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2016 MEN'S ROAD SPECIFIC SELECTION CRITERIA

FOR SELECTION TO NATIONAL TEAM PROGRAMS

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Men's Selection Criteria for 2016 National Team Road Programs

INTRODUCTION

This document lays out the specific selection criteria for Canadian male road cyclists to be named to the national team for the following 2016 National Team Programs:

Unless expressly stated otherwise in this document, these criteria are subject to the general conditions and criteria laid out in the Cycling Canada General Selection Criteria document.

Note that the National Team Program is subject to change due to budget constraints, athlete availability and changes to the international calendar. In the event of changes, Cycling Canada will strive to make new information available as soon as possible.

The criteria are organized by Schedule as follows:

- Schedule 1 – ELITE MEN
- Schedule 2 – U23 MEN
- Schedule 2 – JUNIOR MEN

SCHEDULE 1 – ELITE MEN

Elite Men's Road Program:

Start	End	Project	Location	Country
26-May-16	29-May-16	Pan American Road Championships (CC)	TBD	VEN
31-Aug-16	05-Sep-16	Tour of Alberta (2.1)	Alberta	CAN
09-Sep-16	11-Sep-16	Grands Prix Cyclistes de Québec et Montréal (WT)	Québec & Montréal	CAN
09-Oct-16	16-Oct-16	UCI Road World Championships - Oct 12: Elite Individual Time Trial - Oct. 16: Elite Road Race	Doha	QAT

1. PAN AMERICAN ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dates 26-May-16 to 29-May-16

Objective • Score UCI points for World Championships

Team Size The maximum size of the team is 6. CC reserves the right to vary the team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.

Eligibility All male licensed riders age 19 or over on Dec. 31, 2016.

Selection Date To be determined.

Selection Criteria In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:

- Results in UCI and major national events in 2016;
- Ability to contribute to Canada's continental ranking;
- History of past performances;
- Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.



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Funding Athletes may have to contribute to this project. The estimated cost per athlete will be made available by the selection date. Payment must be received seven days (one week) prior to the start of the project.

2. TOUR OF ALBERTA

Dates 31-Aug-16 to 5-Sep-16

Objective

- Provide an opportunity to compete for some of our best Elite / U23 athletes;
- Prepare selected U23 riders for the World championships.

Team Size The maximum size of the Team is 8, including both U23 and Elite riders. The number of Elites selected will depend on the number of U23s selected. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.

Eligibility All male licensed riders age 19 or over on Dec. 31, 2016.

Selection Date On or around Aug. 15, 2016.

Selection Criteria In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:

- The riders' performances and results in any UCI or major National events (road or track) during the 2016 season;
- Identified athletes with a proven record of past International success;
- Athletes identified through the track endurance program;
- Long term commitment and ambition to become a professional cyclist;
- Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.

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3. GRANDS PRIX CYCLISTES DE QUÉBEC ET MONTRÉAL

Dates 09-Sep-16 to 11-Sep-16

Objective

- Provide an opportunity to compete in the only UCI World Tour events in Canada for some of our best Elite / U23 athletes;
- Prepare selected U23 riders for the world championships.

Team Size The maximum size of the Team is 8, including both U23 and Elite riders. The number of Elites selected will depend on the number of U23s selected. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.

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Eligibility	All male licensed riders age 19 or over on Dec. 31, 2016.
Selection Date	On or around Aug. 15, 2016.
Selection Criteria	<p>In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The riders' performances and results in any UCI or major National events (road or track) during the 2016 season;• Identified athletes with a proven record of past International success;• Athletes identified through the track endurance program;• Long term commitment and ambition to become a professional cyclist;• Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.
Funding	Athletes may have to contribute to this project. The estimated cost per athlete will be made available by the selection date. Payment must be received seven days (one week) prior to the start of the project

4. **ELITE ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS POOL**

Objective	Identify athletes who can contribute to top-10 performances at the 2016 Road World Championships.
Pool Size	The maximum size of the Pool is 12 riders. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
Eligibility	All male licensed riders age 19 or over on Dec. 31, 2016.
Selection Date	On or around Aug. 15, 2016
Selection Criteria	<p><u>Automatic selection to the Pool:</u> The following riders will be automatically named to the Pool:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The top ranked Canadian rider in the UCI WorldTour rankings on Aug. 15, 2016;• The top ranked Canadian rider in the UCI America Tour rankings on Aug. 15, 2016• The 2016 Elite Canadian Road Race Champion;• The 2016 Elite Canadian Time Trial Champion.

Additional selections to the Pool: In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:

- The rider's UCI WorldTour ranking on Aug. 15, 2016;
- The rider's UCI America Tour ranking on Aug. 15, 2016;
- The rider's performance and results at UCI sanctioned events in 2016;
- The rider's performance and results at the 2016 Canadian Road Championships;



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- Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.

