

Cycling New Zealand - Selection Regulations

Schedule 3 – Mountain Bike Teams – XCO



15 July 2020

NOTICE: The Covid-19 situation continues to evolve both internationally and in New Zealand. As such there could be further changes to the international cycling calendar which could result in changes to these regulations.

1. **Athlete Nomination:** All athletes seeking selection to the Team must complete the Athlete selection process by completing all information on the on-line Rider Application Form as prescribed in Paragraph 9 in this selection schedule.
2. **Selection prerequisite:** Participation in the 2020 New Zealand National Championships at Dunedin from 24-26 January is mandatory for all nominees for selection. Unless agreed in writing by HPD or designate, pursuant to Clause 10 of the Cycling New Zealand General Selection Regulations.
3. **Selection Process**
 - 3.1. Under this Schedule there will be no pool selection (Article 5 of the Cycling New Zealand General Selection Regulations 2017 – 2020) conducted by the Relevant Selection Panel. All applicants will go directly to the Team Selection Process.
 - 3.2. When exercising its discretion about which (if any) of the factors set out in Article 8 of the Cycling New Zealand General Selection Regulations 2017 – 2020, the Selection Panel shall consider only the criteria in this Schedule.
 - 3.3. 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.
 - 3.4. Participation at the Mountain Bike events, is dependent on selected athletes being able to fund themselves.
 - 3.5. Consideration will be first given to athletes who have registered Extenuating Circumstances as per Clause 10 of the Cycling New Zealand General Selection Regulations.
4. **Primary Selection – Men and Women Elite and U23**
 - 4.1. Subject to available national starting positions at the 2020 World Championships any athlete who achieves a Top 10 finish in a World Cup XCO in the twelve (12) months immediately prior to the 2020 World Championships Team selection date is entitled to selection.
5. **Secondary Selection – Men and Women Elite and U23**
 - 5.1. The Secondary Selection applies in one of two (2) circumstances listed below:
 - 5.1.1 If more athletes would be entitled to selection than there are available national starting positions under the Primary Selection or;
 - 5.1.2 If an athlete has not qualified for selection by the Primary Selection.

- 5.2 Athletes eligible to be considered for selection under the Secondary Selection are to be selected according to their UCI individual ranking positions at the 2020 World Championships Team selection date (“individual ranking positions”).

Only male athletes ranked in the top 150 and female athletes ranked in the top 100 of the UCI individual ranking positions at the 2020 World Championships Team selection date may be eligible for selection. This clause is conditional on an athlete not having qualified by the Primary Selection (see paragraph 5.1.2 above).

6. Tertiary Selection – Men and Women Elite and U23

- 6.1 In the event that there is still spots available for selection after the secondary selection the High Performance Director and or designate may in his or her sole discretion select one additional eligible rider per category to be added to the team.

~~7. Primary Selection – Men and Women U19~~

- ~~7.1 Subject to available national starting positions at the World Championships, any athlete who achieves a top 10 at a UCI Class 1 / UCI Junior Series U19 event in the twelve (12) months immediately prior to the 2020 World Championships Team selection date is entitled to selection.~~

~~8. Secondary Selection – Men and Women U19~~

- ~~8.1 The Secondary Selection applies in one of two circumstances being:~~

~~8.1.1 Where more athletes would be entitled to selection pursuant to the Primary Selection than there are available national starting positions or;~~

~~8.1.2 Where an athlete has not qualified for selection by the Primary Selection.~~

- ~~8.2 Athletes eligible to be considered for selection under the Secondary Selection are to be ranked according to the following criteria:~~

~~8.2.1 Any Top 3 positions achieved at the 2020 New Zealand National MTB Championships and;~~

~~8.2.2 Any Top 5 positions achieved in the 2020 Oceania Continental MTB Championships.~~

9. International Mountain Bike Competitions where formal Selection is needed:

Unless Cycling New Zealand decides otherwise, Mountain Bike Teams will be selected and named at or before the dates mentioned below. Teams will be selected to attend the International Mountain Bike Competitions listed in the table below:

International Mountain Bike Competition	Competition Date	Application Date	Team Selection Date
2020 MTB World Championships - XCO, Leogang, AUT	5-11 October 2020	24 July 2020	31 August 2020

10. Additional Competitions:

Without limiting the Board's power under clause 1.5 of Cycling New Zealand's General Selection Regulations, HP Director, or designate, as applicable, may, in his/her sole discretion, decide to send MTB Teams to compete in additional International MTB Competitions as outlined in 6.3 of Cycling New Zealand's General Selection Regulations.

ADDENDUM

CYCLING NEW ZEALAND POSITION STATEMENT ON INTERNATIONAL CAMPAIGN AND PROJECT ACTIVITIES

15 July 2020

In response to the current global COVID-19 pandemic, Cycling New Zealand (CNZ) wish to make public its current position on their International High Performance Programme activities.

In developing this position statement, consideration was given (but not exclusively) to how the pandemic has affected the general population worldwide, cycling racing, travel, short and long term health risks and CNZ's duty of care towards its members and staff.

CNZ supports and endorses the position of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) of New Zealand stated as follow:

MFAT currently advise that New Zealanders **do not travel** overseas at this time due to the outbreak of COVID-19, associated health risks, widespread travel restrictions and difficulty returning home to New Zealand.

As such, CNZ will not be conducting any national team campaigns or projects due to take place outside of New Zealand before 1 January, 2021 with the following possible exceptions:

1. This position may be reconsidered for campaigns and projects in Australia in the case there is a government endorsed Trans-Tasman travel bubble.
2. This position may be reconsidered for the 2020 UCI Road World Championships, the 2020 UCI MTB World Championships, the 2020 MTB Marathon World Championships, 2020 season Mountain Bike World Cups and remaining 2020 season BMX World Cups.

When considered their position for these events, CNZ will consider (but not exclusively) the most up-to-date MFAT position, the current COVID-19 position of the host country, information from UCI, Event Organisers and the ability of CNZ to provide the appropriate duty of care to their riders and staff. With the aforementioned in mind:

- A decision on the 2020 UCI Road World Championships participation will be taken around but no later than 14 August, 2020.
 - A decision on the 2020 season UCI Mountain Bike World Cups will be taken around but not later than 14 August, 2020.
 - A decision on the 2020 UCI MTB World Championships participation will be taken around but no later than 28 August, 2020.
 - A decision on the 2020 UCI Marathon World Championships will be taken around but no later than 28 August, 2020.
 - A decision on the 2020 season UCI BMX World Cups will be taken around but not later than 25 September, 2020.
3. In the case that this position is reconsidered for the above events, CNZ will only consider selecting and endorsing entries for Elite and U23 riders. Riders in these categories wishing to be considered will need to have been based in Europe for a minimum of one (1) month prior to the date of the start of the competition in question.

4. To provide clarity for Junior riders - CNZ will not enter any U19 (UCI Junior category) riders in any overseas events over which it has entry jurisdiction between now and 31 December 2020 (regardless of any potential exceptions listed above).

CNZ will advise at a later date if any road events taking place between now and the end of 2020 will be considered for Olympic selection.

CNZ continues to monitor the global situation and reserves the right to modify its approach to its activities over the next few months.