
SELECTION POLICY FOR CANADIAN MOUNTAIN BIKE NATIONAL CYCLING TEAMS FOR 2013

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Note: In case of any wording discrepancies between the English and French versions of the selection policy, the English wording takes precedence.



INTRODUCTION

This Policy is in two parts. **Part A** sets out the background and procedure for selection of riders to all Canadian Road Pools and Teams. **Part B** sets out the general Selection Criteria and **Schedules 1 to 4** set out the Specific Selection Criteria for each Category, namely:

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PART A - GENERAL

Part A of this Policy sets out the scope and purpose of the Policy, who it applies to, the procedure of the Cycling CANADA Cyclisme (CC) Selection Committee, the eligibility and communication requirements for riders seeking selection and how this Policy can be amended.

1. SCOPE AND PURPOSE OF POLICY

- a. This Policy is issued by the CC to clearly set out the process and criteria on which riders will be selected to be members of the Road Pools and Teams for the period 15 January 2013 to 15 October 2013.
- b. Subject to clauses 1.c (Part A) and 12.d (Part B), this Policy covers the selection of riders to Pools and Teams for the following Events:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Training Camp 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continental champs WC#1 GER WC#2 CZE WC#3 ITA WC#4 AND WC#5 CAN WC#6 NOR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Championships RSA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worlds (Downhill) Worlds (4X) Worlds (Trials) Worlds (Marathon)
Domestic Projects (Schedule 1) 	WC Projects (Schedule 2) 	World Champs (Schedule 3) 	Downhill (Schedule 4) 

- c. Cycling Canada may decide at any time in its discretion not to select or enter a Team, or to vary the Team size in any one or more of the Events specified in the table in clause 1.b (Part A). This decision may be made for any reason including, but not limited to, the decision by the Event organizer not to invite the CC to enter a team in an Event or financial constraints of the CC. Riders seeking selection to Teams for these Events will be notified as soon as practicable if CC decides not to select a Team under this clause.

2. APPLICATION OF THIS POLICY

- a. This Policy shall take effect on 15 January, 2013.
- b. This Policy applies to all members of CC and all riders wishing to be considered for selection to the Mountain Bike Teams.

3. DEFINITIONS

- a. The words used in this Policy shall have the following meanings:
 - **Selection Committee** means the committee appointed by CC High Performance Committee to be part of the process of selecting riders in each Category. The members of the Selection Committee may differ between the different Categories but all Selection Committees will include the HPD and the National Team Coach.
 - **CC Cycling Canada Cyclisme**
 - **HPD- Head Coach** means CC's High Performance Director
 - **HPM** means CC's High Performance Manager



- **Category** means the category of riders as specified in this policy namely Elite, U23 (men only), and U19 riders.
- **CCES** means the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport
- **Due Date** means the date by which any written applications for exemption to the pre-condition requirements set out in clause 8 must be received by the HPD as specified in each projects selection criteria.
- **Event** means the different events held at competitions for the cycling sport. For example for Road includes both time trial and road race events unless specified otherwise.
- **Elite** means the Category of riders aged 23 years and above for men, and aged 19 years and above for women, as specified in the UCI Cycling Regulations.
- **Eligible** means a rider that has satisfied the requirements in clause 5 of this Policy, and in terms of eligibility to be selected for Road Teams also means the rider has satisfied the requirements in the applicable Schedule for the rider's Category.
- **In Writing** means a written letter that is posted or an electronic letter (email).
- **National Team Coach** means the person appointed as coach for the different sports of cycling.
- **Canadian Team** means the men's and women's teams of riders that are selected to represent Canada in Events in each Category as defined in this Policy, also referred to as "**the Team**".
- **Pool** is a group of riders from which a Team is selected.
- **SDRCC** – Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada
- **Sport Coordinator** means the person who assists the National Team Coach for the different sports of cycling.
- **Sports of Cycling** means road, mountain bike, para - cycling, track and BMX.
- **Selection Criteria** means the criteria specified in Part B of this Policy including the Specific Selection Criteria set out in Schedules 1 to 3 inclusive.
- **Selection Date** means the date that selections made by the CCC Selection Panel are announced, as specified in Schedules 1 to 3.
- **Specific Selection Criteria** means the criteria listed in Schedules 1 to 3 inclusive.
- **UCI** means the International Cycling Union, which is the international association of national cycling federations of which the CCC is the national federation of Canada.
- **UCI Cycling Regulations** means the regulations issued by UCI from time to time that regulate the sport of cycling.
- **Under 17, U17 or "Cadet"** means the Category of riders aged under 17 years of age as specified in the UCI Cycling Regulations.
- **Under 19, U19 or "Junior"** means the Category of riders aged 17 and 18 years of age as specified in the UCI Cycling Regulations.
- **Under 23, U23 or "Espoir"** means the Category of male riders aged 19-22 years of age as specified in the UCI Cycling Regulations.



4. SELECTION COMMITTEE

- a. The Selection Committee will have sole authority to select riders from Pools to Canadian Teams.

5. ELIGIBILITY

- a. To be eligible for consideration for selection to a Canadian Road Pool or Team, each rider seeking selection must:
 - i. Be a Canadian citizen at the time of application for their CC license, (including UCI International License) unless specified otherwise in the UCI Cycling Regulations.
 - ii. Have a current racing license issued by CC or another federation affiliated with the UCI with the license marked 'CAN'.
 - iii. Complete and sign the application form for selection and return it to the HPD or HPM by the due date. The HPD or HPM may at his/her discretion accept the above after this time.
 - iv. Have read, signed, and returned to CC the execution page of the CC Athlete Agreement by the due date. It is a condition of this Agreement that the rider agrees to participate in and meet all competition, training and participation requirements as determined by the HPD or National Coach.
 - v. Comply with the communication requirements set out in clause 5.2 of this Policy.
 - vi. Be available for sample collection and have provided accurate and up-to date whereabouts information on a regular basis as directed by the UCI and/or CCES pursuant to the Canadian Policy against doping in Sport and the rules, regulations and policies of the UCI, CC and the World Anti-Doping Code.
 - vii. The athlete must not be under suspension or any other sanction by any recognized body for any doping or doping-related offence.
- b. Communication
 - i. Each rider who has indicated their wish to be considered for selection must ensure their full contact details have been provided to the CC HPD and the sport Coordinator and the MTB Coach. This information will be used for monitoring of a rider's progress, to be able to communicate important information regarding selection, and the administration of the Teams to a rider and for the rider to ensure compliance with the obligations of providing whereabouts information in accordance with the CCES Canadian Policy against doping in Sport and the World Anti-Doping Code.
 - ii. Any rider applying for any CC project will need to provide the program coach with his YTP (Yearly Training Plan) with details indicating the planned preparation for the said project. A complete racing program leading (and following) the project should also be submitted and discussed with the program coach.
 - iii. The contact details and any other correspondence should be forwarded to:
Jacques Landry, copied to Road/Track coordinator (mtb@CyclingCanada.ca)
High Performance Director – Head Coach
Email Jacques.Landry@CyclingCanada.ca
Phone 1-613-248-1353
Fax 1-613-248-9311



