PART 9 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Chapter I ORGANISATION OF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

9.1.001 Each year a World Championship shall be held according to the results of which the title of World Champion is conferred on the winners of races included in a programme determined by the Management Committee.

9.1.002 World Championships in all cycling specialities are the exclusive property of the UCI.

All rights relating thereto shall belong exclusively to the UCI, notably those concerning:
- the right to create and to organise World Cycling Championships;
- the right to the denomination “World Championship” in cycling;
- radio and TV broadcasting, advertising and marketing rights;
- the right to the “rainbow” colours.

Furthermore, the UCI may enter into a contract with a sponsor for the supply of vehicles or other equipment for the World Championships. In that case, the National Federations shall be obliged to use these suppliers exclusively.

9.1.003 Races for the allocation of the World Champion title may be distributed over several separately organised events. The Management Committee shall set the number and the programme of such events. Each of those events shall be called “World Championships” qualified by a particular indication determined by the Management Committee depending on the particular speciality (“Road”, “Mountain-Bike”, etc.)

Allocation of organisation

9.1.004 The UCI shall entrust the organisation of World Championships to one UCI member National Federation or, with the agreement of the National Federation of the country where the Championship will take place, to some other organiser.

9.1.005 An organisational guide has been prepared by the Management Committee for each World Championship. It will be sent to any National Federation that actually requests it.

9.1.006 Application to organise a World Championship implies that the applicant will, if selected, accept all the terms of the organisational guide and the commitment to organise the World Championships in accordance with all the provisions applicable thereto and under the exclusive responsibility of the applicant National Federation.

9.1.007 A National Federation applying to organise a World Championship shall submit its application by registered letter addressed to the UCI. With that letter, the National Federation shall provide the UCI with the documents required by the organisational guide.

9.1.008 The application shall reach UCI within the period set forth in the bidding procedure.
(text modified on 01.07.18)

9.1.009 The UCI shall allocate the organisation of the World Championships at its sole discretion.

The Executive Committee will make a preselection of the candidates that it deems the most appropriate for guaranteeing a high level organisation and will submit these candidates to the Management Committee.
The Management Committee will seek a consensus.

Failing a consensus, a vote will be held. A secret ballot will be held upon request of any member.

In the event of a consensus to reject a candidate, such candidate shall not take part in the vote.

If more than two candidates remain, a further vote will be held among the candidates which have obtained the largest number of votes in the first round. If two candidates are tied for the second place in the first round, a further vote will be held among the candidates placed first and second, until only two candidates remain.

The organisation of the World Championships will be allocated on condition that full agreement exists concerning the organisation contract, or any other condition specified by the Management Committee.

(text modified on 01.01.04)

9.1.010 If the Executive Committee considers:

- that the conditions stated in the contract or the organisational guide have not been met, or
- that the state of preparation for the championships does not guarantee that the event will be properly organised or will be of sufficient quality, or
- that serious or unforeseen circumstances exist and will jeopardize the organisation of the championships,

the Executive Committee may cancel or withdraw the right to organise the championships, without any compensation for the parties concerned. The Executive Committee may take any decision it deems appropriate to allocate the organisation of the championships to another organizer.

(text modified on 01.01.04)

Championship programme

9.1.011 The date, the duration and programme of each World Championships shall be determined by the UCI Management Committee.

(text modified on 01.10.13; 01.01.16)

9.1.012 The organiser shall ensure that there be no non-sporting events which could prevent a postponement of or alteration to the sporting programme should the need arise (breakdowns, rain, etc.). Decisions on that subject shall be taken by the Commissaires Panel in consultation with the organiser and the UCI.

The National Federation shall be organised in such a way as to be able immediately to inform all parties concerned of any change in the programme.

(text modified on 06.10.97)

9.1.013 Any postponement of the World Championships shall be decided upon by the Management Committee after consulting with the organiser.

9.1.014 In the case of a postponement of the Championships, riders committed shall still be required to participate, whatever the new dates and places set. Riders shall be fully entitled to cancel any prior engagements that might have been concluded by or for them without their being liable for any form of damages or compensation.

9.1.015 In the case of a brief postponement, riders, commissaires and all other persons involved in the event, shall remain at the venue, unless otherwise decided by the Management Committee.

Protection

9.1.016 Riders engaged and not replaced 48 hours before the start of competitions in the speciality in question as well as, where applicable, any substitutes may not participate in any cycling race during the two days preceding the start of the competition for which they were entered.

Any breach of this rule will incur a fine of CHF 500 to CHF 10,000.

9.1.017 During the period between 11th day before the first race of World Championships and the third day after the last race, no cycling race in any speciality whatsoever offering prizes or premiums or any other type of benefit in return for participation may be held within a radius of 50 km around each venue in which a Championship cycling race is being held, unless expressly authorised by the UCI.

Any organiser contravening that provision shall be liable to a fine of CHF 10,000. Riders participating in such an event shall be liable to a fine of CHF 500 to CHF 10,000.

Participating National Federations

9.1.018 Each National Federation shall participate in World Championships in a spirit of friendship and fair play and contribute to the utmost to the success of the Championships.

9.1.019 Each National Federation participating in the World Championships shall, register with the UCI, within the deadlines specified by the latter, all riders and other persons that will be on or will accompany its delegation (officials, attendants, guests, etc.).

9.1.020 Each National Federation shall provide the organiser with any information relevant especially to accreditation, transport and accommodation.

9.1.021 Each National Federation shall designate a Technical Manager for each team with which it participates in the Championships. The Technical Manager shall represent the team and the National Federation. Any contacts with National Federation teams shall be made through the Technical Manager.

9.1.022 In general each National Federation shall co-operate with the organiser and, to the extent possible, facilitate his work.

Meetings

9.1.023 Before the beginning of races in each speciality, the organiser shall convene an information and co-ordination meeting attended by his representatives as well as by the UCI representatives all Technical Managers, commissaires, the official UCI doctor and representatives of the security services. That meeting shall be chaired by a representative of the organiser. For mountain bike disciplines, a maximum of 3 representatives per nation (including, where required, an interpreter) shall be authorised to take part in this meeting. For Track, attendance at the Team Manager's meeting is compulsory. In the case of non-attendance, Team Managers shall be sanctioned with a fine of CHF 300.-. Attendance is defined as presence from the roll call at the start of the meeting until the meeting concludes.

(text modified on 01.01.98; 01.01.04; 23.10.19)

9.1.024 The organiser shall, moreover, make available to the above-mentioned persons adequate facilities for the holding of any other meetings that they might wish to hold to ensure the smooth running of the Championships.

9.1.024 bis [article abrogated on 01.01.19]

Commissaires Panels

9.1.025 The Commissaires Panel, preferably comprising grade "A" UCI international commissaires designated by the UCI Management Committee.

9.1.026 The National Federation of the country selected to host the Championships shall designate such additional international commissaires as may be necessary for the successful operation of the competitions in such numbers be set by the UCI.

The duties of the Commissaires shall be:

1. To take possession of all equipment for identifying riders and to issue it only after checking enrolments
2. To check enrolments and licences before each race;
3. To check the equipment (riders and machines) of each competitor;
4. To make up, where necessary, the qualifying or eliminatory heats and to set the starting order of teams and riders immediately after the checking deadline has elapsed;
5. To determine the results.

9.1.027 During Track races, access to the commissaires' quarters shall be protected and no-one shall be admitted without preliminary authorisation.

9.1.028 During Road races, three commissaires at least shall supervise the riders' pits. They shall be responsible for order and shall also check the bicycles used and ensure that riders receive no unauthorised supplies.

9.1.029 The Commissaires Panel shall have full powers to take any decisions required by circumstances, in keeping with the Regulations.

