

## Special provisions for littering

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### Special provisions applicable **from 26 June 2021**

#### Provision n°1 - Scope of application

The present provisions shall be applied **from 26 June 2021** and shall apply **to all road events on the UCI international calendar**. They have been approved by the Professional Cycling Council and the UCI Management Committee.

National Federations may decide to apply these provisions to events on their respective national calendars.

#### **Provision No. 2 - Discarding of water bottles at spectators**

Riders are only permitted to give their water bottles to spectators on climbs in the last 50 kilometres of the event or stages. Riders must ensure that the throwing of their water bottles to the public does not present any danger, either to the spectators (in the case of too violent throw), or to the other riders (in the case of the water bottle rolling back on to the road).

In the event of a heat wave **or during some of the long flat stages**, exceptional measures may be put in place by the president of the commissaires' panel in consultation with the organiser. **These measures will be communicated via the daily race communiqué and via radio-tour.**

In the event of failure to comply with these conditions and precautions, penalties shall be applied in accordance with article 2.12.007 - 8.3 of the UCI Regulations.

#### **Provision No. 3 – Discarding of musettes**

In order to facilitate the feeding with musettes and the disposal of the latter by the riders, the organisers must extend the length of one litter zone (which will, if possible, be one kilometre in length) and inform the teams at the sport directors' meeting and/or via the daily communiqué at the end of the day. The organiser must collect the litter in this zone, in accordance with article 2.3.025 of the UCI regulations and the UCI sustainable development policy.

**Furthermore, assistants shall not feed riders in litter zones. Feeding can take place several hundred meters before or after the litter zones.**

#### **Provision N°4 - Refereeing**

In particular race situations (**e.g. race situation with echelons...**) that would lead riders to throw away water bottles or litter outside the zones provided for this purpose (which remains prohibited), the commissaires panel may decide not to sanction the rider they deem that the situation was of an exceptional nature and did not by any means contravene with the purpose and rational of article 2.2.025.

In the event of an exceptional situation, the commissaires' panel shall take the appropriate decisions in accordance with the above rule of interpretation.

**Provision n°5 - Articles concerned**

The above provisions concern and/or derogate from articles 2.2.025, 2.3.025 and 2.12.007 - 8.3 of the UCI Regulations (see next page), which define the rules relating to the behaviour of riders regarding littering and the associated penalties.

Regulations in force**Conduct of riders**

- 2.2.025** Riders may not jettison food, bonk-bags, feeding bottles, clothes, etc. outside of the litter zones provided by the organiser.

The rider must safely and exclusively deposit their waste on the sides of the road in the litter zones provided by the organiser. The rider may not jettison anything on the roadway itself. The rider may also dispose of bottles and clothing to team cars or organisation vehicles or with the team staff in charge of riders' feeding.

In the event of a heat wave, exceptional measures may be put in place by the president of the commissaires' panel in consultation with the organiser. Other exceptional situations where a rider may dispose of bottles is left to commissaires' discretion.

[...]

*(text modified on 1.01.15; 1.01.18; 1.01.19; 1.04.21; 17.04.21).*

- 2.3.025** [...]

**Litter zones**

Organisers must provide several litter zones of sufficient length situated every 30-40 kilometres throughout the route of the event or stage. A final litter zone shall be provided in the last kilometres of a race or stage and before the final section.

Litter zones allow the riders to get rid of their waste in a way that respects the environment. The organiser shall arrange for the litter to be collected and the various zones cleaned after the race has passed through.

*(text modified on 1.01.05; 1.01.20; 1.04.21).*

## 2.12.007 Table of race incidents relating to road events

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8.3	Rider or team staff disposing of waste or other objects outside of litter zones, or not returned to team or organisation staff, not collected by team staff, thrown at a spectator. Disposing of waste or other objects in a careless or dangerous manner (e.g. bottle or other object remaining or bouncing back on the road, thrown directly or with excessive force-at spectator, causing dangerous manoeuvre by other rider or vehicle, causing spectator to move onto the road).		

<p>One-day race</p>	<p><u>Rider or any other licence holder:</u></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> infringement: CHF 500 fine and 25 points from UCI rankings  2<sup>nd</sup> infringement: CHF 1000 fine, 50 points from UCI rankings and elimination or disqualification.</p>	<p><u>Rider or any other licence holder:</u></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> infringement: CHF 250 fine and 15 points from UCI rankings  2<sup>nd</sup> infringement: CHF 500 fine, 30 points from UCI rankings and elimination or disqualification.</p>	<p><u>Rider or any other licence holder:</u></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> infringement: CHF 100 fine and 5 points from UCI rankings  2<sup>nd</sup> infringement: CHF 200 fine, 10 points from UCI rankings and elimination or disqualification.</p>
<p><i>Note: The financial penalty is applied to the team if the licence holder cannot be specifically identified. UCI points penalty only applicable to riders</i></p>			
<p>Stage race</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> infringement: CHF 500 fine and 25 points from UCI rankings  2<sup>nd</sup> infringement: CHF 1000 fine, 50 points from UCI rankings and a 1 minute penalty  3<sup>rd</sup> infringement: CHF 1500 fine, 75 points from UCI rankings and elimination or disqualification</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> infringement: CHF 250 fine and 15 points from UCI rankings  2<sup>nd</sup> infringement: CHF 500 fine, 30 points from UCI rankings and a 1 minute penalty  3<sup>rd</sup> infringement: CHF 1000 fine, 50 points from UCI rankings and elimination or disqualification</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> infringement: CHF 100 fine and 5 points from UCI rankings  2<sup>nd</sup> infringement: CHF 200 fine, 10 points from UCI rankings and a 1 minute penalty  3<sup>rd</sup> infringement: CHF 400 fine, 25 points from UCI rankings and elimination or disqualification</p>
<p><i>Note: The financial penalty is applied to the team if the licence holder cannot be specifically identified. UCI points penalty only applicable to riders</i></p>			

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