



USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar

Purposes and Goals of the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar

1. To recognize and support top-level regional, national and international events and riders through a national mountain bike calendar. The calendar will be ranked according to pro prize purse and discipline. Series rankings will be provided for Pros and professional teams.
2. To provide professional riders and teams the ability to earn UCI points at domestic events.
3. To offer racing opportunities across the country for riders at various levels, prize purses, and a series ranking within each discipline calendar.
4. To provide event organizers the opportunity to elevate their events to a higher level and be an active part in the 'pipeline' of events.

Calendar Disciplines

Cross-country: Cross-country (XC), Short-Track Cross-country (STXC), Stage Races

Gravity: Downhill (DH), Dual Slalom (DS), Mountain Cross (4X), Super D (SD)

Ultra-Endurance: Marathon (60k-100k), Ultra-Marathon (100k+), 12/24-Hour

Calendar Tiers

National Cross-country Calendar

Category 1: UCI-sanctioned HC or C1 for the given year and meet all the UCI prize list requirements.

Category 2: UCI-sanctioned C2 or C3 for the given year and meet all the UCI prize list requirements.

Category 3: Event must offer a minimum \$5000 pro cash purse.

Category 4: Event must offer a minimum \$2000 pro cash purse.

National Gravity Calendar

Category 1: UCI-sanctioned HC, C1 or C2 for the given year meet all the UCI prize list requirements.

Category 2: Event must offer a minimum \$5000 pro cash purse.

Category 3: Event must offer a minimum \$2000 pro cash purse.

National Ultra-Endurance Calendar

Category 1: Event must offer a minimum \$2000 pro cash purse.

USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar Event Guidelines

1. Event organizers or clubs must be a current USAC event organizer/club for the event year in which they're applying for USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar event status.
2. Events shall follow the rules outlined in the 2008 USA Cycling and USAC-MTB Rulebooks.
3. Race results must be submitted in electronic format to USA Cycling within three (3) business days of the event.
4. Event organizers must be in good standing with USA Cycling (no delinquent accounts, suspensions, etc.).
5. Events must be permitted at least eight (8) weeks prior to the event date.
6. Pro, Semi-pro, and Expert riders must have a current USA Cycling Mountain Bike license in order to compete or be eligible for USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar series rankings (Pro and Pro/Open). Riders who are not US citizens or residents may compete with a UCI license issued by their country's federation.
7. Event organizers may award the prize money in a Pro/Open category (except Category 1 and 2/UCI events which are Pro-only). The Pro/Open category may combine Pro, Semi-pro, and Expert categories for prize money.

USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar Criteria Considered in Application Review

1. Pro cash purse being offered.
2. The overall quality of race-day operations based on past event experience
3. Timing and scoring methods and race results submission history
4. Past performance and experience of event organizer
5. Location, date, and size of event
6. Quality and infrastructure of venue
7. Course quality, safety, difficulty, fairness, appropriateness to type and level of event
8. Event history and reputation
9. Proximity to populations, accessibility to shopping, hotels, airports, transportation, restaurants

USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar Rights and Responsibilities

USA Cycling Responsibilities

1. National Media and marketing of USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar program.
2. USA Cycling staff assistance
3. USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar series rankings (contingent on timely submission of race results from USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar event organizers)
4. Editorial coverage placed on www.usacycling.org. USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar event organizers will be asked to submit pre- and post-event press releases to USA Cycling for posting on the USAC website and for possible inclusion in marketing materials.

USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar Event Organizers Responsibilities

1. Providing the stated and published cash purses and amateur prize lists
2. Event production and technical operations
3. Timing, results, awards, officials, sound, venue, banners
4. Advertising of the event, website, emails, any mailings to riders and media
5. USA Cycling club, permit, and insurance fees

USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar Marketing Requirements

1. USA Cycling Mountain Bike and USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar logos must be used in all promotional materials used to market the event including, but not limited to: t-shirts, posters, programs, brochures, commercials, print ads, website.
2. USA Cycling guidelines and standards must be adhered.
3. Any use of USA Cycling marks must be pre-approved by USA Cycling. Requests for approval should be sent to the USAC Communications Director.
4. All event-related press releases must include USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar boilerplate and be delivered to the USAC Communications Director.
5. All event websites should include USAC and USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar logos. USAC logos need to link to the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar webpage on www.usacycling.org.
6. USA Cycling will provide script to all USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar event organizers to be read at USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar events by the event announcer. USAC will receive one announcement every 30 minutes.

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2008 USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Championships

The USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar events will serve as qualification events (if amateur categories are offered) for the 2008 USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Championships.

USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar Series Rankings and Results

1. Each discipline calendar (Cross-country, Gravity, and Ultra-Endurance) will have separate series rankings.
2. Rankings will automatically be updated as race results are received by USA Cycling.
3. Organizers must agree to submit race results in the correct format within 48 hours of the event. This will make for a timely posting of race results, in addition to quick updating of the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar series rankings.
4. Riders must be annual USA Cycling Mountain Bike licensees in order to be counted in the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar rankings.
5. The overall winners of the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar discipline calendars will be announced shortly after the final event in each discipline calendar for the current season.
6. Pro and Pro/Open categories will be counted in each calendar series rankings. Non-pro riders who participate and earn points in the Pro/Open category will be counted in the series rankings.