9.1.030 to **9.1.035** [abrogated on 01.01.00]

9.1.036 to **9.1.040** [abrogated on 01.01.98]

Classification

9.1.041 The official classification shall be drawn up by the Commissaires Panel and recorded in a set of minutes by the secretary of the Commissaires Panel. Those minutes are signed by the secretary and by the Chief Commissaire or some other commissaire designated by him.

9.1.042 After the end of Championships, the secretary shall prepare a set of minutes with all the results and classifications. These minutes shall be countersigned by the Chief Commissaire and appended to his report as referred to in article 9.1.054.

Official ceremony

9.1.043 An official ceremony shall be held for each World Champion title.

9.1.044 Within 10 minutes following the end of each speciality (unless otherwise provided and duly recorded in an official communiqué), the World Champion, or the world champion team of the team time trial mixed relay, as well as the second and the third placed riders

and teams shall be ready for the official ceremony that shall be conducted under the responsibility of the President of the Commissaires' Panel.

(text modified on 01.07.12; 01.01.19)

9.1.045 For team pursuit, team sprint, as well as Para Cycling team relay, team sprint and trials national team competition medals and jerseys will be awarded to all riders of each of the three teams on the podium.

For Para Cycling tandem races, medals and jerseys will be awarded to both riders of each of the three tandems on the podium.

(text modified on 01.01.04; 01.10.10; 01.10.12; 13.03.15)

9.1.045 bis In the team time trial mixed relay, the mountain Bike cross country team relay and cyclo-cross team relay, every rider of the podium-finishing teams is awarded a medal. Every rider of the world champion team of the team time trial mixed relay, the mountain bike cross country team relay and cyclo-cross team relay, is awarded a jersey.

Furthermore, a trophy is awarded to the winning team of the team time trial mixed relay.

(article introduced on 1.07.12; text modified on 01.01.19; 1.07.22)

9.1.046 Riders shall appear in racing attire, wearing their national jerseys but bare-headed and without headband or glasses, until they leave the official ceremony enclosure.

9.1.047 That ceremony shall be attended exclusively by:

- The UCI President or a member of the Management Committee designated by him who will hand the winner(s) the World Champion jersey(s) and will distribute the gold, silver and bronze medals;
- The President of the Organising Federation or a personality designated by him to present bouquets of flowers;
- Up to six tray bearers who will carry on the World Champion jersey(s), medals and bouquets of flowers.

(text modified on 01.07.12; 01.07.17; 01.01.19)

9.1.048 The riders' or the teams' for the team time trial mixed relay, the mountain bike cross country team relay and cyclo-cross team relay national flags shall be hoisted on the mast of honour.

(text modified on 1.07.12; 1.01.19; 1.07.22)

9.1.049 The national anthem of the winner, or of the winning team for the team time trial mixed relay, the mountain bike cross country team relay and cyclo-cross team relay, shall be played.

(text modified on 1.07.12; 1.01.19; 1.07.22)

9.1.050 A World Champion may not wear the jersey identifying his title and bearing the regulation advertisement of his main sponsor(s) until, at earliest, the day following that on which he received it.

(text modified on 01.07.12; 23.09.19)

World Championships

9.1.051 Any infringement of the provisions of articles 9.1.044 to 9.1.050 above shall be punished by a fine of CHF 2,000 to CHF 10,000 minimum. A higher fine may be imposed depending on the advantage derived from the offence.

(text modified on 13.08.04; 01.07.12; 01.01.19; 01.01.21)

Prizes

9.1.052 The Management Committee shall fix the scale of prizes to be awarded to the riders and teams for the team time trial.

(text modified on 01.07.12)

Drug test

9.1.053 The UCI official doctor and the drug-test inspector shall ensure that the drug test be conducted according to the UCI Drug-Test Regulations.

Reports

9.1.054 Within 21 days after the end of the Championships, the Chief Commissaire and the official UCI doctor shall provide the UCI Management Committee with a detailed report on how the Championships proceeded and containing, in particular, an account of any irregularities that were observed, points that could be improved and other observations and useful suggestions.

(text modified on 06.10.97)

Chapter II PARTICIPATION IN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

§ 1 General comments

9.2.001 It is the National Federations who select riders to participate in World Championships.

Riders classified as “refugee” pursuant to article 1.1.033 shall register directly with the UCI. The UCI may authorise riders classified as “refugee” in addition to the quotas provided for in the UCI Regulations and qualification regulations, without prejudice to specific eligibility requirements that may be determined.

(text modified on 01.07.12; 01.01.19; 01.01.23)

9.2.002 [article abrogated on 07.12.15]

9.2.003 National Federations shall enter with the UCI via its website.

National Federations which do not have Internet access may enter using the entry forms provided by the UCI.

(text modified on 01.01.03; 01.07.12; 01.01.19)

9.2.004 The enrolment of the federations’ riders shall reach the UCI at the latest within the following deadlines:

- Road: eight days before the first race of the championship;
- Cyclo-Cross: eight days before the first race of the championship;
- Track: ten days before the first race of the championship;
- Mountain bike: ten days before the first event in the championship;
- BMX: ten days before the first event in the championship;
- Trials: ten days before the first event in the championship.

(text modified on 01.01.03; 01.01.04; 30.01.09; 01.07.12; 01.01.19; 01.03.22)

9.2.005 Save in the case of an act of God, a National Federation that has enrolled by returning the enrolment form for a World Championship and that does not participate shall be liable to a fine of CHF 500 to CHF 2,000.

For Track World Championships**,** in case of non-attendance of entered riders at the competition, a penalty of CHF 300.- per rider may be imposed.

(text modified on 01.08.23)

9.2.006 National Federations may substitute up to a maximum of two riders entered for each of the World Champion title competitions provided that it communicates the name of the two substitutes in writing to the UCI at the latest the third day before the beginning of the competition in question. For track races, at the Rider Confirmation the day before the first race. For mountain bike racing, 48 hours before the event in question.

Moreover, riders entered for a competition may be declared as those to ride in another competition of the same speciality provided that the deadline for announcing the names of those to ride be respected.

(texte modified on 01.01.04; 23.10.19)

9.2.007 Federations shall announce the names of the riders who are to take the start to the Commissaires Panel by noon at the latest on the eve of the first race of the competition. For each road and mountain bike event, the Federations may communicate amendments up to noon on the eve of each race, at the latest;

For Track events, any no-attendance or announcement made to the Commissaires Panel out of the time limit shall be liable to a fine of CHF 300.

For the Men Elite road race, the federations must announce the names of the riders taking part at the latest by noon two days before the competition. They may add the names of two replacements, who may be declared as starters until the evening before the race at 17h00. The replacements must stay at the team hotel until this time; failing which they cannot take part.
A rider declared unfit following an abnormal blood test cannot be replaced.

Only those athletes who have attended the Junior Conference can be declared starters for Men and Women Junior road events.

(text modified on 01.01.00; 01.01.04; 01.10.10; 01.08.13; 23.10.19)

9.2.008 Unless prevented by an act of God, a rider once announced as taking the start and who fails to present, shall be liable to a fine of CHF 500 to CHF 5,000.

An injury or sickness shall be recognised as an act of God only if the rider is declared incapable of taking the start by the UCI official doctor.

§ 2Selection of participants by specialty

General provision

9.2.009 In all individual specialties, the outgoing World Champion may take part in addition to the number of starters that the National Federation of such Champions may enter under the qualification regulations. The same principle is applicable for the Olympic/Paralympic Champion on the occasion of the first World Championship following Olympic/Paralympic Games or, for the mountain bike, the next two mountain bike World Championships.

For the Continental Champion, this facility is limited to the first World Championships following the awarding of the title of Continental Champion.