5. ELITE ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM – INDIVIDUAL TIME TRIAL

Dates	12-Oct-16
Objective	A top-10 performance.
Team Size	The maximum size of the Team is 2. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
Eligibility	All male licensed riders age 19 or over on Dec. 31, 2016 who have been named to the Elite World Championships Pool.
Selection Date	On or around Sept. 12, 2016.
Pre-participation requirements	All riders seeking selection to the World Championships Team must provide a detailed training/racing plan to the National Coach prior to selection. Athletes must also be a member of the National Athlete Pool and have completed all relevant requirements.
Selection Criteria	In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Pool selected riders' performances in major international individual time trials; and• Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.
Funding	Athletes may have to contribute to this project. The estimated cost per athlete will be made available by the selection date. Payment must be received seven days (one week) prior to the start of the project.
Selection to more than one team	Riders may be selected to the Elite Men's Teams for the Individual Time Trial and the Road Race, but selection to the Team for one event does not guarantee selection to the team for the other.

6. ELITE ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM – ROAD RACE

Dates	16-Oct-16
Objective	A top-10 performance
Team Size	The maximum size of the Team is to be determined. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
Eligibility	All male licensed riders age 19 or over on Dec. 31, 2016 who have been named to the Elite World Championships Pool.
Selection Date	On or around Sept. 12, 2016.
Pre-participation requirements	All riders seeking selection must provide a detailed training/racing plan with a focus on performance at the World Championships to the National Coach



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prior to selection.

Athletes must also be a member of the National Athlete Pool and have completed all relevant requirements.

Selection Criteria In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:

- The Pool selected riders' performances in major international road races; and
- Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.

Funding Athletes may have to contribute to this project. The estimated cost per athlete will be made available by the selection date. Payment must be received seven days (one week) prior to the start of the project.

Selection to more than one team Riders may be selected to the Elite Men's Teams for the Individual Time Trial and the Road Race, but selection to the Team for one event does not guarantee selection to the team for the other.



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SCHEDULE 2 – U23 MEN

U23 Men's Road Program:

Start	End	Project	Location	Country
12-Mar-16	30-May-16	NextGenMTE Euro Spring Project - Training camp (ESP) - Erpe-Mere - Florennes - Le Tryptique des Monts et Châteaux (2.2) - Scheldeprijs - Ronde van Vlaanderen Beloften (1.NCup)* - La Côte Picarde (1.NCup)* - ZLM-Roompot Tour (2.NCup)* - Piedmont-Vosgiens - Rund um den Finanzplatz EschbornFrankfurt (1.HC) - Flèche du Sud (2.2) - 64. Tour de Berlin 2016 U23 (2.2U) - Paris-Arras Tour (2.2) - Tour de la Manche - Kermesses	Various	ESP-BEL- FRA-NED- GER-LUX
26-May-16	29-May-16	Pan American Road Championships (CC)	TBD	VEN
02-Jul-16	29-Aug-16	NextGenMTE Euro Summer Project - Val Thorens Road Camp - Tour d'Alsace (2.2) - Tour de la province de Namur - Ronde van Oost Vlaanderen - GP de la Magne - Kermesses	Various	FRA-BEL
31-Aug-16	05-Sep-16	Tour of Alberta (2.1)*	Alberta	CAN
09-Sep-16	11-Sep-16	Grands Prix Cyclistes de Quebec et Montreal (WT)	Québec & Montréal	CAN
09-Oct-16	16-Oct-16	UCI Road World Championships - Oct 10: U23 Individual Time Trial - Oct. 13: U23 Road Race	Doha	QAT

1. **NEXTGENMTE EURO SPRING PROJECT & EURO SUMMER PROJECT**

For a detailed description of this program, please see the separate document on the Cycling Canada website.

Dates 12-Mar-16 to 30-May-16 / 02-Jul-2016 to 29-Aug-16

Objective

- Provide an optimal training and competition environment for identified Team Pursuit and Road athletes.

Team Size The team will be composed of the 2016 NextGenMTE riders. Additional riders might be selected for part of the Euro Spring Project* (*Nations Cups), as required to complete a project roster based on race quotas.

Eligibility All male licensed riders age 19 to 22 on Dec. 31, 2016.

Selection Date On or around Mar 1, 2016.

Selection Criteria In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:

Core group of athletes:



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- Please refer to the NextGenMTE selection criteria on CC's website

Supplemental riders – as required to complete a project roster depending on race quotas

- Euro Spring Project
 - Possible riders selector from:
 - Proven International (UCI) race results in 2015;
 - Medalist in 2015 Canadian Road Championships (road race or individual time trial)
 - Potential to represent Canada at an Elite benchmark event;
 - Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.
- Euro Summer Project– Belgian calendar
 - Possible riders selected from:
 - Medalist in 2016 Canadian Road Championships (road race or individual time trial)
 - Potential to represent Canada at an Elite benchmark event;
 - Potential to be selected for 2017/18 Cycling Canada NextGen Men's Track Endurance program;
 - Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.

