



NATIONAL TEAM APPROVAL POLICY 2021 DHI WORLD CUPS

Cycling Canada is carefully following the evolution of the coronavirus on the global and domestic level and how it may impact programs and policies. Unless otherwise required by exceptional and unforeseen circumstances related to the impact of the coronavirus, Cycling Canada will respect published programs and policies as written.

However, situations related to the coronavirus pandemic may arise that require programs or policies to be modified. Any modifications will be made promptly and as often as required following developments that directly affect the program or policy. In such circumstances, any modifications will be communicated to all affected individuals as soon as possible.

Further, situations may arise that do not allow a program or policy to be modified or applied as written due to time constraints or other exceptional and unforeseen circumstances. In such situations, any decision, including selection decisions, will be made by the individual(s) with decision-making authority, as stated in the relevant policy, in consultation with the relevant individual(s) or committee(s) (as applicable), and in accordance with the stated performance objectives and selection philosophy and approach as stated herein. Should it be necessary to make any decision in this manner, Cycling Canada will communicate with all affected individuals as soon as possible.

This approval policy is for Elite DHI athletes who have less than 40 UCI points and are not on a UCI MTB Team, and all Junior DHI athletes who are not on a UCI MTB Team. All other athletes please see the World Cup registration document on our website.

1. GENERAL

- a. All athletes must complete Cycling Canada's online World Cup registration form at least 4 weeks prior to the registration date in order to be considered ([click here](#)).
- b. Any athlete granted a start position will be required to:
 - i. Purchase and race in a National Team Jersey.
 - ii. Pay for and pick up their race registration at the race headquarters.
 - iii. Have a parent, coach or other responsible person present during all World Cup training and racing who will assist in the event of an injury or illness.
 - iv. Secure their own travel arrangements, travel medical insurance, lodging, and mechanical and coaching services. All costs are the responsibility of the athlete.
 - v. Complete Cycling Canada's online National Team form (annually) when sent.
 - vi. Sign the CC Covid Travel Waiver and submit a copy of their insurance policy which includes Covid coverage.
- c. If an athlete accepts a start position for the World Cup and does not pick up their race registration, they will be required to pay a \$250 fine to Cycling Canada and will be denied any further World Cup opportunities until the fine has been paid. Should an athlete be unable to start at the World Cup, for any reason, Cycling Canada will not allow alternate athletes to be granted a start position in their place.

DHI WORLD CUPS OUTSIDE OF NORTH AMERICA

2. Junior Categories

- a. Start Positions: The UCI grants Canada start positions for 6 Junior Men and 6 Junior Women. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase, decrease or reconfigure quotas based on factors not under Cycling Canada's control.
- b. Athletes will be selected in the following priority order:

- i. The top 4 placed eligible junior men within the top 10 from the 2019 Canadian Championships, and top 3 placed eligible junior women within the top 4 from the 2019 Canadian Championships;
- ii. The top 3 U17 Expert Men and top U17 Women from the preceding Canadian Championships provided they are eligible to compete in the junior category;
- iii. UCI ranking.

3. Elite Categories

- a. **Start Positions:** The UCI grants Canada start positions for 3 Elite Men and 3 Elite Women. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase, decrease or reconfigure quotas based on factors not under Cycling Canada's control
- b. Athletes will be selected in the following priority order.
 - i. Any athlete who competed as a Junior at the 2019 World Championships and finished within the top 30 athletes in the final results;
 - ii. The top 3 athletes to finish within the top 10 at the 2019 National Championships in the Elite category;
 - iii. UCI ranking. Athletes must have at least 1 UCI points to be considered.