On the track, for the Team Pursuit, Team Sprint, Madison, Omnium, Points Race, Elimination Race and Scratch Race as well as for artistic Cycling, the outgoing World and Olympic Champions may take part only if their nation is not already qualified to the World Championships. In Para Cycling, for the Mixed Team Relay, Mixed Team Sprint and Mixed Tandem Team Sprint, the outgoing World and Paralympic Champions may take part only if their nation is not already qualified to the World Championships However, participation in individual road events shall be governed solely by articles 9.2.010 to 9.2.020.

(text modified on 01.01.03; 01.01.04; 01.01.05; 01.10.06; 01.10.10; 08.02.18; 21.06.18; 08.02.21; 01.01.25)

Individual Road Races
Men Elite

9.2.010 The Management Committee shall decide the qualification system each year.
(text modified on 01.10.02; 01.01.05; 01.03.16)

Men Elite

9.2.011 A National Federation may enter riders of 19 years of age or more in the Men Elite individual road race. In that case, such riders may not participate in the Men Under 23 individual road race in that same year.

(text modified on 01.01.25)

Men Under 23

9.2.012 The Management Committee shall decide the qualification system each year.

(text modified on 01.10.06; 01.03.16; 01.01.25)

9.2.013 Under 23 riders who have participated in the Men Elite individual road race at a previous World Championships may not participate in the individual road race for Under 23 riders.

Under 23 riders who are registered with a UCI WorldTeam or a UCI ProTeam are not authorised to participate in the individual road race for Under 23 riders. Such restriction does not apply to under 23 riders registered as trainees with UCI WorldTeams or UCI ProTeams according to articles 2.15.110bis or 2.16.033.

(text modified aux 01.10.06; 01.01.15; 01.01.16, 01.01.25)

Men Junior

9.2.014 The Management Committee shall decide the qualification system each year.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 01.10.11; 01.03.16)

Women Elite

9.2.015 The Management Committee shall decide the qualification system each year.

(text modified on 01.01.10; 05.02.15; 01.03.16)

9.2.015bis A National Federation may enter riders of 19 years of age or more in the Women Elite individual road race. In that case, such riders may not participate in the Women Under 23 individual road race in that same year.

(article introduced on 01.01.25)

Women Under 23

9.2.015ter The Management Committee shall decide the qualification system each year.

(article introduced on 01.01.25)

9.2.015 quarter Women Under 23 riders who have participated in the Women Elite individual road race at previous World Championships may not participate in the Women Under 23 individual road race.

(article introduced on 01.01.25)

Women Junior

9.2.016 The Management Committee shall decide the qualification system each year.

(text modified on 01.03.16)

Individual Time-Trial

9.2.017 The Management Committee shall decide the qualification system each year.

(text modified on 01.03.16)

9.2.018 A National Federation shall be entitled to enter riders of 19 years or more in the Men Elite individual Time-Trial and the Women Elite individual Time-Trial.

(article modified on 01.01.25)

9.2.019 Riders referred to in article 9.2.018 and who participate in the Men Elite individual Time Trial or the Women Elite individual Time Trial may not participate in the Men Under-23 or Women Under 23 Individual Time-Trial in the same year.

(*text modified on 01.01.25*)

9.2.019bis Men and Women Under 23 must race in the same category (Men Elite, Women Elite or Men Under 23, Women Under 23) for the individual Time-Trial and the individual road race if they compete in both events.

(text modified on 20.02.23; 01.01.25)

9.2.020 Under 23 riders who have participated in the Men Elite individual Time-Trial or Women Elite individual Time-Trial at a previous World Championships may not participate in the Men Under 23 or Women Under 23 individual Time-Trial

Under 23 riders who are registered with a UCI WorldTeam or a UCI ProTeam are not authorised to participate in the individual road time trial for Under 23 riders. Such restriction does not apply to under 23 riders registered as trainees with UCI WorldTeams or UCI ProTeams according to articles 2.15.110bis or 2.16.033.

(text modified on 01.10.06; 01.01.15; 01.01.16, 01.01.25)

Ranking by Nations

9.2.020bis The ranking by nations for the World Championships is calculated by adding the

points scored by all riders of each nation in the team time trial mixed relay, individual time trial and road race events, based on the point scales as per regulations, i.e.:

	Women Elite Men Elite	Women Under 23 Men Under 23	Women Junior Men Junior	Elite Under 23

Place	Road Race	Time Trial	Road Race	Time Trial	Road Race	Time Trial	Team Time Trial Mixed Relay
1	200	200	125	125	100	100	200
2	150	150	100	100	85	85	150
3	125	125	85	85	70	70	125
4	100	100	70	70	60	60	100
5	85	85	60	60	50	50	85
6	70	70	50	50	40	40	70
7	60	60	40	40	30	30	60
8	50	50	30	30	20	20	50
9	40	40	20	20	10	10	40
10	30	30	10	10	5	5	30
11 to 25	5	5	3	3	1	1	5

(article introduced on 01.07.15; text modified on 01.03.16; 13.10.16; 01.01.19. 01.01.25)

Team time trial mixed relay

9.2.021 A National Federation shall be entitled to enter riders of 19 years or more in the team time trial mixed relay.

The Management Committee shall decide the qualification system each year.

(article introduced on 01.07.12; text modified on 01.10.13; 01.01.15; 01.03.16; 01.01.19)

9.2.021 bis Every team participating in the team time trial mixed relay can enter six male riders and six female riders, of which three male rider and three female riders will start. Registration with the UCI is conducted through its website.

The confirmation of the starters on the date defined in the specific regulations of the event is final.

Nevertheless, Team Managers may forward modifications to the UCI Race Secretary until 2 hours before the start of the competition subject to the following requirements:

- Medical reason confirmed by the UCI Official Doctor is required;
- Only riders confirmed as substitute for the Team Time Trial may be used as replacements;
- The replacements riders must stay at the team accommodation.

(article introduced on 01.07.12; text modified on 01.08.13; 01.03.16; 01.01.19; 01.01.21)

Track

9.2.022 The maximum number of participants by nation for each event shall be the following:

Elite and Junior / MEN and WOMEN	
Team Sprint	1 team
Sprint	2 riders
Keirin	2 riders
1 km Time Trial	2 riders
Team pursuit	1 team
Individual pursuit	2 riders
Points race	1 rider
Scratch race	1 rider
Omnium	1 rider
Elimination	1 rider
Madison	1 team

A maximum of one substitute rider for each event is permitted. Substitute riders must be confirmed at the confirmation of starters. Team Managers may forward modifications to the Secretary of College of Commissaires until the start of the first competition session on the day of each event.

(text modified on 01.01.02; 01.01.03; 19.09.06; 26.06.07; 13.06.08; 25.02.13; 14.10.16; 05.03.18; 12.06.20; 01.01.25)

9.2.023 UCI Track Rankings used for the establishment of qualification quota arecalculated six weeks before the World Championships. The maximum number of riders/teams qualified through the UCI Track Ranking is shown in the following table:

Event	Men and Women Elite
Sprint	30[3)]
Keirin	30[3)]
Omnium	24[2)]
Scratch Race	24[2)]
Points race	24[2)]
Elimination	24[2)]
Madison	18[1)]

[1)] Allocated through the UCI Track Ranking by Nation. In the event of additional champions as referred to in articles 9.2.009 and 9.2.027, the number of nations/riders qualified through a UCI Track Ranking shall be reduced in order not to exceed the applicable maximum number.

[2] First 2/3 quota are allocated through the UCI Track Ranking by Nation - Endurance. Last 1/3 quota is allocated through the UCI Track Individual Ranking - Endurance to nations which have not qualified any quota places through the UCI Track Ranking by Nation. In the event of additional champions as referred to in articles 9.2.009 and 9.2.027, the number of nations/riders qualified through a UCI Track Ranking shall be reduced in order not to exceed the applicable maximum number.

[3] Allocated through the UCI Track Individual Ranking - Sprint. In addition to the riders qualified through the UCI Track Individual Ranking, additional champions quota as referred to in articles 9.2.009 and 9.2.027 are allocated to nations.

