

PART 15 CYCLING FOR ALL

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PART 15 CYCLING FOR ALL

Chapter I GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 1 Participation

- 15.1.001** Unless provided otherwise, participation in cycling for all events is open to the holders of a cycling for all, masters and junior licence within the limits of the events' particular regulations.

The minimal age to take part in each type of event is set by the organiser's national federation, in accordance with the current national regulations.

Rider's age shall be determined by the difference between the year of the event and the year of his birth.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 25.06.19)

- 15.1.002** Unless provided otherwise, riders may ride under a day licence issued by the organiser's national federation and given by the latter at the time of entry.

The licence shall clearly set out the date of validity. The national federation shall ensure that for the duration of the licence, a day licence holder benefits from the same insurance cover as that provided with an annual licence.

(text modified on 25.06.19)

- 15.1.003** Unless provided otherwise, participation by persons not holding a licence is possible under conditions laid down by the organiser's national federation, inter alia as regards the requirement to present a medical certificate of fitness to practice cycle sport and proof of insurance cover.

(text modified on 25.06.19)

- 15.1.004** A rider belonging to a UCI WorldTeam, a UCI professional continental team or a UCI continental team may take part in cycling for all events under the conditions set out in article 2.2.008.

(text modified on 25.06.19)

- 15.1.005** (N) A rider belonging to a national team, a regional team or a club may take part in cycling for all events under the conditions set by the national federation of the country where the event is held.

§ 2 Entries and responsibility of participants

- 15.1.006** Advance registration with the organiser is obligatory. The organiser shall allocate a race number and/or a frame number to each participant.

- 15.1.007** By the act of entering, the participant confirms that he accepts and undertakes to respect the regulations of the UCI and the national federation, as well as the special regulations for the event.

He also undertakes to comply with the directions of the organisers and the safety and emergency services.

Each participant shall accept the risks involved in taking part, including health risks, the risk of falls and collisions, and risks relating to road traffic and bad weather conditions.

Health

- 15.1.008** It is the responsibility of each rider to ensure before riding an event that he is in perfect health and capable of the physical effort required for to ride the event which he has entered.

The organiser may require participants to give written confirmation that they are aware of the inherent risks of such an event and that they are fully responsible for any health problems. They may also require each participant to provide a medical certificate to the effect that there is no contraindication to the practice of cycle sport, in accordance with the regulations of his national federation.

In no event may the UCI be held responsible for accidents or health problems to a rider connected with participation in a cycling for all event.

Insurance

- 15.1.009** Each participant must ensure in advance that he is properly covered for accidents and third-party liability, notably at his national federation.

Conduct of participants

- 15.1.010** Participants must at all times respect the relevant road traffic regulations.

- 15.1.011** Participants shall demonstrate a proper sporting spirit.

- 15.1.012** Participants shall behave in a manner which respects the environment.

§ 3 Organisation

Information for participants

- 15.1.013** The organiser must make available detailed information to participants, which includes the following:
type of the event, special regulations for the event, a detailed description of the course, and a description of services.

Programme – Event technical guide

- 15.1.014** (N) The programme - technical guide shall cover all details of organisation, including:
- Full contact details for the organiser
 - The special regulations for the event
 - The number of times the event has been run previously
 - The number of riders the last time the event was run
 - The number of riders expected and any applicable limits on field size
 - The type of event
 - A detailed description of the course(s) with profile, distance, feeds, first aid posts and technical assistance posts
 - A description of the services provided for riders.

Environment

15.1.015 The organiser must take all appropriate measures for the protection of the environment.

15.1.016 The organiser must restore the course and its surroundings to its original condition immediately after the event has finished.

