INDEPENDENT ATHLETE ENTRY CRITERION

FEDERATION ENTRY CRITERION

2025/26 UCI CYCLO-CROSS (CX) WORLD CUP



1. PREAMBLE

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

AusCycling administers federation entries for CX World Cup events for any Australian riders that are not members of UCI Teams.

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 are minimum standards, 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.

1. MANDATORY EVENT REQUIREMENTS

- 1.1. To be eligible for a federation entry applicants **MUST** compete in the following events **or** apply for exemption for extenuating circumstances as outlined in <u>Privateer and Independent Athlete Policy</u>.
 - a. Elite, U23 and Junior Men and Women
 - 2025 AusCycling CX National Championships in the category they are applying for World Cup entry in.

2. MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

There are no minimum performance standards for CX for the 2025/26 World Cup season.

3. FEDERATION ENTRY SELECTION PROCESS

- 3.1. Entry allocation will be made using the following process and criteria:
 - a. Federation entries will be allocated to eligible applicants in order of application receipt. Applications for a given event must be made a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the entry opening date (see table below).
- 3.2. AusCycling reserves the right to allocate federation entries to riders who were granted exemption from attending mandatory events in extraordinary circumstances.
- 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 Operations Manager MTB & CX 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. APPLICATIONS

Applications for Federation entry allocation can be made via the form **HERE**.

All enquiries to AusCycling's MTB and Non-Olympic Operations Manager – Evan James evan.james@auscycling.org.au

CX World Cup Federation Application, Entry Allocation and Entry Closing Dates

| Date | Venue | Nation | UCI World Cup Categories | UCI ranking | Registration opening at 12:00 CET | Registration deadline at 16:00 CET | Entries list publication |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|----------------|---|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sunday 23 November 2025 | Tábor | CZE | WE ME WJ MJ MU | Tu. 11.11.2025 | Th. 13.11.2025 | Mo. 17.11.2025 | Tu. 18.11.2025 |
| Sunday 30 November 2025 | Flamanville | FRA | WE ME WJ MJ MU | Tu. 18.11.2025 | Th. 20.11.2025 | Mo. 24.11.2025 | Tu. 25.11.2025 |
| Sunday 07 December 2025 | Terralba | ITA | WE ME | Tu. 25.11.2025 | Th. 27.11.2025 | Mo. 01.12.2025 | Tu. 02.12.2025 |
| Sunday 14 December 2025 | Namur | BEL | WE ME | Tu. 02.12.2025 | Th. 04.12.2025 | Mo. 08.12.2025 | Tu. 09.12.2025 |
| Saturday 20 December 2025 | Antwerpen | BEL | WE ME | Tu. 09.12.2025 | Th. 11.12.2025 | Mo. 15.12.2025 | Tu. 16.12.2025 |
| Sunday 21 December 2025 | Koksijde | BEL | WE ME WJ MJ MU | Tu. 09.12.2025 | Th. 11.12.2025 | Mo. 15.12.2025 | Tu. 16.12.2025 |
| Friday 26 December 2025 | Gavere | BEL | WE ME | Tu. 16.12.2025 | Tu 16.12.2025 | Fr 19.12.2025 | Mo 22.12.2025 |
| Sunday 28 December 2025 | Dendermonde | BEL | WE ME WJ MJ MU | Tu. 16.12.2025 | Th. 18.12.2025 | Mo. 22.12.2025 | Tu. 23.12.2025 |
| Sunday 04 January 2026 | Zonhoven | BEL | WE ME | Tu. 24.12.2025 | Th. 26.12.2025 | Mo. 29.12.2025 | Tu. 30.12.2025 |
| Sunday 18 January 2026 | Benidorm Costa Blanca | ESP | WE ME WJ MJ MU | Tu. 06.01.2026 | Th. 08.01.2026 | Mo. 12.01.2026 | Tu. 13.01.2026 |
| Saturday 24 January 2026 | Maasmechelen | BEL | WE ME | Tu. 13.01.2026 | Th. 15.01.2026 | Mo. 19.01.2026 | Tu. 20.01.2026 |
| Sunday 25 January 2026 | Hoogerheide | NED | WE ME WJ MJ MU | Tu. 13.01.2026 | Th. 15.01.2026 | Mo. 19.01.2026 | Tu. 20.01.2026 |