Program coaches:

Dan Proulx (Head Coach): Dan.Proulx@CyclingCanada.ca

Ian Hughes (Development Coach): Ian.Hughes@CyclingCanada.ca

- iv. The contact details will be forwarded to the National Team Coach and Sport Coordinator for his/her attention. It is then the Coach's and/or Coordinator's responsibility to contact the rider as soon as practicable.
- v. Once the rider has been contacted, it is then the ultimate responsibility of the rider to communicate with the National Team Coach as to the progress of their training and competition program and to provide a record of current results and performances achieved, particularly those relevant to the Specific Selection Criteria.

6. AMENDMENT TO THIS POLICY

- a. This Policy, including the Selection Criteria, may be amended or supplemented, particularly where matters arise which have not been provided for. All amendments must be approved by the High Performance Director-Head Coach. If approved, the HPD will notify in writing any amendment or supplement and will endeavor to give as much notice as possible to all persons affected by any such amendment or supplement.

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PART B - SELECTION CRITERIA

Note: In case of any wording discrepancies between the English and French versions of the selection policy, the English wording takes precedence.

Part B of this Policy sets out the selection objective and general criteria for selection to Teams.

7. SELECTION OBJECTIVE

- a. The objective of the Selection Committee is to select the Teams to compete in the Events and Categories as specified in this Policy.

8. PRE-CONDITIONS TO SELECTION:

- a. In addition to the eligibility requirements (clause 5 – Part A), and subject to clause 8.b – Part B (Exemption) any pre-condition to selection are specified in **Schedules 1 to 4**
- b. **Exemption:** A rider may be exempted from any pre-condition requirement in clause 8.a Part B only on approval of a written application to the HPD setting out the reasons for not meeting this requirement. This application must be made by the Due Date as specified in **Schedules 1 to 4**, the Selection Committee will determine the application and advise the rider of the outcome as soon as practicable and not less than seven (7) days after receipt of the request.

9. SPECIFIC SELECTION CRITERIA

- a. Any rider who is Eligible and has met the pre-conditions (clause 8 – Part B), if any, and seeks selection to a Team must achieve the Specific Selection Criteria set out below in **Schedules 1 to 4** for each Category (as the case may be) in order to be considered for inclusion in the Pool and selection to the Team:
 - i. Schedule 1 – Domestic Projects XCO
 - ii. Schedule 2 – World Cup Projects and Continental Champs XCO
 - iii. Schedule 3 – World Champs
 - iv. Schedule 4 – Downhill, 4X, Trials and Marathon programs

10. OTHER FACTORS THAT WILL BE CONSIDERED TO ACHIEVE THE BEST TEAM PERFORMANCE

- a. In addition to the Specific Selection Criteria, the Selection Committee **will** take into consideration any one or more of the following additional factors in selecting riders for any Team:
 - i. Consistent and successful individual performances of the rider in the 12 month period prior to the selection to pool or team in international competition;
 - ii. The rider's UCI individual classification for specific Events for the 12 month period prior to the selection of the Pool or Team (as the case may be);
 - iii. The riders potential to contribute to Olympic qualifying spots leading into the 2016 Olympic Games;
 - iv. The rider's ability to work within a team structure when selected to a National Team project;
 - v. The rider's technical ability and bicycle handling skills;



- vi. The rider's tactical ability. The ability to read and react to the race. Including passive or aggressive racing style;
- vii. Consideration of the performance of any rider who has been involved in an intense training or competition program;
- viii. The rider's attendance, performance, attitude and conduct in training whilst a member of national team program (project competition and training camp);
- ix. The rider's demonstrated understanding and respect for their position on a Canadian Team;
- x. The rider's demonstrated willingness to promote cycling in a positive manner;
- xi. The rider's demonstrated ability to take personal responsibility for self and their results;
- xii. The rider's proven ability to be reliable;
- xiii. The results of any of the rider's sports science tests including biomechanical and physiological;
- xiv. Consideration of the nature of the course on which the Event is being held;
- xv. The effect of environmental conditions on performances in mountain bike events;

11. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

- a. In considering the performances and results of riders at events, trials, training camps or other attendances required under this Policy, the selection committee may in its discretion, give weight to extenuating circumstances in accordance with this Policy.
- b. For the purposes of this Policy, extenuating circumstances means an inability to compete, attend training camps or perform at an optimum level arising from any one or more of the following:
 - i. Injury or illness (documented at the time the incident occurred and accompanied by a certified medical explanation);
 - ii. Travel delays caused by carriers;
- c. Riders unable to compete at events, trials, or other attendances required under this Policy must advise the HPD of the extenuating circumstances in writing of this fact and the reasons thereof, with as much advance notice as possible (ideally seven (7) days) prior to the commencement of the events, trials, or other attendances upon which selection may be considered under this Policy.
- d. In the case of injury or illness, riders are required by the selection committee to provide a doctor's certificate and/or undergo a medical examination by a medical practitioner/s nominated by CC and to provide the opinion and/or report of such practitioner to the selection committee. A failure to agree to such request will result in the selection committee being prevented from considering the injury or illness as extenuating circumstances.
- e. The determination of an extenuating circumstance will be made on a case by case basis. Such determination will be made by the Selection Committee and HPD; and will be documented accordingly.