The Kilometre TT is open to one rider per nation, with the top 10 nations in the UCI Nations Ranking of the Team Sprint in the ranking calculated 6 weeks before the World Championships, having the opportunity to enter a second rider. In addition, additional champions quota as referred to in articles 9.2.009 and 9.2.027 are allocated to nations.

The Individual Pursuit is open to one rider per nation, with the top 10 nations in the UCI Nations Ranking of the Team Pursuit in the ranking calculated 6 weeks before the World Championships having the opportunity to enter a second rider. In addition, additional champions quota as referred to in articles 9.2.009 and 9.2.027 are allocated to nations.

The Team Pursuit and Team Sprint are open to one team per nation as per article 9.2.022. The conditions of qualification stipulated in articles 9.2.024 to 9.2.027bis remain applicable.

(text modified on 1.01.02; 1.10.04; 19.09.06; 26.06.07; 13.06.08;1.10.10; 25.02.13; 10.04.13; 20.06.14; 15.03.16; 14.10.16; 05.03.18; 21.06.18; 23.10.19; 12.06.20; 01.01.25)

9.2.024 Participation in elite track competitions shall be open to riders of 18 and over. It shall be regulated by the qualification system mentioned in article 9.2.025 to 9.2.028 hereafter.

(text modified on 01.01.99; 01.10.04; 12.06.20)

9.2.025 Participation in the World Championships is restricted to nations that have registered and hosted a minimum of one international track event on the UCI calendar between the last edition of the World Championships and six weeks before the upcoming World Championships.

The nation will not be allowed to register any riders for the World Championships as long as this condition has not been fulfilled.

In the case where the World Championships are moved to earlier in the calendar year, a competition held after the World Championships will be considered, on condition that this competition has taken place at minimum for several seasons on that date

For the development of track cycling and on duly justified request received six weeks prior to the upcoming World Championships, the UCI may grant dispensation of this condition. The decision is final and no appeal is possible.

(article introduced on 01.10.12; text modified on 25.02.14; 14.10.16; 17.10.22)

9.2.026 [article abrogated on 12.06.20]

9.2.027 In addition to the riders qualified through a UCI track classification, according to the quotas indicated in the articles 9.2.022 and 9.2.023, the following persons will also be qualified for Elite World Championships:

- the Elite Continental Champions (Men and Women) in events who won their title after the last Elite World Championship (including for bunch events as per article 3.1.011, and Madison if the riders/teams do not belong to an already qualified nation).

For the sake of clarity, conditions of article 9.2.027bis remain applicable.

(text modified on 01.01.99; 01.01.03; 01.10.04; 25.02.13; 20.06.14; 01.07.17; 23.10.19; 12.06.20)

9.2.027 Notwithstanding articles 9.2.025, 9.2.026 and 9.2.027, a nation will only be allowed

bis to enter a rider in a specific event of the Elite World Championships if the following conditions are fulfilled:

- where applicable, the nation must have participated in this specific event in at least one leg of the Nations' Cup of this season. This only applies when the specific events are scheduled at each leg of the Nations' Cup.
- where applicable, the nation must have participated in this specific event in the most recent Elite Continental Championships.

The UCI may grant dispensation of one or several of these requirements for exceptional circumstances. The dispensation must be requested within three days following the end of the competition in question.

(text modified on 01.01.03; 04.07.03; 01.10.04; 13.06.08; 30.01.09; 25.02.13; 10.04.13; 20.06.14; 15.03.16; 14.10.16; 05.03.18; 04.03.19; 12.06.20; 17.10.22; 01.01.25)

9.2.027 ter Where a nation qualified in an individual event and is not able to enter an eligible rider, the qualification place will revert to the UCI and will be reallocated to the next reserve nation.

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(article introduced on 25.02.13; text modified on 10.04.13; 15.03.16; 12.06.20)

9.2.028 The National Federation of the organizer shall be entitled to the first reserve quota to enter a team for each team race and a rider for each individual race if it cannot enter riders on the basis of the qualification criterias indicated in the articles 9.2.026 and 9.2.027. For the sake of clarity, conditions of article 9.2.027bis remain applicable

A Wild card for individual events (Men and Women) may be granted by the UCI at its sole discretion upon justified request of a continental confederation, for riders that were prevented by an unpredictable occurrence to qualify and on condition that they do not belong to an already qualified nation in this event.

(text modified on 01.01.99; 01.10.04; 13.06.08; 01.07.17; 12.06.20; 17.10.22)

9.2.028 bis [article abrogated on 04.07.03]

9.2.029 [article abrogated on 05.03.18]

Mountain bike

9.2.030 The UCI world championships shall comprise ten specialities: the Olympic cross-country Olympic (XCO), the cross-country marathon (XCM), the cross-country team relay (XCR), the cross-country short track (XCC), the cross-country eliminator (XCE), the downhill individual (DHI), E-Mountain Bike (E-MTB)), the enduro/e-enduro (EDR/E-EDR), the snow bike (SNO) and the pump track (PUM).

(text modified on 01.01.04; 01.01.06; 01.02.12; 01.01.18; 01.01.21; 01.01.23; 01.01.24)

9.2.031 The categories for which the title of world champion will be awarded are as follows:

XCO	Men Elite (aged 23 and over);
	Men under 23 (ages from 19 to 22);
	Women Elite (aged 23 and over);
	Women under 23 (aged 19 to 22);
	Men Junior (aged 17 and 18);
	Women Junior (aged 17 and 18);
XCM	Men (aged 19 and over);
	Women (aged 19 and over);
XCR	Team (aged 17 and over);
XCC	Men (aged 23 and over);
	Women (aged 23 and over);
	Men under 23 (aged 19 to 22);
	Women under 23 (aged 19 to 22);
XCE	Men (aged 17 and over);
	Women (aged 17 and over);
DHI	Men Elite (aged 19 and over);
	Women Elite (aged 19 and over);
	Men Junior (aged 17 and 18);
	Women Junior (aged 17 and 18);
E-MTB	Men (aged 19 and over including Masters);
	Women (aged 19 and over including Masters)
PUM	Men (aged 17 and over);
	Women (aged 17 and over);
EDR	Men Elite (aged 19 and over);
	Women Elite (aged 19 and over);
	Men Junior (aged 17 and 18);
	Women Junior (aged 17 and 18);
E-EDR	Men Elite (aged 19 and over);
	Women Elite (aged 19 and over);
SNO	Men (aged 17 and over);
	Women (aged 17 and over)

(article introduced on 01.01.04; text modified on 01.01.06; 01.02.12; 01.01.21; 01.01.23; 01.01.24; 01.01.25; 01.01.26)

9.2.032 For the team relay, each nation may enter only a single team.

Each national team shall be made up of 1 Men Elite, 1 Women Elite, 1 Men under 23, 1 Men Junior, 1 Women under 23 and 1 Women Junior. However, the following substitutions shall be permissible:

- Men Elite by Women Elite or Men under 23 or Men Junior or Women under 23 or Women Junior;

- Women Elite by Women under 23 or by Women Junior;
- Men under 23 by Women Elite or Women under 23 or Men Junior or Women Junior;
- Women under 23 by Women Junior;
- Men Junior by Women Junior.

Each rider selected must already be entered for the individual downhill, or Olympic cross country events.

(article introduced on 01.01.04; text modified on 01.01.06; 01.02.12; 01.01.17; 01.01.20; 01.01.23)

9.2.033 For the mountain bike world championships team relay, the team manager must use the form provided to notify the names and categories of the riders making up their team and their start order to the chief commissaire's panel at the end of the team managers' meeting the day before the event. This start order may not be altered subsequently.

