



NATIONAL RULE AMENDMENTS

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1. Goal

- 1.1** To describe how rules in the Cycling Canada Rulebook may be amended for use within Canada.

2. Principles

- 2.1** Cycling Canada is in principle committed to using the rules as amended and approved by the UCI from time to time. In some cases for very specific reasons, it may be necessary to amend a UCI approved rule for use within Canada. This policy addresses the manner in which these rules may be amended for use within Canada.

3. Field of Application

- 3.1** This policy applies to provincial and territories within Canada. Only the rules as approved by the CCOC shall be applied to all cycling events sanctioned by any sports organizations affiliated to Cycling Canada, and/or stated to be held under the rules of Cycling Canada, and/or with entry requiring membership within Cycling Canada.
- 3.2** This policy does not apply to international level cycling events held within Canada, where only the rules as approved by the UCI shall be used.

4. Definitions

- 4.1 CC:** Cycling Canada
- 4.2 CCOC:** Cycling Canada Officials Committee
- 4.3 Domestic events:** Any cycling event not on the international calendar, and not a national championship.
- 4.4 PSO:** Provincial Sports Organization. This shall be the CC recognized body for administering the sport of cycling in a province or territory
- 4.5 Rule/Regulation:** A principle or condition that governs behavior within the sport of cycling, and is approved by the UCI, or as appropriate, the CCOC.

4.6 UCI: Union Cycliste Internationale/International Cycling Union

5. Policy Statement

5.1 The CCOC is committed to ensuring a consistent and predictable set of regulations for competition within the sport of cycling across Canada.

6. Provisions

6.1 Review and Approval

6.1.1 Once a year the CCOC shall review all current UCI and nationally approved regulations. This shall be done prior to the commencement of the current season.

6.1.2 The CCOC shall make any amendments it deems appropriate to the UCI and nationally approved regulations for use within Canada at domestic events. When making amendments the CCOC shall take into account the development of the sport in Canada, and the need to prepare athletes to compete nationally and internationally.

6.1.3 The CCOC shall approve all regulations for use within Canada at all domestic events.

6.1.4 Unless otherwise stated, the UCI regulations as published by the UCI, shall be applicable at all international level events and national championships.

6.1.5 From time to time, during the course of the year, the UCI may make amendments to the regulations. Any such amendments, once published by the UCI, shall become immediately applicable within Canada unless otherwise decided and communicated by the CCOC.

6.1.6 From time to time, during the course of the year, it may be necessary for the CCOC to amend regulations. Any regulations, on amendment by the CCOC, become immediately applicable within Canada for domestic events.

6.2 Requests for Amendment

6.2.1 PSOs may request that an amendment be made to the regulations. All such requests shall be made to the CCOC by the competent authority within the PSO, and shall contain a motivation for the request for amendment.

6.2.2 The CCOC shall consider all requests for amendment within its own time frame.

6.2.3 The CCOC shall be the sole authority to consider all such requests for amendment. When considering such a request it shall take into account the development of the sport of cycling within Canada, as well as the preparation of athletes to compete internationally. It shall also take into account the implications of such amendments on regional and national competition. In general, such requests should be in line with UCI regulations.

- 6.2.4** The CCOC may approve a requested amendment and apply it for all domestic events, or within a specific region. Such approved amendments may also be approved for a limited time, as decided by the CCOC. The CCOC may at any time modify or remove any approved amendment.
- 6.2.5** The CCOC may reject a requested amendment without providing a reason for doing so.
- 6.2.6** The CCOC may refuse to consider a request for amendment if it has been made abusively, if it is obviously not in the best interests of the sport in Canada, if it impacts on the safety of the sport in Canada, or if the CCOC has recently already made a determination on a similar requested amendment. The judgement of the CCOC will be final.

6.3 Publication

- 6.3.1** The applicable UCI regulations shall be those that are the most recently published on the UCI website.
- 6.3.2** Once a year CC shall publish a Companion Guide to the UCI regulations. This guide shall be available on the CC website and shall contain any approved amendments to the UCI regulations for domestic events within Canada.
- 6.3.3** The CCOC may make further amendments to the regulations during the course of a year and after the Companion Guide has been published. These amendments shall be published on the CC website and/or to the PSOs.
- 6.3.4** It shall be the responsibility of all those participating in the sport of cycling in whatever capacity to ensure that they have the latest version of the regulations, together with all applicable amendments as approved by the CCOC. No other regulations shall be applicable to the sport of cycling within Canada.

7. Review and Approval

- 7.1** This policy shall be reviewed at least once every two years.
- 7.2** Outside of the regular review cycle, a review can be requested by a member of the CCOC or the Board of Directors of CC.
- 7.3** This policy was approved by the Cycling Canada Commissaires Committee on the April 4, 2009.
- 7.4** Date of last review: **January 26, 2016**
- 7.5** Original policy development lead: Wayne Pomario