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Before submitting an Expression of Interest, Athletes must read the [AusCycling Selection Policy for UCI World Championships – non-Olympic Sports \(the Policy\)](#) which details the selection process, objectives, eligibility and general selection criteria.

1. Athletes will be required to earn 2026 UCI Gravel World Championships Team (WCT) wildcard selection in accordance with the requirements set out in *the Policy* and this discipline specific document of the AusCycling (AC) selection criteria.

2. ELITE OBJECTIVES

See clause 1 of *the Policy*.

3. PERFORMANCE TIME PERIOD: ELITE MEN AND WOMEN

1 October 2025 – 2 August 2026

4. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

To be eligible for nomination to the WCT, Athletes **MUST** submit an expression of interest by the closing date listed at clause 7 of this document. The expression of interest form is located at <https://auscycling.org.au/athlete-selection-policies/u23-elite-selection-policies> from the published open date.

5. QUALIFICATION, ENTRY AND AGE REQUIREMENTS

- a) For all **age group categories** qualification and entry is through the Gravel World Series qualification system **only**. For more information, see <https://ucigravelworldseries.com/en/regulations>. Qualified riders do not require any endorsement from the National Federation.
- b) For the **Elite Category**, the primary pathway is through the Gravel World Series qualification series. For more information, see <https://ucigravelworldseries.com/en/regulations>.
- c) The minimum age to participate in the UCI Gravel World Championships is 19 years old (as of 31 December in the year of the World Championship).

SELECTION EVENTS AND CRITERIA

6. SELECTION EVENTS

Selections are subject to *the Policy* where the Panel may, at their absolute discretion, consider athletes for selection based upon their performances in the Events listed below.

Elite Men and Women

- a) 2025 Gravel World Championships
- b) 2025/26 Gravel World Series events
- c) UCI listed Gravel events
- d) UCI listed road events
- e) UCI listed XCM events
- f) UCI listed XCO events
- g) Results from other major cycling events which, at the discretion of the selectors, demonstrate a rider's ability to meet one or more of the objectives in clause 1 of *the Policy*.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Panel may consider the athlete's performance in some, all or none of the Selection Events outlined in this criterion. The Panel is under no obligation to consider the athlete's performance in any of the events outlined and may attribute different weighting to each event in its absolute discretion.

7. SELECTION AND EOI TIMELINES

Refer <https://auscycling.org.au/athlete-selection-policies/selection-calendar>.

8. LEVIES

Selected athletes may be required to pay a levy to attend the 2026 Gravel World Championships. Further information will be provided at the time of selection.

LEGEND

MTB	Mountain Bike
UCI	Union Cycliste International
WCT	World Championship Team
XCM	Mountain Bike Marathon
XCO	Olympic Cross Country Mountain Bike

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