

2019-2020 Cyclo-Cross Program

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ALL PROGRAMMING IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

The purpose of this document is to an overview of the upcoming Cyclo-cross season. It is important to note that programming may change at any time due to financial circumstances, staffing, changes to the international racing calendar, etc

Introduction:

In the spring of 2015, members of the Cyclo-cross community came together with the support of Cycling Canada to a form a working group tasked with raising the overall quality of the programs offered to Canadian cyclo-cross athletes.

In the first year, the program was successful in running the first edition of the Christmas Cross Camp and fielding the largest Canadian team to ever compete at a Cyclo-cross World Championships in Europe. The program continued to build in the second year, culminating with a Top 5 Result at the 2017 World Championships in the Elite Women's race.

The Cyclo-cross Working group will continue to work towards its strategic priorities as listed below.

National Cyclo-cross Team Strategic Priorities

- To improve communications and planning around the Canadian Cyclo-cross program;
- To improve engagement with members of the Cyclo-cross community;
- To develop a sustainable Cyclo-cross program that has value to Cycling Canada and to members of the Cyclo-cross community;
- To continue to introduce developing athletes to international competition;
- To continue providing support to elite athletes at select international competitions;
- To explore alternative funding opportunities, including sponsorship and fundraising;
- To identify leaders in the Cyclo-cross community who can drive these initiatives without additionally taxing Cycling Canada resources.

The objectives of the 2019-2020 Cyclo-cross program will be:

- To place one rider in the top 10 at the World Championships;
- To win one Pan Am championships title;
- To raise the quality of support provided to Canadian athletes in the Canadian Cyclocross program.

The Canadian Cyclo-Cross Working Group is:

Program Manager: Scott Kelly

NSO Rep: Kris Westwood

• PSO Rep: Rob Holmgren

• Elite Female Rep: Maghalie Rochette

• Elite Male Rep: Michael van den Ham

• Industry Rep: Craig Richey

• Member at Large: Aaron Schooler

Member at Large: Derek Chipping

Clothing: (UCI Rule 1.3.059)

Elite Men and Women's Riders may ride in the clothing of their professional team. Those competing in the U23 Men, U23 Women and Junior Men categories must ride in the clothing of their nationality.

2019-2020 World Cup Selection Policy

Riders interested in competing at that World Cup must indicate their interest using the online form (click on the competition name below) by 23:59 EST on the indicated date.

Participation in World Cup events is at the athletes' own cost. Cycling Canada is responsible for completing the online entry for each World Cup, but unless otherwise stated all other logistics are the athletes' responsibility.

Date	Event	Indication of Interest Date	Selection Date
14.09.2019	WC: Iowa City	28.08.2019	30.08.2019
22.09.2019	WC: Waterloo	28.08.2019	30.08.2019
20.10.2019	WC: Bern	23.09.2019	27.09.2019
16.11.2019	WC: Tabor	21.10.2019	25.10.2019
24.11.2019	WC: Koksijde	21.10.2019	25.10.2019
22.12.2019	WC: Namur	11.11.2019	15.11.2019
26.12.2019	WC: Zolder	11.11.2019	15.11.2019
19.01.2020	WC: Nommay	25.11.2019	29.11.2019
26.01.2020	WC: Hoogerheide	25.11.2019	29.11.2019

For every World Cup, each country is limited to the following participation quotas;

Elite Men	8
Elite Women	8
U23 Men	6
Junior Men	6

Participation decisions will be made using the following criteria based on rankings on the selection date and results in the 12 months preceding the selection date, ranked in the order of priority listed below. If the selection must prioritize between two athletes who have met criteria of equal priority, the Cyclo-cross working group will determine a neutral, fair and transparent process to do so. If you have not met minimum selection criteria, you may apply for a discretionary selection. This selection must be approved by the Cyclo-cross Working Group.

Elite Men World Cup Criteria:

- 1. Top 50 on the UCI Cyclo-cross Ranking;
- 2. Any rider finishing top 3 at the most recent Elite Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 3. U23 Canadian Cyclo-cross Champion (Applicable only at Waterloo and Iowa City);
- 4. Any rider who finished in the top 40 at the most recent Elite Cyclo-cross World Championships;
- 5. Any rider with a top-15 result at the most recent Elite Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 6. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;
- 7. Any rider with a top-40 result (must be among the top 75% of finishers) at an Elite UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup;
- 8. Any rider with two top-5 results at UCI C2 Cyclo-cross events (for events to apply, must be on separate weekends).

