# UCI PARA-CYCLING ROAD HUNTSVILLE-ALABAMA

### **GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE REGION**

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# The Host Nation

The 2023 Para-Cycling Road World Cup Final is hosted jointly in the United States by U.S. Paralympics Cycling and the City of Huntsville, Alabama.

# The Host City

Huntsville, Alabama also known as The Rocket City is located in the northern part of the state close to the Tennessee state border. Huntsville is in the southern Appalachian region and has played host to two para-cycling events in 2021 and 2022. Mountain ridges, with elevations from 1200 to 1600 feet (366 to 488 meters) above sea level, are located some 14 miles (22.5 km) to the northeast, east, and southeast of the airport. Learn more about Huntsville here: <a href="https://www.huntsville.org/rocket-city/">https://www.huntsville.org/rocket-city/</a>.

City Elevation: 640 feet (195 meters) Latitude – 34.7303688 Longitude - -86.586103 Altitude – 600 feet (183 meters) above sea level

# **GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE EVENT**

U.S. Paralympics Cycling and City of Huntsville/Huntsville Chamber are proud to partner with Medalist Sports, the UCI, and USA Cycling who will oversee and implement event production and help ensure the Para-cycling Road World Cup May 26-29 in Huntsville is safe, inclusive, and a positive experience for all. The race course takes place in beautiful Cummings Research Park, the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest research park in America and the fourth largest research park in the world. We look forward to welcoming you across our great City and if we can do anything to make your stay in Huntsville better, let us know.

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# **Event Website**

For information on the 2023 UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup Huntsville, AL USA, visit the official website – <u>www.huntsvilleparaworldcup.com</u>. The team portal password is **HuntsvilleParaWC23**.

# Climatic conditions at the time of the event

Huntsville weather in late May can be hot and humid or mild. The average high for the month of May is 82.5°F (28.0°C), the average low is 60.2°F (15.2°C). In late May, temperatures frequently rise to 90 degrees or higher (32.2°C+). The average humidity in the month of May is 71%.

For more information, please visit the Huntsville / Madison Chamber website:

https://hsvchamber.org/about-us/hsvmadison-county/climate/

**Time Zone** Central Daylight Time (GMT-5)

# TRANSPORTATION

#### Travelling to Huntsville, AL USA

Huntsville, AL is serviced by Huntsville, AL International Airport (HSV): <u>https://www.flyhuntsville.com</u>

This airport is a medium-size airport and planes may or may not accept large quantities of bikes or equipment. While our local airport partners have alerted the carriers for our event, please check with your airline carrier before making your reservation.

Other airport options include:

Name	Code	Distance from Huntsville
Atlanta, GA (best option for large / multiple bike boxes)	ATL	150 miles (241.4 km)
Birmingham, AL	BHM	75 miles (120.7 km)
Montgomery, AL	MGM	163 miles (262.3 km)
Nashville, TN	BNA	131 miles (210.8 km)
Knoxville, TN	TYS	212 miles (341.2 km)

# \*\*We highly recommend that teams send equipment and mechanics into Atlanta's airport to then ground travel to Huntsville via rented box trucks. Teams can send athletes and staff to HSV.

#### **Car rental**

Ground transportation is available at all airports through national and global car rental agencies like Enterprise, Avis, Hertz, National/Alamo, Budget/Dollar/Thrifty.

#### ACCOMMODATION

#### UCI and Race HQ Official hotel:

The Westin Huntsville 6800 Governors West, Huntsville, AL 35806 256-428-2000 https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/hsvwi-the-westin-huntsville/overview/

#### **Team hotels:**

The Organiser has held complementary blocks at hotels in Huntsville for teams. All blocks are indicated in the website below and show the distance from the race venue. Additionally, all hotels listed have some meeting room capacity available on a first come-first served basis for team meals, meetings and storage. The deadline for booking hotels through the link below is *April 1*.

https://app.eventconnect.io/events/23598/hotels

#### **RACE DESCRIPTION**



#### **RACE PERMANENCE**

UCI Race Office:

Westin Hotel @ Bridge Street 6800 Governors West, Huntsville, AL 35806

Dates and times TBC

#### ACCREDITATIONS

#### **Accreditation / Registration Centre**

The accreditation centre will be operational from Tuesday, May 23 to Thursday, May 25. The centre will be open between 10:00 – 16:00. All team accreditations will need to be collected from the accreditation centre.