The exchange boxes will be allocated on the basis of the results of the team relay event in the preceding world championships. The order of nations not placed will be determined by drawing lots. The first nation will be installed in box number 1 and so on.

(article introduced on 01.01.04; text modified on 01.01.06; 25.09.08; 01.01.18)

9.2.034 For the Men Elite, Women Elite, Men Under 23 and Men Junior XCO events and the Men Elite and Men Junior DHI events, the maximum number of riders (apart from reserves) for each nation is determined on the basis of the classification by nation of the previous year's World Championships, as per the table below:

Nations ranked	Maximum number of riders (except reserves)
1 to 10 and the host nation	7
11 to 20	6
21 to 30	5
31 or after	4
Unranked nations	3

For the Women Under 23 and Women Junior XCO events, the Women Elite and Women Junior DHI events, the maximum number is 7 riders per nation.

Each federation shall be permitted to enter 2 reserves in each category.

For cross-country short track (XCC), each rider selected must already be registered for the cross-country Olympic (XCO) event. The maximum number of riders for each nation is determined on the basis of the classification by nation of the previous year's World Championships, as per the table below:

Nations ranked	Maximum number of riders (except reserves)
1 to 5 and the host nation	3
6 to 15	2
16 to end	1
Unranked nations	1

For cross-country eliminator (XCE), each national federation can enter unlimited number of riders per category.

For E-Mountain Bike Cross-country (E-MTB XC), the maximum number of riders shall be defined yearly.

For Enduro and E-Enduro (EDR/E-EDR), the maximum number of riders shall be defined yearly.

For Snow Bike (SNO), the maximum number of riders shall be defined yearly.

For Pump Track (PUM), the criteria for the number of riders as well as registration fees shall be defined yearly.

(article introduced on 01.01.04; text modified on 01.01.06; 01.02.12; 01.01.16; 01.01.18; 01.01.21; 01.01.23; 01.01.25; 01.01.26)

9.2.035 For the XCM event, each national federation can enter 10 men and 10 women.

Supplementary to the 10 men and 10 women nominated by the national federation, top 20 men and women of each round of the UCI marathon world cup as well as the top 80 of the UCI XCM individual ranking obtain a qualification for the UCI Marathon World Championships.

All participants must obligatorily wear the national equipment. All riders must be registered by their national federation.

The registration fees (including all taxes and/or insurance contributions) shall be based on the UCI Financial Obligations.

(text modified on 01.01.04; 01.01.06; 01.09.06; 01.02.12; 01.01.18; 01.01.21; 01.01.23)

9.2.036 The ranking by nations for the UCI world championships is calculated by adding the points scored by the 3 best placed riders of each nation. The system for awarding points is based on the total number of rider starting in each category, with a maximum of 300. If 100 riders start, the winner will score 100 points while the 100th placed rider would score 1. Should some starters not be given a finishing position, the last rider to be classified shall score the points for his or her position without taking account of the unclassified riders. Example: if 100 riders start and 80 riders are classified, the last of them will score 21 points.
For the UCI World Championships Team Relay, the nation will receive points in the ranking by nations for the event according to the methodology below:

The points for each participating rider in the cross-country team relay will be allocated to the ranking of the corresponding age category of each rider as follows. The system for awarding points is based on twice the total number of nations starting in the cross-country team relay. If 15 nations start, the winning nation would score 30 points while the 15th placed nation would score 2 points.

(article introduced on 01.01.04; text modified on 01.01.18; 01.01.23)

9.2.037 Race numbers must be collected at the time stated in the championship programme. The race number for the team relay shall be given the morning of the event in accordance with the instructions given by the commissaires panel at the team managers' meeting held the day before the event.

(article introduced on 01.01.04; text modified on 25.09.08)

9.2.038 The start order is determined as follows:

XCO Men Elite, XCO Women Elite, XCC Men Elite, and XCC Women Elite

1. as per the last published UCI XCO individual ranking;
2. place 33rd to 40th of the start order will be allocated to riders ranked in below rankings, unless they are listed on the start order between the place 1st to 32rd according to point 1 and 2 above:
   - top 10 of the UCI cyclo-cross individual ranking;
   - top 20 of the UCI road individual world ranking;

   The place 33rd to 40th will be allocated following the rank of each rider, whatever the ranking: UCI cyclo-cross or UCI road world ranking. If two or three riders have the same ranking, they will be placed by drawing lots.
3. as per the last published UCI XCO individual ranking;
4. unclassified riders: by nations in rotation (*).

XCO Men under 23, XCO Women under 23, XCC Men under 23 and XCC Women under 23

1. as per the last published UCI XCO individual ranking;
2. unclassified riders: by nations in rotation (*).

XCO Men Junior, XCO Women Junior

3. as per the last published UCI XCO junior individual ranking;
4. Unclassified riders: by nations in rotation (*).

DHI Men Elite, DHI Women Elite

For the qualifying round and the final:

1. unclassified riders: by nations in rotation (*);
2. as per the last published UCI DHI individual ranking. The best rider starting last.

DHI Men Junior, DHI Women Junior

For the qualifying round and the final:

1. unclassified riders : by nations in rotation (*);
2. as per the last published UCI DHI individual ranking. The best rider starting last.

For all DHI events (Men Elite, Women Elite, Men Junior and Women Junior), riders are required to ride in the qualifying round. The number of riders qualifying for the final are as follows:

- Men Elite: top 80 riders in the qualifying round;
- Women Elite: top 40 riders in the qualifying round;
- Men Junior: top 60 riders in the qualifying round;
- Women Junior: top 20 riders in the qualifying round.

(*) The start order of the riders within the team must be confirmed by the national federations during the riders' confirmation. Taking each nation in turn on the basis of the classification by nation of the concerned category from the most recent mountain bike World Championships, a place is allocated to the next rider in sequence. Unclassified nations take, on the basis of the same rotation system, the next places in an order determined by drawing lots.

E-MTB Men, E-MTB Women

The start order for E-MTB shall be defined yearly

Enduro/E-Enduro Men Elite, Enduro/E-Enduro Women Elite, Enduro Men Junior, Enduro Women Junior
The start order for Enduro and E-Enduro shall be defined yearly.

Snow Bike Men, Snow Bike Women
The start order for Snow Bike shall be defined yearly.

(article introduced on 01.01.04; text modified on 01.01.06; 25.09.08; 01.01.11; 01.05.11; 01.01.18; 01.01.12; 01.01.23; 01.01.24; 01.01.26)

9.2.039 [article abrogated 01.02.12]

9.2.040 The start order for riders in the UCI Mountain Bike Marathon world championships shall be as follows:

- the reigning UCI XCM world champion
- the reigning UCI XCO Elite and under 23 world champions
- the reigning UCI XCC world champion
- the reigning Olympic mountain bike champion
- the latest UCI marathon ranking
- the latest UCI XCO individual ranking
- by drawing lots for the other riders.

(article introduced on 01.01.04; text modified on 01.01.06; 01.02.12; 01.01.18; 01.01.21; 01.01.23)

9.2.041 The official languages of team managers' meetings shall be those of the UCI, namely French and English.

(article introduced on 01.01.04)

Cyclo-cross

9.2.042 A UCI cyclo-cross world championship shall be organised for the men elite's, women elite's, men under 23's, women under 23's (19-22 years old), men junior's and women junior's (17-18 years old) categories.

A UCI cyclo-cross world championship team relay event must be organised, where each team represents one nation.

(article introduced on 1.09.04; text modified on 1.01.16; 1.03.19; 1.07.22)

9.2.043 For all categories, the maximum number of riders per national team shall be determined by the ranking by nation of the UCI cyclo-cross world cup as calculated per article 5.3.013bis and published on the evening of the first sunday of the year:

- Nations ranked from 1st to 3rd 10 riders, with 7 to start
- Nations ranked from 4th to 6th 9 riders, with 6 to start
- All other nations 8 riders, with 5 to start.

