

PART 1 – GENERAL ORGANISATION OF CYCLING AS A SPORT

Rules amendments applying on **01.03.2022**

Chapter I LICENCE-HOLDERS

§ 1 Licences

1.1.033 ~~A. For the world championships, continental championships and for UCI world cup events, a rider may only be selected by the federation of his nationality, regardless of the federation that issued his licence. A rider shall be subject to the regulations and disciplinary procedures of the national federation of his nationality in all matter concerning his selection for the national team.~~

~~A stateless rider may be selected only by the national federation of a country where he has been continuously in residence for at least five years.~~

~~B. A rider holding multiple nationalities shall be required to choose between them on the occasion of first applying for a licence. The nationality chosen will then be the rider's nationality for all matters regarding the UCI regulations.~~

~~A rider may request a change of nationality to the UCI in the following cases and under the following conditions:~~

- ~~a. if the nationality in question is lost for any reason, the rider may choose one of the nationalities to which he is entitled;~~
- ~~b. if the rider was a minor at the time of first applying for a licence in accordance with the relevant laws of his current nationality, the rider may choose a different nationality which he holds when making a first application for a licence after he reaches the age of majority;~~
- ~~c. if the rider holds another nationality without letters a. or b. applying. A change of nationality in application of letter c. may only occur twice in a rider's career.~~

~~In order to formalise his change of nationality, the rider must send to the UCI Legal Services the following documents:~~

~~– Proof of eligibility for the nationality chosen, (ex: passport or certificate issued by a ministry, consulate, embassy, etc.)~~

~~– A formal statement by the rider, signed and dated, expressing the choice of nationality and the fact that he is aware of the restrictions imposed on participation if applicable.~~

~~If a rider intends for his change of nationality to be effective from a specific date, the latter shall make his request to the UCI at least three months before the said date.~~

~~Once the change of nationality officialised, the UCI will notify the rider and the concerned national federations. In the event of a change of nationality, the rider retains the individual points acquired during his career. The points acquired by the nation of his former nationality are retained by the latter.~~

~~In the case referred to in letter c. and provided that the rider has already participated in at least one of the events referred to in paragraph A (categories Elite/U23/ Junior), the rider will not be able to participate in the next edition of the world championships and the continental championships (categories Elite/U23/ Junior) following the confirmation of the change of nationality by the UCI.~~

~~In the case of a second change of nationality made under the letter c, and provided that the rider has already participated in at least one of the events referred to in paragraph A (categories Elite/ U23/Junior), the rider will not be able to participate in the next two editions of the world championships and continental championships (categories Elite/U23/ Junior) following the confirmation of the change of nationality by the UCI.~~

~~C. Participation in national championships is governed by article 1.2.028 of these regulations.~~

~~D. The determination of a country that a rider can represent at the Olympic and Paralympic Games is governed by the Olympic Charter and the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Handbook respectively.~~

A. All licence-holders shall be assigned the sporting nationality corresponding to their nationality, regardless of the national federation that issues the licence. The sporting nationality shall be assigned upon issuance of the first licence. A rider holding multiple nationalities shall be required to choose between them on the occasion of first applying for a licence. A stateless licence-holder shall be assigned the sporting nationality of the country in which he has continuously resided since at least five years.

For any cycling event where a rider represents his national team, he may only be selected by the federation of his sporting nationality.

A rider shall be subject to the regulations and disciplinary procedures of the national federation of his nationality in all matters concerning his selection for the national team.

(text modified on 08.06.00; 01.01.04; 01.10.11; 01.05.14; 01.01.19; 05.02.19; 01.03.22)

1.1.033 bis

~~[article abrogated on 01.05.16]~~

A. A rider may request a change of sporting nationality to the UCI in the following cases and under one of the following conditions:

- a. if the civil nationality in question is lost for any reason, the rider may choose the sporting nationality of another nationality which he holds;
- b. if the rider was a minor at the time of first applying for a licence, the rider may choose a different nationality which he holds when making a first application for a licence after he reaches the age of majority;
- c. if the rider holds another nationality without letters a. or b. applying, subject to the following limitations and restrictions:

- such a change of nationality may be made no more than twice in a career;
- if a rider has previously represented his national team in any of the following events: Olympic Games, Continental or Regional Games, World Championships, Continental Championships, World Cup, in any category (Junior, U23, Elite, Masters), the rider shall not be eligible for selection with another national team in the subsequent edition of each of the World Championships and/or Continental Championships (in all disciplines and categories), starting as from the confirmation of the change of nationality by the UCI.
- in case of a second change of nationality under letter c., the rider's ineligibility for participation in World Championships and Continental Championships shall apply to the two subsequent editions of each event, starting from the confirmation of the change of nationality by the UCI.