#### The accreditations will be available as per the official team lists only.

Date	Operations	Venue	Times
Tuesday, May 23	Accreditation	Westin Huntsville	10:00 - 16:00
Wednesday, May 24	Accreditation	Westin Huntsville	10:00 - 16:00
Thursday, May 25	Accreditation	Westin Huntsville	10:00 - 16:00

#### MEDIA ACCREDITATIONS

TBC

# **OFFICIAL TRAINING SESSIONS**

The following official trainings will take place with partial road closure and enhanced law enforcement presence for added safety:

#### Wednesday, May 24:

17:00 – 19:00: Road Race Course Preview (meet/depart from Columbia High School)

#### Thursday, May 25

17:00 – 19:00: Time Trial Race Course Preview (meet/depart from Columbia High School)

If training on the race routes other than at these times, athletes *must use bicycle flags* and understand that the roads are heavily trafficked. Local Huntsville cycle clubs will be offering alternate and safe training ride options from race hotels in future bulletins.

The competition will take place under UCI regulations: http://www.uci.ch/

In reference to the UCI regulations (art. 16.20.006) registration shall take place on the UCI online registration website <u>http://regonline.uci.ch/</u>

Registration for the race is 75 Euros per person to be paid in US dollars. Register athletes and staff here: <u>https://usoc.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_6ur8e3gQ0v4SZzo</u>. Invoices and payment instructions will be emailed to you upon completion of registration. (This form is also used for visa processing and to select pre-paid meals in the Athlete Village.)

#### INSURANCE

Each team is responsible for insuring its athletes. It is complusary that this covers: damage to property, personal injuries and /or health problems, third-party liabilities.

#### MEDICAL

Medical care for entrants is the responsibility of the organiser during the event at the event site and within the confines of the race routes. However, any other costs incurred should there be illness or injury including patient transportation by either road or air as well as admission costs to emergency units / hospitals are the responsibility of the federation or the athlete.

In the event that costs for medical care cannot be funded by the patient's medical aid, these funds will be paid by the patient in his/her private capacity.

A copy of the valid International Medical Insurance Certificate / medical insurance card is required to validate the completion of the entry process for competitors.

# **CLASSIFICATION / MEETINGS**

#### **PI CLASSIFICATION**

Will take place at The Westin hotel on Tuesday, May 23 and Wednesday, May 24 from 9:00 – 16:00.

Athletes are requested to come to the classification with their bicycle, cycling clothes and medical documents. The detailed classification schedule will be published on the UCI website (www.uci.ch) three weeks before the event.

#### **CONFIRMATION OF STARTERS**

Will take place at The Westin hotel, Thursday May 25, from 10:00 – 13:00

#### **TEAM MANAGERS MEETING**

Will take place at The Westin hotel Thursday May 25, at 17:00

#### **DOPING CONTROLS**

Will take place at HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology, on competition days

#### **OPENING CEREMONY**

The Local Organizing Committee is discussing. Any plans/details will be published in forthcoming bulletins.

#### Visas

Visa requirements and entry procedures can be found at <u>https://www.ustraveldocs.com/</u>, and select proper country name for instructions. We highly recommend to expedite appointments and procedures, based on possible backlog of applications.

Visa letters will be processed based on the information collected through the registration system. If you have specific questions, please contact Jamie Martin, jamie.martin@usopc.org.

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# UCI Official for the event

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The UCI remains available for any further information. You can contact the UCI headquarters in Aigle, Mr Todd Fraser at todd.fraser@uci.ch.

Information is also available on UCI website: www.uci.ch