12. OTHER SELECTION MATTERS

- a. **Factors Pertaining to Team Size:** Where more than the number of riders permitted by the maximum Pool or Team size as specified in the relevant Schedule achieves the Specific Selection Criteria, the Selection Committee shall make a determination on which riders are to be selected. For this reason, achievement of the Specific Selection Criteria does **not** guarantee selection to a Canadian Pool or Team.
- b. **Additional Riders:** Additional riders (up to the maximum number of riders specified in the relevant Schedule) may be added to a Pool or Team after the Selection Date at the discretion of the Selection Committee.
- c. **Removal from a Pool or Team:** A rider may be removed from a Pool or Team in accordance with clause 14 of this Policy.
- d. **Right to Vary or Not Enter Teams:** CC reserves the right to enter a smaller Team or no Team at all in any Category for any Event.

13. SELECTIONS FOR START LIST

- a. Once a Canadian Team is selected for any Event, the HPD and/or the relevant National Team Coach will have complete discretion to determine from amongst the Team, the riders to start in each event on the basis of the performances, fitness, and health of the riders and the nature of the course or Event.
- b. The determination and maximum number of riders to start in each event will be in accordance with the permitted starting numbers/quotas set out by the UCI for each discipline.

14. REMOVAL FROM CANADIAN TEAM

- a. A rider may be removed from a Canadian Pool or Team if he:
 - i. breaches or fails to comply with this Policy or any term of CC Athlete Agreement;
 - ii. breaches or fails to comply with:
 1. CC athlete agreement and/or National team policy;
 2. the rules established by the CCES;
 3. the rules of any event, competition or activity in which the rider has been selected to participate;
 4. any reasonable instruction or request by the HPD or National Team Coach;
 - iii. brings him/herself, another rider in a Pool or Team, the Pool or Team as a whole, an official, CC, or cycling generally, into disrepute;
 - iv. has a significant illness or injury which in the opinion of the National team Coach and/or CC appointed coach will prevent the rider from continuing to meet the Selection Criteria on which he or she was selected to the Pool or Team; or
 - v. fails to consistently maintain the level of performance and/or results, or to maintain any one or more of the other factors set out in the applicable Selection Criteria.

15. APPEALS

- a. All appeals should follow CC "Appeals Policy": http://www.canadian-cycling.com/cca/about/documents/appeals_policy.pdf
- b. There is no right to appeal a rider's non-selection to a **Pool**

SCHEDULE 1 – DOMESTIC PROJECTS

1. GENERAL

- c. **Events:** This Schedule covers selection for the Elite Men's Category for the Canadian Mountain Bike Pools and Teams for the following Events, subject to clauses 1.c (Part A) and 12.d (Part B) of this Policy (right to vary team size or not to enter team):

National Training Camp

- February 7 - 18
- Carlsbad, CA, USA
- U23 and Elite

- d. **Sanctioned Competition or Authorized Event:** In order to be considered for selection to the Pools and Teams riders must achieve the Specific Selection Criteria set out in this Schedule while participating in a UCI sanctioned competition or a CC authorized event and while using a Mountain Bike complying with all UCI Cycling Regulations.
- e. **Other Factors:** Any selection to a Pool or Team for any one of the Events is subject to this Policy (including clause 10 (Other Factors), 11 (Extenuating Circumstances) and 12 (Other Selection Matters)).
- f. **Time Period:** Riders must achieve the Specific Selection Criteria set out in this Schedule during the time period commencing February 1st, 2013 and for the Pool concluding midnight (EST STD) one week prior to the Selection date specified in this Schedule. Selections for events that take place prior to the 2013 racing season (i.e. Spring racing projects) shall be selected based on the expert opinion of the National Team Coach and the HPD.
- g. **Cancellation Policy:** Any athlete who accepts their position on a National Team project and who, for any reason, later cancels or declines to compete will not receive a refund for any project fees paid or owing.

2. NATIONAL TEAM TRAINING CAMP – CARLSBAD, CA. USA

- a. **Objective:** Endurance Camp
- b. **Selection:** Athletes will be selected based on the expert opinion of the National Team Head Coach and HPD.
- c. **Team Size:** 16. CC reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the camp to the athlete's training or performance level.
- d. **Eligibility:** All male licensed riders between the age of 19 and over as of 31 December, 2013.
- e. **Selection Date:** December 21, 2012
- f. **Athletes** who are interested to be part of this project should submit their names, YTP, and Racing Calendar to Head Coach by December 31st 2012
- g. **Funding:** This project will offer athletes funded, partially funded and self-funded opportunities based on available budget in the National Team Mountain Bike program. Each athlete's funding level, for this particular project, will be outlined in the invitation for the camp



SCHEDULE 2 – WORLD CUP AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

2. GENERAL

- a. **Events:** This Schedule covers selection for World Cup Project Pools and Teams for the following Events, subject to clauses 1.c (Part A) and 12.d (Part B) of this Policy (right to vary team size or not to enter team)

Continental Championships

- April 3 - 8, 2013
- Tucuman, BOL
- U23

UCI World Cup #1

- May 13 - 20, 2013
- Albstadt, GER
- U23

UCI World Cup #2

- May 20-26, 2013
- Nova Mesto na Monrave, CZE
- U23

UCI World Cup # 3

- June 10 -16, 2013
- Val di Sole, ITA
- Junior

UCI World Cup # 4

- July 22 - 28, 2013
- Vallnord, AND
- TBA

World Cup #5

- August 5 - 11, 2013
- Mont-Ste-Anne, CAN
- Junior

World Cup #6

- September 9 - 16, 2013
- Hafjell, NOR
- TBA

- b. **Sanctioned Competition or Authorized Event:** In order to be considered for selection to the World Cup Project, Pools and Teams riders must achieve the Specific Selection Criteria set out in Schedule 2 while participating in a UCI sanctioned competition or a CC authorized event and while using a Mountain Bike that complies with the UCI Cycling Regulations.
- c. **Other Factors:** Any selection to a Pool or Team for any one of the Events is subject to this Policy (including clause 10 (Other Factors), 11 (Extenuating Circumstances) and 12 (Other Selection Matters).
- d. **Pre-condition:** All riders seeking selection to a World Cup Project must be in a highly competitive state of condition prior to participating in a World Cup event. Athletes may be asked to provide evidence that they have met this pre-condition using racing results



and/or documentation of completed training activities under the guidance of an NCCP certified cycling coach. The CC reserves the right, at the discretion of the HPD and National Team Coach, to deny selection to athletes who lack adequate preparation and/or skill level for world class competition for any event in Schedule 2.