Chapter II CYCLOSPORTIVE EVENT

§ 1 Course and safety

Course directions

- 15.2.001** The course must be clearly marked using arrows and signs, and by marshals.
- 15.2.002** Where an event uses multiple courses, these must be clearly identified. The points at which the different courses separate must be marked at least 500 meter beforehand.
- 15.2.003** The organiser must clearly mark all areas which present a significant risk well in advance (dangerous corner on descents, bad road surfaces, roadworks, etc.).
- 15.2.004** At the foot of particularly difficult climbs or mountain passes, a panel shall indicate the average and maximum gradients, the total climb, the distance to the summit and the maximum altitude.
- 15.2.005** Signage must be removed immediately following the event.

Marshals

- 15.2.006** The organiser shall take on a sufficient number of marshals in order to ensure rider safety and control traffic.

Motorised marshals will be added to the team as required.

A marshal must be stationed at all major junctions and at least at junctions where riders do not have priority under the normal rules of the road.

- 15.2.007** The marshals must be readily identifiable by a distinctive sign or uniform.
- 15.2.008** The marshals shall be provided with a flag and/or a whistle.
- 15.2.009** The marshals must be clearly informed about their role and provided with a list of emergency contacts.

Following vehicles

- 15.2.010** The organiser's official vehicles must be marked with a distinctive sign.
- 15.2.011** There will be at least a lead car and a broom wagon. The number of following vehicles will be appropriate for the number of participants.
- 15.2.012** Personal following vehicles are forbidden. If necessary, the rider will be disqualified by the organiser.

§ 2 First aid

- 15.2.013** Without prejudice to applicable legal, administrative and regulatory requirements, the organiser must provide a first aid post and additional first aid posts as appropriate for the length and layout of the course.

At least one doctor and an adequate number of qualified paramedics must be ready to intervene rapidly, at any time and at any point on the course.

- 15.2.014** The members of the first aid services shall be stationed at fixed posts and mobile units, as appropriate to the length and configuration of the course.
- 15.2.015** The principal first aid post must be readily identifiable and situated close to the finishing line.
- 15.2.016** The members of the first aid service must be readily identifiable by a sign or uniform which they alone may wear.
- 15.2.017** The members of the first aid services shall be positioned at sensitive areas of the course.
- 15.2.018** The organiser must take all the measures required to allow the treatment and rapid evacuation of the injured at any point on the course.
- 15.2.019** A briefing with the organiser, the person in charge of the first aid services and the marshals shall be held before the event.

§ 3 Feeding

- 15.2.020** The feed zones must be judiciously located on the course. Their number will be appropriate to the length of the course.
- 15.2.021** The feed zones must be signed. A panel shall indicate the presence of the next feed zone at least 500 meters beforehand.
- 15.2.022** The feed zones must be located far enough off the road that they do not hinder traffic and allow riders who wish to do so to pass without stopping.
- 15.2.023** The feed zones must be large enough to accommodate substantial numbers of riders.

§ 4 Communications

- 15.2.024** A suitable communications system will need to be set up between the members of the organisation team and the safety and first aid services.

§ 5 Technical assistance

- 15.2.025** A mechanical assistance service will be provided.

§ 6 Timekeeping and classification

- 15.2.026** (N) The timing shall be used to produce rankings for the men's and women's categories and age groups. Additional categories may be permitted (club, etc.).
- 15.2.027** Cash prizes are forbidden.

Chapter III GRAVEL

[chapter abrogated on 27.02.15; introduced on 01.01.22]

§ 1 General Provision

15.3.001 Gravel discipline is a form of cycling that combines elements of both road and mountain-bike disciplines and consisting mostly of distance riding over unpaved roads.

15.3.001 bis As Gravel races combine elements of road and mountain-bike disciplines, some general provisions of the UCI Regulations of these two disciplines may apply in relation to the organisation of gravel events. Specific provisions governing the Gravel discipline are mentioned in this chapter III.

Events

15.3.002 Gravel events are competitive mass-participation events with a mass-start (or in waves with intervals between the start groups) fully timed for all participants and split results per age group and gender.