Funding

Athletes will have to contribute to this project. The estimated cost per athlete will be made available by the selection date. Payment must be received seven days (one week) prior to the start of the project

2. PAN AMERICAN ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dates

26-May-16 to 29-May-16

Objective

- Score UCI points for World Championships

Team Size

The maximum size of the team is 6. CC reserves the right to vary the team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.

Eligibility

All male licensed riders age 19 or over on Dec. 31, 2016.

Selection Date

To be determined.

Selection Criteria

In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:

- Results in UCI and major national events in 2016;
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Dates 31-Aug-16 to 5-Sep-16

Objective

- Provide an opportunity to compete for some of our best Elite / U23 athletes;
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Team Size The maximum size of the Team is 8, including both U23 and Elite riders. The number of Elites selected will depend on the number of U23 riders selected. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.

Eligibility All male licensed riders age 19 or over on Dec. 31, 2016.

Selection Date On or around Aug. 15, 2016.

Selection Criteria In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:

- The riders' performances and results in any UCI or major National events (road or track) during the 2016 season;
- Identified athletes with a proven record of past International success;
- Athletes identified through the track endurance program;
- Long term commitment and ambition to become a professional cyclist;
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4. GRANDS PRIX CYCLISTES DE QUÉBEC ET MONTRÉAL

Dates 09-Sep-16 to 11-Sep-16

Objective

- Provide an opportunity to compete in the only UCI World Tour events in Canada for some of our best Elite / U23 athletes;
- Prepare selected U23 riders for the world championships.

Team Size The maximum size of the Team is 8, including both U23 and Elite riders. The number of Elites selected will depend on the number of U23 riders selected. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.



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The composition of the team for the WorldTour events will be different from the Tour of Alberta due to athletes' trade team obligations.

Eligibility	All male licensed riders age 19 or over on Dec. 31, 2016.
Selection Date	On or around Aug. 15, 2016.
Selection Criteria	<p>In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The riders' performances and results in any UCI or major National events (road or track) during the 2016 season;• Identified athletes with a proven record of past International success;• Athletes identified through the track endurance program;• Long term commitment and ambition to become a professional cyclist;• Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.
Funding	Athletes may have to contribute to this project. The estimated cost per athlete will be made available by the selection date. Payment must be received seven days (one week) prior to the start of the project

5. U23 ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS POOL

Objective	Identify athletes who can contribute to top-10 performances at the 2016 Road World Championships.
Pool Size	The maximum size of the Pool is 8 riders. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
Eligibility	All male licensed riders age 19 to 22 on Dec. 31, 2016.
Selection Date	On or around Aug. 15, 2015.
Selection Criteria	<p><u>Automatic selection to the Pool:</u> The following riders will be automatically named to the Pool:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The 2016 Canadian U23 Road Race Champion;• The 2016 Canadian U23 Time Trial Champion. <p><u>Additional Selection Criteria:</u> In considering the riders to be selected to the Pool the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Results and performances at 2016 Canadian Road Championships (Road Race and Individual Time Trial)• Results at any UCI U23 or Elite events in 2016;• UCI rankings;• Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.
Pre-worlds project	All athletes selected to the World Championships Pool must take part in the Tour of Alberta or the Grands Prix Cyclistes de Québec et Montréal. Any exception to this rule is at the discretion of the National Team Coach.



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Athletes whose trade teams are competing at the Tour of Alberta must compete with their team; other athletes must compete as members of the Canadian team. Any exception to this rule is at the discretion of the National Team Coach.

6. U23 ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM – INDIVIDUAL TIME TRIAL

Date	10-Oct-16
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A top-10 performance• Provide a professional environment around our U23 team in order to maximize their unique experience.
Team Size	The maximum size of the Team is 2. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
Eligibility	All male licensed riders age 19 to 22 on Dec. 31, 2016 who have been named to the U23 World Championships Pool.
Selection Date	On or around Aug. 15, 2016
Pre-participation requirements	<p>All riders seeking selection must provide a detailed training/racing plan with a focus on performance at the World Championships to the National Coach prior to selection.</p> <p>Athletes must also be a member of the National Athlete Pool and have completed all relevant requirements.</p>
Selection Criteria	<p>In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Pool selected riders' performances in major international and national Individual Time Trials; and• Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.
Funding	Athletes will have to contribute to the cost of this project. The estimated cost per athlete will be made available by the selection date. Payment must be received seven days (one week) prior to the start of the project
Selection to more than one team	Selection to the Road Race Team does not guarantee selection to the Time Trial Team and vice versa.

