



1. Introduction

The Challenge Sprint Pro (Quebec City, Sept. 12, 2013) is an elite men's one-kilometre race presented in heats of three or four riders. The first two riders from each heat qualify for the following round until the winner emerges from the final.

Sanctioned by Cycling Canada, the Challenge Sprint Pro showcases a member of all 19 UCI ProTeams, two invited UCI Pro Continental teams and the Canadian national team participating in the Grand Prix Cycliste de Québec the next day.

In order to have a complete field of 24 riders, the organizers of the Grands Prix Cyclistes de Québec et Montréal have invited Cycling Canada to select three additional riders.

2. Selection criteria

2.1. Objectives:

- 2.1.1. Provide an opportunity to compete on a global stage for Canadian road athletes;
- 2.1.2. Add value to the Canadian Sprint Challenge and Criterium championships.

2.2. Selection: This applies to all Canadian Elite male riders who have participated in a UCI road event in the past 12 months (since Sept. 13, 2012).

2.3. Team Size: The size of the Team is 4 riders, as follows:

- 2.3.1.1 rider from among the 8 athletes selected for the Grand Prix Cycliste de Québec;
- 2.3.2.3 additional riders selected by Cycling Canada.

2.4. Eligibility: All male licensed riders of 19 years of age and over as of December 31, 2013. In order to respect the "road" characteristic of this event, athletes must have taken part in an event on the UCI road calendar in the 12 preceding months (since Sept. 13, 2012). It is the athlete's responsibility to demonstrate he meets this requirement.

2.5. Selection Date: The names of riders selected to the Team will be announced on Aug. 23, 2013.

2.6. Funding: This project is partially funded. The estimated cost for this project per athlete will be made available by July 12. Payment must be received a full 7 days (1 week) prior to the start of the project.

2.7. Selection Criteria:

- i. The coach's choice from among the eight riders selected to the Grand Prix Cycliste de Québec (Canadian national team)
- ii. The 2013 Canadian Elite Challenge Sprint champion
- iii. The 2013 Canadian Elite Criterium champion
- iv. Coach's choice (taking into consideration clause 10.a (Part B) of the 2013 Road Men's Selection Policy).

If any of the above riders do not comply with the eligibility requirements or is unable to take part, he will be replaced using criterion 4.