Gravel events may be one-day cycling events or multi-day cycling events.

Gravel events shall have the following course characteristics:

- Gravel races shall take place on any type of unsurfaced roads and can include gravel, forest fire-roads, farm roads and tracks and cobbles.
- Tarmac surfaced roads should not total more than 20% (twenty percent) of the race distance.
- The course should avoid grass and meadows.
- Singletrack sections should be kept to a minimum and only be included in the course where required to link other sections and only where an alternative route for essential event vehicles (for example medical services) is available.

Eligibility and age categories

15.3.003 Gravel events are open to anyone aged 19 or above and holding a valid licence. Race organisers are free to determine the age categories.

Course distances and start order

15.3.004 Course distances should be a minimum of 50 km and a maximum of 200 km, considering course difficulty and elevation gain. Race organisers can propose a shorter distance for older age categories. There shall only be one official distance per age category per event.

Men and women must have a separate start and be considered as separate races. Collusion or any assistance (pacing, feeding, mechanical assistance, etc.) between riders in separate races is forbidden.

Material and Equipment

15.3.005 Any style of bike shall be permitted. E-bikes are not allowed.

Handlebars can be of any shape but must be of a one-piece construction with no bar-ends or clip-on extensions allowed (triathlon handlebars and any other handlebars extension system are forbidden).

The wearing of a hard-shell helmet is mandatory.

Feed and technical assistance zones

15.3.006 Feeding and technical assistance shall only be available in designated zones (Feed and technical assistance zones).

Feed and technical assistance zones should be available at minimum every 25 km.

Conduct of participants

15.3.007 Each participant must observe all the provisions of the UCI Regulations and the competition guide of the event. Every participant shall follow the directions of the organisation and appointed commissaires/officials and agree with any penalties that may be applied.

Without prejudice to the rules of conduct outlined in articles 1.2.079 to 1.2.082 of the UCI Regulations, each participant agrees that fair-play and respect are essential values and commits to abide by those fundamental principles when taking part in gravel events.

Infringements related to race incidents and Penalties

15.3.008 Without prejudice of Part 12 of the UCI Regulations, infringements related to race incidents and failure to abide by the UCI Regulations or by the events rules set out in the competition guide of the event may result in a participant being awarded time penalties, warning, or disqualification of the event. Penalties will be decided and imposed by the appointed commissaires/officials.

Chapter IV MASTERS (ROAD)

§ 1 Participation in events on the UCI masters calendar

- 15.4.001** Unless provided otherwise, a rider aged 30 or above who holds a masters licence is permitted to take part in UCI masters calendar events with the following exceptions:
- I. Any rider who has during the current year been a member of a team registered with the UCI.
 - II. Any rider who has taken part in a world championships, the olympic games, continental championships or games, regional games, the Commonwealth games, or a World Cup during the current year, other than events for masters.
 - III. Any rider who has ridden in an event on the UCI international calendar for the current year other than events on the masters calendar.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 01.10.10; 25.06.19)

- 15.4.002** Unless provided otherwise, for events of the UCI masters calendar, riders may ride under a temporary or day licence issued by their national federation.

(text modified on 01.10.10; 25.06.19)

- 15.4.003** The licence shall set out clearly the start and end dates of its period of validity. The national federation shall ensure that the holder of a temporary or day licence benefits, for the period of validity of that licence, from the same insurance cover and the same benefits as those granted with an annual licence.

§ 2 Events

- 15.4.004** The organisation of road races for the masters category is governed by Part 2 Road races with the exception of the provisions below:

One-day race

- 15.4.005** The maximum distance is determined as follows:

Age category	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70+
MM	120 km				80 km			40 km	
WM	80 km		40 km						

(text modified on 01.10.10)

Individual time trial

- 15.4.006** The maximum distance is determined as follows:

Age category	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70+
MM	40 km				30 km			20 km	
WM	30 km				20 km				

Chapter V UCI GRAN FONDO WORLD SERIES AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

(chapter introduced on 01.10.10)

(text modified on 25.06.19)

§ 1 General Provisions

15.5.001 The UCI Gran Fondo World Series and World Championships and all related rights shall be the exclusive property of the UCI.

