

SELECTION CRITERIA

2026 UCI BMX RACING WORLD
CHAMPIONSHIPS:

BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA

CHALLENGE / MASTERS CATEGORIES



1. PREAMBLE

AusCycling (AC) is the national body responsible for the sport of cycling in Australia as recognised by the International Cycling Union (UCI), the Australian Government through the Australian Sports Commission, the Australian Olympic Committee (AOC), Commonwealth Games Australia (CGA) and the Paralympic Australia (PA).

Regardless of the cycling discipline, the UCI recognises AC as the sole body responsible for cycling in Australia. AC holds all rights and is responsible for all selections for Teams at UCI World Championships.

This Selection Policy applies to all athletes who are potentially eligible to be considered for the 2026 UCI BMX Racing World Championships Challenge / Masters Team ('team').

2. OBJECTIVES

Where required, the Selection Panel (Panel) for the Championship will select athletes who they consider in their absolute discretion will have the best chance of meeting one or both of the following objectives, with the Panel having absolute discretion as to the weighting given to the two objectives:

- Riders who are able to achieve the best possible results at a Championships; and/or
- Riders considered to be capable of supporting the team.

3. ELIGIBILITY

General Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for consideration for selection, athletes must:

1. Be an Australian citizen.
2. Have a current racing membership issued by AC or hold a UCI licence with another UCI National Federation with a UCI ID noting Australia as the Sporting Country.
3. Have read, signed and returned the execution page of the current Team Agreement.
4. In the case of Masters aged (all categories 30+) selections, have read, signed and returned the AusCycling No Doping Declaration and declared that their circumstances have not changed since submitting the declaration.
5. Complete all integrity education required by AC as outlined in Section 6.
6. Agree to participate in and meet all competition and participation requirements as determined by the Team Manager.
7. Not have breached the Anti-Doping Policies of UCI or AusCycling nor have had a sanction imposed which has not been completed. For the purpose of considering eligibility for selection, a breach of an Anti-Doping Policy may include:
8. An athlete currently under investigation for an Anti-Doping Rule Violation (ADRV) where an infraction notice has been issued or the athlete has been stood down under UCI, and/or AusCycling Anti-Doping Policies; or



9. A failure to comply with an athlete's obligations under either UCI or AusCycling Anti-Doping Policy, even if such a breach does not result in an ADRV.
10. Not currently be suspended by AusCycling for any reason. Not currently be under investigation as a result of any indictable criminal charge (even where such charge has been heard summarily) having been brought against them, nor be currently serving a penalty issued by a Court as a result of an indictable criminal charge being proven, unless he/she is able to satisfy the AusCycling Board (at its sole discretion) that exceptional circumstances (in the context of the charge and/or penalty) apply. Where the Board is satisfied that exceptional circumstances apply, the athlete may be considered for selection in accordance with these selection criteria. Any request for the Board to consider an athlete's particular circumstances must be submitted to the AusCycling CEO in writing at least 3 weeks prior to selection. The Board is not obliged to consider any request made under this clause.

4. TEAM SIZE

Up to Thirty-Two (**32**) riders in each Challenge category which is scheduled for competition and up to **16** Riders in each Masters Category.

The limits specified above exclude the riders ranked from one (1) to eight (8) at the 2025 UCI BMX Racing World Championships (Challenge) or Masters. These riders can be automatically qualified and added as additional riders to the quota of riders selected according to AusCycling criteria.

5. CATEGORIES

The UCI recognised categories to be selected as follows:

Categories for **Standard 20"** bicycles

- Boys: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16
- Girls: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16
- Men: 17-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35 and over
- Women: 17-24, 25 and Over
- Masters Men: 30 and Over
- Masters Women: 30 and Over

Categories for **Cruiser 24"** bicycles

- Boys: 12 & under, 13 & 14, 15 & 16
- Girls: 12 & under, 13 - 16
- Men: 17-24, 25-29, 30 - 34, 35 - 39, 40 - 44, 45-49, 50 and over
- Women: 17-29, 30-39, 40 & over

Should, for any reason, the UCI change the categories the selection criteria may be amended to account for any changes.



6. REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR SELECTION

To be eligible for nomination to the team all riders must compete in one of the following event/s.

Please refer to table outlined in section 8.

- **2026 GWM BMX Racing National Championships – Shepparton, Victoria**
Date: April 13-19, 2026
- **2026 AusCycling BMX Racing National Series Round 3 – Macarthur, Sydney**
Date: May 23, 2026 and complete SIA's (SA e-learning) online courses.
- Anti-doping Fundamentals
- Annual Update (Anti-Doping)
- Competition manipulation and Sports Betting

7. SELECTION PROCESS

Eligible selections will first be filled by competitors who meet the Group 1 criteria, as outlined below. The remaining eight selections will then be allocated to riders meeting the Group 2 criteria. If places are still available thereafter, invitations will be extended to eligible competitors from the 2026 GWM BMX Racing National Championships who have not yet qualified in order of placing.

8. SELECTION CRITERIA

Selection will be determined using the following criteria:

- A top **Eight (8)** finish at the 2025 UCI BMX Racing World Championships*

*For UCI aligned categories as outlined in **Table 1**:*

Group 1: 2026 GWM BMX Racing National Championships – The Top **Twenty-Four (24)** riders.

Group 2: 2026 BMX National Series Round 3 – Top **Eight (8)** placing riders who have not already qualified in Group 1 (noting this is not automatically the top 8 finish positions it will be the top 8 placings of riders who have not previously qualified).



Table 1: Number of Qualifiers by Category Group 1 and 2

UCI Categories	AusCycling Categories	Qualifiers from Each Category		Total Maximum Number of Riders Selected in each Category
		2026 GWM BMX Racing National Champs (Group 1)	2026 National Series RD3 (Group 2)	
Masters Men 20 Inch				
30+		16	-	16
Masters Women 20 Inch				
30+		16	-	16
Boys and Girls 20 Inch				
8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16		24	8	32
Men's 20 Inch				
17-24, 25-29, 30-34		24	8	32
Women's 20 Inch				
17-24		24	8	32
Boys Cruiser 24 Inch				
13-14		24	8	32
15-16		24	8	32
Men's Cruiser 24 Inch				
17-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49		24	8	32

For non-UCI aligned categories

Times will be taken from all Motos, Qualifiers and Finals from the **2026 GWM BMX Racing National Champs** to determine the overall fastest times as outlined in Table 2

Table 2: Number of Qualifiers by Category

UCI Categories	AusCycling Categories	Automatic Qualifiers from Each Category 2026 National Champs	Maximum Number of Riders
Men's 20 Inch			
35+	35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60+	32	32
Women's 20 Inch			
25+	25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60+	32	32
Boys Cruiser 24 Inch			
8-12	8-10, 11-12	32	32
Girls Cruiser 24 Inch			
8-12	8-10, 11-12	32	32



13-16	13-14, 15-16	32	32
Men's Cruiser 24 Inch			
50+	50-54, 55-59, 60+	32	32

Women's Cruiser 24 Inch			
17-29	17-24, 25-29	32	32
30-39	30-34, 35-39	32	32
40+	40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60+	32	32

*The above limits exclude riders who placed One (1) to Eight (8) at the 2025 UCI BMX Racing World Championships (Challenge/Masters). These riders automatically qualify and will be added in addition to the allocated rider quota.

9. SCHEDULE FOR AUSTRALIAN BMX CHALLENGE TEAM SELECTION

To **confirm your place on the team**, full payment of levies and submission of any additional requirements must be completed by the acceptance deadline associated with each qualifying event, as outlined below:

2026 GWM BMX Racing National Championships	8 May 2026
2026 BMX Racing National Series Rd 3	3 June 2026

10. CHANGES TO SCHEDULE

AusCycling reserves the right to change these announcement dates if more time is needed to ensure due process and fairness in selection and compliance with UCI entry dates.

Additional athletes may be nominated, after the selection dates at the discretion of AusCycling.

11. COMMUNICATION

It is the responsibility of each athlete to indicate their desire to be selected for a team. If they do not confirm by the date set in the table above in section 9, their selection will be offered to the next eligible rider on the waitlist. The final team will be communicated on 12 June 2026.



12. AMENDMENTS TO THE SELECTION CRITERIA

These selection criteria may be amended or supplemented, particularly where matters arise which have not been provided for in these criteria. All amendments must be approved by the AusCycling CEO. If approved, AusCycling will use their best endeavours to notify all relevant parties in writing, of the criteria amendment or supplement, with as much notice as possible.

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