USA CYCLING MOUNTAIN BIKE NATIONAL CALENDAR Rankings Points Scales

National Cross-country Calendar				
Place	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4
1	90	60	30	10
2	70	40	20	6
3	60	30	15	4
4	50	25	12	2
5	40	20	10	1
6	35	18	8	
7	30	16	6	
8	27	14	4	
9	24	12	2	
10	22	10	1	
11	20	8		
12	18	6		
13	16	4		
14	14	2		
15	12	1		
16	10			
17	8			
18	5			
19	3			
20	1			

National Gravity Calendar				
Place	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Super D
1	90	60	30	10
2	70	40	20	6
3	60	30	15	4
4	50	25	12	2
5	40	20	10	1
6	35	18	8	
7	30	16	6	
8	27	14	4	
9	24	12	2	
10	22	10	1	
11	20	8		
12	18	6		
13	16	4		
14	14	2		
15	12	1		
16	10			
17	8			
18	5			
19	3			
20	1			

National Ultra-Endurance Calendar	
Place	Category 1
1	60
2	40
3	30
4	25
5	20
6	18
7	16
8	14
9	12
10	10
11	8
12	6
13	4
14	2
15	1

2008 USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar EVENT APPLICATION PROCEDURES

1. Please review all information contained within this application prior to completing it. Please contact the USAC-MTB Regional Manager for your state or the USAC Events department if you have any questions.
2. Completed USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar applications must be submitted with a **postmark no later than December 1, 2007**.
3. All USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar event applications **must include the \$100.00 application fee** paid by check to "USA Cycling." Races scheduled for UCI status during the same year will be waived the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar application fee. Races that have already paid the \$100 AMBC application fee and have met the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar guidelines will automatically be placed on the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar based on the level of criteria met.
4. USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar event applications will be reviewed between receipt and December 5, 2007.
5. Tentative USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar event selections will be made by December 7, 2007.
6. *Final site and date selections will be announced on or about December 10, 2007.* Selected sites will be notified by email.
7. USA Cycling accepts USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar applications on an annual basis and agreements are for a maximum of one (1) year. USA Cycling offers no guarantee a site will retain rights to the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar title designation the following year. Retaining the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar designation is contingent on how successful the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar event was the previous season.
8. The USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar designation is granted for the event weekend applied for either with the first date selection, second date selection, or a date agreed upon by USA Cycling staff and the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar organizer. USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar designations will not be split over multiple weekends.
9. Races selected to be on the 2008 USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar are to be permitted with USA Cycling at least eight (8) weeks prior to the scheduled event date.
10. Please include copy of previous year's race flier, along with the proposed 2008 race flier or event website.
11. AMBC events that meet the specified criteria of the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar may be placed on it automatically. Not all AMBC events may meet the criteria, so AMBC status does not equate to automatic status on the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar. AMBC events placed on this calendar will be notified of their inclusion and their level designation.

If you have questions about the USA Cycling Mountain Bike National Calendar, please contact the USA Cycling Mountain Bike Program Director.

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2008 USA CYCLING MOUNTAIN BIKE NATIONAL CALENDAR EVENT DETAILS

Event Name: _____

Event City: _____ State: _____

Calendar Discipline:

- Cross-country __ XC __ STXC __ Stage Race
 Ultra-Endurance __ Marathon __ Ultra-Marathon __ 12/24-Hour
 Gravity __ DH __ DS __ 4X __ Super D

Calendar Tier:

- Category 1 Pro Cash Purse _____
 Category 2 Pro Cash Purse _____
 Category 3 Pro Cash Purse _____
 Category 4 Pro Cash Purse _____

USA Cycling Event Organizer/Club: _____

Name of Primary Contact: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (home): _____ (work) _____ (fax) _____

Phone # to be published: _____

Email: _____

Website: _____

First Choice for Event Date: _____

Second Choice for Event Date: _____

Send completed application and \$100 application fee (payable to "USA Cycling") by
December 1, 2007 to:

USA Cycling Mountain Bike Program Director
2008 USA CYCLING MOUNTAIN BIKE NATIONAL CALENDAR Application
1 Olympic Plaza
Colorado Springs, CO 80909



2008 USA CYCLING MOUNTAIN BIKE NATIONAL CALENDAR Event Details

PRO CASH PAYOUT STRUCTURE

VENUE DETAILS

- Population of host community _____
- Nearest major urban areas and cities to venue _____
- Total hotel bed capacity within 45 minutes of venue _____
- Total number of campgrounds within 45 minutes of venue _____
- List mileage and driving time from nearest commercial airport to venue _____
- Will there be any user fees (i.e. parking or park fees?) Yes No If yes, how much? _____
- If gravity events are being offered, will ski lifts be available and used? Yes No Lift Fee? _____
- If ski lifts are not used for gravity events, how will riders be transported to start of run? _____

- Will bike washes be available? Yes No If yes, how many? _____
- Will security be provided at the venue? Yes No _____
- Identify area hospitals and medical facilities with proximity and estimated travel time to venue _____

- Include brochures on proposed venue, venue facilities, community, hotels, area attractions, websites

COURSES AND COMPETITION

- Please outline the course specifications, listing length and/or percentage of single track, steep descents, paved roads, etc. Please include a topographical map (if available) and specify locations for all disciplines offered _____

EVENT ORGANIZATION EXPERIENCE AND STRUCTURE