7. U23 ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM – ROAD RACE

Dates	13-Oct-16
Objective	A top-10 performance
Team Size	The maximum size of the Team is to be determined. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.
Eligibility	All male licensed riders age 19 to 22 on Dec. 31, 2016 who have been named to the U23 World Championships Pool.
Selection Date	On or around Sept. 6, 2016.



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Pre-participation requirements	<p>All riders seeking selection must provide a detailed training/racing plan with a focus on performance at the World Championships to the National Coach prior to selection.</p> <p>Athletes must also be a member of the National Athlete Pool and have completed all relevant requirements.</p>
Selection Criteria	<p>In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Pool selected riders' performances in major international and national road events; and• Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.
Funding	<p>Athletes will have to contribute to the cost of this project. The estimated cost per athlete will be made available by the selection date. Payment must be received seven days (one week) prior to the start of the project</p>
Selection to more than one team	<p>Selection to the Road Race Team does not guarantee selection to the Time Trial Team and vice versa.</p>



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SCHEDULE 3 – JUNIOR MEN

Junior Men's Road Program:

Start	End	Project	Location	Country
17-Jul-16	15-Aug-16	Abitibi-Europe - Tour de l'Abitibi (CAN) 2.NCup - Aubel-Thimister-La Gleize (BEL) 2.1 - Ronde des Vallées (FRA) 2.1 - Kermesses		CAN- BEL-FRA
21-sep-16	08-Oct-16	Pre-Road Worlds	Tielt-Winge	BEL
09-Oct-16	16-Oct-16	UCI Road World Championships - 11-Oct-16: Junior men Individual Time Trial - 14-Oct-16: Junior men Road Race	Doha	QAT

1. ABITIBI-EUROPE AND JUNIOR ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS POOL

Dates 17-Jul-16 to 15-Aug-16

Objective

- Identify athletes who can contribute to top-10 performances at the 2016 Road World Championships;
- Score points in the Nations Cup race and obtain additional spots for the World Championships;
- Provide an opportunity to gain experience in international competitions;
- Provide a professional training environment;
- Initiate a long-term development philosophy.

Pool Size The maximum size of the pool is 6 riders. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.

Eligibility All male licensed riders age 17 or 18 on Dec. 31, 2016.

Selection Date On or around July 1, 2016.

Selection Criteria Automatic selection to the Pool: The following riders will be automatically named to the Pool:

- The 2016 Canadian Junior Road Race Champion;
- The 2016 Canadian Junior Time Trial Champion.

Additional Selection Criteria: In considering the riders to be selected to the Pool the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:

- The rider's performance and results at 2016 Canadian Road Championships. The National Criterium Challenge event will not be considered.
- The rider's performance in UCI or major national events during the 2016 season.
- Ability and willingness to ride a velodrome and potential to be part of the 2017 (and 2018) NextGenMTE Program.
- Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.



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Selection refusal	Refusal of any selected athlete to this project Team will result in exclusion from the 2016 Junior Road World Championships pool
Funding	Athletes will have to contribute to the cost of this project. The estimated cost per athlete will be made available by the selection date. Payment must be received seven days (one week) prior to the start of the project

2. JUNIOR ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM – INDIVIDUAL TIME TRIAL AND ROAD RACE

Date	09-Oct-16 to 16-Oct-16
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A top-16 performance• Provide a professional environment around our Junior team in order to maximize their unique experience.
Team Size	<p>The maximum size of the Individual Time Trial team is 2.</p> <p>The maximum size of the Road Race Team is to be determined. CC reserves the right to vary the Team size based on the suitability of the competition to the athlete's performance level.</p> <p>The Individual Time Trial athletes will be selected from among the Road Race athletes.</p>
Eligibility	All male licensed riders age 17 or 18 on Dec. 31, 2016 who have been named to the Junior World Championships Pool.
Selection Date	On or around Aug. 19, 2016.
Pre-participation requirements	<p>All riders seeking selection must provide a detailed training/racing plan with a focus on performance at the World Championships to the National Coach prior to selection.</p> <p>Athletes must also be a member of the National Athlete Pool and have completed all relevant requirements.</p>
Selection Criteria	<p>In considering the riders to be selected to the Team the National Coach and/or the Selection Committee shall take into account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Athletes' results and performances in the Canadian Road Championships Individual Time Trial and Road Race;• Athletes' results and performances during the Tour de l'Abitibi and the summer European project;• Athletes' results and performances in UCI or major national events during the 2016 season; and• Items mentioned in clause 10 of the General Selection Criteria.
Funding	Athletes will have to contribute to the cost of this project. The estimated cost per athlete will be made available by the selection date. Payment must be received seven days (one week) prior to the start of the project
Pre-worlds project	All athletes selected to the World Championships Team must take part in the Pre-Road Worlds project that will be happening in Belgium (21-Sep-2016 to 08-Oct-2016).