(text modified on 01.01.16, 01.09.17)

15.5.001 bis Participation in the UCI Gran Fondo World Series and World Championships is open to holders of Cycling for all, Masters and Elite licences.

(article introduced on 25.06.19)

Events

15.5.002 The UCI Gran Fondo World Series is composed by individual Cycling for all road cycling competitions.

A UCI Gran Fondo World Series event is a competitive mass-participation event with a mass-start (or in waves with intervals between the start groups) fully timed for all participants and split results per age group and gender.

A UCI Gran Fondo World Series event has three different categories:

- Fully closed roads: Competitive mass participation event with a mass-start in which riders can use the whole road during a certain time frame (time to be set by the organisers). Roads are closed for the full length and duration of the event for all participants. No traffic on the course (except event's vehicles).
- Rolling road closure: Competitive mass participation event with a mass-start in which riders can use the whole road during a certain time frame (time to be set by the organisers). Roads are closed from the moment the first riders approach until a dedicated time after the first riders have passed (time to be set by the organisers). Road traffic regulations must be respected for all riders being outside of the defined time set by the organiser.
- Open roads: Competitive mass participation event with a mass-start in which riders must respect road traffic regulations during the whole course.

The UCI Gran Fondo World Championships (formerly called Road Master World Championships / UWCT Final) is the last event of the series, open to riders qualified through the series.

(text modified on 01.01.16; 01.09.17)

15.5.003 The organisation of UCI Gran Fondo World Series events is governed by Part 2 Road races with the exception of the provision 15.5.004.

15.5.004 Age categories:

Races shall be organised for the following age categories:

19-34 35 - 39 40 - 44 45 - 49 50 - 54 55 - 59 60 - 64 65 - 69 and any further 5-year (70-74, 75-79 etc) category for which riders have entered.

Course distances:

The course distances are determined as follows:

- Road races: Courses must measure between 80 and 225 km, considering course difficulty and elevation gain. Race organisers can propose a shorter distance for older age categories. There shall only be one official distance per age category per event.
- Time trial: The length of the course must be between 15 and 40 km, considering course difficulty and elevation gain.

All course distances in UCI Gran Fondo World Series and World Championships events must be approved by the UCI.

(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16, 01.11.18; 25.06.19)

Exclusivity

- 15.5.005** Cycling events that belong to the UCI Gran Fondo World Series shall not be part of or otherwise linked to any other international series of events.

(text modified on 01.01.16)

Date protection

- 15.5.006** The dates of UCI Gran Fondo World Series events shall be approved by the UCI. Only one UCI Gran Fondo World Series event per continent shall be held on any given weekend.

(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16)

Use of the UCI Gran Fondo World Series logo

- 15.5.007** The right to use the brand UCI Gran Fondo World Series is granted by the UCI to the organiser, subject to the conditions set out in this section and by the UCI Gran Fondo World Series organiser's guide in force.

(text modified on 01.01.16)

Inclusion

- 15.5.008** Inclusion in the series implies acceptance by the organiser of the UCI Gran Fondo World Series organiser's guide and an undertaking on his part to organise the event in accordance with UCI Regulations and other applicable provisions.

(text modified on 01.01.16)

UCI Gran Fondo World Series organiser's guide

- 15.5.009** The UCI Gran Fondo World Series organiser's guide sets out the conditions for inclusion and the special regulations for the series. UCI Gran Fondo World Series events (World Championships included) are otherwise governed by the Cycling for all regulations.

(text modified on 01.01.16)

Qualification for the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships

- 15.5.010** The UCI Management Committee shall decide the qualification system each year.

