

2025  
UCI Gran Fondo  
World  
Championships  
Qualification



Australian riders wanting to qualify for the 2025 UCI Gran Fondo World Championships have 3 options to qualify

## 1. UCI Gran Fondo World Series Qualifier events

Each UCI Gran Fondo World Series event grants qualification rights for the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships. Based on the results of each race, the first 25% of athletes in each age group will be qualified for the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships. The 25% is calculated based on the number of starters in each age group, and not on the number of riders having finished the race.

In addition, the first three riders of each official age category will qualify directly for the World Championships, independently of the number of starters in that age group. Riders must start the race in their age category and finish the race to gain qualification.

The age categories of the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships are:

19-34	60-64
35-39	65-69
40-44	70-74
45-49	75-79
50-54	Etc...
55-59	

Age groups applicable to the UCI Gran Fondo World Series are defined by the rider's age on December 31st of the year of the qualifier event. Age groups applicable to the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships are defined by the riders' age on December 31st of the year of the World Championships.

As qualification for the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships (via a World Series event) starts as of September in the preceding calendar year, any riders who qualify before January 1st and who change age groups during the year of the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships will qualify as per their age group during the year of the qualifier event but will be registered in their new age category for the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships.

At the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships, medals and titles will be awarded for men and/or women as soon as 1 rider is registered in the respective 5-year age category.

Qualification for the individual time trial and road race is determined as follows:

- Qualifier events of the UCI Gran Fondo World Series hosting only a road race will grant qualification for both the road race and time trial at the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships.
- Qualifier events of the UCI Gran Fondo World Series hosting a time trial and a road race will grant qualification for each respective event at the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships - i.e. time trial or road race.
- Qualifier events of the UCI Gran Fondo World Series only hosting a time trial will grant qualification for the time trial only at the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships.

The names of riders having gained qualification through the UCI Gran Fondo World Series will be communicated on the UCI Gran Fondo World Series website and will receive an official email from the UCI/Golazo inviting them to register for the 2025 UCI Gran Fondo World Championships via the dedicated online registration portal.



For further information about qualification events please see: <https://ucigranfondoworldseries.com/en/>

## **2. Masters National Champions**

All Masters national champions from the current year (in road race and individual time trial only) may enter the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships without qualification via the UCI Gran Fondo World Series.

The qualification of the 2025 UCI Gran Fondo World Championships is through the 2025 AusCycling Masters Road in Wagga Wagga, New South Wales. Winner of the Road Race and Time Trial will receive invitations from Golazo/UCI inviting them to register for the 2025 UCI Gran Fondo World Championships via the dedicated online registration portal.

## **3. Wild Cards - National Federation of the host country of the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships**

The National Federation of the host country of the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships may award an additional 20 wildcards (to 10 women and 10 men), which allow athletes to participate in both the time trial and road race. These wildcards are confirmed to the UCI by the respective National Federation.

For 2025, AusCycling will award to second (2<sup>nd</sup>) place in the National Championships Road Race of each category 1 through 10+ in both women and men. Once notified, the 2<sup>nd</sup> place finisher will have 48 hours to claim their wildcard spot. If the rider chooses not to use the wildcard, it will move one place further down the results and be offered to 3<sup>rd</sup> place and on down until claimed.

Should a category at the Masters Nationals Road Race have zero participants, the wildcard for that category will be used in the largest (most participants) category of that gender. For example, If the Women's Masters 1 category has zero participants and Women's Masters 5 is the largest field with 40 participants. The Women's Masters 1 wildcard will transfer to Women's Masters 5 and wildcards will be offered to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishers.