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# INDEPENDENT ATHLETE ENTRY CRITERION

# FEDERATION ENTRY CRITERION

2026 ENDURO (EDR) WORLD CUP

## 1. PREAMBLE

This criterion should be read in conjunction with the **Privateer and Independent Athlete Policy**. The policy provides general information on eligibility, extenuating circumstances, and clothing requirements.

AusCycling administers federation entries and independently qualified Australian riders for EDR World Cup events. **See Table 1 for full information on qualifying and Federation entry quotas.**

Federation entries are provided by the UCI to National Federations and are the equivalent of National Team entries, similar to World Championships. As a result, there is a selection process, and specific mandatory requirements that must be met to be eligible. Federation entries are limited and demand for entries often exceeds the number of places available. All riders are advised to carefully read and understand all the information below.

## 2. MANDATORY EVENTS and MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

There are currently no mandatory event minimum performance standard requirements for EDR for the 2026 World Cup season.

## 3. FEDERATION ENTRY SELECTION PROCESS

3.1. Entry allocation will be made using the following process and criteria:

### 3.1.1. Elite Men and Women EDR

- a. Entries will be allocated on the dates listed in table 2 below from applications received to eligible riders in order of EDR global ranking at each of the respective allocation dates.
- b. Any remaining entries will be allocated to riders without an EDR Global ranking in order of application receipt.

### 3.1.2. Junior Men and Women EDR

- a. One (1) entry will be allocated to the best placed U17 rider from the 2025 EDR National Championships on the dates listed in table 2 below
- b. Remaining entries will be allocated on the dates listed in table 2 below from applications received to eligible riders in order of EDR global ranking at each of the respective allocation dates.
- c. Any remaining entries will be allocated to riders without an EDR Global ranking in order of application receipt.

3.2. Any remaining entry allocations from applications received after the allocation date for each block will be allocated on a first come first serve basis during the season. Applications must be received at least 4 weeks prior to the event closing date (see table 2).

3.3. Riders who are allocated federations entries who subsequently cannot race due to injury, illness, changed travel plans or any other circumstance **MUST** notify AusCycling's MTB and Non-Olympic Operations Manager immediately so entries can be allocated to the next rider in line. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of any other federation entries allocated and inability to apply again in the future.

#### **4. INDEPENDENT ATHLETE ENTRIES**

Athletes that have qualified for entry through their EDR Global Ranking (see table below for details) are also entered by AusCycling. Entry requests can be made through the EOI form in clause 5.

#### **5. APPLICATIONS**

Applications for Federation entry allocation and requests for qualified independent athlete entries can be made via the form [HERE](#).

All enquiries to AusCycling's MTB and Non-Olympic Operations Manager – Evan James  
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**Table 1: Summary of the UCI requirements for UCI EDR World Cup entry (changes for 2026 in red)**

| Category                         | UCI Qualification for Independent Entry                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | National Federation Entry Allocation per round |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| <b>EDR - Elite Men and Women</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UCI MTB WORLD SERIES TEAM</li> <li>• UCI MTB TEAM</li> <li>• Any rider ranked in the top 300 (men) or top 75 (women) of the Enduro Global ranking on 31.12.2025</li> <li>• Any rider ranked in the top 50 (men) or top 50 (women) of the last UCI EDR individual ranking before the event entry closing date (one month prior to the event)</li> <li>• Current World, Continental and National champions</li> </ul> | 3 men + 3 women                                |
| <b>EDR – U19 Men and Women</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UCI MTB WORLD SERIES TEAM</li> <li>• UCI MTB TEAM</li> <li>• Any rider ranked in the top 300 (men) or top 75 (women) of the Enduro Global ranking on 31.12.2025</li> <li>• Any rider ranked in the top 50 (men) or top 50 (women) of the last UCI EDR individual ranking before the event entry closing date (one month prior to the event)</li> <li>• Current World champion</li> </ul>                            | 4 men + 4 women                                |

**Table 2: EDR World Cup Federation Application, Entry Allocation and Entry Closing Dates**

Entry ranking and closing dates will be updated when released by the UCI.

| Event Date   | Event Venue   | Country | Entry Ranking Date | Entry Close Date | Federation Entry Application Close | Federation Entry Allocation Date | Allocation Block |
|--------------|---------------|---------|--------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| 28 - 31 May  | Loudenvielle  | FRA     | TBC                | TBC              | 17.02.2025                         | 19.02.2025                       | Block 1          |
| 11 - 14 June | Leogang       | AUT     | TBC                | TBC              |                                    |                                  |                  |
| 26 - 28 June | Val di Fassa  | ITA     | TBC                | TBC              | 10.03.2025                         | 12.03.2025                       | Block 2          |
| 3 - 5 July   | La Thuile     | ITA     | TBC                | TBC              |                                    |                                  |                  |
| 17 – 19 July | Aletsch Arena | SWI     | TBC                | TBC              | 14.04.2025                         | 16.04.2025                       | Block 3          |
| 14 – 16 Aug  | Lets Gets     | FRA     | TBC                | TBC              |                                    |                                  |                  |