(text modified on 01.01.16; 01.09.17; 25.06.19)

§ 2 UCI Gran Fondo World Championships

- 15.5.011** All licence holders according to article 15.5.001bis may participate in the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships, apart from:
- a) Any rider who has during the current year been a member of a team registered with the UCI.
 - b) Any rider who has taken part in a World Championships, the Olympic Games, Continental games, regional games, the Commonwealth Games, or a World Cup during the current year.
 - c) Any rider who scored UCI points in the year of the World Championships.

Riders taking part in the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships must hold a valid licence from issued by their respective national federation (day licences being excluded), must hold a UCI ID and must be adequately insured against accidents and civil responsibility in the country in which the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships are held.

(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16; 01.09.17; 25.06.19)

- 15.5.012** Riders taking part in the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships shall represent their country and wear a jersey of their choice representative of their nationality.

(text modified on 01.01.16, 01.11.18)

- 15.5.013** All the details specific to the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships may be obtained directly from the organiser or on the UCI web site.

(text modified on 01.01.16)

- 15.5.014** The championships are organised in the age group 19-34 and further 5-year age-groups: 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65+–69, 70-74, 75-79, etc.

(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16; 25.06.19)

- 15.5.015** All age groups as stated in 15.4.014 will have their own title, regardless of the number of riders who have taken part in the race in the relevant age group.

(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16; 25.06.19)

- 15.5.016** The start of the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships will be organised per age group with at least separated starts between men and women.

(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16)

- 15.5.017** The UCI Gran Fondo World Champion jersey must be worn by World Champions in the following events.

For riders with a master, amateur or cycling for all license:

- In all masters', cycling-for-all and amateur events in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- In all UCI Gran Fondo World Series events in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- In events where amateurs/masters/cycling for all riders race together with elite riders, it is allowed for UCI Gran Fondo World Champions to wear the UCI Gran Fondo World Champion jersey in those events of the discipline in which they won the World Champion title.

For riders with an elite license:

- In UCI Gran Fondo World Series events in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- In events where amateurs/masters/cycling for all riders race together with elite riders, it is allowed for UCI Gran Fondo World Champions with an Elite license to wear the UCI Gran Fondo World Champion jersey in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- It is forbidden for UCI Gran Fondo World Champions to wear their World Champion jersey in Elite events of the UCI international calendar.

(article introduced on 01.09.17)

Chapter VI UCI GRAVEL WORLD SERIE AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

§ 1 General Provisions

15.6.001 The UCI Gravel World Series and UCI Gravel World Championships and all related rights shall be the exclusive property of the UCI.

15.6.001 bis Participation in the UCI Gravel World Series and UCI Gravel World Championships is open to holders of Cycling for all, Masters and Elite licences.

Events

15.6.002 The UCI Gravel World Series is composed by individual Cycling for all gravel cycling competitions.

A UCI Gravel World Series event is a competitive mass-participation event with a mass-start (or in waves with intervals between the start groups) fully timed for all participants and split results per age group and gender.

A UCI Gravel World Series event shall have the following course characteristics:

- Gravel races shall take place on any type of unsurfaced roads and can include gravel, forest fire-roads, farm roads and tracks and cobbles.
- Tarmac surfaced roads should not total more than 20% (twenty percent) of the race distance.
- The course should avoid grass and meadows.
- Singletrack sections should be kept to a minimum and only be included in the course where required to link other sections and only where an alternative route for essential event vehicles (for example medical services) is available.

The UCI Gravel World Championships is the last event of the series, open to riders qualified through the series.

Eligibility and age categories

15.6.003 UCI Gravel World Series events are open to anyone aged 19 or above and holding a valid licence as per art. 15.6.001bis.

The age category is determined as follows:

19-34;35-39;40-44;45-49;50-54;55-59;60-64;65-69; 70-74; 75-79, etc

Course distances and start order

15.6.004 Course distances should be a minimum of 50 km and a maximum of 200 km, considering course difficulty and elevation gain. Race organisers can propose a shorter distance for older age categories. There shall only be one official distance per age category per event.