Elite/U23 Women's World Cup Criteria

- 1. Top 50 on the UCI Cyclo-cross Ranking;
- 2. Any rider finishing top 3 at the most recent Elite Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 3. Any rider finishing in the top 2 at the most recent U23 Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships
- 4. Any rider who finished in the top 25 at the most recent Elite or U23 Cyclo-cross World Championships;
- 5. Any rider with a top-15 result at the most recent Elite Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 6. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;
- 7. Any rider with a top 10 result at the most recent U23 Continental Championships;
- 8. Any rider with a top-25 result (must be among the top 75% of finishers) at an Elite UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup;
- 9. Any rider with two top-5 results at UCI C2 Cyclocross events (for events to apply, must be on separate weekends).

U23 Men's World Cup Criteria

- Any rider finishing in the top 3 at the most recent U23 Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 2. Any rider with a Top-30 result at a U23 UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup;
- 3. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;
- 4. Any rider with a top-10 result at a UCI C2 Cyclo-cross event;
- 5. Any rider with a top-15 result at the most recent U23 Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 6. Any rider with a top-10 result at a UCI MU Cyclo-cross event.

Junior Men's Criteria

- 1. Any rider finishing in the top 3 at the most recent Junior Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 2. Any rider with a Top-25 result at a Junior UCI Cyclo-cross world cup;
- 3. Any rider with a top-15 result at the most recent Junior Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 4. Any rider with a top-5 result at a UCI MJ Cyclo-cross event.

Cycling Canada Projects

Cycling Canada will run supported projects (Project fees to apply) to the following events:

Dates	Event	Location	Athletes Quotas
Dec. 18, 2019-Jan. 2,	Christmas Cross Camp	Tielt-Winge BEL	4 Elite Men
2020			4 Elite Women
			4 U23 Men
			4 U23 Women
			4 Junior Men
Jan. 22-Feb. 3, 2020	World Championships/	Hoogerheide NED	5 Elite Men
	Hoogerheide World Cup	Dubendorf SUI	5 Elite Women
			5 U23 Men
			5 U23 Women
			5 Junior Men
			5 Junior Women

2019 Christmas Cross Camp Selection Policy

Riders interested in participating in the Christmas Cross Camp must indicate their interest using the online form (click on the competition name below) by 23:59 EST on the indicated date.

Date	Event	Indication of Interest Date	Selection Date
Dec. 18, 2019	Christmas Cross Camp	Nov. 11, 2019	Nov. 15, 2019

For Christmas Cross, it is limited to the following participation quotas (subject to change, based on a maximum camp size of 16 riders):

Elite Men	4
Elite/U23/Junior Women (All participants must race in Elite Category)	4
U23 Men	4
Junior Men	4

Participation decisions will be made using the following criteria based on rankings on the selection date and results in the 12 months preceding the selection date, ranked in the order of priority listed below. If the selection must prioritize between two athletes who have met criteria of equal priority, the Cyclo-cross working group will determine a neutral, fair and transparent

process to do so. If you have not met minimum selection criteria, you may apply for a discretionary selection. This selection must be approved by the Cyclo-cross Working Group.

Elite Men Criteria:

- 1. Top 50 on the UCI Cyclo-cross Ranking;
- 2. Any rider finishing top 3 at the most recent Elite Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 3. Any rider with a top-15 result at the most recent Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 4. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;
- 5. Any rider with a top-40 result (must be among the top 75% of finishers) at a UCI Cyclocross World Cup;
- 6. Any rider with two top-5 results at UCI C2 Cyclo-cross events (for events to apply, they must be on separate weekends).

Elite/U23 Women's Criteria

- 1. Top 50 on the UCI Cyclo-cross Ranking;
- 2. Any rider finishing top 3 at the most recent Elite Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 3. Any rider finishing top 2 at the most recent U23 Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 4. Any rider with a top-25 result at the most recent Elite or U23 Cyclo-Cross World Championships;
- 5. Any rider with a top-10 result at the most recent Elite Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 6. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;
- 7. Any rider with a top 5 result at the most recent Cyclo-cross U23 Continental Championships;
- 8. Any rider with a top-25 result (must be among the top 75% of finishers) at a UCI Cyclocross World Cup;
- 9. Any rider with two top-5 results at UCI C2 Cyclo-cross events (for events to apply, they must be on separate weekends).