DHI WORLD CUPS IN NORTH AMERICA

1. JUNIOR MEN – Snowshoe, USA (Sept 18-19)

- a. **Category:** Junior Men
- b. **Start Positions:** The UCI grants Canada start positions for **12** Junior Men. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase, decrease or reconfigure quotas based on factors not under Cycling Canada's control.
- c. **Eligibility:** Athletes aged 17 or 18 on Dec. 31, 2021, who are not members of a UCI Elite Mountain Bike or UCI Mountain Bike Team.
- d. **Selection Date:** July 30, 2021
- e. **Athletes will be selected in the following priority order:**
 - i. Junior Men athletes who are selected to the 2021 MTB DH World Championship team and are not on a UCI MTB Team. Priority is based on World Championship selection order;
 - ii. Top 5 Canadian Junior Men in the UCI Ranking as of the selection date;
 - iii. The top 5 athletes to finish within the top 8 at the 2021 National Championships in the Junior Men category;
 - iv. The top 2 first-year junior athlete to finish within the top 10 at the 2021 National Championships in the Junior Men category;
 - v. The top ranked junior athlete in the 2021 Canadian Cup series as of the selection date;
 - vi. Athletes who finished within the top 10 at the 2021 National Championships in the Junior Men category.

2. ELITE MEN – Snowshoe, USA (Sept 18-19)

- a. **Category:** Elite Men
- b. **Start Positions:** The UCI grants Canada start positions for **3** Elite Men. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase, decrease or reconfigure quotas based on factors not under Cycling Canada's control.
- c. **Eligibility:** Athletes aged 19 or older on Dec. 31, 2021, who do not have 40 UCI and are not members of a UCI Elite Mountain Bike or UCI Mountain Bike Team.
- d. **Selection Date:** July 30, 2021
- e. **Athletes will be selected in the following priority order:**
 - i. Elite Men athletes who are selected to the 2021 MTB DH World Championship team and do not have 40 UCI points and are not on a UCI MTB Team. Priority is based on World Championship selection order;
 - ii. The top 2 athletes to finish within the top 10 at the 2021 National Championships in the Elite Men category;
 - iii. The top ranked athlete in the 2021 Canadian Cup series as of the selection date;

- iv. Athletes who finished within the top 10 at the 2021 National Championships in the Elite Men category.

3. JUNIOR WOMEN – Snowshoe, USA (Sept 18-19)

- a. **Category:** Junior Women
- b. **Start Positions:** The UCI grants Canada start positions for **12** Junior Woman. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase, decrease or reconfigure quotas based on factors not under Cycling Canada's control.
- c. **Eligibility:** Athletes aged 17 or 18 on Dec. 31, 2021, who are not members of a UCI Elite Mountain Bike or UCI Mountain Bike Team.
- d. **Selection Date:** July 30, 2021
- e. **Athletes will be selected in the following priority order:**
 - i. Junior Women athletes who are selected to the 2021 MTB DH World Championship team are not on a UCI MTB Team. Priority is based on World Championship selection order;
 - ii. Top Canadian Junior Women UCI Ranking as of the selection date;
 - iii. The top athlete to finish within the top 3 at the 2021 National Championships in the Junior Women results;
 - iv. The top first-year junior athlete to finish within the top 5 at the 2021 National Championships in the Junior Women category;
 - v. The top ranked junior athlete in the 2021 Canadian Cup series as of the selection date;
 - vi. Athletes who finished within the top 3 at the 2021 National Championships in the Junior Women category.

4. ELITE WOMEN – Snowshoe, USA (Sept 18-19)

- a. **Category:** Women
- b. **Start Positions:** The UCI grants Canada start positions for **3** Elite Women. Cycling Canada reserves the right to increase, decrease or reconfigure quotas based on factors not under Cycling Canada's control.
- c. **Eligibility:** All athletes aged 19 or older on Dec. 31, 2019, who do not have 40 UCI and are not members of a UCI Elite Mountain Bike or UCI Mountain Bike Team.
- d. **Selection Date:** July 30, 2021
- e. **Athletes will be selected in the following priority order:**
 - i. Elite Women athletes who are selected to the 2021 MTB DH World Championship team and do not have 40 UCI points and are not on a UCI MTB Team. Priority is based on World Championship selection order;
 - ii. The top 2 athletes to finish within the top 8 at the 2021 National Championships in the Elite Women results;
 - iii. The top ranked athlete in the 2021 Canadian Cup series as of selection date;
 - iv. Athletes to finish within the top 8 at the 2021 National Championships in the Elite Women results.