(article introduced on 1.09.04; modified on 25.09.08; 01.07.18; 01.07.20)

9.2.044 The national federations concerned may additionally enter the outgoing UCI cyclo-cross world champions and the leaders of the final UCI cyclo-cross world cup standings men elite, men under 23, men junior, women elite, women under 23 and women junior.

(text modified on 01.09.04; 25.09.08; 01.07.09; 14.10.16; 01.03.19)

9.2.045 [article abrogated on 26.06.18]

9.2.045 bis For the cyclo-cross world championships team relay, each nation may enter only a single team, made of 6 riders. Each national team choses the composition of its team in the following age categories:
- 1 men elite or 1 men under 23,
- 1 men under 23 or 1 men junior,
- 1 men junior,
- 1 women elite or 1 women under 23,
- 1 women under 23 or 1 women junior,
- 1 women junior.

Each rider selected must already be entered for the individual races of the UCI cyclo-cross world championships.

The team manager must use the form provided to notify the names and categories of the riders making up their team and their start order to the chief commissaire's panel, the day before the team relay at 16h30 local time at the latest. This start order may not be altered subsequently.

The order of nations is drawn on the basis of the results of the team relay event in the preceding world championships. The order of nations not placed will be determined by drawing lots. This order of nations for the UCI cyclo-cross world championships team relay shall determine the following elements:
- the order of nations on the entry list and the allocation of bibs numbers: the first nation will receive the number 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, the second nation the number 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 2E, 2F, and so on;
- the call-up order of the first riders to start the team relay: the first rider to start of the nation number 1 of the order will be called first, then the first rider to start of the nation number 2, and so on;
- the number of the start box of the relay zone;
- the number of the pit box of the pit area.

(article introduced on 1.07.22)

Ranking by nations of the UCI World Championships

9.2.045 ter A ranking by nations for the cyclo-cross world championships shall be drawn up by summing the points of the first three riders from each nation.

The system for awarding points is based on the total number of rider starting in each category. If 100 riders start, the winner will score 100 points while the 100th placed rider would score 1. Should some starters not be given a finishing position, the last rider to be classified shall score the points for his position without taking account of the unclassified riders. Example: if 100 riders start and 80 riders are classified, the last of them will score 21 points.

Nations with three finishing riders shall be ranked first, then nations with two finishing riders and finally nations with one finishing rider. In case of equal points in this classification, the place of the best ranked rider will break the tie.

If one or more riders of one age category take place to the cyclo-cross team relay, then the nation will receive for that age category one bonus of points. The system for awarding

points is based on twice the total number of nations starting in the cyclo-cross team relay. If 15 nations start, the winning nation will score 30 points while the 15th placed nation would score 2 points.

(article introduced on 1.07.22)

BMX Racing
(section introduced on 30.01.09)

9.2.046 The UCI BMX Racing world championships shall comprise standard 20 inch bicycle competitions.
in one speciality: BMX Racing.

(text modified on 01.02.12; 01.07.12; 01.01.17; 01.01.23)

Categories

9.2.047 The categories for which the title of world champion will be awarded are as follows:

A. STANDARD 20 inch BICYCLES, (men/women riders), Championship level: BMX Racing

- Men Elite (aged 19 and over);
- Women Elite (aged 19 and over);
- Men Under 23 (19-22) ;
- Women Under 23 (19-22) ;
- Men Junior (aged 17 and 18);
- Women Junior (aged 17 and 18).

B. STANDARD 20 inch BICYCLES (men riders), Masters level:

- Masters Men (aged 30 and over).
- Masters Women (aged 30 and over).

(text modified on 01.02.11; 01.02.12; 01.07.12; 01.01.17; 01.01.22; 01.01.23)

Race formats

9.2.047 bis Format of the *world championships* (only for a category outlined in article 9.2.047).

The world championships is run in one competition: a BMX Racing event, using the following format:
Categories outlined in article 9.2.047, part A as described in articles 6.3.009 to 6.3.016
Categories outlined in article 9.2.047, part B as described in articles 6.1.021 to 6.1.025

(article introduced on 01.02.10; text modified on 01.02.11; 04.04.14; 01.01.17; 01.01.22; 01.01.23)

Seeding

9.2.047 ter Seeding order for the Round 1 in the BMX Racing race is based on the latest UCI Individual BMX Racing Ranking for each category (seeding order from highest to lowest ranked). Gate position selection order for Round 1 is based on the seeding order.

(text modified on 04.04.14; 01.01.17, 01.01.22, 01.01.23).

9.2.047 quater [article abrogated on 01.01.17]

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Qualification system world championships BMX Racing

9.2.047 sexies For Men Elite, Women Elite, Men Under 23, Women Under 23, Men Juniors and Women Juniors, the maximum number of riders for each category is determined on the basis of the UCI Individual BMX Racing ranking by nation for each such category on 31~~st~~ December of the preceding season.

Each federation shall be permitted to enter 2 reserves in each category. The UCI Ranking by nations is drawn up in accordance with Part VI "BMX RACING", chapter 6.
In addition to the nations qualified through the UCI BMX Racing nations ranking, the following riders will also be qualified for the Elite world championships:

- Top 8 Men Elite in the UCI BMX Racing individual ranking of 31 December of the preceding season;
- Top 8 Women Elite in the UCI BMX Racing individual ranking of 31 December of the preceding season.

These riders are automatically qualified for the UCI world championships and cannot be replaced by another rider.

	Women Elite		Women Under 23		Women Junior		Men Elite		Men Under 23		Men Junior	
Automatically qualified riders*	8						8					
Nations Ranked	# Places	Tot	# Places	Tot	# Places	Tot	# Places	Tot	# Places	Tot	# Places	Tot
1 – 4	5	20	5	20	5	20	5	20	5	20	5	20
5 – 8	4	16	4	16	4	16	4	16	4	16	4	16
9 – 14	3	18	3	18	3	18	3	18	3	18	3	18
15 – 23	2	18	2	18	2	18	2	18	2	18	2	18
Totals		**80**		**72**		**72**		**80**		**72**		**72**
Host nation**		2		2		2		2		2		2
All other nations***		1		1		1		1		1		1

* The automatically qualified riders mentioned above are entered in addition to the quota allowed in this table.
** The host nation shall qualify 2 riders in each category where it has not already qualified above using the ranking by nation.
*** All other nations shall qualify 1 rider in each category where it has not already qualified above using the ranking by nation.

(article introduced on 01.07.12; text modified on 04.04.14; 01.01.17; 01.01.22; 01.03.22; 01.01.23)

Registration of participants

9.2.048 All riders must be registered using the UCI on-line registration system (www.uci.ch).
All team managers must attend the riders' confirmation presenting the licenses and passports for each rider being confirmed and picking up the riders race numbers.

The riders' confirmation deadlines are indicated on the official program published on the UCI website. Riders not being confirmed before the indicated deadline, did not complete the registration procedure and will not be able to compete at the event.

Furthermore, each national federation shall be permitted to register up to 16 riders in Masters

(text modified on 01.02.10; 01.02.11; 01.02.12; 01.07.12; 04.04.14; 01.01.17; 01.01.23).

Registration of support staff

9.2.049 Each federation must appoint one (1) team manager for Championships level categories.

(text modified on 01.07.12; 01.01.17)

9.2.050 At least thirteen riders must have pre-entered to constitute a category. Should this minimum number not be obtained, then the entered riders will race in the category above, but with the restriction that no competing category at Championship level can be combined with a competing category at Challenge level and vice versa.

In any case that an under-subscribed class cannot be combined according to the above rules, this category shall not be run.