All course distances in UCI Gravel World Series and UCI Gravel World Championships events must be approved by the UCI.

Men and women must have a separate start and be considered as separate races. Collusion or any assistance (pacing, feeding, mechanical assistance, etc.) between riders in separate races is forbidden.

Material and Equipment

15.6.005 Any style of bike shall be permitted. E-bikes are not allowed.

Handlebars can be of any shape but must be of a one-piece construction with no bar-ends or clip-on extensions allowed (triathlon handlebars and any other handlebars extension system are forbidden).

The wearing of a hard-shell helmet is mandatory.

Feed and technical assistance zones

15.6.006 Feeding and technical assistance shall only be available in designated zones (Feed and technical assistance zones).

Feed and technical assistance zones should be available at minimum every 25 km.

Exclusivity

15.6.007 Cycling events that belong to the UCI Gravel World Series shall not be part of or otherwise linked to any other international series of events.

Date protection

15.6.008 The dates of UCI Gravel World Series events shall be approved by the UCI. Only one UCI Gravel World Series event per continent shall be held on any given weekend.

Use of the UCI Gravel World Series logo

15.6.009 The right to use the brand UCI Gravel World Series is granted by the UCI to the organiser, subject to the conditions set out in this section and by the UCI Gravel World Series organiser's guide in force. No commercial exploitation of the UCI Gravel World Series logo is allowed without obtaining the prior authorisation from the UCI.

Inclusion

15.6.010 Inclusion in the series implies acceptance by the organiser of the UCI Gravel World Series organiser's guide and an undertaking on his part to organise the event in accordance with UCI Regulations and other applicable provisions.

UCI Gravel World Series organiser's guide

15.6.011 The UCI Gravel World Series organiser's guide sets out the conditions for inclusion and the special regulations for the series. UCI Gravel World Series events (UCI Gravel World Championships included) are otherwise governed by the Cycling for all regulations (Part XV).

Qualification for the UCI Gravel World Championships

15.6.012 The UCI Management Committee shall decide the qualification system each year.

§ 2 UCI Gravel World Championships

15.6.013 All licence holders according to article 15.6.001bis may participate in the UCI Gravel World Championships.

Riders taking part in the UCI Gravel World Championships must hold a valid licence issued by their respective national federation (day licences being excluded), must hold a UCI ID and must be adequately insured against accidents and civil responsibility in the country in which the UCI Gravel Championships are held.

- 15.6.014** Riders taking part in the UCI Gravel World Championships shall represent their country and wear a jersey of their choice representative of their nationality.
- 15.6.015** All the details specific to the UCI Gravel World Championships may be obtained directly from the organiser or on the UCI website.
- 15.6.016** The UCI Gravel World Championships are organised in the age group 19-34 and further 5-year age-groups:35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69; 70-74, 75-79, etc.
- 15.6.017** All age groups as stated in 15.6.016 will have their own title regardless of the number of riders who have taken part in the race in the relevant age groups.
- 15.6.018** The start of the UCI Gravel World Championships will be organised per age group with at least separated starts between men and women.
- 15.6.019** The UCI Gravel World Champion jersey must be worn by UCI World Champions in the following events.

For riders with a Master or Cycling for all license:

- In all Masters and Cycling-for-all events in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- In all UCI Gravel World Series events in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- In events where Masters/Cycling for all riders race together with Elite riders, it is allowed for UCI Gravel World Champions to wear the UCI Gravel World Champion jersey in those events of the discipline in which they won the World Champion title.

For riders with an Elite license:

- In UCI Gravel World Series events in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- In events where Masters/Cycling for all riders race together with Elite riders, it is allowed for UCI Gravel World Champions with an Elite license to wear the UCI Gravel World Champion jersey in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title.