When a rider is selected to a National Team project, they must submit their yearly training plan (YTP) and a detailed training plan that covers the specific workouts to be completed in the 21 day period prior to the competition. Failure to submit these documents to the National Team Head Coach may result in the athlete being removed from the project.

- e. **Elite/U26 athletes at International Events:** Based on the expert opinion of the HPD and National Team Coach, Cycling Canada may, at its sole discretion, add a limited number of Elite/U26 riders to any World Cup or Continental Championship project. Elite/U26 athletes added to a project in this manner will typically be ranked among the top 100 men or top 40 women on the UCI Ranking; OR be exceptional U26 athletes who are progressing toward the podium at the World Cup level. Riders selected in this manner will be evaluated using the criteria in Clause 10 (Part B) in the Selection Policy.
- f. **Time Period:** Riders must achieve the Specific Selection Criteria set out in this Schedule during the time period commencing February 1st, 2013 and for the Pools concluding midnight (EST STD) one week prior to the Selection Date, unless stated otherwise stated.
- g. **Cancellation Policy:** Any athlete who accepts their position on a National Team project and who, for any reason, later cancels or declines to compete will not receive a refund for any project fees paid or owing.

3. CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS – TUCUMAN, ARG (April 3 8th, 2013)

- a. **Category:** U23 Women and U23 Men
- b. **Objective:** To increase race fitness, skill and tactical knowledge at the international level.
- c. **Team Size:** 3 U23 Women, 3 U23 Men. The CC reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the expert opinion of the National Team Coach and HPD.
- d. **Eligibility:** All athletes aged 19 to 22, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
- e. **Selection Date:** February 1st, 2013
- f. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
- g. Any athlete who represented Canada at the 2012 UCI World Mountain Bike Championships in the Junior or U23 category and are not selected for World Cup 1&2 in 2013.
- h. **Selection of Team:** Athletes will be selected based on the expert opinion of the National Team Head Coach and HPD.
- i. **Funding:** This project will offer athletes funded, partially funded and self-funded opportunities based on available budget in the National Team Mountain Bike program. Each athlete's funding level, for this particular project, will be outlined in the invitation for the project.



4. UCI WORLD CUP 1 & 2 – GERMANY AND CZECH REPUBLIC (May 13-16th, 2013)

- a. **Category:** U23 Women and U23 Men
- b. **Objective:** To increase race fitness, skill and tactical knowledge at the international level.
- c. **Team Size:** 3 U23 Women, 3 U23 Men. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the expert opinion of the National Team Coach and HPD.
- d. **Eligibility:** All athletes aged 19 to 22, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
- e. **Selection Date:** February 1st, 2013
- f. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Any athlete who represented Canada at the 2012 UCI World Mountain Bike Championships in the U23 category, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated at the National Team Training Camp.
- g. **Selection of Team:** The top **three** (3) U23 Women and top **three** (3) U23 Men from the 2012 UCI Mountain Bike World Championships (XCO) will be selected to the team in order of their finish position at the World Championships in their respective category.
- h. **Funding:** This project will offer athletes funded, partially funded and self-funded opportunities based on available budget in the National Team Mountain Bike program. Each athlete's funding level, for this particular project, will be outlined in the invitation for the project.

5. WORLD CUP #3 – VAL DI SOLE, ITA – (June 10-16, 2013)

- a. **Category:** Junior and U23
- b. **Objective:** To increase race fitness, skill and tactical knowledge at the international level.
- c. **Team Size:** 3 Juniors and 3 U23. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the expert opinion of the National Team Coach and HPD.
- d. **Eligibility:** All athletes aged 17 to 22, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
- e. **Selection Date:** February 28, 2013
- f. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Any athlete who represented Canada at the 2012 UCI Mountain Bike World Championships in the Junior or U23 category and are not selected for World Cup 1&2.
- g. **Selection of Team:** Selections will be based on the expert opinion of the HPD and the National Team Coach.
- h. **Funding:** This project will offer athletes funded, partially funded and self-funded opportunities based on available budget in the National Team Mountain Bike program. Each athlete's funding level, for this particular project, will be outlined in the invitation for the project.



6. WORLD CUP #4 – VALLNORD, AND – (July 24-29, 2013)

- a. **Category:** TBD
- b. **Objective:** To score UCI points. To increase race fitness, skill and tactical knowledge.
- c. **Team Size:** Based on the expert opinion of the HPD and National Team Coach.
- d. **Eligibility:** Athletes aged 17 and over who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
- e. **Selection Date:** June 20, 2013
- f. **Selection of Team:** Selections will be based on the expert opinion of the HPD and the National Team Coach.
- g. **Funding:** This project will offer athletes funded, partially funded and self-funded opportunities based on available budget in the National Team Mountain Bike program. Each athlete's funding level, for this particular project, will be outlined in the invitation for the project.

7. WORLD CUP #5 – MONT STE. ANNE – (August 6-12, 2013)

- a. **Category:** Junior Women and Junior Men
- b. **Objective:** To increase race fitness, skill and tactical knowledge at the World Cup level.
- c. **Team Size:** 4 Junior Women and 4 Junior Men. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
- d. **Eligibility:** All female athletes aged 17 and 18, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
- e. **Selection Date:** Following the posting of official results at the National Championships (XCO)
- f. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Top 4 riders at the 2012 National Championships in either the Junior Women or Junior Men
- g. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B).
- h. **Funding and Project Information:** Project fees and information for the MSA World Cup will be posted to CC website at least one month prior to the MSA World Cup. If an athlete is selected they will be required to pay a project fee (Estimated at \$500) at a minimum 2 weeks prior to the commencement of the project. Flights, meals and incidentals are the responsibility of the athlete. This project is self-funded for all athletes.
- i. **Privateer positions at MSA World Cup for Junior, U23 and Elite riders**
 - i. Junior and U23 athletes and coaches, please note: After the National Team project for the UCI World Cup - MSA has been selected, CC will allocate any remaining start positions (Privateer positions) based solely on each athlete's finish placing at the 2013 National Championships (XCO) in each category. Cycling Canada reserves the right to not distribute positions to athletes who, in the opinion of the National Team Development Coach or High Performance Director, may be unable to finish on the same lap as the leader at the World Cup or who has not demonstrated an appropriate skill level for World Cup competition.



