

# PART 15 CYCLING FOR ALL

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## Chapter I GENERAL PROVISIONS

### § 1 Participation

- 15.1.001** Participation in cycling for all events is open to the holders of a cycling for all, masters and junior licence within the limits of the events' particular regulations.

The minimal age to take part in each type of event is set by the organiser's national federation, in accordance with the current national regulations.

Rider's age shall be determined by the difference between the year of the event and the year of his birth.

*(text modified on 26.06.07)*

- 15.1.002** Riders may ride under a day licence issued by the organiser's national federation and given by the latter at the time of entry.

The licence shall clearly set out the date of validity. The national federation shall ensure that for the duration of the licence, a day licence holder benefits from the same insurance cover as that provided with an annual licence.

- 15.1.003** Participation by persons not holding a licence is possible under conditions laid down by the organiser's national federation, inter alia as regards the requirement to present a medical certificate of fitness to practice cycle sport and proof of insurance cover.

- 15.1.004** A rider belonging to a UCI ProTeam, a UCI continental professional team or a UCI continental team may take part in cycling for all events under the conditions set out in article 2.2.008.

- 15.1.005** (N) A rider belonging to a national team, a regional team or a club may take part in cycling for all events under the conditions set by the national federation of the country where the event is held.

### § 2 Entries and responsibility of participants

- 15.1.006** Advance registration with the organiser is obligatory. The organiser shall allocate a race number and/or a frame number to each participant.

- 15.1.007** By the act of entering, the participant confirms that he accepts and undertakes to respect the regulations of the UCI and the national federation, as well as the special regulations for the event.

He also undertakes to comply with the directions of the organisers and the safety and emergency services.

Each participant shall accept the risks involved in taking part, including health risks, the risk of falls and collisions, and risks relating to road traffic and bad weather conditions.

### **Health**

- 15.1.008** It is the responsibility of each rider to ensure before riding an event that he is in perfect health and capable of the physical effort required for to ride the event which he has entered.

The organiser may require participants to give written confirmation that they are aware of the inherent risks of such an event and that they are fully responsible for any health problems. They may also require each participant to provide a medical certificate to the effect that there is no contraindication to the practice of cycle sport, in accordance with the regulations of his national federation.

In no event may the UCI be held responsible for accidents or health problems to a rider connected with participation in a cycling for all event.

### **Insurance**

- 15.1.009** Each participant must ensure in advance that he is properly covered for accidents and third-party liability, notably at his national federation.

### **Conduct of participants**

- 15.1.010** Participants must at all times respect the relevant road traffic regulations.
- 15.1.011** Participants shall demonstrate a proper sporting spirit.
- 15.1.012** Participants shall behave in a manner which respects the environment.

## **§ 3 Organisation**

### **Information for participants**

- 15.1.013** The organiser must make available detailed information to participants, which includes the following:  
type of the event, special regulations for the event, a detailed description of the course, and a description of services.

### **Programme – Event technical guide**

- 15.1.014** (N) The programme - technical guide shall cover all details of organisation, including:
- Full contact details for the organiser
  - The special regulations for the event
  - The number of times the event has been run previously
  - The number of riders the last time the event was run
  - The number of riders expected and any applicable limits on field size
  - The type of event
  - A detailed description of the course(s) with profile, distance, feeds, first aid posts and technical assistance posts
  - A description of the services provided for riders.

### **Environment**

- 15.1.015** The organiser must take all appropriate measures for the protection of the environment.
- 15.1.016** The organiser must restore the course and its surroundings to its original condition immediately after the event has finished.

## Chapter II CYCLOSPORTIVE EVENT

### § 1 Course and safety

#### Course directions

- 15.2.001** The course must be clearly marked using arrows and signs, and by marshals.
- 15.2.002** Where an event uses multiple courses, these must be clearly identified. The points at which the different courses separate must be marked at least 500 meter beforehand.
- 15.2.003** The organiser must clearly mark all areas which present a significant risk well in advance (dangerous corner on descents, bad road surfaces, roadworks, etc.).
- 15.2.004** At the foot of particularly difficult climbs or mountain passes, a panel shall indicate the average and maximum gradients, the total climb, the distance to the summit and the maximum altitude.
- 15.2.005** Signage must be removed immediately following the event.

#### Marshals

- 15.2.006** The organiser shall take on a sufficient number of marshals in order to ensure rider safety and control traffic.

Motorised marshals will be added to the team as required.

A marshal must be stationed at all major junctions and at least at junctions where riders do not have priority under the normal rules of the road.

- 15.2.007** The marshals must be readily identifiable by a distinctive sign or uniform.
- 15.2.008** The marshals shall be provided with a flag and/or a whistle.
- 15.2.009** The marshals must be clearly informed about their role and provided with a list of emergency contacts.

