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Chapter I GENERAL REGULATIONS

- 11.1.001** Participation in cycling competitions at the Olympic Games shall be governed by the rules of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the UCI as published on their respective web sites.

Participation in the Olympics shall imply full acceptance of, and compliance with the rules of the IOC and the UCI by each rider and any other licence holder.

The specific rules and deadlines concerning how NOCs (or in certain cases, individual athletes) may qualify to participate in the Olympic Games for each cycling discipline, including the system by which reserve athletes are nominated, are defined in one or more Qualification System documents which are agreed by both the UCI and the IOC.

The specific rules concerning the replacement of athletes who have been definitively entered in one or more Olympic events, which covers situations that may require such replacement that fall outside of the scope and timelines defined in the Qualification Systems are defined in a separate Late Athlete Replacement policy document which is agreed by both the UCI and the IOC.

The Team Leaders Guide is a document agreed between the UCI and the organising committee for the Olympic Games for each Cycling discipline included in an edition of the Olympic Games. The purpose of this document is to explain specific technical information and any specific regulations related to the participation of athletes in the Olympic events for that discipline. As concerns participation in the Olympic Games, it is the equivalent of the Technical Guide for each discipline which is defined in Part I of the UCI Regulations; compliance with its provisions is an obligation of all licence holders participating in or supporting athletes participating in the Olympic events to which it applies.

(text modified on 12.06.2025)

- 11.1.002** **Sport Entries and Confirmation of starters**
The National Olympic Committees (NOCs) shall enter their athletes in accordance with the participation limits, qualification criteria and reserve system approved by the IOC and the UCI, as set out in the Qualification System for each discipline published on the IOC website. Entries must be made within the deadlines specified in these documents.

In accordance with IOC rules, each NOC shall notify the Organising Committee of the names of its athletes within the deadline established by the IOC.

The time limits for confirmation of starters are as specified in the *Team Leaders' Guide* for each discipline published by the Organising Committee of the Olympic Games.

For every discipline and gender for which it has accepted a quota place, each NOC must appoint a Team Manager who holds a valid licence during the Olympic year, in accordance with the requirements set out in Part I of the UCI Regulations. During the confirmation of starters, the appointed Team Manager shall be responsible for entering and confirming an athlete who meets the eligibility criteria set out in the Qualification System for all events within the relevant discipline and gender for which the NOC is

eligible to enter an athlete. Non-compliance with this provision may result in a fine of up to CHF 100,000 imposed on the Team Manager.

(text modified on 01.01.03; 01.02.07; 01.07.09; 15.02.19; 12.06.2025)

Participation

11.1.003 To be eligible to participate in the Olympic Games, each rider must:

- hold a valid UCI licence issued by a National Federation with a UCI ID registered on the UCI DataRide platform
- be at least 15 years old for BMX Freestyle Park events, 18 years old for Track and BMX Racing events, 19 years old for road and mountain bike events, or reach the required age within the calendar year of the Olympics.

(text modified on 01.02.07; 01.07.09; 04.04.14; 15.02.19; 12.06.2025)

Programme

11.1.004 The Olympic disciplines and events are as follows:

	Men	Women
Road	Road Race Individual time trial	Road Race Individual time trial
Track	Team sprint Sprint Keirin Team pursuit Omnium Madison	Team sprint Sprint Keirin Team pursuit Omnium Madison
Mountain bike	Cross-country	Cross-country
BMX Racing	BMX Race	BMX Race
BMX Freestyle	BMX Park	BMX Park

Events shall be held in accordance with the UCI regulations applicable to the elite UCI World Championship for each discipline, taking into account any specific provisions for the Olympic Games.

BMX Racing follows a distinct Olympic format, which will be published in the *Cycling Team Leaders' guide* for the relevant Olympic Games.

(text modified on 01.01.03; 01.01.06; 30.09.10; 15.02.19; 12.06.25)

Commissaires

11.1.005 The UCI shall appoint a number of UCI International Commissaires and UCI BMX Freestyle Judges in accordance with the number of such officials agreed with the IOC.

Furthermore, the National Federation of the organising country shall name, in consultation with the UCI, a minimum of 15 National Commissaires for the Olympic Games.

(text modified on 01.02.07; 01.07.09; 12.06.25)

Anti-Doping Matters

11.1.006 During the Olympic Games, Anti-Doping matters shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of the IOC.

11.1.007 Violations of IOC Anti-Doping rules and any doping matters identified under the IOC Anti-Doping rules shall be considered as violations against the UCI Anti-Doping Regulations. In addition to any sanctions which may be imposed by the IOC, disciplinary proceedings shall be initiated, and sanctions shall be imposed in accordance with the UCI Anti-Doping Regulations.

