

Riders' Charter of Rights and Responsibilities

As UCI licence holders and members of the cycling community, riders enjoy rights and assume responsibilities to uphold cycling values and protect the integrity of the sport. This charter aims to clearly state these rights and responsibilities, fostering a respectful, clean, safe, fair, and ethical environment within the world of cycling. It is inspired by the IOC's Athletes' Rights and Responsibilities Declaration.

A. Riders' rights

1. Protection of physical and mental integrity

To be protected against any form of discrimination, harassment, or degrading treatment, whether in or out of competition.

2. Integrity of competitions

To participate in fair, clean, and equitable competitions and benefit from transparent procedures and appropriate calendars.

3. Access to information

To have timely access to relevant information on athlete and competition-related matters. To have their privacy respected, including the protection of personal data and medical information, in accordance with applicable data protection laws.

4. Freedom of expression

To express themselves freely, while recognizing the limits imposed by the UCI disciplinary rules (e.g., the prohibition of insults and defamation, etc).

5. Reporting

To report unethical and anti-regulatory behaviour without fear of retaliation.

6. Representation

To be represented by elected athletes within the relevant UCI commissions.

7. Education

To access education on cycling-related matters.

B. Riders' responsibilities

1. Compliance with rules

To comply with the UCI regulations, UCI Code of Ethics, national laws, and the standards outlined in this charter, by reporting any unethical or anti-regulatory behaviour, in topics such as fraud, doping, competition manipulation, discrimination, abuse or harassment.

2. Respect

To respect other riders as well as volunteers, officials, supporters, and all stakeholders involved in the world of cycling.

3. Fair play

To respect the integrity of cycling, participate in competitions in a fair manner and to refrain from any practices of fraud, manipulation of competitions, doping, discrimination and abuse.

4. Cooperation

To fully cooperate with UCI bodies and authorities when requested or required by the UCI Regulations (e.g., medical, anti-doping, disciplinary procedures, etc.).

5. Promotion of cycling values

To promote the positive values of cycling, thereby contributing to enhancing the image and integrity of cycling. To act as a role model, including by promoting clean, safe, and fair cycling.

6. Education

To inform themselves and be aware of their responsibilities.

By accepting these rights and obligations, the athletes contribute to preserving and improving the integrity of cycling, fostering an environment where sportsmanship, fairness, and respect prevail.