



# **PART II – ROAD RACES** Rules amendments applying on 01.01.2025

### **Chapter X UCI RANKING**

### § 4 UCI Women's WorldTour ranking

(paragraph moved from chapter XIII on 1.01.19).

#### **Overall individual classification**

**2.10.032** UCI Women's WorldTour points are awarded for the final classification of each event according to the following scale:

Points awarded for stages shall be recorded on the last day of the event. The awarding of points for stage races is in accordance with article 2.6.001 regarding the duration of the event.

For team time trial events and stages the points on the scale shall be awarded to the team. These points shall be divided equally between the riders finishing the event or the stage. Calculations shall be rounded to a hundredth of a point.

(text modified on 17.06.24) (Article abrogated 01.1.25)

Points scale				
-2.10.033 Final classification of each ever				
	Position	UCI Women's		
		WorldTour		
	4	<del>400</del>		
	2	<del>320</del>		
	3	<del>260</del>		
	4	<del>220</del>		
	5	<del>180</del>		
	6	<del>140</del>		
	7	<del>120</del>		
	8	<del>100</del>		
	<del>9</del>	<del>80</del>		
	<del>10</del>	<del>68</del>		
	11	<del>56</del>		
	<del>12</del>	4 <del>8</del>		
	<del>13</del>	<del>40</del>		
	<del>14</del>	<del>32</del>		
	<del>15</del>	<del>28</del>		
	<del>16</del>	<del>24</del>		
	<del>17</del>	<del>24</del>		
	<del>18</del>	<del>24</del>		

## Points scale

Position	UCI Women's
r osition	WorldTour
<del>19</del>	<del>24</del>
<del>20</del>	<del>24</del>
<del>21</del>	<del>16</del>
<del>22</del>	24 24 16 16
<del>23</del>	16 16 16
<del>2</del> 4	<del>16</del>
<del>25</del>	<del>16</del> <del>16</del>
<del>26</del>	<del>16</del>
<del>27</del>	<del>16</del> <del>16</del>
<del>28</del>	<del>16</del>
<del>29</del>	<del>16</del>
<del>30</del>	<del>16</del>
<b>31</b>	8
<del>32</del>	8
<del>33</del>	8
<del>3</del> 4	8
<del>35</del>	8
21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 30 31 32 33 34 33 34 35 36 37	8
<del>37</del>	16   16   8
<del>38</del>	8
<del>39</del>	8
<b>40</b>	8

### Stages and half stages

Position	UCI Women's
	WorldTour
4	<del>50</del>
2	<del>40</del>
3	<del>30</del>
4	<del>25</del>
<del>5</del>	<del>20</del>
6	<del>18</del>
7	<del>15</del>
8	<del>10</del>
<del>9</del>	8
<del>10</del>	<del>6</del>

### Wearing the race leader's jersey per stage

Position	UCI Women's WorldTour
<b>Leader</b>	୫

(text modified on 23.10.19). (Article abrogated 01.1.25)

# Chapter XIII UCI WOMEN'S WORLDTOUR

### § 1 UCI Women's WorldTour

### General observations

2.13.001 The UCI Women's WorldTour is a series of high-level road events registered on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar in which the UCI Women's WorldTeams, a number of UCI Women's ProTeams and UCI women's continental teams are eligible for participation.

(article introduced on 1.01.18; text modified on 1.01.19; 1.01.25).

### Participation

**2.13.005** The UCI Women's WorldTour events shall be open to UCI Women's WorldTeams, UCI Women's ProTeams and UCI women's continental teams in accordance with article 2.1.005 of the UCI Regulations. The maximum number of teams at the start of a UCI Women's WorldTour event is set at 24 teams.

(text modified on 1.01.25).

### § 2 UCI Women's WorldTour calendar

(paragraph introduced on 1.07.17).

2.13.007 The UCI Women's WorldTour calendar shall be made up of a certain number of events known as UCI Women's WorldTour events. <u>The UCI Women's WorldTour calendar is established by the UCI Management Committee on a yearly basis, based on the criteria it determines.</u>

The events of the UCI Women's WorldTour are grouped as follows:

- Stage races.
- One-day races.

(text modified on 1.01.19, 1.01.25).

### Candidature for first registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar

2.13.008 The conditions for the registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar for an event which is not, the previous season, registered on the UCI Women's WorldTour Calendar shall be specified in the candidates' guide established by the UCI Management Committee.

To be considered, the candidature will have to fulfil all conditions established by the candidates guide and include a complete bid file as well as all additional documents required. The documents required in the candidates' guide shall be taken into consideration by the UCI Management Committee when deciding to accept or refuse a candidature.

The UCI Women's WorldTour calendar is established by the Professional Cycling Council and proposed to the UCI Management Committee for approval on a yearly basis, in consideration of the criteria set out in the UCI Regulations.

Without restricting the competence of the UCI Management Committee and Professional Cycling Council with regard to the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar, in principle, the UCI Women's WorldTour should not have overlapping events.