Equipment

11.1.008 The measures stipulated in the Olympic Charter, including any eventual dispensations granted for cycling events, will be applied.

Equipment used at the Olympic Games shall comply with the provisions of the UCI Regulations as contained in Part 1 Chapter 3 of the UCI Regulations and any additional rules applicable to the respective cycling disciplines.

(text modified on 01.02.25)

Equipment

11.1.009 For track races, equipment identified in the UCI Track Equipment Registration Procedure which teams or riders intend to use during the Olympic Games must comply with the UCI regulations, and particularly with article 1.3.006.

The UCI Track Equipment Registration Procedure shall set out additional requirements applicable for use of equipment in Track cycling at the Olympic Games.

For identified types of equipment, the UCI Track Equipment Registration Procedure shall set out requirements for the equipment to be registered prior to, and inspected and used at one of the listed events taking place the year preceding the Olympic Games. The relevant equipment shall comply with requirements of commercial availability as of the date of the event selected by the National Federation for inspection and use of the equipment and comply with such requirements continuously until the Olympic Games.

The UCI Track Equipment Registration Procedure shall set out specific and additional requirements related to commercial availability of identified types of equipment, including maximum prices, as well as limitations to the number of items or models of equipment that may be registered and/or selected by National Federations.

In addition, all remaining equipment which teams or riders intend to use at the Olympic Games must have been commercially available – in accordance with article 1.3.006 – as from its time of use in a prior competition - if applicable - and no later than 120 days prior to the Olympic Games, and shall comply with such requirements continuously until the Olympic Games.

(text introduced on 04.10.18; text modified on 25.06.19, 08.08.19; 01.01.24; 01.02.25; 01.03.2026)

Other Provisions

- 11.1.010** The timing and results service used during the Olympic Games shall be provided to the same standard as during the UCI World Championships for each Olympic discipline.

This timing and results service shall include the provision and use of a whereabouts tracking device for each athlete together with monitoring software for athlete safety, where applicable i.e., in CRD (Road Race and Individual Time Trial) and MTB Cross-Country, as these events involve individual tracking of athletes.

(article introduced on 12.06.25)

- 11.1.011** The timing and results service shall include the provision and use of Video Adjudication for Cycling Road (for both race types). In addition, training must be delivered for the Technical Official responsible for operating the system.

(article introduced on 12.06.25)

Field of Play

- 11.1.012** For the Mountain Bike, BMX Racing, and BMX Freestyle disciplines, unless otherwise agreed by the UCI, the company contracted by the organising committee in each case to design the field of play shall also be responsible for constructing or supplying the field of play.

Regarding the qualifications required of field of play designers and builders, the UCI shall define the criteria that individuals or companies must meet in order to be qualified. Only bids from parties meeting these criteria shall be considered by the Olympic Games Organising Committee or any third party charged with developing venues for the Games (whether by the Organising Committee or the competent public authority in the host country).

Notwithstanding the above, the UCI reserves the right to appoint a sole supplier to design and construct (or provide) the field of play for any given discipline, in accordance with the rules governing sole suppliers defined by the IOC.

(article introduced on 12.06.25)

Chapter II YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES

General provisions

11.2.001 To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must have been born between 14 November 2008 and 31 December 2009, inclusive.

11.2.002 There are two events for each gender in the Cycling competition at the Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games:

- Road Race
- Individual Time Trial

For cycling Road at the 2026 Youth Olympic Games, the IOC has allocated 42 quota places per gender (84 in total). All entered athletes will compete in both events for their gender.

Quota shall be allocated in accordance with the system and rules published by the IOC in 2025.

(text modified on 12.06.25)

Commissaires

11.2.003 The UCI shall appoint 5 UCI International Commissaires for the 2026 Youth Olympic Games. The host national federation shall appoint a further 5 National Commissaires.

(text modified on 12.06.25)

Disqualification Rules

11.2.004 Notwithstanding any other provisions of the UCI Regulations which may apply, a rider may be disqualified during the event if they:

- Push or interfere with another rider, by hand or by other means
- Receive non-regulation assistance
- Display indecent conduct or use foul language
- Engage in acts of violence
- Go outside the race course boundaries (in accordance with the regulations of the discipline concerned)
- Use radio links or any other form of remote communication

(text modified on 12.06.25)

Protests / Appeals

11.2.025 Decisions of the Commissaires' Panel shall be considered final. No protest or appeal shall be permitted.

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