

MEMORANDUM

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PART IX WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPSRules amendments applying on **01.01.2025****Chapter II PARTICIPATION IN THE UCI WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS****§ 2 Selection of participants by specialty****Mountain bike**

9.2.033 For the UCI Mountain Bike World Championships team relay, the team manager must use the form provided to notify the names and categories of the riders making up their team and their start order to the chief commissaire's panel at the ~~end of the team managers' meeting the day before the event~~ date and time set in the official event schedule. This start order may not be altered subsequently.

The exchange boxes will be allocated on the basis of the results of the team relay event in the preceding UCI World Championships. The order of nations not placed will be determined by drawing lots. The first nation will be installed in box number 1 and so on.

(article introduced on 01.01.04; text modified on 01.01.06; 25.09.08; 01.01.18; 01.01.25)

9.2.034 For the Men Elite, Women Elite, Men Under 23 and Men Junior XCO events and the Men Elite and Men Junior DHI events, the maximum number of riders (apart from reserves) for each team is determined on the basis of the classification by nation of the previous year's world championships, as per the table below:

Nations ranked	Maximum number of riders (except reserves)
1 to 10 and the host nation	7
11 to 20	6
21 to 30	5
31 or after	4
Unranked nations	3

For the Women Under 23 and Women Junior XCO events, the Women Elite and Women Junior DHI events, the maximum number is 7 riders per nation.

Each federation shall be permitted to enter 2 reserves in each category.

For cross-country short track (XCC), each rider selected must already be registered for the cross-country Olympic (XCO) event.

For cross-country eliminator (XCE), each national federation can enter unlimited number of riders per category.

For E-Mountain Bike **Cross-country** (E-MTB **XC**), the maximum number of riders shall be defined yearly.

For Enduro and E-Enduro (EDR/E-EDR), the maximum number of riders shall be defined yearly.

For Snow Bike (SNO), the maximum number of riders shall be defined yearly.

For Pump Track (PUM), the criteria for the number of riders as well as registration fees shall be defined yearly.

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9.2.037

Race numbers must be collected at the time stated in the championship programme. The race number for the team relay shall be given the morning of the event in accordance with the instructions given by the commissaires panel ~~at the team managers' meeting held the day before the event.~~

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9.2.038

The start order is determined as follows:

XCO Men Elite, XCO Women Elite, XCC Men Elite, and XCC Women Elite

1. As per the last published UCI XCO individual ranking.
2. Place 33rd to 40th of the start order will be allocated to riders ranked in below rankings, unless they are listed on the start order between the place 1st to 32rd according to point 1 and 2 above:

- top 10 of the UCI cyclo-cross individual ranking
- top 20 of the UCI road individual world ranking

The place 33rd to 40th will be allocated following the rank of each rider, whatever the ranking: UCI cyclo-cross or UCI road world ranking. If two or three riders have the same ranking, they will be placed by drawing lots.

3. As per the last published UCI XCO individual ranking.
4. Unclassified riders: by nations in rotation (*).

XCO Men under 23, XCO Women under 23, XCC Men under 23 and XCC Women under 23

1. As per the last published UCI XCO individual ranking.
2. Unclassified riders: by nations in rotation (*).

XCO Men Junior, XCO Women Junior

1. As per the last published UCI XCO junior individual ranking.
2. Unclassified riders: by nations in rotation (*).

DHI Men Elite, DHI Women Elite

For the qualifying round and the final:

1. Unclassified riders: by nations in rotation (*).
2. As per the last published UCI DHI individual ranking. The best rider starting last

DHI Men Junior, DHI Women Junior

For the qualifying round and the final:

1. Unclassified riders: by nations in rotation (*).
2. As per the last published UCI DHI individual ranking. The best rider starting last.

For all DHI events (Men Elite, Women Elite, Men Junior and Women Junior), riders are required to ride in the qualifying round. The number of riders qualifying for the final are as follows:

- Men Elite: top 80 riders in the qualifying round
- Women Elite: top 40 riders in the qualifying round
- Men Junior: top 60 riders in the qualifying round
- Women Junior: top 20 riders in the qualifying round

~~For the final in the Men Elite and Women Elite, the “protected riders” are:~~

~~—— Riders ranked in the top 10 Women Elite and the top 20 Men Elite of the final world cup standings of the current season.~~

~~In case the UCI world cup final is held after the UCI world championships, riders ranked in the top 10 Women Elite and the 20 Men Elite of the latest world cup standings of the current season.~~

~~Event “protected riders” must start in the qualifying round in order to be entitled to ride the final.~~

(*) The start order of the riders within the team must be confirmed by the national federations during the riders’ confirmation. Taking each nation in turn on the basis of the classification by nation of the concerned category from the most recent mountain bike world championships, a place is allocated to the next rider in sequence. Unclassified nations take, on the basis of the same rotation system, the next places in an order determined by drawing lots.

E-MTB Men, E-MTB Women

The start order for E-MTB shall be defined yearly

Enduro/E-Enduro Men, Enduro/E-Enduro Women

The start order for Enduro and E-Enduro shall be defined yearly.

Snow Bike Men, Snow Bike Women

The start order for Snow Bike shall be defined yearly.

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9.2.040

The start order for riders in the UCI Mountain Bike Marathon World Championships shall be as follows:

- the reigning UCI XCM World Champion
- the reigning UCI XCO Elite and under 23 World Champions
- the reigning UCI XCC **Elite and under 23** World Champions
- the reigning Olympic mountain bike champion
- the latest UCI marathon ranking
- the latest UCI XCO individual ranking
- by drawing lots for the other riders.

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