(text modified on 1.01.19; 1.01.25).

2.13.009 The entity applying for registration of an event on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar shall be the owner of the UCI ProSeries event held the year preceding the registration, without prejudice to exceptional authorisations granted by the UCI Management Committee.

### Application for registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar

The conditions for the submission of an application for registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar shall be specified in the present regulations and may be supplemented by the UCI Management Committee upon proposal by the Professional Cycling Council.

The entity applying for registration of an event on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar shall be the owner of an event held the year preceding the first year of registration and classed as a UCI Women's WorldTour or UCI Women's ProSeries event. The Professional Cycling Council may propose to the UCI Management Committee to grant exceptions to such rule upon receipt of a reasoned request.

(text modified on 1.01.19; 1.01.25).

**2.13.010** By applying for registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar, the owner of the event acknowledges being bound by the UCI Regulations as from the submission of the application and for the duration of the registration as a UCI Women's WorldTour event. The owner of the event shall be entirely responsible for its event with regard to the UCI and the UCI regulations.

(text modified on 1.01.19)

### **Registration for current UCI Women's WorldTour events**

2.13.011 All events registered on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar during the current season shall submit its application for registration for the next season by completing and returning the form prepared by the UCI.

The registration is granted for a specific event. The registration grants UCI Women's WorldTour status to the event. Registration has no impact on the property rights of the event owner as regards the event, without prejudice to obligations stemming from the UCI regulations.

(text modified on 1.01.25).

2.13.012 The UCI Management Committee shall examine the applications for registration on the basis of documentation consisting of the following elements:

1. the registration application form;

- 2. any additional documents required by the UCI;
- 3. the opinion of the UCI administration and/or any entity created for reviewing applications.

In addition to meeting the conditions set out in the regulations, the following selection criteria shall be taken into consideration by the Professional Cycling Council and UCI Management Committee in deciding to refuse an application, submit the registration to the respect of conditions and/or measures considered appropriate or reduce its duration:

- 1. the sporting level on the basis of the start list of the event in the editions prior to assessment of the application;
- 2. the format, the structure and the type of the event contributing to the image of the UCI Women's WorldTour as an elite competition;
- 3. the sporting ambition and coherence of the event within the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar;
- 4. the quality of organisation, particularly as regards to the safety of the riders, race followers and spectators;
- 5. the technical quality of TV production and observance of the UCI TV production guidelines;
- 6. the levels of live international and host country television coverage and audience figures in the editions prior to assessment of the application;
- 7. the levels of interest on social media in the editions prior to assessment of the application;
- 8. compliance with the UCI cycling regulations and all applicable regulations and respect of the organisation guides, specifications or guidelines published by the UCI;
- 9. compliance with contractual, legal and regulatory obligations;
- 10. respect of the UCI, other stakeholders or third parties in accordance with requirements of the UCI Regulations and/or UCI Financial Obligations;
- 11. the absence of any attempt to breach or bypass any of the above-mentioned regulatory, contractual or legal obligations;
- 12. compliance with sporting ethics;
- 13. the absence of any other element liable to damage the image of the UCI Women's WorldTour and the sport of cycling in general.

The eligibility criteria for submitting an application for registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar are defined above and may be adapted by the UCI Management Committee on proposal by the Professional Cycling Council if necessary.

Whenever the assessment of criteria covers several years, the period, as a general rule, shall be over the last two editions at the time of assessment or submission of information.

The Professional Cycling Council and UCI Management Committee shall take into consideration information submitted by the applicant as well as any information collected by the UCI or any facts which are acknowledged.

(text modified on 1.01.25).

# Common provisions for candidature and registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar

2.13.013 The deadline for submission of registration applications and candidatures is set in the candidates guide. The UCI Management Committee shall have no obligation to examine applications sent to the UCI passed the deadline.

The applicant shall submit the application for registration by completing and returning the form drafted by the Professional Cycling Council including all the information or other documents as required by the council.

### (text modified on 1.01.25)

# 2.13.014 The approval of a registration application or candidature is granted for a specific event for a defined season. The registration grants UCI Women's WorldTour status to the event.

The deadline for the submission of the application for registration is set by the Professional Cycling Council.

(text modified on 1.01.19; 1.01.25)

2.13.015 The decisions of the UCI Management Committee in relation to applications for registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar are subject to appeal as per article 1.2.013.

(text modified on 1.10.21).

The Professional Cycling Council shall have no obligation to examine applications sent to the UCI after the date set by the Professional Cycling Council.

(text modified on 1.10.21; 1.01.25)

### Application on proposal of the Professional Cycling Council

**2.13.016** On proposal by the UCI or on its own initiative, the Professional Cycling Council may invite events considered to be of strategic importance to the development of cycling to apply for registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar.

(Text introduced on 1.01.25)

**2.13.017** The Professional Cycling Council shall inform the owners of selected events in writing and may notify them a deadline for the provision of all the required documents.

