



Cycling New Zealand Selection Regulation Process

Purpose

The purpose of this selection regulation process document is to assist, inform and educate athletes, selection panels, high performance staff, the CEO and CNZ board members on the steps, from start to finish, what is needed to put together fair and transparent selection regulations.

Commonwealth Games / Olympic Games / Paralympic Games

These are all considered multi-sport games, so the New Zealand Olympic Committee (NZOC), and National Paralympic Committee (NPC) are involved in the drafting and ratification of the selection policy. Cycling New Zealand do not select athletes for these games, but instead nominate athletes.

Cycling New Zealand have a nomination policy that determines which athletes are put forward to the NZOC and NPC for selection. The NZOC and NPC selection panels have the ultimate decision-making on whether an athlete is selected for a Games.

The Cycling New Zealand Nomination Policy is drafted as follows:

1. Athletes (TAPs athletes) are consulted as to any changes they would like to see. This is through in-person and online anonymous channels.
2. The Selection Panels for each discipline are consulted. Selection Panels are made up of a combination of Member Organisation selectors, independent selectors and Cycling New Zealand staff.
3. Cycling New Zealand HP coaches are consulted.
4. A draft is put together and circulated to all parties who were consulted in (1 to 3) above.
5. The draft nomination policy is then checked by the NZOC selection panel, to ensure alignment with the selection policy.
6. The final nomination policy is then critiqued and signed off by the Cycling New Zealand Board.
7. Finally the nomination policy is made public on the NZOC website.

Cycling New Zealand Selection Regulations

The Selection Regulations (and therefore selection) are made up of two parts that work together:

1. The General Regulations.
2. The discipline specific selection regulation schedules.

The General Regulations

The General Regulations are primarily updated every four years to align with the Olympic and Paralympic Cycle, however they can be updated, with board approval, at any stage in the four years.

The Discipline Specific Selection Regulation Schedules

The discipline specific selection regulation schedules outline the specific criteria required to achieve selection, to fit the objective. The objective changes depending on the discipline (e.g. BMX, track).

These schedules are updated annually, as criteria often needs to change depending on the UCI rules, changes in funding, and other discipline specific contextual matters. Consequently one month post the World Championships for each discipline, the update process starts. It is as follows:

1. The discipline selection panels are consulted and review the previous years selections relative to the regulation. Did they achieve the objective and the purpose?
2. If changes are recommended, they are made and dates changed to reflect the following years competitions.
3. If substantial changes are made, legal review is required.
4. The Cycling New Zealand Board critique and sign off on the final document.
5. Regulations are then placed on the Cycling New Zealand website.