#### Following vehicles

- 15.2.010** The organiser's official vehicles must be marked with a distinctive sign.
- 15.2.011** There will be at least a lead car and a broom wagon. The number of following vehicles will be appropriate for the number of participants.
- 15.2.012** Personal following vehicles are forbidden. If necessary, the rider will be disqualified by the organiser.

### § 2 First aid

- 15.2.013** Without prejudice to applicable legal, administrative and regulatory requirements, the organiser must provide a first aid post and additional first aid posts as appropriate for the length and layout of the course.

At least one doctor and an adequate number of qualified paramedics must be ready to intervene rapidly, at any time and at any point on the course.

- 15.2.014** The members of the first aid services shall be stationed at fixed posts and mobile units, as appropriate to the length and configuration of the course.
- 15.2.015** The principal first aid post must be readily identifiable and situated close to the finishing line.
- 15.2.016** The members of the first aid service must be readily identifiable by a sign or uniform which they alone may wear.
- 15.2.017** The members of the first aid services shall be positioned at sensitive areas of the course.
- 15.2.018** The organiser must take all the measures required to allow the treatment and rapid evacuation of the injured at any point on the course.
- 15.2.019** A briefing with the organiser, the person in charge of the first aid services and the marshals shall be held before the event.

### **§ 3 Feeding**

- 15.2.020** The feed zones must be judiciously located on the course. Their number will be appropriate to the length of the course.
- 15.2.021** The feed zones must be signed. A panel shall indicate the presence of the next feed zone at least 500 meters beforehand.
- 15.2.022** The feed zones must be located far enough off the road that they do not hinder traffic and allow riders who wish to do so to pass without stopping.
- 15.2.023** The feed zones must be large enough to accommodate substantial numbers of riders.

### **§ 4 Communications**

- 15.2.024** A suitable communications system will need to be set up between the members of the organisation team and the safety and first aid services.

### **§ 5 Technical assistance**

- 15.2.025** A mechanical assistance service will be provided.

### **§ 6 Timekeeping and classification**

- 15.2.026** (N) The timing shall be used to produce rankings for the men's and women's categories and age groups. Additional categories may be permitted (club, etc.).
- 15.2.027** Cash prizes are forbidden.

## **Chapter III UCI GOLDEN BIKE SERIES**

[chapter abrogated on 27.02.15]

## Chapter IV MASTERS (ROAD)

### § 1 Participation in events on the UCI masters calendar

**15.4.001** A rider aged 30 or above who holds a masters licence is permitted to take part in UCI masters calendar events with the following exceptions:

- I. Any rider who has during the current year been a member of a team registered with the UCI.
- II. Any rider who has taken part in a world championships, the olympic games, continental championships or games, regional games, the Commonwealth games, or a World Cup during the current year, other than events for masters.
- III. Any rider who has ridden in an event on the UCI international calendar for the current year other than events on the masters calendar.  
*(text modified on 26.06.07; 01.10.10)*

**15.4.002** For events of the UCI masters calendar, riders may ride under a temporary or day licence issued by their national federation.  
*(text modified on 01.10.10)*

**15.4.003** The licence shall set out clearly the start and end dates of its period of validity. The national federation shall ensure that the holder of a temporary or day licence benefits, for the period of validity of that licence, from the same insurance cover and the same benefits as those granted with an annual licence.

### § 2 Events

**15.4.004** The organisation of road races for the masters category is governed by Part 2 Road races with the exception of the provisions below:

#### One-day race

**15.4.005** The maximum distance is determined as follows:

Age category	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70+
MM	120 km				80 km			40 km	
WM	80 km		40 km						

*(text modified on 01.10.10)*

#### Individual time trial

**15.4.006** The maximum distance is determined as follows:

Age category	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70+
MM	40 km				30 km			20 km	
WM	30 km				20 km				

## Chapter V UCI GRAN FONDO WORLD SERIES AND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

*(chapter introduced on 01.10.10)*

*(text modified on 01.01.16)*

### § 1 General Provisions

- 15.5.001** The UCI Gran Fondo World Series **and World Championships** and all related rights shall be the exclusive property of the UCI.  
*(text modified on 01.01.16, 01.09.17)*

#### Events

- 15.5.002** The UCI Gran Fondo World Series is composed by **individual** Cycling for all road cycling competitions.

A UCI Gran Fondo World Series event is a competitive mass-participation event with a mass-start (or in waves with intervals between the start groups) fully timed for all participants and split results per age group and gender.

A UCI Gran Fondo World Series event has three different categories:

- **Fully closed roads:** Competitive mass participation event with a mass-start in which riders can use the whole road during a certain time frame (time to be set by the organisers). Roads are closed for the full length and duration of the event for all participants. No traffic on the course (except event's vehicles).
- **Rolling road closure:** Competitive mass participation event with a mass-start in which riders can use the whole road during a certain time frame (time to be set by the organisers). Roads are closed from the moment the first riders approach until a dedicated time after the first riders have passed (time to be set by the organisers). Road traffic regulations must be respected for all riders being outside of the defined time set by the organiser.
- **Open roads:** Competitive mass participation event with a mass-start in which riders must respect road traffic regulations during the whole course.

