



**AUSCYCLING**

***UCI 2024 OLYMPIC CROSS-COUNTRY  
WORLD CUP ENTRY INFORMATION  
and FEDERATION ENTRY SELECTION  
CRITERION***



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## FEDERATION ENTRY SELECTION CRITERION

### Olympic Cross-Country 2024 UCI MTB XCO World Cup

#### PREAMBLE

AusCycling administers entries for UCI MTB World Cup events for all individual Australian riders. This includes both riders with, and without the required minimum UCI points. Riders without the required minimum UCI points (see table below) must apply for a Federation entry. Riders on UCI listed teams are entered by their team.

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 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.

Table 1: Summary of the UCI point requirements for UCI MTB World Cup entry (XCO)

Category	Minimum UCI Points Required for UCI Team Entry	Minimum UCI Points Required for Individual Entry	National Federation Entry Allocation
XCO – Elite Men and Women	60	60	6 Men + 6 Women
XCO – U23 Men	-	80	6
XCO – U23 Women	-	20	6

UCI rankings and points are updated every Tuesday (European time) and can be found at <https://www.uci.org/mountain-bike/rankings>

## 1. ELIGIBILITY

1.1. To be eligible for consideration for selection athletes must:

1.1.1. **Be an Australian citizen; or**

1.1.2. An Australian resident not including visitors to Australia on work permits, student visas or visitor visas – providing they have not ridden for another country in that national team and have not contested the National Championships of another National Federation in the preceding two years.

1.1.3. **Have a current racing membership issued by AC or hold a license of another UCI National Federation with an 'AUS' designation. Once selected riders will be required to have a UCI License and UCI ID.**

1.1.4. Have read, signed and returned the execution page of the current **Team Agreement**.

1.1.5. Have read, signed and returned the **AusCycling No Doping Declaration** and declared that their circumstances have not changed since submitting the declaration.

1.1.6. **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:

- 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 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.

1.1.7. Have completed **SIA Anti-Doping Education**: To be eligible to compete, all athletes must be up to date and fully compliant with Sports Integrity Australia Anti-Doping Fundamentals.

1.1.8. Not currently be suspended by AusCycling for any reason.

1.1.9. Not have served a period of suspension of two years or more for having been found guilty of an ADRV; or any other rule breach.

1.1.10. 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.

## 2. MANDATORY EVENT REQUIREMENTS

2.1. To be eligible for a federation entry applicants **MUST** compete in the following events, or apply for exemption for extenuating circumstances as outlined in the *Selection and Appeals Policy for UCI World Championships* document, Clause 4.

2.1.1. **Elite and U23 Men and Women**

- 2024 AusCycling XCO National Championships
- 2024 Oceania XCO Championships

### 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 and U23 Men and Women:**

- All entry allocations will be made on **Wednesday March 27** to individual riders in order of the latest UCI ranking on Tuesday March 19 including any UCI points earned at the 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Championships in XCO. If applicants have the same UCI points then the higher placed at National Championships will take precedence.
- Any remaining entry allocations from applications received after March 27 will be allocated on a first come first serve basis during the season based on UCI ranking.

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 then subsequently cannot race due to injury, illness, changed travel plans or any other circumstance **MUST** notify AusCycling's MTB Pathways and Operations Manager immediately so the entry 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 ineligibility to apply again in the future.

### 4. HOW TO APPLY

4.1. Complete the application form [HERE](#).

4.2. Closing date for the initial round of allocations is **Monday March 25**.

4.3. Closing date for any subsequent allocations of remaining federation entries is 3 weeks prior to each UCI Mountain Bike World Cup.

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