



**AUSCYCLING**

***DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC  
SELECTION CRITERION***

***2024 UCI MOUNTAIN BIKE MARATHON (XCM)  
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS***

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### 2024 UCI Cross Country Marathon (XCM)

### World Championships

21-22 September 2024 | Snowshoe USA

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#### 1. GENERAL

- 1.1. Athletes will be required to earn World Championships Team selection in accordance with the *AusCycling Selection Policy for UCI World Championships*, and this discipline specific document of the AusCycling (AC) selection criteria.
- 1.2. **Objectives:** As outlined in clause 1 of the *AusCycling Selection Policy for UCI World Championships*.
- 1.3. **Team size:** As outlined in clause 3.3 of the *AusCycling Selection Policy for UCI World Championships*.
- 1.4. To be eligible for selection athletes MUST submit an expression of interest by the closing date listed in clause 8. Athletes that do not submit an expression of interest may be included by the AusCycling Pathways and Operations Manager – MTB & CX and considered by the Panel, but will not be notified of non-selection. The expression of interest form will be located at <https://auscycling.org.au/australian-cycling-team/page/selection> from the published open date.
- 1.5. Selectors at their absolute discretion may exempt an applicant from meeting requirements under clause 3 and 4 of this document in extraordinary circumstances.
- 1.6. To be eligible for selection consideration, athletes must be able to abide by Federal and/or State and Territory Government laws regarding COVID-19. When travelling as part of the National Team, all athletes are to comply with the relevant State/Territory/Country COVID-19 restrictions, COVID-19 testing, or vaccination requirements, and any additional measures implemented by AusCycling where necessary. AusCycling strongly recommends individuals to be fully up to date with their COVID-19 vaccinations prior to travel. If vaccination is required due to State/Territory/Country COVID-19 entry requirements, but vaccination is not appropriate due to underlying health conditions or other, athletes will be required to obtain both a medical report from a registered medical doctor validating the condition(s) and their basis for contraindication to vaccination.

## 2. PERFORMANCE PERIOD AND SELECTION EVENTS

2.1. **Performance Time Period:** The performance period for the purposes of selections is:

2.1.1. **Elite Men and Women** – 1 August 2023 – 30 June 2024

2.1.2. In the case of extenuating circumstances being approved under clause 4 of the *AusCycling Selection Policy for UCI World Championships*, the Selectors may consider an athlete's results in the 6 months prior to the performance time period.

2.1.3. For the purposes of nominations, the Selectors will consider performances achieved in the following events during the performance period, and discretionary factors as outlined in clause 2.2 of the *AusCycling Selection Policy for UCI World Championships*, where Selectors may use absolute discretion. Events are not listed in any particular weighting order and selectors may, at their absolute discretion, consider results in the context of, but not limited to, the level of competition, the depth of field, the quality and difficulty of the racetrack, and the relevance of the racetrack in relation to the 2024 WC track.

- 2024 AusCycling XCM National Championships.
- Other major national and international level XCM events within the performance time- period, such as UCI sanctioned international XCM events and AusCycling approved XCM events.
- Established private promoter XCM events.
- Major national and international level Road, Gravel and XCO results where appropriate.

## 3. MANDATORY EVENTS

3.1. **Mandatory Events:** To be eligible for nomination to the team all riders must compete in the following events or apply for exemption under clause 4 of the *AusCycling Selection Policy s for UCI World Championships*. Riders must compete in the same category they are seeking World Championships selection in.

3.1.1. 2024 AusCycling XCM National Championships

## 4. MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

4.1. To be eligible for nomination to the team all riders must meet minimum performance standards. This includes automatic and non-automatic nominations.

4.1.1. **Elite Men and Women**

- Have a race time within 108% of the winning race time at the 2024 AusCycling XCM National Championships in the Elite category.
- **OR** have a race time within 108% of the winning race time in the Elite category at **ANY** of the following events:
  - The Rapid Ascent Otway Odyssey – 24 Feb 2024
  - The RAD Season Convict 100 – 4 May 2024
- **OR** Top 50 at a UCI XCM World Series, HC or S1 stage race event.

## 5. AUTOMATIC SELECTION CRITERIA

5.1. Automatic selection will be determined using the following criteria in order.

### 5.1.1. Elite Men and Women

- 2024 XCM National Champion Elite category
- Top 25 at a UCI XCM World Cup during the performance period
- Top 60 ranking in the UCI XCM World Cup Series at the end of the performance period

## 6. NON-AUTOMATIC SELECTION CRITERIA

6.1. If quota places remain after all automatic selections have been made the Selectors, at their absolute discretion, may nominate additional athletes that meet the objectives stated in clause 1.2. All non-automatic nominations must meet eligibility criteria and minimum performance standards.

## 7. SCHEDULE FOR 2024 MOUNTAIN BIKE MARATHON WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM SELECTION

7.1. The timeframes for the selection process of the Mountain Bike Marathon Team to contest the 2024 UCI Mountain Bike Marathon (XCM) World Championships are:

- Thursday, 1 February 2024 - Mandatory Expressions of Interest Open
- Monday, 3 June 2024 - Mandatory Expressions of Interest Close
- Friday, 5 July 2024 (5PM AEST) – Final team selections forwarded to AusCycling CEO for endorsement
- Tuesday, 7 July 2024 (5PM AEST) – Athletes receive confidential notification of selection / non-selection to the XCM World Championships Team
- Thursday, 9 July 2024 (5PM AEST) – Closing date for appeals against non-selection (*AusCycling Selection Appeals Policy for UCI World Championships, clause 7*)
- Monday, 13 July 2024 - Week scheduled for appeal hearings, if required
- Monday, 22 July 2024 - Final XCM World Championships Team announced by AusCycling

## 8. CHANGES TO SCHEDULE

- 8.1. 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.
- 8.2. Additional athletes may be nominated to a National Team after the selection dates at the discretion of the Selectors.

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### LEGEND

AC	AusCycling
AEST	Australian Eastern Standard Time
CX	Cyclo-cross
MTB	Mountain Bike
UCI	Union Cycliste International
WC	World Championships
XCM	Mountain Bike Marathon
XCO	Cross-country Olympic