2025 Mountain Bike XCO State Series Guide

New South Wales & Australian Capital Territory





Introduction

The 2025 AusCycling State Mountain Bike Cross Country Series – NSW/ACT is a competition which includes State level MTB Cross Country events which occur throughout the year. The Series is designed to encourage participation and recognise individual rider achievement. The series and championship events also provides an important pathway to National level events and National Team representation.

Series Rounds

Round 1 | 1st June | Nowra | South Coast United Mountain Bikers

Round 2 | 15th June | Awaba | Hunter Mountain Bike Association

Round 3 | 6th July | Mogo MTB Park | Batemans Bay Mountain Bike Club

Round 4 | 10th August | Tamworth MTB Park | Tamworth Mountain Bikers

Round 5 | 31st August | Southern Highlands | Highlands Trails

NSW XCO Championships | 27th/28th September | Wagga | Mountain Bike Wagga

Round 6 | 1st/2nd November | ACT XCO Championships & Series/Finals | CORC

Series Qualification

Either a Full Race License or Off-Road license is required to be eligible for Series Points

Race Categories

The Series categories are open to riders of the categories U13, J15, J17*, J19, U23, Elite and Masters (age based on a riders age as at the 31 December 2025). The Series will recognise categories on UCI age categories as outlined in the table below.

Please Note: Individual event organisers may choose to include U9 and or U11 participation events at these events. In accordance with the AusCycling junior policy series points for these two participation categories will not be collated or awarded at the final event of the year. AusCycling Junior policy can be found here:

auscycling-junior-policy.pdf



Series Points

The points for the Series will be awarded based on the finishing place at each event in accordance with the following table:

| Position | Points |
|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1st | 80 | 11th | 20 | 21st | 10 | 31st | 4 | 41st | 2 |
| 2nd | 65 | 12th | 19 | 22nd | 9 | 32nd | 4 | 42nd | 2 |
| 3rd | 55 | 13th | 18 | 23rd | 8 | 33rd | 4 | 43rd | 2 |
| 4th | 48 | 14th | 17 | 24th | 7 | 34th | 4 | 44th | 2 |
| 5th | 43 | 15th | 16 | 25th | 6 | 35th | 4 | 45th | 1 |
| 6th | 38 | 16th | 15 | 26th | 5 | 36th | 3 | 46th | 1 |
| 7th | 33 | 17th | 14 | 27th | 5 | 37th | 3 | 47th | 1 |
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| 8th | 29 | 18th | 13 | 28th | 5 | 38th | 3 | 48th | 1 |
| 9th | 25 | 19th | 12 | 29th | 5 | 39th | 3 | 49th | 1 |
| 10th | 22 | 20th | 11 | 30th | 5 | 40th | 3 | 50th | 1 |

^{*}Riders who are a DNF/Crash are given the lowest number of points

SERIES POINTS CALCULATION

Series points will be calculated by adding the total points for individual races.

RIDING UP

Riding up is not permitted in these series events for all Junior age categories.

COMBINED CATEGORIES

In the scenario where categories have been combined at an event (for whatever reason), points will be awarded separately.



TIE-BREAK

Should any riders finish on the same number of points at the end of the series, the tie will be broken by way of countback as follows:

- The number of 1st places achieved.
- The number of 2nd places achieved.
- The number of 3rd places achieved.
- The higher placed rider at the ACT Championships/Series Finals

Should the tie remain after the countback, the riders will receive the same placing in the Series.

GRADING

The Series categories are graded and based on both 2023 MTB Cross Country Series Results and the rider's road category.

- a. Riders may be upgraded automatically (except juniors) or be eligible to upgrade if their lap times would place them in the top half of a higher category if racing in the same or similar conditions (min.10 riders required in higher grade). The final decision will be made at the discretion of the handicapper.
- b. Riders may request a downgrade if their lap times (mechanical mishaps excluded) would regularly place them in the bottom half of a lower grade (minimum 10 riders required).
- c. A rider that is upgraded (downgraded) during the season will retain half of the Series points to the next ability category.

CALL UP

Call-ups for Round 1 will be based on the below in priority order:

- National Champion
- Top 20* in the final 2025 State Series Standings

Subsequent round call-ups will be done based on:

Current Top 20* on series points

Please Note: Elite riders in Women's and Men's A grade who haven't raced in previous rounds may be seeded and called up at the discretion of AusCycling independently from series points for safety reasons.

Riders need to be ready for call-ups at least 10 minutes before their start time. Riders who turn up late will lose their call-up position.



SERIES AWARDS

To be eligible for series awards riders must have entered for a minimum of two events.

Final places in the NSW & ACT MTB Cross Country Series will be awarded as follows:

*Awards will be presented at the 2025 ACT MTB Cross Country State Championships/Series Finals

| Prize | Placing |
|--------|---|
| Medals | 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place (Final Placings only) |

EVENT AWARDS

Specific event awards will be provided by and set by the event host.

OTHER INFORMATION

All events will be conducted in accordance with the AusCycling Technical Regulations:

- 1. 2025-general-technical-regulations 0.pdf (auscycling.org.au)
- 2. MTB Cross Country 2025-mountain-bike-technical-regulations.pdf (auscycling.org.au)