The UCI Gran Fondo World Championships (formerly called Road Master World Championships / UWCT Final) is the last event of the series, open to riders qualified through the series.

*(text modified on 01.01.16; 01.09.17)*

- 15.5.003** The organisation of UCI Gran Fondo World Series events is governed by Part 2 Road races with the exception of the provision 15.5.004.

- 15.5.004** The age category is determined as follows:

Age category:

19-34 35 - 39 40 - 44 45 - 49 50 - 54 55 - 59 60 - 64 65+

*(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16)*

#### Exclusivity

- 15.5.005** Cycling events that belong to the UCI Gran Fondo World Series shall not be part of or otherwise linked to any other international series of events.  
*(text modified on 01.01.16)*



**Date protection**

- 15.5.006** The dates of UCI Gran Fondo World Series events shall be approved by the UCI. Only one UCI Gran Fondo World Series event per continent shall be held on any given weekend.  
*(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16)*

**Use of the UCI Gran Fondo World Series logo**

- 15.5.007** The right to use the brand UCI Gran Fondo World Series is granted by the UCI to the organiser, subject to the conditions set out in this section and by the UCI Gran Fondo World Series organiser's guide in force.  
*(text modified on 01.01.16)*

**Inclusion**

- 15.5.008** Inclusion in the series implies acceptance by the organiser of the UCI Gran Fondo World Series organiser's guide and an undertaking on his part to organise the event in accordance with UCI Regulations and other applicable provisions.  
*(text modified on 01.01.16)*

**UCI Gran Fondo World Series organiser's guide**

- 15.5.009** The UCI Gran Fondo World Series organiser's guide sets out the conditions for inclusion and the special regulations for the series. UCI Gran Fondo World Series events (World Championships included) are otherwise governed by the Cycling for all regulations.  
*(text modified on 01.01.16)*

**Qualification for the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships**

- 15.5.010** Each UCI Gran Fondo World Series event will award participation rights for the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships to the first **20%** of the riders in the ranking of each age group, with a minimum of three participation rights per age group. **The percentage can be reviewed on a yearly basis, taking into consideration the participation in the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships, the number of qualifier events in the UCI Gran Fondo World Series calendar as well as the evolution of the UCI Gran Fondo World Series calendar.**  
*(text modified on 01.01.16; 01.09.17)*

**§ 2 UCI Gran Fondo World Championships**

- 15.5.011** All licence holders under articles 1.1.001 to 1.1.028 may participate in the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships, apart from:
- a) Any rider who has during the current year been a member of a team registered with the UCI.
  - b) Any rider who has taken part in a World Championships, the Olympic Games, **Continental games**, regional games, the Commonwealth Games, or a World Cup during the current year.
  - c) Any rider who scored UCI points in the year of the World Championships.  
*(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16; 01.09.17)*
- 15.5.012** Riders taking part in the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships shall represent their country, but may wear the clothing of their choice.  
*(text modified on 01.01.16)*
- 15.5.013** All the details specific to the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships may be obtained directly from the organiser or on the UCI web site.  
*(text modified on 01.01.16)*

**15.5.014** The championships are normally organised in 5-year age-groups: 19-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65+.

Depending on the number of participants per age group, the group may be divided into age groups of less than 5 years or grouped with an age category adjacent to the category in question, in which case a single overall classification shall be drawn up.

*(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16)*

**15.5.015** All age groups as stated in 15.4.014 will have their own title. Additional jerseys and medals to older age groups (70+, 75+...) will only be given to the winners of these categories if more than 6 riders are registered.

*(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16)*

**15.5.016** The start of the UCI Gran Fondo World Championships will be organised per age group with at least separated starts between men and women.

*(text modified on 27.02.15; 01.01.16)*

**15.5.017** The UCI Gran Fondo World Champion jersey must be worn by World Champions in the following events.

For riders with a master, amateur or cycling for all license:

- In all masters', cycling-for-all and amateur events in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- In all UCI Gran Fondo World Series events in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- In events where amateurs/masters/cycling for all riders race together with elite riders, it is allowed for UCI Gran Fondo World Champions to wear the UCI Gran Fondo World Champion jersey in those events of the discipline in which they won the World Champion title.

For riders with an elite license:

- In UCI Gran Fondo World Series events in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- In events where amateurs/masters/cycling for all riders race together with elite riders, it is allowed for UCI Gran Fondo World Champions with an Elite license to wear the UCI Gran Fondo World Champion jersey in the discipline in which they won the World Champion title;
- It is forbidden for UCI Gran Fondo World Champions to wear their World Champion jersey in Elite events of the UCI international calendar.

*(article introduced on 01.09.17)*