined
Place:	United States, near Chelan
Webpage:	<a href="https://airtribune.com/us-open-paragliding-2026/">https://airtribune.com/us-open-paragliding-2026/</a>
Sanctioned by:	USA - National Aeronautic Association Of The Usa
Guest NAC:	

**ORGANISATION**

NAME	POSITION
Northwest Paragliding	<a href="https://www.nwparagliding.school/rendezvous">https://www.nwparagliding.school/rendezvous</a>

**CONTACTS**

NAME	RESPONSABILITY	CIVL No	CONTACT
Matt Senior	Meet Director, Organizer		
Austin Cox	Organizer		
David Wheeler	Scorekeeper		
Tyler Sell	Safety Director		

**PROGRAMME**

Saturday June 20th: Practice Day. Vans Leave the soccer field 10AM. (no retrieve provided) Registration is at the Chelan Falls Park soccer field @ (4 - 6:30pm) followed by the MANDATORY pilots meeting (7pm) at the same location.

Sunday 21st June: Comp day 1 Vans leave 9am

Monday 22nd June: Comp day 2

Tuesday 23rd June: Comp day 3

Wednesday 24th June: Comp day 4

Thursday 25th June: Comp day 5

Friday 26th June: Comp day 6

Saturday 27th June: Comp day 7, awards ceremony and closing party

**SCORING CATEGORIES**



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### SELECTION AND REQUIREMENTS

Maximum No of Pilots: **130**

Selection Criteria:

2026 US Open of Paragliding Selection:

Top 32 + 7 ladies based on NTSS

33 Top ranked international pilots based on WPRS

48 spots allocated to USA based on WPRS points

10 wild cards

Any unused international spots will be allocated to US ranked pilots 60 days prior to the event

Entry fees: \$680

Lake Chelan Flyer membership is mandatory. <https://lakechelanflyers.org/join-the-club/>

### DOCUMENTS REQUIRED AT REGISTRATION

REQUIRED	NOT REQUIRED
Sporting Licence is Required	
	Ippi card is Not Required
Pilots National Licence is Required	
Registration document is Required	
Signed Assumption of Risk is Required	
	Summary of Pilot experience is Not Required
	Passport or other Photo ID is Not Required
3rd Party Insurance is Required	
	Medical and Rescue insurance is Not Required

### ENTRY FEES AND SERVICES PROVIDED

ACCEPTED	NOT ACCEPTED
	Paypal payments are not accepted
	Cash payments are not accepted
Bank payments are accepted	



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The Entry Fee per pilot is:	680 USD

### CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

50% refund for cancellation before May 10.

May 10 and after no refund

Entry fees are non-transferable

### SERVICES INCLUDED IN THE ENTRY FEE

ITEM	INCLUDED
ID Card with safety & Contact information	no
Maps with take-offs, turnpoints, landings, restricted areas	no
Lunch Packs are supplied	no
Ballast Water at launch available	no
Toilets at launch available	YES
Transport to launch given	YES
GPS tracklog download available	YES
Live Tracking available	YES
Free WiFi at HQ for pilots from 1990s available	no
Opening ceremony	no
Closing ceremony	YES
Daily Met briefings	YES
Retrieve by organiser included	YES
Happy pilots drinking beer in goal	YES
Airtribune is our platform of choice	YES
We supply the pilots with trackers	YES

### MEDICAL SERVICES AVAILABLE

Medics on Launch - **Yes**

ITEM	INCLUDED
Medics on Launch	YES
Helicopter rescue in the region	YES
Typical helicopter attendance time is	30 to 60 min
The nearest hospital is	not known or not available

### LIVE TRACKING



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Live-tracking is mandatory	no
Live Trackers supplied by the Organiser	YES

### SCORING

The scoring formula is not yet decided	Not yet decided
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### COMPLAINTS AND PROTESTS

Complaints will be dealt with as per the FAI SPorting Code, Section 7 and its sub-categories

### OTHER LOCAL RULES

Competitor Responsibilities

Meeting and Rules

Competitors are responsible for knowing and abiding by USHPA and local rules governing the event, attending daily pilot meetings, and staying up to date with schedule changes, course modifications, and rule amendments as announced during the course of the competition.

Failure to attend a mandatory pilot's meeting can result in disqualification.

All pilots must fly with and register a satellite tracker (Garmin InReach or Spot) with  
<https://xcfind.paraglide.us/>

FAR 103 and Cloud flying

Pilots found to be flying in clouds will receive zero points for the day on the first infraction and will be disqualified in the event of a second infraction.

Right of way in midair collisions

Pilot are expected to follow generally accepted right of way and thermal etiquette rules and to follow the turn direction specified for the day prior to the start of the race.

Midair collisions must be reported to the meet director and an incident report filed. Competitors must not continue their flight if the structural integrity of their glider is in doubt.



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#### Emergency assistance

Good sportsmanship requires competitors to assist pilots who may be in trouble. Any pilot who lands and provides assistance in an emergency will have their track analyzed by the scorekeepers and meet director to determine "fair compensation" based on their position prior to landing. This could be based on their average position in other tasks, but is at the discretion of the scorekeepers and meet director.

Pilots who do not need assistance must rosette and then fold their glider immediately after landing. A wing lying open on the ground signals, "I need help!" In the event a rescue and/or evacuation is needed, all pilots will perform big ears to signal "clear the air," and will land immediately in the nearest suitable LZ.

Any pilot that knowingly fails to assist an incident they have observed that requires a first responder will be removed from the competition.

Any pilot exhibiting unsafe or threatening behavior towards another pilot, the competition staff, volunteers, sponsors or anyone else deemed important for the success of the competition may be removed from the event at the protest committee or organizers discretion.

Protests can only be lodged in writing to the meet director from the pilot protesting. Protest on behalf of other pilots will not be accepted. Protestors intimidating the protest committee will be removed from the event.

Turn direction will be based on task numbers not dates. ie: Task 1 Left, Task 2 Right etc

The organizers reserve the right to refuse entry to any pilot at their own discretion.