

# **2021 Cyclo-Cross Selection Criteria**

For World Cups 1, 2 & 3

Effective Aug. 27, 2021

ALL PROGRAMMING IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

#### Note on the Pandemic:

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.

### **Eligibility requirements**

To be considered for selection for World Cups, athletes must apply to Cycling Canada by Sept 8, 2021, and must be able to complete the following requirements on or before that date:

- Provide the name(s) of their mechanic and logistical support team. This must include at least 1
  person who has previously worked for the National Team, a CCA or UCI Trade team in that role
  at an international level competition;
- Provide proof of medical insurance that includes coverage for expenses related to COVID-19;
- Provide their travel itinerary demonstrating that they meet any COVID-19-related restrictions;
- Acknowledge that they freely accept any health risk associated with international travel during the pandemic;
- Meet all other obligations related to participation per Cycling Canada policies and UCI regulations.

Cycling Canada reserves the right to request additional information and to decline nominating an athlete who cannot demonstrate he or she will have an appropriate level of support.

Athletes will be responsible for their own travel, logistics and support.

## **Cycling Canada support**

Cycling Canada will enter athletes into the competitions and provide administrative support.

#### **World Cup Pit Pass Requirements**

In order to receive start-line and pit accreditation at UCI World Cups, the National Team Program Manager must provide proof of a valid and current license of each person applying for accreditation (pit and start line passes) at the Manager's Meeting.

Furthermore, Cycling Canada requires that the applicant (staff member) has previously worked for the National Team, a CCA or UCI Trade team in that role at an international level competition.

If you are on a Professional team and your staff possesses a valid UCI Staff license from another country and the required experience, this will also be accepted.

## **Selection Policy for World Cups 1-3**

Riders interested in competing at any of the World Cups listed below must indicate their interest by completing the online form before 23:59 EST on the Indication of Interest date.

The registration form can be found here: <a href="https://form.jotform.com/212388556357466">https://form.jotform.com/212388556357466</a>

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
Oct. 10, 2021	Waterloo USA	Sept. 8, 2021	Sept. 10, 2021
Oct. 13, 2021	Fayetteville USA	Sept. 8, 2021	Sept. 10, 2021
Oc.t 17, 2021	Iowa City USA	Sept. 8, 2021	Sept. 10, 2021

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

Elite Men	8
Elite Women	8

Participation decisions will be made using the following criteria, 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.

#### **Elite Women's Criteria**

- 1. Top 50 UCI Ranking at the end of the 2020-2021 season;
- 2. Any athlete finishing top 3 at the most recent Elite National Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 3. Any athlete finishing top 3 at the most recent U23 National Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 4. Any athlete who finished in the top 30 at a World Cup or C1 in 2020-2021 season.

#### Elite Men Criteria:

- 1. Top 50 UCI Ranking at the end of the 2020-2021 season;
- 2. Any athlete finishing top 3 at the most recent Elite National Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 3. Any athlete finishing top 3 at the most recent U23 National Cyclo-cross Championships;
- 4. Any athlete who finished in the top 30 at a World Cup or C1 in 2020-2021 season.

Athletes who have not met minimum selection criteria may apply for a discretionary selection. These discretionary selections will be targeted towards development athletes. This selection must be approved by the Cyclo-cross Working Group.

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

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