



AUSCYCLING

***UCI 2024 DOWNHILL WORLD CUP
ENTRY INFORMATION and
FEDERATION ENTRY SELECTION
CRITERION***

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FEDERATION ENTRY SELECTION CRITERION

Downhill Individual (DHI) UCI 2024 MTB DHI World Cups

PREAMBLE

AusCycling administers entries for UCI Mountain Bike 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. As a result, there are minimum standards, a selection process, and mandatory requirements that must be met to be eligible.

The World Cup, along with World Championships, is the highest level of downhill racing currently available globally and accordingly any rider selected for a federation entry is expected to demonstrate a high level of experience and performance. 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. It is recommended that Elite riders that do not have the required 40 UCI points to allow individual entry plan their overseas trips around iXS Cup and Crankworx events where there are no entry limitations. iXS Cups and Crankworx events provide competition and development opportunities at a level similar to World Cups and are UCI listed (allowing riders to earn UCI points).

Table 1: Summary of the UCI point requirements for UCI Downhill World Cup entry

Category	Minimum UCI Points Required for UCI Team Entry	Minimum UCI Points Required for Individual Entry	National Federation Entry Allocation
DHI – Elite Men and Women	-	40	3 Men + 3 Women
DHI – Junior Men and Women	-	No Individual Entries	6 Men + 6 Women

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 prior to the event, as outlined in the *Selection and Appeals Policy for UCI World Championships* document, Clause 4.

2.1.1. Elite Men and Women

- 2024 AusCycling DHI National Championships

These events are mandatory as riders seeking to race at an international level should be making every reasonable attempt to gain the minimum 40 UCI points required for individual entry.

2.1.2. Junior Men and Women

- 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Championships (DHI)

3. MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

3.1. To be eligible for a federation entry riders must meet the following minimum performance standards in the category they are applying for a federation entry into:

3.1.1. Elite Men

- A minimum of 5 UCI points at the time of entry allocation
 - **AND** Top 12 result at the 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Championships (DHI)
 - **OR** Top 8 result at any 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Series - DHI rounds

3.1.2. Elite Women

- A minimum of 5 UCI points at the time of entry allocation
 - **AND** Top 8 result at the 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Championships (DHI)
 - **OR** Top 5 result at any 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Series DHI rounds

3.1.3. Junior Men

- Top 12 result at the 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Championships (DHI)
 - **OR** Top 8 result at any 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Series DHI rounds

3.1.4. Junior Women

- Top 5 result at the 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Championships (DHI)
 - **OR** Top 3 result at any 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Series DHI rounds

4. FEDERATION ENTRY SELECTION PROCESS

4.1. All Federation entries (Junior and Elite) will be allocated on the dates in the following table.

Table 2 – Application and Entry Allocation Dates

	World Cup Round	Event Date	Application Close Date	Entry Allocation Date
Block 1	Fort William	3-5 May	Monday 18 March	Wednesday 20 March
	Bielsko-Biala	17-19 May		
	Leogang	7-9 June		
	Val di Sole	14-16 June		
	Haute Savoie	28 June – 7 July		
Block 2	Loudenvielle	6-8 Sept	Monday July 8	Wednesday 10 July
	Mont Sainte Anne	4-6 Oct		

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

- **Elite Men and Women**
 - **Block 1:** UCI ranking as of 20 March 2024
 - **Block 2:** UCI ranking as of 10 July 2024
- **Junior Men and Women**
 - **Block 1:**
 - All applicants will be ranked using points table 3 from results at:
 - 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Championships (DHI)
 - **PLUS** best 2 results from the 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Series rounds 1, 2 and 3
 - **Block 2:**
 - Any eligible Junior applicant that has been selected to the Australian Junior Team for the 2024 DHI World Championships
 - Followed by riders ranked using the points table 3 from results at:
 - 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Championships (DHI)
 - **PLUS** best 2 results from the 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Series rounds 1, 2 and 3
- Federation entries will be allocated to eligible applicants in order until either all applicants receive an entry, or entry quotas are exhausted. If ranking points are tied then the better result at the 2024 AusCycling Mountain Bike National Championships (DHI) will take precedence.
- Any entries remaining after the allocation date will be allocated on a first come first serve basis to eligible riders that have reached minimum performance standards.

4.3. AusCycling reserves the right to allocate federation entries to riders who were granted exemption from attending mandatory events in extraordinary circumstances.

4.4. 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 Pathways and

Operations Manager MTB and CX 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.

5. HOW TO APPLY

5.1. Complete the application form [HERE](#). Take careful note of the application closing dates in the table 1 above.

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Table 3 – Federation Entry Ranking Points for Selection Events

Position	Final
1	200
2	186
3	176
4	168
5	160
6	152
7	144
8	136
9	124
10	116
11	110
12	108
13	106
14	104
15	102
16	100
17	98
18	96
19	94
20	92
21	90
22	88
23	86
24	84
25	82
26	80
27	78
28	76
29	74
30	72