

# PART 1 – GENERAL ORGANISATION OF CYCLING AS A SPORT

## Rules Amendments applying on **01.01.2019**

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### Chapter I LICENCE-HOLDERS

#### § 2 Categories of riders

- 1.1.035** Without prejudice to relevant legal provisions, only riders aged 17 or more to whom a licence for one of the international categories below has been issued shall have the right to take part in events on the international calendar. However, riders aged 16 or under may take part in international BMX events (including BMX Freestyle events) **and Para-cycling events** if the applicable legislation does not prohibit it.

*(text modified on 01.01.05; 01.01.17; 01.01.19)*

**1.1.036** **Men  
Youth**

This category denotes riders aged 16 years or under and is controlled by national federations, except as provided for BMX **and Para-cycling** in article 1.1.035.

**Juniors (MJ: Men Juniors)**

This category shall comprise riders aged 17 and 18.

**Under 23 (MU: Men Under 23)**

This category shall comprise riders aged 19 to 22.

**Elite (ME: Men Elite)**

This category shall comprise riders aged 23 and above.

**Masters (MM: Men Masters)**

This category shall comprise riders of 30 years and above who elect this status. The choice of masters status shall not be open to a rider belonging to a team registered with the UCI.

**Para-cyclists**

This category shall comprise riders with disabilities as specified by the UCI functional classification system described in part 16, chapter V.

A para-cyclist may, or may not for health and safety reasons, be issued with an additional category from the current list, regarding the established integration procedure. This depends on the degree and nature of the disability.

*(text modified on 01.01.03; 01.01.04; 01.01.05; 25.06.07; 01.07.13; 01.01.15; 01.03.16; 01.01.19)*

## 1.1.037

### **Women**

#### **Youth**

This category denotes riders aged 16 years or under and is controlled by national federations, except as provided for BMX and Para-cycling in article 1.1.035.

#### **Juniors (WJ: Women Juniors)**

This category shall comprise riders of 17 and 18 years old.

#### **Under 23 (WU: Women Under 23)**

Unless otherwise provided in the UCI Regulations, this category shall comprise riders aged 19 to 22.

#### **Elite (WE: Women Elite)**

This category shall comprise riders aged 23 and above.

#### **Masters (WM: Women Masters)**

This category shall comprise riders of 30 years and above who elect this status. The choice of masters status shall not be open to a rider belonging to a team registered with the UCI.

#### **Para-cyclists**

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*(text modified on 01.01.03; 15.10.04; 25.06.07; 01.07.13; 01.01.17; 01.01.19)*

## **§ 4 Commissaires**

*(numbering of articles modified on 1.01.05).*

- 1.1.074** International commissaires appointed by the UCI and national federation in their respective discipline as detailed in article 1.2.116 ~~or who sit on a commissaires' panel, the president of which is appointed by the UCI~~, shall wear the official uniforms provided by the UCI. Such uniforms may be worn solely during such missions.

*(text modified on 1.01.19).*

- 1.1.074 bis** *National commissaires and elite national commissaires shall wear the official uniform provided by the national federation in their respective discipline. The UCI logo should not appear on such uniforms.*

*(text modified on 1.01.19).*

**1.1.058** The UCI shall set the examination requirements and standards for each course. Examination shall comprise a theoretical part (written and oral) and a practical part. In the event of failure, the candidate shall be permitted to retake the examination a second time, subject to the requirements of article 1.1.054. Two failures in the same discipline shall result in **the** exclusion for the examinations in ~~the other~~ **that** disciplines.

*(text modified on 1.01.03; 1.01.17; 1.01.19).*

**1.1.052 bis** The title of elite national commissaire shall be conferred by the UCI in the disciplines determined by the UCI, to persons having successfully completed a course approved by the UCI and given by an instructor appointed by the UCI. Such qualification shall be a requirement for candidates for qualification as UCI international commissaire in the disciplines of Road, **Track**, MTB and BMX.

*(text modified on 1.01.17; 1.01.19).*

**1.1.054** To be able to be admitted to the selection procedure to become UCI international commissaire, the concerned person has to meet the following conditions:

1. be a national, respectively an elite national commissaire license holder of a UCI affiliated national federation;
2. be proposed by that national federation. This federation is required to submit an application signed by its president or a person delegated by its president which shall include the following documentation:
  - a copy of an official identity document (passport, etc.) showing that the person - is aged between 25 and 50 years in the year of his selection by the UCI;
  - for the disciplines of Road, **Track**, MTB and BMX: qualification of elite national commissaire obtained after having successfully completed an elite national commissaire course approved by the UCI given by an instructor appointed by the UCI;
  - evidence that he has served actively as a national respectively elite national commissaire in the two years preceding the selection;
3. have an excellent knowledge of the UCI regulations;
4. have a command of the official course language, which will be one of the two official UCI languages (French or English).

The final selection of candidates is operated by the UCI based on the needs, the files received, the places available. Additional criteria might be established specifically for the course.

If a false statement is made, the candidate shall be excluded from every course or examination. If applicable, he shall be stripped of the title of international commissaire.

*(text modified on 1.01.03; 1.04.05; 1.01.07; 30.01.09; 1.01.10; 1.02.11; 1.02.13; 1.01.17; 01.01.19).*

**1.1.062** At the maximum, **a UCI international** commissaire can exercise in two disciplines. Except for Road and Track commissaires who can at the same time exercise in Paracycling. A UCI international commissaire cannot at the same time:

- be the holder of a licence as a rider of a team registered with the UCI or be member of a national team;
- exercise any technical function (team assistant, mechanic, paramedical assistant, team manager, etc.) for a national federation or a team registered with the UCI.

- ~~E~~exercise the function of president or vice president within a national federation or continental confederation. A UCI international commissaire may in no case carry out another role on the occasion of an international event.

*(text modified on 1.01.00; 1.01.05; 1.01.07; 1.07.07; 25.06.07; 1.02.13; 1.01.17; 01.01.19)*

**1.2.116** The commissaires' panel shall comprise commissaires appointed as per article 1.1.070. The number and status of the commissaires to be appointed for each race shall be as indicated in the table below. Where applicable, and subject to availability, national federations shall respect the following order of priority when appointing commissaires: international commissaire, elite national commissaire (for Road, **Track** MTB and BMX), national commissaire:

*(text modified on 1.01.05; 26.01.07; 1.02.11; 1.10.11; 1.07.12; 1.02.13; 1.01.17; 1.01.19).*

## Chapter III EQUIPMENT

### § 3 Equipment

**1.3.002** The UCI shall not be liable for any consequences deriving from the choice of the equipment used by licence holders, nor for any defects it may have or its non-compliance. Equipment used must meet ~~applicable official quality and safety standards.~~ **all relevant ISO quality and safety requirements for bicycles (as referenced for illustration purposes in the Clarification Guide published on the UCI website) as well as any other standards applicable in the country of the event.**

~~A licence holder is not authorised to modify, in any way, the equipment given by the manufacturer used in competition.~~

The licence-holder shall use the equipment which is certified and compliant with quality and safety standards as provided by the manufacturer, without any modification whatsoever. The licence-holder shall be entirely and exclusively liable for any modification made to the equipment, in particular in the event of an incident, and may be subject to disciplinary sanctions in accordance with the UCI Regulations.

*(text modified on 01.04.07; 01.10.11; 01.01.19)*