- ii. Any athlete granted a start position, who is not part of the regular National Team project, will be required to:
 1. Purchase and race in a National Team Jersey.
 2. Pay for and pick-up their race license at the race headquarters.
 3. To have a parent, coach or other responsible person present during all World Cup training and racing who will assist in the event of an injury or illness.
 4. Secure their own travel arrangements, lodging and mechanical services.
- iii. If an athlete accepts a start position for the World Cup and does not pick up their race registration at the Mont Ste. Anne World Cup, they will be required to pay a \$250 fine to CC and will be denied any further National Team opportunities until the fine has been paid. In fairness to other athletes who are competing for an opportunity to race, if you accept a start position, we expect that you will race at the World Cup. Should an athlete be unable to start at the World Cup, for any reason, CC will not allow alternate athletes to be granted a start position in their place.
- iv. Elite start positions for riders who do not possess 20 UCI points will be allocated based on the expert opinion of the National Team Coach and HPD.

8. WORLD CUP #6 – HAFJELL, NOR – (September 11-17, 2013)

- a. **Category:** TBD
- b. **Objective:** To score UCI points. To increase race fitness, skill and tactical knowledge at the international level.
- c. **Team Size:** Based on the expert opinion of the HPD and National Team Coach.
- d. **Eligibility:** Athletes aged 17 and over who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
- e. **Selection Date:** July 10th, 2013
- f. **Selection of Team:** Selections will be based on the expert opinion of the HPD and National Team Coach.

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SCHEDULE 3 – WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS XCO

1. GENERAL

- a. **Events:** Events: This Schedule covers selection for the International Pools and Teams for the following Events, subject to clauses 1.c (Part A) and 12.d (Part B) of this Policy (right not to enter team):

World Championships

- August 26th - September 2nd, 2013
- Pietermaritzburg, RSA
- Junior, U23 and Elite

- b. **Sanctioned Competition or Authorized Event:** In order to be considered for selection to these Championship Projects, Pools and Teams riders must achieve the Specific Selection Criteria set out in this Schedule while participating in a UCI sanctioned competition or a CC authorized event and while using a Mountain Bike that complies with the UCI Cycling Regulations.

Note: If a specific selection/qualification event (a race used to meet a specific selection pool criteria) listed on the UCI calendar as of February 1, 2013 is cancelled or re-scheduled, any specific qualification position/selection criteria listed for that competition will be re-allocated to the National Championships.

- c. **Other Factors:** Any selection to a Team for any one of the Events is subject to this Policy (including clause 10 (Other Factors), 11 (Extenuating Circumstances) and 12 (Other Selection Matters)).
- d. **Pre-Conditions:** All riders seeking selection to a Championship project must complete a high level of competition participation period of at least one (1) month in an approved Team training and racing program prior to the 2012 UCI Mountain Bike World Championships.

When a rider accepts a selection to the World Championship team, they must submit their yearly training plan (YTP) and a detailed training plan that covers the specific workouts to be completed in the 21 day period prior to the competition. Failure to submit these documents to the National Team Head Coach may result in the athlete being removed from the project.

- e. **Time Period:** Riders must achieve the Specific Selection Criteria set out in this Schedule during the time period commencing 1 February 2012 and for the Pools concluding midnight (EST STD) one week prior to the Selection Date, unless stated otherwise.

2. 2013 WORLD XCO CHAMPIONSHIPS INFORMATION

- a. The purpose of this section is to provide the membership with the information relative to the mechanism by which the Cycling Canada (CC) will select its representatives to the 2013 MTB World Championships. The primary objective of the selection process is to



choose athletes with the highest potential to win medals at the 2013 Mountain Bike World Championships in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa.

- b. Selection for the World Championships is open to any athlete possessing a Canadian passport at the time of nomination, an international UCI racing license and who is a member in good standing with the CC, their respective Provincial /Territorial Sport Organization, the Union Cycliste International, (UCI) and the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES).
- c. The World Championship Team will offer fully funded, partially funded and self-funded positions based on athlete performance and the athlete's classification on the 2013 National Team list. Athletes will be notified of the exact costs associated with the project at the time of selection. Historically the majority of XCO athletes on this project can anticipate self-funded positions at a cost of approximately \$1500-\$1800.00 plus the athlete's airfare.
- d. Selection Procedure
 - i. The selection criteria in each category and discipline are outlined in this document.
 - ii. All disputes shall be managed pursuant of the Cycling Canada Appeals Policy.
- e. Selection Announcement Dates
 - i. Cycling Canada will endeavor to announce athlete selections in a timely manner as outlined below in order to provide the best possible preparation time and to provide partially funded athletes with time to secure funding from their province, teams, sponsors and/or supporters. Cycling Canada reserves the right to change these announcement dates in the event that more time is needed to ensure due process and fairness in selection.
- f. Selection Date: July 22, 2013
- g. Team Size: Cycling Canada reserves the right to either increase or decrease the team size in any category or event based on performances during the 2013 season as mentioned in clauses 1.3 and 12.4 of this document.

3. 2013 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION

- a. **Category:** Junior Women XCO 2013 World Championship Selection
- b. **Objective:** Medal performances.
- c. **Team Size:** 3 athletes. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
- d. **Eligibility:** All female athletes aged 17 and 18, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
- e. **Selection Date:** July 22, 2013
- f. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Any athlete who placed top 10 in the Junior Women's race at the 2012 MTB XCO World Championships, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated by international performances and ranking.
 - ii. Winner of the 2013 Sudbury Canada Cup or next best if the winner is already in the pool.



