



To all Championship Class and pending Championship Class riders,

The following detail documents a **Ride Level Assessment** process that Cycling New Zealand (CNZ) and BMX New Zealand (BMXNZ) will initiate as a risk management plan for the pending UCI BMX Racing World Cup in Rotorua and all World Cup entry processes moving forward.

World Cup racing is the most challenging environment in BMX Racing, so CNZ/BMXNZ wishes to take steps to mitigate the risk of increased injury of NZL riders at any World Cup event moving forward. To do this, CNZ and BMXNZ will require all riders who wish to enter any World Cup event from January 1, 2024, that have not competed in a UCI World Cup event in the last two years, to provide proof of ability to complete the following sections at the Rotorua BMX Facility.

Women – A complete first straight off an operating 8m start gate sequence, safely jumping both the first and second features, to the completion of the first corner, as an uninterrupted run.

Men – Two complete straights off an operating 8m start gate sequence, jumping both the first and second features on the first straight, continuing around the first corner, completing the second straight pro-line by safely by jumping all the features in the same uninterrupted run.

Note – "safely jumping" is defined as, "completing the jump sequence without notable casing of the landing lips and holding a continuous straight race line". Substantial casing and deviating from a race line due to an uncontrolled landing, will not be accepted.

Proof of these requirements shall be supplied as video-recorded segments, from a phone or camera. The video segment or link to the segment must be e-mailed to admin@bmxnewzealand.co.nz

The video sequence must be high definition enough to be reviewable.

The supplied video segments will be reviewed by the CNZ & BMXNZ selection panel and who will advise as soon as possible if their **Ride Level Assessment** is approved or not. All riders who receive an approved reply will be able to enter any UCI BMX World Cup events moving forward.

The window for submitting a **Ride Level Assessment** is open from Monday 13 November 2023, and closes on Monday 15 January 2024 to allow processing of approvals and remaining athlete entries to the first World Cup event.

Riders who do not complete or receive an approved **Ride Level Assessment** will not be allowed entry to the event.

To be clear, this is not a process to purposely negate riders from World Cup events, however, CNZ/BMXNZ wish to set a benchmark of riding ability and skill before these events, which in turn aims to mitigate some of the higher risk of injury, of those riders representing New Zealand at World Cup level.

Should you have any questions regarding this process or the requirements it proposes, please contact admin@bmxnewzealand.co.nz

Dion Earnest Executive Officer BMXNZ Brenton Harrison H&S Portfolio BMXNZ Board Ryan Hollows High Performance Director Cycling New Zealand