



USA CYCLING

2009-2010 UCI Cyclocross World Cup Registration Information

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Per UCI regulations, the UCI World Cup is an individual open competition for Elite Men, Women, Under-23 and Junior Men riders. Additionally, the UCI has set maximum start positions for each country; up to eight (8) elite athletes may be entered in any World Cup per nation (men and women athletes) and up to six (6) athletes for Under-23 and Junior Men. Finally, the UCI mandates that each federation's current top UCI points scorers must be allowed to start each World Cup if they choose to. Because of these UCI regulations, USA Cycling has adopted the following Selection Guidelines to determine an order of riders for entering World Cup events.

CRITERIA FOR AUTOMATIC NOMINATION TO THE UCI WORLD CUP

Elite Men and Women Eligible Participants: Valid USA Cycling International License, ranked in top 200 (men) and top 100 (women) in the last published UCI Cyclo-cross rankings and be a U.S. Citizen.

Maximum Number of Starters: 8 Men; 8 Women

Automatic Nomination (in order of priority):

1. Any athlete placing in the top-ten (10) at last season's World Cyclo-cross Championships
2. Any U.S. athlete finishing in the top-ten (10) in a UCI World Cup Cyclo-cross race in the previous 12 months.
3. The top 5 U.S. athletes on the last published UCI Cyclo-cross rankings.
4. The current U.S. Elite National Cyclo-cross Champion.
5. Highest ranked riders in top 200 (men) and top 100 (women) in the last published UCI Cyclo-cross rankings at the time of the published USAC entry deadlines.

*Note-For World Cup races that do not have a separate U23 event, USA Cycling reserves the right to protect the last 2 spots on the team for U23 riders wishing to participate assuming they meet the below U23 World Cup eligibility or are accepted to the team via discretionary nomination

**Note-No discretionary nominations for Elite Men or Elite Women

U-23 and Junior Men Eligible Participants: Valid USA Cycling International License and be a U.S. Citizen.

Maximum Number of Starters: 6 U23 Men; 6 Junior Men

Automatic Nomination (in order of priority):

1. Any athlete placing in the top-ten (10) at last season's World Cyclo-cross Championships in the same class.
2. Any U.S. athlete finishing in the top-twenty (20) in a UCI World Cup Cyclo-cross race in the previous 12 months in the same class.
3. The top 5 U.S. athletes on the last published UCI Cyclo-cross rankings, provided they are in the top 100.
4. The current U.S. National Cyclo-cross Champion, provided they are in the same class

CRITERIA FOR DISCRETIONARY NOMINATION TO THE UCI WORLD CUP

1. U23 and Junior riders who do not meet the above automatic nomination requirements must email a letter of petition along with their credit card payment info for entry and National Team jersey to Marc Gullickson 7 days before the posted USAC World Cup entry deadline. A copy of the Athlete Petition letter can be found at:

<http://www.usacycling.org/events/Discretionary%20Athlete%20Nomination.pdf>

2. Remaining athletes will be chosen utilizing the USA Cycling Principles of Athlete Selection. A copy of the document detailing these procedures can be found at:

<http://www.usacycling.org/forms/selection/principles.pdf>

GENERAL INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES

The following rules are taken directly from the UCI Rulebook. Please refer to the UCI website for updated rules and information. www.uci.ch

Participation

5.3.007 Any rider wishing to ride a UCI world cup event must submit a request to his national federation 15 days before the event. The federation may not refuse a request by its top 3 riders on the last published UCI cyclo-cross classification, unless they have failed to comply with their obligations under the regulations. In the event of a dispute on this issue, it shall be the responsibility of the National Federation to decide whether the rider will be selected. *(text modified on 1.09.99; 1.10.02; 1.09.03; 1.09.04).*

5.3.008 Ten days before the event the national federations must register their riders using the UCI on-line system. Without prejudice to article 13.1.070, the registration will not be accepted if the hotel where the riders will be staying is not specified at the time of registration. In case of late entry, the federation will receive a penalty of CHF 150 per rider. The men under 23 and juniors men license holders of the organiser's national federation that participate in addition to the national team riders, shall be registered directly by the federation towards the organiser. *(text modified on 1.09.04; 1.09.05).*