(Text introduced on 1.01.25)

**2.13.018** The owner of an event invited to apply for registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar by the Professional Cycling Council must submit an application in accordance with the procedure set out in the Professional Cycling Council's notification.

(Text introduced on 1.01.25)

### Registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar

- **2.13.019** The Professional Cycling Council and UCI Management Committee shall examine the applications for registration on the basis of documentation consisting of the following elements:
  - 1. the registration application form and its enclosures;
  - 2. the opinion of the UCI and/or any entity created for the purpose of reviewing applications;
  - 3. any other document or information provided by the applicant or required for the assessment of the application by the UCI, the Professional Cycling Council or any entity created for the purpose of reviewing applications.

The Professional Cycling Council may also take account of acknowledged facts.

(Text introduced on 1.01.25)

### **Award ceremonies**

2.13.020 The leader of the individual general classification of the UCI Women's WorldTour, the leader of the best young rider classification of the UCI Women's WorldTour and the first three riders of the final classification from each event shall be present at the podium for the final awards ceremony.

The documentation must be drawn up in French or in English. Documents produced by third parties and drafted in another language must be accompanied by a translation.

The applicant has sole responsibility for ensuring the quality and complete nature of the documentation. The applicant may not, in particular, invoke the fact that they have not been asked by the UCI or the Professional Cycling Council to provide information or documents or that their attention has not been called to gaps or other elements which may be regarded as negative when the application comes to be assessed by the Professional Cycling Council and UCI Management Committee.

(Text modified on 1.01.05; 1.10.13; 5.02.15; 1.01.16; 1.01.19; 01.1.25)

# **2.13.021** After the awards ceremonies, the leader of the individual UCI Women's WorldTour general classification, the leaders of the best young rider classification, and the winner of the event shall be required to appear in the press room along with the organiser.

The UCI shall forward its opinion or report to the Professional Cycling Council prior to establishing the calendar of the following season and proposing it to the UCI Management Committee for approval. The UCI will have the opportunity to submit further opinions to the extent that the applicant adds new elements to the documentation or new elements come to the UCI's knowledge in any other way.

(text modified on 1.10.13; 1.01.16; 1.01.19, 01.1.25)

### Leaders' jerseys of the series

2.13.022 The UCI awards UCI Women's WorldTour leader's jerseys to the leaders of the individual classification and best young rider classification. Where applicable, the jersey shall carry the name and/or logo of the sponsor of the UCI Women's WorldTour. Unless otherwise specified, the jersey must be worn in UCI Women's WorldTour events and in no other event.

If a rider is the leader of both the UCI Women's WorldTour individual classification and the best young rider classification, the rider will wear the UCI Women's WorldTour leader's jersey.

The order of priority established in article 1.3.071 must be respected.

The Professional Cycling Council shall decide, at its own discretion, whether additional documentation and information shall be requested from the applicant. In this respect, the Professional Cycling Council shall set the pertinent deadlines and may also summon the applicant to a hearing.

(text modified on 1.01.05; 1.09.05; 1.10.13; 1.01.16; 1.01.17; 1.01.19, 01.1.25)

### 2.13.023 Prizes

At the end of each season of the UCI Women's WorldTour, the UCI awards a trophy to the first three riders in the UCI Women's WorldTour as well as to the best young rider and the best team in the UCI Women's WorldTour.

As a general rule, the decisions regarding the applications for registration on the UCI WorldTour and UCI Women's WorldTour calendar shall be taken on the same occasion and shall be communicated to the applicants as rapidly as possible.

The Professional Cycling Council may also examine applications for registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar on separate occasions or postpone the assessment of certain applications, if it deems so appropriate and, in particular, if additional documentation is required from the applicant or the UCI.

(text modified on 1.01.19, 1.01.25)

**2.13.024** The decisions of the Professional Cycling Council in relation to applications for registration on the UCI WorldTour calendar are final and not subject to appeal.

(article introduced on 12.01.17). (article abrogated 01.1.25)

### Calendar fee

**2.13.025** An annual calendar fee is determined by the UCI Management Committee. The amount of the fee must be paid by UCI Women's WorldTour events annually within 15 days after receiving the invoice form the UCI.

If the UCI account has not been credited within 15 days after the receipt of the invoice, the registration on the UCI Women's WorldTour calendar is automatically revoked.

### § 3 Miscellaneous

### UCI Women's WorldTour promotion

**2.13.053** The UCI will publish an annual report to publicly promote the UCI Women's WorldTour. It will be based on the series' aggregated statistical data and illustrate its attractiveness.

(article introduced on 10.06.21).

## Chapter XV UCI WORLDTOUR

### Registration on the UCI WorldTour calendar

**2.15.159** The decisions of the Professional Cycling Council in relation to applications for registration on the UCI WorldTour calendar are final and not subject to appeal.

(article abrogated 1.01.25).