- iii. Top 2 finishers at the 2013 National Championships or next best if either/both are already in the pool.
 - g. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B).
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- f. **Category:** Junior Men XCO 2013 World Championship Selection
 - g. **Objective:** Medal performances.
 - h. **Team Size:** 3 athletes. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
 - i. **Eligibility:** All male athletes aged 17 and 18, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
 - j. **Selection Date:** July 22, 2013
 - k. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Any athlete who placed top 10 in the Junior Men's race at the 2012 MTB XCO World Championships, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated by international performances and ranking.
 - ii. Winner of the 2013 [Sudbury](#) Canada Cup.
 - iii. Top 2 riders at the 2013 National Championships or next best rider if the rider is already in the pool.
 - l. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B).
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- a. **Category:** U23 Female XCO 2012 World Championship Selection
- b. **Objective:** Medal performances.
- c. **Team Size:** 3 athletes. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
- d. **Eligibility:** All female athletes aged 19 to 22, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
- e. **Selection Date:** July 22nd, 2013
- f. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Any athlete who placed top 10 in the U23 Women's race at the 2012 MTB XCO World Championships, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated by international performances and ranking.
 - ii. Winner of the 2013 [Sudbury](#) Canada Cup or next best if the winner is already in the pool.



- iii. Top 2 finishers at the 2013 National Championships or next best if either/both are already in the pool.
 - g. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B).
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- h. **Category:** U23 Male XCO 2013 World Championship Selection
 - i. **Objective:** Medal performances.
 - j. **Team Size:** 3 athletes. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
 - k. **Eligibility:** All male athletes aged 19 to 22, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
 - l. **Selection Date:** July 22, 2013
 - m. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Any athlete who placed top 10 in the U23 Men's race at the 2012 MTB XCO World Championships, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated by international performances and ranking.
 - ii. Winner of the 2013 [Sudbury](#) Canada Cup or next best if the winner is already in the pool.
 - iii. Top 2 finishers at the 2013 National Championships or next best if either/both are already in the pool.
 - n. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B).
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- o. **Category:** Elite Women XCO 2013 World Championship Selection
- p. **Objective:** Medal performances.
- q. **Team Size:** 4 athletes. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the expert opinion of the National Team Coach and HPD.
- r. **Eligibility:** All female athletes aged 23 and older, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
- s. **Selection Date:** July 22, 2013
- t. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Any athlete who placed top 10 in the Elite Women's race at the 2012 MTB XCO World Championships, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated by international performances and ranking.
 - ii. The 2013 XCO National Champion.
 - iii. Finish among the top 15 at a 2013 World Cup event in Europe.



- iv. Athletes nominated to the selection pool based on the expert opinion of the National Team Head Coach and HPD.
 - u. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B).
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- v. **Category:** Elite Men XCO – World Championships
 - w. **Objective:** Medal performances.
 - x. **Team Size:** 4 athletes. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the expert opinion of the National Team Coach and HPD.
 - y. **Eligibility:** All male athletes aged 23 and older, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN
 - z. **Selection Date:** July 22, 2013
 - aa. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Any athlete who placed top 10 in the Elite Men's race at the 2012 MTB XCO World Championships, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated by international performances and ranking.
 - ii. The 2013 XCO National Champion.
 - iii. Finish among the top 25 at a 2013 World Cup event in Europe.
 - iv. Athletes nominated to the selection pool based on the expert opinion of the National Team Head Coach and HPD.
 - bb. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B).
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- cc. Selection of Team Relay – World Championships
 - i. The 2013 National Champion in XCO in the Junior Men, U23 Men, Elite Men and Elite Women will be selected for the team relay. Should an athlete decline their position, the next ranked rider in the XCO event at the National Championships will be selected.
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- dd. Selection for XCE (Eliminator) Event – World Championships
 - i. Athletes who have been named to the 2013 World Championship Team (XCO) may also compete in the XCE event at the World Championships. Start positions will be granted at the discretion of the HPD and National Team Coach. Athletes who intend to compete in this event must notify the National Team Head Coach prior to July 22, 2013.



SCHEDULE 4 – DOWNHILL, 4X, TRAILS, MARATHON

1. GENERAL:

The DH Team is an important component of Canada's team at the World Championships. As most athletes and supporters of DH are aware, Cycling Canada at present does not receive any government funding to support DH as it is not currently an Olympic sport. Despite this, Cycling Canada endeavors to contribute to DH by providing a paid coach, mechanic and allowing access to sport science support. CC also contributes heavily on the logistical side for all DH athletes. At the World Championships, DH athletes pay project fees that represent only a portion of the actual cost incurred for all of the support staff, hotels, vehicles and logistical support provided. We understand that these costs may seem expensive to some, however, all athletes and supporters should be aware that CC does everything possible to keep these costs to a minimum while still providing World Class service to its athletes.

The purpose of this section is to provide the membership with the information relative to the mechanism by which Cycling Canada (CC) will select its representatives to the 2013 MTB World Championships DHI event. The primary objective of the selection process is to choose athletes with the highest potential to win medals at the 2012 Mountain Bike World Championships in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa.

- Selection is open to any athlete possessing a Canadian passport at the time of nomination, an international UCI racing license and who is a member in good standing with the CC, their respective Provincial /Territorial Sport Organization, the Union Cycliste International, (UCI) and the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES).
 - Athlete's personal sponsors may benefit from advertising space on their uniforms, within the constraints imposed by the UCI regulations.
 - Athletes taking part in the World Championships must stay in the National Team accommodations and work under the direction of the National Team DHI coach for the duration of the Championships. All athletes must sign and adhere to the National Team Code of Conduct throughout the Championships.
- a. **Funding:** All athletes participating in Downhill, 4X and Trials events at the 2013 MTB World Championships shall be responsible for all costs incurred to attend the event including all expenses including travel, accommodations, team clothing and logistical support.

All athletes must pay the project fee prior to participating in the World Championships. All athletes are required to pay the same fees regardless of which CC services the athlete may or may not choose to access.

Athletes who compete in DHI as professionals on a UCI trade team or who finish in the top 10 at the previous World Championships will be charged a reduced project fee to be set by CC in the rider invitation.

