

## PART II – ROAD RACES

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## Chapter I CALENDAR AND PARTICIPATION

### International calendar

- 2.1.004** A mixed team is composed exclusively of riders belonging to different teams eligible for participation according to article 2.1.005, **with the exception of teams and riders registered with the UCI, and but** whose team is not contracted in the race. Riders shall wear an identical jersey which may bear advertising for their usual sponsor. It may not in any circumstances be a national jersey.

*(text modified on 1.01.99; 1.01.05; 28.04.05; 1.01.07; 12.06.20).*

- 2.1.007 bis** **Obligatory invitations to events on the international calendar**

### Provisions for Grand Tours and UCI WorldTour stage races

The organiser must invite the best UCI ProTeams on the UCI World Team Ranking, as considered on the last day of the previous season (under the terms of article 2.1.001), according to the followings:

Number of UCI WorldTeams	UCI ProTeam invited according to art. 2.15.193 <sup>(1)</sup>	Obligatory Invitation of best UCI ProTeams <sup>(2)</sup>	Remaining wild cards for Organisers	
			Grands Tours <sup>(3)</sup>	Other stage races
18	0	2	2	5
	1	1	2	5
19	0	1	2	5
	1	1	1	4
20	0	1	1	4
	1	0	1	3

<sup>(1)</sup> According to article 2.15.193, UCI WorldTour events must invite the UCI ProTeam, if any, that lost its UCI WorldTeam status at the end of the previous season due to the fact that it was deemed not to satisfy the sporting criterion.

<sup>(2)</sup> Invitations declined by invited UCI ProTeams may be used by the organiser as additional wild cards.

<sup>(3)</sup> The organiser of a Grand Tour must guarantee the participation in the race of at least one UCI WorldTeam or UCI ProTeam from the country of the organiser amongst the 22 participating teams.

UCI ProTeams that accept the obligatory invitation from the organiser (except wild card) to participate in at least one Grand Tour, shall pay the same contribution to the biological

passport as UCI WorldTeams, as published in the CADF financial obligations document available on the UCI website.

### Provisions for UCI WorldTour one-day races

The organiser must invite the best UCI ProTeams on the UCI World Team Ranking, as considered on the last day of the previous season (under the terms of article 2.1.001), according to the followings:

Number of UCI WorldTeams	UCI ProTeam invited according to art. 2.15.193 <sup>(1)</sup>	Obligatory Invitation of best UCI ProTeams <sup>(2)</sup>	Remaining wild cards for Organisers
18	0	3	4
	1	2	4
19	0	2	4
	1	1	4
20	0	1	4
	1	0	4

<sup>(1)</sup> According to article 2.15.193, UCI WorldTour events must invite the UCI ProTeam, if any, that lost its UCI WorldTeam status at the end of the previous season due to the fact that it was deemed not to satisfy the sporting criterion.

<sup>(2)</sup> Invitations declined by invited UCI ProTeams may be used by the organiser as additional wild cards.

### Provisions for ME and MU class2 events of the Europe Tour as well as ME and MU class 1 and class 2 events of the America Tour, Asia Tour, Africa Tour and Oceania Tour

~~For events taking place between 1<sup>st</sup> January and 15<sup>th</sup> March,~~ the organiser must invite:

- the first 3 UCI continental teams in the ~~rolling~~ classification by team for the relevant continental circuit of the event, on the last day of the previous season (in the sense of Article 2.1.001). For the application of this provision, only teams from the relevant continental circuit of which the event is part and, amongst these, only the best team of each nation is considered.

~~For events taking place between 16<sup>th</sup> March and 31<sup>st</sup> December, the organiser must invite:~~

- ~~the 3 first UCI continental teams in the rolling classification by team for the relevant continental circuit, on the second Sunday of January (based on new team rosters). For the application of this provision, only teams from the relevant continental circuit of which the event is part and, amongst these, only the best team of each nation is considered.~~

### Provisions for ME and MU class 1 and class 2 events of the Africa Tour

~~For events taking place between 1<sup>st</sup> January and 15<sup>th</sup> March,~~ the organiser must invite:

- the first 3 national teams in the ~~rolling~~ classification by nation for the UCI Africa Tour, on the last day of the previous season (in the sense of Article 2.1.001).

~~For events taking place between 16<sup>th</sup> March and 31<sup>st</sup> December, the organiser must invite:~~

- ~~the 3 first UCI national teams in the rolling classification by nation of the UCI Africa Tour, on the second Sunday of January.~~

For stage races, the date to be taken into account is the first racing day.