(text modified on 01.02.12; 01.01.22)

Trials
(section introduced on 30.01.09)

Allocation of UCI trials world championship event

9.2.051 Application to the UCI for the sanctioning of a trials world championship event is open to any national federation. The venue of each year's world championships shall be allocated at least three years in advance of its scheduled date by the UCI management committee, based on business/quality criteria and the recommendations from the UCI trials commission.

9.2.052 The trials world championships shall be the exclusive property of the UCI.

9.2.053 The site of a venue shall normally be within the national or territorial boundaries of the national federation which shall serve as the host organization for the event.

General competition parameters

9.2.054 UCI trials world championships are a single competition, open to all eligible riders in possession of a UCI license.

Registration of participants

9.2.055 Riders wishing to compete in the UCI trials world championships may register only under the auspices and through the agency of their national federation, using the UCI online registration system. All competition entry dates must be respected and no late entries will be accepted.

Pre-registration for the UCI trials world championships is subject to the following restrictions:

- maximum number of riders per country and per category: five
- riders not allowed to take part in more than one category.

All riders/team managers must attend the riders' confirmation presenting their licenses and picking up their race numbers. The riders confirmation deadlines are indicated on the official programme published on the UCI website.

Riders not being confirmed before the indicated deadline, did not complete the registration procedure and will not be able to compete at the event.

(text modified on 13.03.15, 30.01.17)

9.2.056 Each member organisation which registers riders must appoint a national team manager to represent the interests of all of its riders at the UCI trials world championships.

Categories

9.2.057 Competition categories at the Trials world championships are:

- Women Elite
- Women Junior
- Men Junior 20"
- Men Junior 26"
- Men Elite 20"
- Men Elite 26"

(text modified on 13.03.15, 01.01.25)

Age class

9.2.058 Categories depend on age as stated in article 7.1.002.

Competition format

9.2.059 In all categories, the Trials world championships shall include a ½ Finals and a Final round.

½ Finals

The Trials world championships will commence with a ½ Finals round. The world championships ½ Finals round is open to all riders entered. The ½ Finals round shall consist of three laps of five sections. The commissaires' panel will set the competition time according to the number of entered riders.

Final round

The riders eligible to compete in the Final rounds shall be as follows:

- If the category has 6 riders or less, the best 3 riders in the ½ Final round will be eligible to compete in the Final.

- If the category has between 7 and 8 riders, the best 4 riders in the ½ Final round will be eligible to compete in the Final.

- If the category has 9 riders or more, the best 6 riders in the ½ Final round will be eligible to compete in the Final.

The scores gained in the ½ Finals round do not count in the Final round.

Final procedure

At the Final round it will be applied the six by six system: Before the start, the six riders will be presented on the start podium, in inverse order to the position obtained in the ½ Finals round. After the presentation, they must go to section one. The order to start will be determined by the result obtained in the ½ Finals round. Rider that obtained the sixth place shall start first in section one and so on. The same principle applies for the remaining sections. Once a rider finishes a section, the next rider has maximum thirty seconds to start the section. After this thirty second the sections time is running. In case of slight injury, the other rider must overtake and start the section in front of him/her. In case of tie, article 7.1.047 of the UCI Trials Regulations shall apply. Competitors taking part in the Final must have two bicycles at their disposal. The spare second bicycle shall remain in the rider's area for the duration of the competition and may be retrieved as a replacement for the first bicycle A rider qualified for the Final who chooses not to compete in the Final shall get seventh placed in the Final classification and shall (in the Final) be replaced by the seventh placed rider in the ½ Finals. Two qualified riders choosing not to compete in the Final shall get seventh and eighth placed in the final classification and shall be replaced by the seventh and eighth placed riders in the ½ Finals (in the Finals), etc.

(text modified on 01.02.11; 13.03.15; 30.01.17; 01.01.25)

Number of sections and rounds

9.2.060 The number of sections and laps are as indicated below:

Round	Number of sections	Number of laps
½ Finals rounds	5	3
Final rounds	5	1

(text modified on 01.02.11; 13.03.15; 30.01.17)

Recognition and awards

9.2.061 Competitors having obtained the highest number of points are declared:

- Women Junior UCI trials world champion
- Women Elite UCI trials world champion
- Men Junior 20" UCI trials world champion
- Men Junior 26" UCI trials world champion
- Men Elite 20" UCI trials world champion
- Men Elite 26" UCI trials world champion

The UCI will award the first three riders ranked in each category.

(text modified on 13.03.15; 30.01.17, 01.01.25)

Para Cycling (participation)

9.2.062 National Federations register their riders through the same online registration system no later than four weeks before the first race of the World Championships. At the time of registration, up to six substitutes can be added to the team for all classes combined. The registration shall give details of the number of persons making up each delegation, the riders registered for each race as well as their sport class, the accommodation used during the World Championships, full contact details of the team manager and each athlete's time of arrival.

After the registration deadline (four weeks before the World Championships), late registrations will be invoiced CHF 200.- per athlete.

Starters must be confirmed in each sport class at the official confirmation time as announced in the technical programme of the competition.

Last-minute changes of registered athletes can only be achieved by means of a medical certificate 24 hours before the start of the race.

(text modified on 03.02.17; 01.07.18; 01.01.26)

9.2.062 bis Athletes may not enter a Para Cycling Road World Championship event with the Sport Class Status New (N) unless no International Classification was held on their continent in the current calendar year prior to the World Championships.
(article introduced on 08.02.21)

World Championship qualification system (Para Cycling)
General comments

9.2.063 National Federations shall select riders to participate in world championships.

(article introduced on 01.10.13)

9.2.064 Events selected for the Para Cycling world championships are the following:

Road
Road race – all divisions;
Individual Time Trial – all divisions;
Mixed Team relay – division H.

Track
Kilometre – divisions B & C;
Individual pursuit – divisions B;
Mixed Team sprint – division C;
Sprint – division B & C;
Scratch race – division C;
Elimination – division C;
Mixed Tandem Team Sprint – division B.

(article introduced on 01.10.13; text modified on 11.02.20; 01.01.25; 01.10.25)

9.2.065 At world championships, in each of the Para Cycling event, the outgoing world champion will be given an additional slot for the event in which he was a world champion. If the outgoing world champion cannot participate at the world championships, this place is not accumulated in the quota of the nation.

(article introduced on 01.10.13; text modified on 01.01.19; 01.01.25; 01.01.26)

9.2.066 The host nation for the UCI Para Cycling world championships will be entitled to register a full contingent of athletes (maximum quota) in all sport classes, on the track and on the road, for both men and women.

(article introduced on 01.10.13)

Athletes eligibility

9.2.067 Except the reigning world champion, athletes participating in the UCI Para Cycling World Championships must have participated in at least one UCI Para Cycling event on the UCI International Calendar (National Championships, Class 2, Class 1, World Cup, Continental Championships, Regional Games, World Championships or Paralympic Games) during the last 12 months, but no later than 30 days before the event, defined as the Qualification Period.

(article introduced on 01.10.13; text modified on 20.12.17; 01.07.20; 01.01.26)

Earning slots for the World Championships
Para Cycling Track

9.2.068 A nation earns 1 slot in a specific Sport Class if any of its athlete has earned UCI Para Cycling Track Individual Ranking points during the Qualification Period in the respective Sport Class.

(article introduced on 01.10.13; text modified on 01.01.19; 01.07.20; 01.01.26)

9.2.069 A nation earns 2 slots in a specific Sport Class if any athlete has earned UCI Para Cycling Track Individual Ranking points during the Qualification Period in the respective Sport Class. At least one athlete must be in the top 20 of the UCI Para Cycling Track Individual Ranking.

(article introduced on 01.10.13; text modified on 01.01.19; 01.07.20; 01.01.26)

9.2.069 bis A nation earns 3 slots in a specific Sport Class if at minimum 2 athletes have earned UCI Para Cycling Track Individual Ranking points during the Qualification Period in the respective Sport Class. At least one athlete must be in the top 20 of the UCI Para Cycling Track Individual Ranking.

