

Cycling New Zealand – Selection Regulations

Schedule 3A – Mountain Bike DHI Teams

BOARD APPROVED – 9 DECEMBER 2022



1. **Objective:** To maximise the medal winning opportunities at World Championships.
2. **Mandatory Eligibility Requirements for Athletes Seeking Selection:** All athletes seeking selection to the Team must:
 - 1.1 Complete the Athlete Application process by providing all information requested on the on-line Rider Application Form by the date set out in Paragraph 9 below; and
 - 1.2 Participate in the 2023 New Zealand Torpedo 7 MTB National Championships in Queenstown from 25-26 February 2023 unless non-participation is agreed to in writing by the High Performance Director (HPD) or designate, pursuant to Clause 8 of the Cycling New Zealand General Selection Regulations. Non-participation is to be applied for prior to the 2023 National Championships by completing the Extenuating Circumstances Form [HERE](#).
3. **Selection Process**
 - 3.1 There is no obligation on the Relevant Selection Panel to fill the maximum number of positions specified by the UCI, pursuant to the UCI MTB World Championship participation rules.
 - 3.2 Participation at the Mountain Bike events, is dependent on selected athletes being able to fund themselves.
4. **Primary Selection – Men and Women Elite**
 - 3.1 Subject to available national starting positions at the 2023 World Championships, any male athlete who achieves a Top 20 finish and any female athlete who achieves a Top 10 finish in a UCI World Cup DHI event in the calendar year starting 1 January 2023 until the Team Selection date, is entitled to selection.
 - 3.2 If more athletes qualify through section 3.1 than available starting positions, results will be ranked according to best finishing position, with the top results being allocated the spot.
5. **Secondary Selection – Men and Women Elite**
 - 4.1 The Secondary Selection applies in one of two circumstances:

4.1.1 If more athletes would be entitled to selection under the Primary Selection than there are available national starting positions; or

4.1.2 If an athlete has not qualified for selection by the Primary Selection.

4.2 Athletes eligible to be considered for selection under Secondary Selection are to be selected according to results in the calendar year starting 1 January 2023 until the Team selection date:

4.2.1 Any athlete who qualifies for a semi-final in a UCI World Cup DHI event, with results being ranked in order of priority according to result, is eligible for consideration.

4.2.2 If there are remaining spots, any athlete who finishes in the Top two-thirds of the field that started the race, in a UCI World Cup DHI event, with results being ranked in order of priority according to result, is eligible for consideration.

6. Tertiary Selection – Men and Women Elite

5.1 In the event that there are still positions available for selection after the Secondary Selection, the MTB Selection Panel, with agreement from the HPD, may select one additional eligible rider per category.

7. Primary Selection – Men and Women U19

7.1. Subject to available starting positions at the 2023 UCI MTB World Championships, any athlete who achieves a Top 3 position in the 2023 Oceania Continental MTB Championships or in the 2023 New Zealand Torpedo 7 MTB National Championships, is entitled to selection.

8. Secondary Selection – Men and Women U19

7.1 The Secondary Selection applies in one of two circumstances being:

7.1.1 If more athletes would be entitled to selection under the Primary Selection than there are available national starting positions; or

7.1.2 If an athlete has not qualified for selection by the Primary Selection.

7.2 Athletes eligible to be considered for selection under the Secondary Selection are to be ranked in order of priority according to any other UCI event race result achieved in the calendar year starting 1 January 2023 until the Team Selection date.

9. Naming of alternates:

In considering the naming of alternates, The Selection Panel will name alternates to the Team being the next best ranked athlete in their category according to their UCI individual points ranking position at the 2023 World Championships Team selection date.

10. International Mountain Bike Competitions where formal selection is needed:

Unless Cycling New Zealand decides otherwise, Mountain Bike Teams for the International Mountain Bike Competitions identified in the table below will be selected and named at or before the specified dates.

International Mountain Bike Competition	Competition Date	Application Due Date	Team Selection Date
2023 MTB World Championships – DHI, Glasgow, SCO	3-5 August 2023	19 June 2023	5 July 2023
2023 MTB Junior World Championships – DHI, Glasgow, SCO	3-5 August 2023	19 June 2023	5 July 2023

11. Additional Competitions: Without limiting the Board’s power under clause 1.5 of Cycling New Zealand’s General Selection Regulations, HPD, or designate may, in his/her sole discretion, decide to send Teams to compete in additional International Competitions as outlined in 5.4 of Cycling New Zealand’s General Selection Regulations.