In addition to the above, restrictions may apply for multi-sport events in accordance with the relevant organisation's regulations. The determination of a country that a rider can represent at the Olympic Games, Continental Games or Paralympic Games and any potential restriction on participation in such events are governed by either the Rule 41 of the Olympic Charter and its by-laws (for the Olympic and Continental Games) or the Chapter 3.1 of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Handbook (for the Paralympic Games).

B. In order to formalise a change of nationality, the following documents must be submitted to the UCI:

- Proof of eligibility for the nationality chosen, (ex: passport or certificate issued by a ministry, consulate, embassy, etc.)
- A formal statement by the applicant, signed and dated, expressing the choice of nationality and acknowledging the restrictions imposed on participation, if applicable.

If an applicant intends for the change of nationality to be effective from a specific date, the latter shall make such request to the UCI at least three months before the said date. Once the change of nationality is confirmed, the UCI will notify the applicant and the concerned national federations.

In the event of a change of nationality, the rider retains the individual points acquired until then. The points acquired by the nation of the former nationality are retained by the latter.

(article introduced on 01.03.22)

Chapter II RACES

Section 2: organisation of races

§ 1 Organiser

- 1.2.034** The organiser shall take out insurance covering all risks relating to the holding of his race. ~~This insurance must nominate the UCI as a jointly insured party and cover claims which may be made against the UCI in connection with the event.~~ The organiser shall be entirely responsible for providing the insurance carrier with detailed information regarding the organisation of its event to ensure appropriate coverage.

The third-party liability insurance taken out by the organiser shall ensure appropriate coverage of damage caused to third parties such as riders, staff and spectators and shall not make coverage conditional on such third parties discharging the organiser's liability.

The third-party liability insurance taken out by the organiser must nominate the UCI as a jointly insured party and cover claims which may be made against the UCI in connection with the event and the areas of intervention of UCI officials.

(text modified on 01.01.05 ; 01.03.22)

- 1.2.035** ~~The organiser shall take whatever safety measures caution demands.~~ The organiser shall ensure that the race may take place under the best material conditions for all parties concerned, riders, attendants, officials, commissaires, journalists, security services, medical services, sponsors, the public, etc.

Unless otherwise specified, the organiser must provide all the equipment required for the organisation of the event, including all timing equipment.

(text modified on 01.01.06 ; 01.03.22)

- 1.2.035 bis** The organiser shall take whatever safety measures caution demands and, whenever necessary, shall obtain authorisations from competent authorities and/or rights owners. The organiser's responsibility shall remain unaffected whether tasks are performed by the organiser itself or a third-party.

The organiser's responsibility in terms of safety encompasses any aspect of the event, including but not limited to sporting operational and commercial matters.

The organiser may authorise the shooting of still photography and/or video by aircrafts, including drones or other small aircrafts, subject to obtaining authorization to operate the relevant equipment safely and securely from the envisaged location. The organizer shall also ensure that any aircraft used does not affect the sporting conduct of the event and shall undertake or require that a detailed risk assessment be undertaken with regard to the riders, officials and spectators attending the event.

The organiser must ensure that the use of such equipment on the venue of the event is explicitly foreseen and communicated and fully covered by the relevant insurance carrier.

Finally, organisers shall take appropriate measures to ensure that aircrafts, including drones and other small aircrafts, are not used by third persons without being duly authorised and do not impede on sporting operations or the exploitation of third-party rights (e.g., image or media rights).

(article introduced on 01.03.22)

§7 Course and safety

1.2.065 ~~Without prejudice to stricter requirements according to the national legislation, the use of drones is prohibited above the course and within 10 meters from the course.~~

~~Moreover, the user must ensure the drone at no time puts the security of riders, followers and spectators at risk. (article introduced on 01.01.18) —~~

(Article abrogated on 01.03.22)