The organiser must accept entries from above mentioned teams who have responded positively to an invitation.

*(text modified on 1.01.06; 1.01.07; 1.10.10; 1.02.11; 1.07.11; 1.07.12; 1.10.13; 1.01.15; 1.01.17; 25.10.17; 22.10.18; 23.10.19; 11.02.20; 12.06.20).*

## Chapter II GENERAL PROVISIONS

### § 1 Participation

**2.2.003** Without prejudice to specific provisions of the UCI Regulations (e.g. provisions in Part IX and XI regarding respectively the UCI Road World Championships and Olympic Games), the number of starting riders per team shall be set by the organiser, with a minimum of 4 and maximum of 7. The organiser shall indicate in the programme or technical guide and on the entry form the number of starting riders per team for the event. This number shall be the same for all teams.

The number of starting riders who are registered on the entry form must be equal to the number set by the organiser. No account shall be taken of any riders entered in excess of that number.

#### Special provisions for UCI WorldTour

In UCI WorldTour events, the number of starting riders per team is 8 for Grand Tours and 7 for other events.

Without prejudice to articles 1.2.053, 1.2.055 and 2.2.003 bis, if a team, without valid justification, starts a UCI WorldTour event with fewer riders than that established by the previous paragraph, the team shall be subject to a fine of CHF 5,000 for each missing rider.

#### Special provisions for UCI ProSeries men elite events

For one-day events and stage races, the number of starting riders per team is set at 6 or 7 by the organiser.

The minimum number of starting teams for UCI ProSeries events is established as follows:

	2020	2021	2022 and subsequent
<b>Events in Europe</b>			
Stage races	<del>17</del> 18 teams of 6 riders; or 16 teams of 7 riders	<del>18</del> 19 teams of 6 riders; or 17 teams of 7 riders	<del>19</del> 20 teams of 6 riders; or 18 teams of 7 riders
One-day events	<del>20</del> 22 teams of 6 riders; or <del>17</del> 19 teams of 7 riders	<del>21</del> 23 teams of 6 riders; or <del>18</del> 20 teams of 7 riders	<del>22</del> 24 teams of 6 riders; or <del>19</del> 21 teams of 7 riders
<b>Events outside Europe</b>			
Stage races and One-day events	<del>17</del> 18 teams of 6 riders; or <del>15</del> 16 teams of 7 riders	<del>18</del> 19 teams of 6 riders; or <del>16</del> 17 teams of 7 riders	<del>19</del> 20 teams of 6 riders; or <del>17</del> 18 teams of 7 riders

## **Special provisions for Women Elite events of the UCI Women's WorldTour and UCI ProSeries**

For one-day races, the number of starting riders per team is set at 6.

For stage races, the organiser can set the number of starting riders per team to 6 or 7.

*(text modified on 1.01.05; 1.01.07; 26.01.08; 1.02.12; 1.07.12; 1.10.13; 1.01.15; 1.01.18; 23.10.19; 1.01.20; 12.06.20).*

## **Chapter X UCI RANKINGS**

### **§ 1 Elite and Under 23 Men's UCI World Ranking**

#### **Updates of world rankings**

**2.10.005** The rankings shall be updated and published every Tuesday at 2am CET week ~~immediately after receipt by the UCI of the final classification of a (or the various) UCI WorldTour event(s) ending on a Sunday or the road race of the Men Elite UCI Road World Championships.~~

~~If no UCI WorldTour event ends on a given Sunday, the rankings shall be updated on that Sunday at 6pm CET.~~

The final result of any other event received by the UCI after the stated deadlines will be included in the next weekly update.

#### **Specific provisions for rolling rankings**

A same event will not be taken into account more than once in a single ranking; the following provisions apply:

- If a same event takes place less than 52 weeks after the previous edition, only the most recent event will be taken into account in the ranking;
- If a same event takes place more than 52 weeks after the previous edition points of the previous edition remain in the ranking until the new edition is held;
- If a same event is not organised the next season, points will only be dropped from the ranking after the 52-week period.

The aforementioned provisions apply to all events.

Rankings established on the last day of the season as per article 2.1.001 will determine the winners of the season.

*(article introduced on 1.01.16; text modified on 3.06.16; 25.10.17; 23.10.19; 12.06.20).*

## § 2 Elite and Under 23 Women's UCI World Rankings

### Updates

**2.10.010** The rankings shall be updated and published every Tuesday at 2am CET week ~~immediately after receipt by the UCI of the final classification of a (or the various) UCI Women's WorldTour event(s) ending on a Sunday.~~

~~If no UCI Women's WorldTour event ends on a given Sunday, the rankings shall be updated on that Sunday at 6pm CET.~~

The final result of any other event received by the UCI after the stated deadlines will be included in the next weekly update.