U23 Men's Criteria

- 1. Any rider finishing in the top 3 at the most recent U23 Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 2. Any rider with a Top-30 result at a U23 UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup;
- 3. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;
- 4. Any rider with a top-10 result at a UCI C2 Cyclo-cross event;
- 5. Any rider with a top-15 result at the most recent U23 Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 6. Any rider with a top-10 result at a MU Cyclo-cross event.

Junior Men's Criteria

- 1. Any rider finishing in the top 3 at the most recent Junior National Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 2. Any rider with a Top-25 result at a Junior UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup;
- 3. Any rider with a top-10 result at the most recent Junior Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 4. Any rider with a top-5 result at a UCI MJ Cyclo-cross event;

2020 World Championship Selection Policy

Riders interested in competing in the World Championships must indicate their interest using the online form (click on the competition name below) by 23:59 EST on the indicated date.

Date	Event	Indication of Interest Date	Selection Date
01.02.2020	CM:Dubendorf,	25.11.2019	29.11.2019
	Switzerland		

For World championships each country is limited to the following participation quotas;

Elite Men	5
Elite Women	5
U23 Men	5
U23 Women	5
Junior Men	5
Junior Women	5

Participation decisions will be made using the following criteria based on rankings on the selection date and results in the 12 months preceding the selection date, ranked in the order of priority listed below. It is understood that results earned at an event in the previous year, cannot qualify you for the same event the following year, even if it falls within the 12-month time frame. If the selection must prioritize between two athletes who have met criteria of equal priority, the Cyclo-cross working group will determine a neutral, fair and transparent process to do so. If you have not met minimum selection criteria, you may apply for a discretionary selection. This selection must be approved by the Cyclo-cross Working Group.

Elite Men Criteria:

- 1. Top 50 on the UCI Cyclo-cross Ranking;
- 2. Any rider finishing top 3 at the most recent Elite Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 3. Any rider with a top-15 result at the most recent Elite Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 4. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;

- 5. Any rider with a top-45 result (must be among the top 75% of finishers) at a UCI Cyclocross World Cup;
- 6. Any rider with two top-5 results at UCI C2 Cyclocross events (for events to apply, must be on separate weekends).

Elite Women's Criteria

- 1. Top 50 on the UCI Cyclo-cross Ranking;
- 2. Any rider finishing top 3 at the most recent Elite Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 3. Any rider with a top-15 result at the most recent Elite Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 4. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;
- 5. Any rider with a top-25 result (must be top 75% of finishers) at a UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup;
- 6. Any rider with two top-5 results at UCI C2 Cyclocross events (for events to apply, they must be on separate weekends).

U23 Men's Criteria

- Any rider finishing in the top 3 at the most recent U23 Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 2. Any rider with a Top 30 at a U23 UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup;
- 3. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;
- 4. Any rider with one top-10 result at a UCI C2 Cyclo-cross event;
- 5. Any rider with a top-15 result at the most recent U23 Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 6. Any rider with one top-10 result at a UCI MU Cyclo-cross event.

U23 Women's Criteria

- 1. Any rider finishing in the top 3 at the most recent U23 Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 2. Any rider with a Top 30 at an Elite UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup;
- 3. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;
- 4. Any rider with a top-10 result at the most recent U23 Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 5. Any rider with one top-5 result at a UCI C2 Cyclo-cross event.

Junior Men's Criteria

- 1. Any rider finishing in the top 3 at the most recent Junior Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 2. Any rider with a Top 25 at a Junior UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup;
- 3. Any rider with a top-10 result at the most recent Junior Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 4. Any rider with a top-5 result at a UCI MJ Cyclo-cross event.

Junior Women's Criteria

- 1. Any rider finishing in the top 3 at the most recent Junior Canadian Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 2. Any rider with a Top 30 at an Elite UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup;
- 3. Any rider with a top-15 result at a UCI C1 Cyclo-cross event;
- 4. Any rider with a top-5 result at the most recent U23 Cyclo-cross Continental Championships;
- 5. Any rider with one top-5 result at a UCI C2 Cyclo-cross event.

If you have any questions or suggestions about the proposed National Team program outlined in this document, or wish to apply for a discretionary selection, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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