- b. **Cancellation Policy:** Any athlete, who accepts their position on the DHI, 4X or Trials team for the World Championships and who, for any reason, later cancels or declines to



- compete at the World Championships will not receive a refund for any project fees paid or owing.
- c. **Selection Procedure:** The selection criteria in each category and discipline are outlined in this document. Athletes who meet one of the criteria set forth in this document will be nominated to the Pool. The National Team Coach DHI shall select athletes from this Pool for the purpose of selection to the World Championship Team based on items mentioned in and Clause 10 (Part B) of this document. The National Team Coach DHI makes selection recommendations to the Selection Committee and the HPD for discussion and approval. All disputes shall be managed pursuant of Cycling Canada Appeals Policy.
 - d. **Selection Dates:** Cycling Canada will endeavor to announce athlete selections in a timely manner as outlined in the selection document in order to provide the best possible preparation time and to provide self-funded athletes with time to secure funding from their province, teams, sponsors and/or supporters. Cycling Canada reserves the right to change these announcement dates in the event that more time is needed to ensure due process and fairness in selection.
 - e. **Maximum Team Size:** Cycling Canada allows a maximum of 14 DHI athletes to attend the 2013 World Championships DHI. Additional athletes may be added to the World Championship Development team (see Development team information below) based solely on the expert opinion of the DHI National Team Coach and the CC High Performance Director (HPD).
 - i. Cycling Canada reserves the right to either increase or decrease the team size in any category or event based on performances during the 2013 season. As mentioned in clauses 1.c (Part A) and 12.d (Part B) of this document.

2. DHI WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM SELECTION

- a. **Category:** Junior Women World Championships DHI Selection
- b. **Objective:** Medal performances.
- c. **Team Size:** 3 athletes. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
- d. **Eligibility:** All female athletes aged 17 or 18, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN
- e. **Selection Date:** July 15, 2013
- f. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Any athlete who medaled in the Junior Women's race at the 2012 MTB DHI World Championships, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated by international performances and ranking.
 - ii. Any junior female athlete who places top-5 at a 2013 UCI MTB Junior DHI World Cup event in Europe by July 15th, 2013. If more athletes meet this criterion than spots remaining, athletes with the highest placing at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup



- event will be nominated first. In the event of a further tie, the athlete with the next best result at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event would be nominated.
- iii. Any junior female athlete who places top-3 at a 2013 UCI MTB Junior DHI World Cup event in North America by July 15th, 2013. If more athletes meet this criterion than spots remaining, athletes with the highest placing at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event will be nominated first. In the event of a further tie, the athlete with the next best result at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event would be nominated.
 - iv. Any junior female athlete who is ranked among the top-5 on the UCI MTB Junior DHI Individual classification to as of July 15th, 2013 (Nationals to be included in the ranking). If more athletes meet this criterion than spots remaining, the athlete ranked highest would be nominated.
 - v. Top 2 finishers at the 2013 DHI National Championships or next best if already in the selection pool.
 - vi. The junior female athlete who scores the most Canada Cup points as of July 15, 2013 or next best if already in the selection pool.
- g. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B). If quota spots remain, additional athletes may be nominated at the discretion of the National Team DHI Coach and HPD up to the maximum team size of 3 athletes.
- h. **Team Size:** Cycling Canada reserves the right to fill or not fill the team quota in each category at its own discretion.
- i. **Funding:** As mentioned in the introduction to this selection document, all members of the World Championship Team are required to pay a project fee of approximately \$1500-\$1800 prior to competing at the World Championships. Riders must pay with fee, prior to competing, regardless of whether or not they choose to access all of the services provided.
- j. **Cancellation:** Any athlete who accepts their position on the DHI Development Team for the World Championships and who, for any reason, later cancels or declines to compete at the World Championships will not receive a refund.
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- k. **Category:** Junior Men World Championships DHI Selection
- l. **Objective:** Medal performances.
- m. **Team Size:** 3 athletes. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
- n. **Eligibility:** All male athletes aged 17 or 18, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN
- o. **Selection Date:** July 15, 2013
- p. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
- i. Any athlete who medaled in the Junior Men's race at the 2012 MTB DHI World Championships, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated by international performances and ranking.
 - ii. Any junior male athlete who places top-10 at a 2012 UCI MTB Junior DHI World Cup event in Europe by July 15, 2013. If more athletes meet this criterion than



- spots remaining, athletes with the highest placing at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event will be nominated first. In the event of a further tie, the athlete with the next best result at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event would be nominated.
- iii. Any junior male athlete who places top-5 at a 2012 UCI MTB Junior DHI World Cup event in North America by July 15, 2013. If more athletes meet this criterion than spots remaining, athletes with the highest placing at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event will be nominated first. In the event of a further tie, the athlete with the next best result at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event would be nominated.
 - iv. Any junior male athlete who is ranked among the top-15 on the UCI MTB Junior DHI Individual Classification as of July 15, 2013 (Nationals to be included in ranking). If more athletes meet this criterion than spots remaining, the athlete ranked highest would be nominated.
 - v. Any Junior Male Athlete who finishes in the top 2 at the 2013 Canadian National DHI championships
 - vi. The junior male athlete who scores the most Canada Cup points as of July 15, 2013 or next best rider if already in the selection pool.
- q. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B). If quota spots remain, additional athletes may be nominated at the discretion of the National Team DHI Coach and HPD up to the maximum team size of 4 athletes.
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- r. **Category:** Elite Women World Championships DHI Selection
 - s. **Objective:** Medal performances.
 - t. **Team Size:** 4 athletes. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
 - u. **Eligibility:** All female athletes aged 23 and older, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
 - v. **Selection Date:** July 15, 2013
 - w. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Any athlete who medaled in the Elite Women's race at the 2012 MTB DHI World Championships, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated by international performances and ranking.
 - ii. Any elite female athlete who places top-15 at a 2013 UCI MTB DHI World Cup event by July 15, 2013. If more athletes meet this criterion than spots remaining, athletes with the highest placing at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event will be nominated first. In the event of a further tie, the athlete with the next best result at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event would be nominated
 - iii. Any elite female athlete who is ranked among the top-25 on the UCI MTB DHI Individual Classification as of July 15, 2013 (Nationals to be included in ranking). If more athletes meet this criterion than spots remaining, the athlete ranked highest would be nominated.