*(text modified on 25.10.17; 12.06.20).*

## § 3 Elite and Under 23 Men's Continental Rankings

### Updates

**2.10.019** The rankings shall be updated and published every Tuesday at 2am CET week ~~immediately after receipt by the UCI of the final classification of a (or the various) UCI WorldTour event(s) ending on a Sunday or the road race of the Men Elite UCI Road World Championships.~~

~~If no UCI WorldTour event ends on a given Sunday, the rankings shall be updated on that Sunday at 6pm CET.~~

The final result of any event received by the UCI after the stated deadline will be included in the next weekly update.

~~The new ranking comes into force on the day of publication and stands until the publication of the subsequent ranking.~~

Riders score points on the individual ranking in accordance with the scale in article 2.10.008.

### Specific provisions for rolling rankings

Points awarded for stages are included in the ranking drawn up following the final day of a stage race.

A same event will not be taken into account more than once in a single ranking; the following provisions apply:

- If a same event takes place less than 52 weeks after the previous edition, only the most recent event will be taken into account in the ranking;
- If a same event takes place more than 52 weeks after the previous edition points of the previous edition remain in the ranking until the new edition is held;
- If a same event is not organised the next season, points will only be dropped from the ranking after the 52-week period.

The aforementioned provisions apply to all events.

The rankings established on the last day of the season as per article 2.1.001 will determine the winners of the season.

*(text modified on 1.01.16; 25.10.17; 23.10.19; 12.06.20).*

## Chapter XIII UCI WOMEN'S WORLDTOUR

### § 1 UCI Women's WorldTour

#### Participation

**2.13.006** For the 2020 and 2021 seasons, the organiser of a UCI Women's WorldTour event must invite 15 teams, as described below. From the 2022 season onward, all UCI Women's WorldTeams must be invited by the organiser.

For the 2020 and 2021 seasons, all UCI Women's WorldTeams must be invited by the organiser. A number of UCI women's continental teams corresponding to the remaining number of required invitations, based on the UCI women world ranking by teams - calculated on the **last day of the previous season second Sunday of January** - must also be invited by the organiser.

The organiser must accept entries from the above-mentioned teams that have responded positively to an invitation.

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### § 4 UCI Women's WorldTour Licence

**2.13.035** The licence commission awards licences on the basis of the following cumulative criteria:

- administrative;
- financial;
- ethical.

From the **2021 2022** season onwards, the following criterion will be added to the three aforementioned criteria:

- organisational.

If the number of candidate teams (UCI Women's WorldTeam and UCI women's continental teams) that meet the criteria set out above (administrative, financial, ethical and organisational) is greater than the number of licences available, the licence commission will decide between them in accordance with articles 2.13.041 or 2.13.042 and 2.13.042 bis.

*[Note: the administrative, financial, ethical and organisational criteria are examined during licence applications as well as during annual registration applications according to article 2.13.069. As for the sporting criterion, this is only examined during licence applications.]*

*(text modified on 12.06.20).*

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**Criteria**

From the 2021 2022 season onward, the organisational criterion will be assessed on the basis of the report by the organisational auditor appointed by the UCI, taking account of the UCI Women's WorldTeam's compliance with the following rules:

