



31 & 55 km Wave Starts

The 31 and 55 km events start together at the Ukrainian Heritage Village. The routes separate and merge several times as they both make their way to the Waskahegan Staging Area finish, where they finish together.

The 31 and 55 km start is separated into 4 waves. Ideally, we would like each wave to have approximately the same number of skiers and the intent is to assist skiers in being with fellow skiers of similar speed, providing a more enjoyable ski for all with minimal impediment.

WAVE	Description	31 km Finishing Time	55 km Finishing Time
1	Speedsters	Less than 2.0 hours	Less than 3.5 hours
2	Fast Modest	2 – 2.5 hours	3.5 – 4.5 hours
3	Modest	2.5 – 3 hours	4.5 – 5.5 hours
4	Methodical	Over 3 hours	Over 5.5 hours

We rely on you to informally seed yourself during Registration and it is far from an exact science. As you line up with your wave at the start you can also fine tune your selection by choosing a position at the front or nearer the back of your wave.

There is no advantage to being in a particular wave as your time starts when your chip crosses the start line. The fourth wave generally has the fewest skiers, and the former second wave, which is usually oversubscribed, this year has been divided into 2 waves to better space skiers.