



Cycling Canada XCO TEAM Plate Policy

At all UCI XCO events, Cycling Canada requests a specific number of TEAM plates from the UCI - to be used exclusively by designated National Team coaches.

At each event Cycling Canada also receives numerous requests from private coaches who wish to have a TEAM plate. The policy below dictates how those requests will be handled.

1. Prior to each World Cup and World Championships, Cycling Canada notifies the UCI of the designated National Team Coaches who will be assigned a TEAM plate. These plates cannot be shared with other athletes or coaches as per UCI policy.
2. Prior to the event, Cycling Canada will also request TEAM plates for private coaches who have requested a TEAM plate to work with specific individual athletes at the competition.
3. The UCI will determine how many plates are actually granted to Cycling Canada for use by private coaches. In the event that we do not receive enough TEAM plates for all coaches who requested them, available private coach TEAM plates will be distributed on the basis of the UCI ranking earned by the highest ranked athlete the coach is directly responsible for (Coach of Record throughout the year).
4. TEAM plates must only be used by the designated coach that the plate was issued to. Plates cannot not be shared with athletes, other coaches or any other individual. Failure to honour this will result in a loss of TEAM plate privileges going forward.
5. **HOW TO REQUEST A TEAM PLATE:**
Complete the [online application form](#) a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the competition. You will need the following to complete the form:
 - a. A digital copy of your UCI license.
 - b. A current background check.
 - c. 2019 CCES True Sport certificate showing that you completed the CCES education module.

6. ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Here is the TEAM plate policy published by the UCI. We assume the same policy will apply at all international competitions moving forward:

XCO “Team” plates

Following inappropriate use of ‘Team’ plates at the first two rounds of the XCO World Cup they will now only be issued to National Federations, UCI teams and Elite teams.

We would remind you that ‘Team’ plates are for the use of Federation or UCI team coaches to be able to ride with their athletes during the official training period for the rider. They should not be used by athletes wishing to train in a different training period on their own.

Any rider found using a ‘Team’ plate will be subject to a fine penalty and the ‘Team’ plate will be removed from that team/rider for the remainder of the season.