5.3.009 A rider once registered for a UCI world cup event may not take part in any other cyclo-cross event in any category, on the same day as the event entered on pain of disqualification and a fine of between CHF 500 and 3000. *(text modified on 1.09.99; 1.10.02; 1.09.04).*

Clothing

1.3.058 b) cyclo-cross world cup If the rider has one or more sponsors, a rectangle of height 10 cm **and width 30 cm** on the front and rear of the jersey shall in the first instance be reserved for their use. In this case these rectangles comprise the only advertising spaces available on these parts of the jersey. If, and only if there is no advertising for a rider's sponsors, the national federation may make use of two 64 cm logos on the front of the jersey.

Riders who belong to a trade team or club can wear the jersey of their trade team or club, as long as they notify the National Federation of this when they apply for selection. Otherwise the National Federation may require the wearing of the national jersey. The national jersey is compulsory for the U23 and Junior National teams.

1.3.057 The following advertising shall be authorised:

- front of the jersey: 2 logos of 64 cm maximum;
- area comprising shoulders and sleeves: strip of maximum 5 cm high; • on the sides of the jersey: a 9 cm wide strip;
- sides of the shorts: a 9 cm wide strip;
- the manufacturer's label (25 cm) may appear only once on the jersey and once on each leg of the shorts.

Advertising matter on jersey and shorts may vary from one rider to another. The design of the jersey and shorts may vary from one category of rider to another. Additionally, the rider's name may appear on the back of the jersey. The above measures also apply to other items of clothing worn during **competition** (rain jackets, etc.).

1.3.068 National champion's jersey National road, track, cyclo-cross, mountain bike, BMX, trials and indoor cycling champions must wear their jersey in all events in the discipline, speciality and category in which they won their title and no other event. In a six-day event, only madison national champions must wear the jersey even if they are not paired together.

(N) When he no longer holds the title of national champion, a rider must wear piping in national colours on the collar and cuffs of his jersey as per the technical specifications determined by the national federation. However, he must wear such a jersey only in events of the discipline and speciality in which he won the title and in no other event. (text modified on 1.01.99; 1.01.04; 1.01.05).

USA CYCLING CYCLO-CROSS WORLD CUP ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS:

1. ALL requests for entry of individual U.S. athletes for World Cups must be done via email to Marc Gullickson at USA Cycling mgullickson@usacycling.org. The UCI will accept only the official entry forms from USA Cycling for all athletes. Do not send your forms to the UCI!
2. The deadline for athletes to submit their entries to USA Cycling is by 3pm MST on the deadline dates on the attached sheet (approximately 15 days prior to the event). Only USA Cycling's official entry form will be accepted. Make sure you specify the World Cup Event and date. No other forms, letters, or e-mails will be accepted in lieu of the official entry form. Late entries will not be accepted. No exceptions.
3. Entered riders will check in at registration for each UCI World Cup. Details on registration and event entry can be found on the UCI website. If a USAC Team coach/manager is attending a WCS event, 36 hours prior to event, each rider is responsible for 1) notifying the team coach/manager of his/her lodging arrangements and 2) conveying his/her license to coach/manager. ***Any athlete entering but failing to register at the event will be charged the full entry fee by the UCI through USA Cycling.***
4. If you submitted an entry form, but will not be able to attend, please notify Marc Gullickson at mgullickson@usacycling.org. It is the athlete's responsibility to cancel with USA Cycling. When entering World Cups, only register for those races that you will definitely be attending. *Each athlete will be responsible to pay any UCI fine for cancellation or no-show.* Details on eligibility and event entry can be found on the UCI website. All World Cup Entry Forms should be e-mailed to: mgullickson@usacycling.org

Remember to allow time to meet the deadline. Late entries will not be accepted.

*****INCLUDE LINK TO World Cup ENTRY DEADLINE DOC**

*****INCLUDE LINK TO World Cup ENTRY FORM**