(article introduced on 01.07.20; text modified on 01.01.26)

9.2.069 ter The number of slots obtained by a nation is valid for Time Trial, Individual Pursuit, Scratch race, Elimination, Tandem Sprint and Sprint.

A nation that has earned a slot in a specific Sport Class is eligible to enter any athlete who meets the eligibility criteria mentioned in article 9.2.067 in that Sport Class at the upcoming UCI Para Cycling Track World Championships.

The slots will be awarded based on the UCI Para Cycling Track Individual Ranking closing seven (7) weeks before the competition (including Classification) starts.

(article introduced on 01.07.20; text modified on 01.01.26)

Para Cycling Road

9.2.070 A nation that has earned UCI Para Cycling Road points at a Class 1, Class 2, or Continental Championships event during the Qualification Period in a specific sport class

has the right to enter an athlete in that Sport Class in the upcoming UCI Para-cycling Road World Championships.

(article introduced on 01.10.13; text modified on 01.01.16; 01.07.20; 08.02.21; 01.01.26)

9.2.071 A nation may enter two athletes in a sport class in which an athlete earned road World Cup points in that sport class during the Qualification Period. One of the two registered athletes must have earned World Cup points.

(article introduced on 01.10.13; text modified on 01.01.16; 01.07.20; 08.02.21)

9.2.071 bis A nation may enter three athletes in a Sport Class in which two athletes have earned Para Cycling Road World Cup points in that Sport Class and at least 1 athlete has finished in the top 10 at a UCI Para Cycling Road World Cup race during the Qualification Period. Two of the three athletes entered must have Para Cycling Road World Cup points during the Qualification Period.

(article introduced on 01.07.20; text modified on 08.02.21; 01.01.26)

9.2.071 ter The number of slots obtained by a nation is valid for Time Trial and Road Race. A nation that has earned a slot in a specific Sport Class is eligible to enter any athlete who meets the eligibility criteria mentioned in article 9.2.067 in that Sport Class at the upcoming UCI Para Cycling Road World Championships.

(article introduced on 01.07.20; text modified on 01.01.26)

UCI Gravel World Championships
Participation

9.2.072 Participation in the UCI Gravel World Championships is open to the same riders and categories as set out in article 18.2.003 in respect of the UCI gravel world series events.

Only holders of a valid yearly license, with a UCI ID, can enter the UCI gravel world championships.

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

Qualification through the UCI gravel world series

9.2.073 For a given qualifier season as defined in article 18.1.009, all events of the UCI gravel world series qualify riders.

The top 25% ranked riders of each category in each UCI gravel world series event qualify individually for the next UCI Gravel World Championships. The 25% is calculated based on the number of riders who effectively take the start in each category, rounded up to the nearest whole number.

The percentage of 25% may be amended by the UCI Management Committee on a yearly basis, taking into consideration the participation in the UCI Gravel World Championships, the number of events on the UCI gravel world series and the evolution of the UCI gravel world series calendar.

Regardless of the number of riders taking the start in a given category, the first three riders of the category will qualify directly for the UCI Gravel World Championships, provided that they finish the relevant race.

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

Other qualifications and wilcards

9.2.074 In each category, the following riders are qualified:

- the winner of the previous edition of the UCI Gravel World Championships in the corresponding category,
- the winner of the latest gravel continental championships in the corresponding category (as confirmed by the relevant continental confederation),
- the winner of the latest edition of the gravel national championships in the corresponding category (as confirmed by the relevant national federation).

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

9.2.075 Each national federation may award, at its discretion, 5 (five) wild cards for each of the women elite and men elite categories. The figure is doubled for the national federation hosting the UCI Gravel World Championships.

National federations are required to inform the UCI of recipients of wild cards within the deadline communicated by the UCI.

In each category, the UCI may award wild cards at its discretion. The concerned national federation will be informed of wild cards issued by the UCI.

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

Registration

9.2.076 Qualified or wild card riders will be required to register for the UCI Gravel World Championships in accordance with the instructions communicated by the UCI.

Age group riders will also be required to pay an entry fee.

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

Outfit

9.2.077 Riders taking part in the UCI Gravel World Championships shall represent their nation and wear a cycling outfit, compliant with article 1.3.026 et seq., representing their national federation.

For elite categories, the jersey and the bib short must be those of the national federation as per articles 1.3.056 to 1.3.059. Paragraph 2 of article 1.3.056 applies to riders who are not supported by the concerned national federation, at the discretion of the latter.

For age group categories, unless otherwise specified by the rider's national federation, riders are free to wear the bib short of their choice. The jersey must represent the nation of the rider and be similar to the official national outfit in terms of colors and design. Riders are authorised to have advertising on their jersey, subject to compliance with articles 1.1.089 and 1.1.090 of the UCI Regulations.

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

Start procedure

9.2.078 The start of the UCI Gravel World Championships will be organised per category with separate starts for men and women. For age group categories, the UCI technical

delegate will determine, in consultation with the organiser, if some age groups of the same gender are merged at the start.

Each start, merging several categories or not, is called a “start wave”. The exact times and locations for the entrance in the start zone, the gap between the start of each wave and the call-up times will be fixed in the technical guide of the UCI Gravel World Championships and may be amended by means of a race communique.

The start time for all riders in a same start wave is the gun-time of that wave, and not the moment the rider crosses the start line.

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

Elite start order

9.2.079 The elite start order will be organised based on the points system defined below.

The system cumulates the points in the events indicated in the table below as well as with 50% of the rider’s points in each of the UCI individual elite world rankings for the following disciplines: road, mountain bike cross-country (XCO), mountain bike marathon (XCM) and cyclo-cross. The respective UCI individual elite world rankings taken into account are those registered on the last Tuesday 3 weeks before the event.

Rank	**UCI Gravel World Championships** of the previous year (elite only)	**UCI Gravel World Series** (elite only)
1	1000	200
2	750	180
3	600	160
4	500	150
5	450	140
6	400	130
7	350	120
8	300	110
9	275	100
10	250	90
11	225	80
12	200	70
13	180	65
14	160	60
15	140	55
16	120	50
17	100	45
18	80	40
19	70	35
20	60	30
21	50	25
22	40	20
23	30	15
24	20	10
25	10	5

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

Age groups start order

9.2.080 The start box of each age group is made with:

- a priority box including the riders ranked in the top 3 of each UCI gravel world series and the outgoing UCI world champion;

- a second box with all other riders.

In these 2 boxes, there is no further start order is applied. These boxes will be merged just before the start.

There shall be no priority box when:
- there are less than 100 starting riders in the age group,
- several age groups are merged in a start wave, regardless of the cumulated number riders in that start wave.

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

Signposting

9.2.081 All signage on the UCI Gravel World Championships course must be placed at least the Monday before the competition to allow riders to train on the course.

The signs to indicate the start boxes for each category must be installed the day prior to the race.

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

Timing

9.2.082 The timing during UCI Gravel World Championships must be provided via:
- active transponders for the elite races,
- active or passive chips for age groups.

The transponder can be installed:
- on the bike,
- on one of the back numbers, or
- on the frame plate or seat post sticker.

The organiser will inform riders on how to install or use the transponder or timing chip.

The organiser may also require riders to carry a GPS tracker in accordance with article 1.3.073.

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

UCI World Champion titles and Awards Ceremony

9.2.083 At the UCI Gravel World Championships, medals and titles are awarded in each category for men and/or women, provided that at least one rider is registered in the respective category.

The UCI gravel world champion jersey must be worn by UCI world champions in all gravel events in the category in which they won their title, until the day prior to the following edition of the UCI Gravel World Championships.

(article introduced on 01.10.26)

Chapter III [chapter abrogated on 25.01.08]