- iv. Any Elite Female Athlete who finishes in the top 2 at the 2012 Canadian National DHI championships
 - v. The elite female athlete who scores the most Canada Cup points as of [July 15, 2013](#) or next best rider if already in the selection pool.
- x. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B). If quota spots remain, additional athletes may be nominated at the discretion of the National Team DHI Coach and HPD up to the maximum team size of 4 athletes.
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y. **Category: Elite Men World Championships DHI Selection**

z. **Objective:** Medal performances.

aa. **Team Size:** 4 athletes. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.

bb. **Eligibility:** All male athletes aged 23 and older, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.

cc. **Selection Date:** [July 15, 2013](#)

dd. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.

- i. Any athlete who medaled in the Elite Men's race at the 2012 MTB DHI World Championships, provided that athlete has demonstrated the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season as demonstrated by international performances and ranking.
- ii. Any elite male athlete who places top-25 at a 2013 UCI MTB DHI World Cup event by [July 15, 2013](#). If more athletes meet this criterion than spots remaining, athletes with the highest placing at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event will be nominated first. In the event of a further tie, the athlete with the next best result at a UCI MTB DHI World Cup event would be nominated.
- iii. Any elite male athlete who is ranked among the top-35 on the UCI MTB DHI Individual Classification to be as of [July 15, 2013](#) (Nationals to be included in ranking). If more athletes meet this criterion than spots remaining, the athlete ranked highest would be nominated.
- iv. Any Elite Male Athlete who finishes in the top 2 at the 2013 Canadian National DHI championships or next best if already selected.
- v. The elite male athlete who scores the most Canada Cup points as of [July 15, 2013](#) or next best rider if already in the pool.

ee. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B). If quota spots remain, additional athletes may be nominated at the discretion of the National Team DHI Coach and HPD up to the maximum team size of 4 athletes.

3. 4X WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM SELECTION

a. **Category:** Elite Women World Championships 4X Selection



- b. **Objective:** Medal performances.
 - c. **Team Size:** 1 athlete. The CC reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
 - d. **Eligibility:** All female athletes aged 23 and older, who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
 - e. **Selection Date:** July 15, 2013
 - f. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Athletes have at least one UCI point in a DHI event and have provided a written expression of interest to the National Team DHI Coach prior to selection date.
 - ii. Riders with a history of competing successfully in 4x events at the national or international level.
 - g. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B).
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- f. **Category:** Elite Men World Championships 4X Selection
- g. **Objective:** Medal performances.
- h. **Team Size:** 1 athlete. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase or decrease team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
- i. **Eligibility:** All male athletes aged 17 and older who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN
- j. **Selection Date:** July 15, 2013
- k. **Selection Pool Qualification:** Athletes will be automatically included in the Pool of athletes eligible for selection, upon meeting one of the following prioritized criteria.
 - i. Athletes have at least one UCI point in a DHI event and have provided a written expression of interest to the National Team DHI Coach prior to selection date.
 - ii. Riders with a history of competing successfully in 4x events at the national or international level.
- l. **Selection of Team:** In considering the riders to be selected to the Team for this project, the Selection Committee shall take into account the Selection Pool criteria for this project and Clause 10 (Part B).

4. 2013 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TRIALS EVENT SELECTION PROCEDURE

The purpose of this section is to provide the membership with the information relative to the mechanism by which Cycling Canada (CC) will select its representatives to the 2013 MTB World Championships Trials event. The primary objective of the selection process is to choose athletes with the highest potential to win medals at the 2013 Mountain Bike World Championships in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa.

1. National Trial Team selection



a. Selection:

- i. Selection is open to any athlete possessing a Canadian passport at the time of nomination, an international UCI racing license and who is a member in good standing with CC, their respective Provincial /Territorial Sport Organization, the Union Cycliste International, (UCI) and the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES).
- ii. All athletes participating in Downhill, 4X and Trials events at the 2013 MTB World Championships shall be responsible for all costs incurred to attend the event including all expenses related to travel, accommodations, team clothing and support staff. These athletes' personal sponsors may benefit from advertising space on their uniforms, within the constraints imposed by the UCI regulations.
- iii. All athletes must sign and adhere to the National Team Code of Conduct throughout the Championships.

b. Team Size: Based on the expert opinion of the National Team Coach and HPD

c. Eligibility: All licensed riders over the age of 17 as of December 31, 2013.

d. Selection Procedure:

Athletes will be nominated to the World Trials Championships in the following prioritized order:

- i. Highest Ranked Canadian on the UCI ranking as of July 15, 2013.
- ii. Any athlete who appears on the UCI Individual Classification as of July 15, 2013.
- iii. Athletes who submit an application to the CC no later than July 15, 2013 and who's nomination is approved by CC HPD.

e. Selection Date: July 15, 2013

5. 2013 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS MARATHON SELECTION PROCEDURE

The purpose of this section is to provide the membership with the information relative to the mechanism by which Cycling Canada (CC) will select its representatives to the 2013 MTB MARATHON World Championships event.

1. National Marathon Team selection

a. Selection:

- i. Selection is open to any athlete possessing a Canadian passport at the time of nomination, an international UCI racing license and who is a member in good standing with CC, their respective Provincial /Territorial Sport Organization, the Union Cycliste International, (UCI) and the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES).



- ii. All athletes participating in the 2013 MARATHON World Championships shall be responsible for all costs incurred to attend the event including all expenses related to travel, accommodations, team clothing and support staff. These athletes' personal sponsors may benefit from advertising space on their uniforms, within the constraints imposed by the UCI regulations.
 - iii. Athletes taking part in the MARATHON World Championships must stay in the National Team accommodations and work under the direction of a National Team coach for the duration of the Championships if this service is provided by CC. All athletes must sign and adhere to the National Team Code of Conduct throughout the Championships.
- b. **Team Size:** Up to 15 riders per category Elite Men and Women.
 - c. **Eligibility:** All licensed riders over the age of 19 as of December 31, 2013 with a valid UCI license issued by CC.
 - d. **Selection Procedure :**

Athletes will be nominated to the World Championships in the following prioritized order:

- i. Any Canadian rider finishing in the top 50% of the Field at the 2012 MTB Marathon World Championships and has shown the ability to maintain a similar level of performance during the 2013 season.
 - ii. Any Canadian who appears on the 2013 UCI XCM Ranking as of selection date.
 - iii. Any Canadian who has at least 1 UCI XCO Point in either the Elite Men's or Women's XCO ranking as of selection date.
- e. **Selection Date:** May 29, 2013

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