1. The teams shall organise the physical preparation of riders:
  - a. Either by employing a coach on a full-time basis, for eight to ten riders maximum, who will be entrusted with organising and managing their preparation and recovery via a training plan supported by written documents and able to use the team's communication procedure. In this case, the riders shall compulsorily be assigned to a team coach;
  - b. Or by employing a "performance manager" on a full-time basis who may moreover be a coach entrusted with supervising the work of the coaches of the riders whether or not employed by the team. Their supervisory role implies that they necessarily have access to all training data related to riders, including and especially those produced by coaches who are external to the team but employed by the riders. These data must be communicated by the coaches of the riders to the "performance manager":
    - in the form of a training plan;
    - in the form of personalised and confidential data files sent systematically and frequently so as to facilitate effective supervision;
    - external coaches must have access to the team's communication procedure and take action with regard to their rider(s) at all times.
2. Each rider must have their preparation managed via a training plan formalised in writing indicating, in particular, the nature of the preparation work, recovery periods and competitions. This training plan must be drawn up in consultation with the sports director(s) and coach of the rider. It must be understood by all persons concerned;
3. A team must have the number of sports directors provided for in article 2.13.210. The sports directors may only take on the role of coach on the condition that they are qualified as such. Should this be the case, they must provide evidence of their double certification. The role of the sports directors is to direct the riders in competition. Ideally, they also draw up the competition programme for the riders in consultation with both the riders and their personal coach so as to ensure coherence between race preparation and the race programme. Each sports director must ensure compliance with Rule no. 7;
4. The team shall employ a doctor responsible for the organisation of care (the "chief medical officer"). In particular, the chief medical officer is entrusted with ensuring the compliance of the team's care activities with the UCI's Medical Rules, in Part XIII of the UCI Regulations. The teams may employ one or more additional doctor(s) in addition to the chief medical officer, but the doctor(s) in question must comply with the requirements of Rule no. 9 among others. Any staff member employed by a team as a doctor may not take on a role other than that of doctor within the team. The chief medical officer is the sole authority in terms of health within the team and assumes responsibility for this. All doctors employed by a team are subject to strict confidentiality with regard to the medical data in their possession;
5. Each rider must have a referring doctor identified by the team whether or not employed by the latter. They are subject to strict confidentiality with regard to the medical data in their possession;
6. The team must have internal medical regulations describing terms and conditions of care for riders as well as, in particular, access to medical data;
7. The UCI Women's WorldTeam riders must not ride more than 75 days per season in road events (exclusive of events with their respective National Federation and individual races) registered on the UCI Women's WorldTour

calendar or the UCI International Calendar. The sports director charged with following the rider is responsible for compliance with this rule and is authorised to oblige the rider to comply. If a rider exceeds 75 days of competition and/or wishes to commit to a significant number of other events, the sports director in charge may be asked to prove that the rider in question has had sufficient care and rest;

8. The team will have to use a communication mechanism that may involve the use of an IT communication platform. The UCI Women's WorldTeam shall provide detailed explanations of the method of communication put in place within the team and will be obliged to apply it;
9. The sports directors, coaches (including the performance manager and analysts) and doctors — as well as any other role for which the UCI Regulations provide for a licence — may only be employed by a UCI Women's WorldTeam or a rider on a personal basis (for the coaches) on the condition that they hold the licence required for their role in accordance with article 1.1.010 of the UCI Regulations, and in accordance with the requirements of the National Federation of the country of residence at the time of the licence application;

In addition, the sports directors must hold the certification required by the UCI for the competences related to their function. The doctors must, in addition, provide the following information:

- a. a copy of their original medical diploma(s) translated into French or English;
- b. a full CV including the details of their experience in elite sport and training and, where applicable, their qualifications in sports medicine;
- c. a "certificate of good standing" (which must have been produced in the previous three months) from the medical board of the country of residence or a certified declaration from the country's medical authority testifying that no problem has had an impact on the doctor's competences in exercising their role;
- d. a declaration that stipulates the following: "I attest that I have read and I fully accept compliance with the UCI Medical Rules."

*[Note: any reference in this chapter to the organisational criterion and organisational audit shall apply beginning with the licence and/or registration procedure in anticipation of the 2024 2022 season.]*

*(text modified on 12.06.20).*

#### **Examination by the licence commission**

**2.13.047** The licence commission shall examine the licence application on the basis of documentation consisting of the following elements:

1. the information contained in the licence application and its enclosures;
2. the report or any other opinion of the auditor appointed by the UCI;
3. the report drawn up by the UCI;
4. any other document or information provided by the applicant or requested by the UCI or by the licence commission to assess the application;
5. the report or any other opinion of the organisational auditor appointed by the UCI (from the 2024 2022 season onwards).

The licence commission may also take account of acknowledged facts.



The documentation must be drawn up in French or in English. Documents produced by third parties and written in another language must be accompanied by a translation into the language of the documentation.

The licence applicant is solely responsible for assuring the quality and complete nature of the information transmitted with their application. In particular, they may not invoke the fact that they have not been asked by the UCI, the auditor, the organisational auditor or the licence commission to provide information or documents or that their attention has not been called to gaps or other factors which may be regarded as negative when their application comes to be judged by the licence commission. The paying agent remains entirely responsible for the accuracy of the data transmitted, regardless of the form of presentation in the UCI's electronic system, and shall ensure compliance of the information with the team's situation in the coming season.

*(text modified on 12.06.20).*

## § 5 Annual registration

### Organisational audit

**2.13.082** For the 2022 season and thereafter, in the context of licence and registration applications, the paying agent must provide the following documentation to the organisational auditor:

1. a list of riders;
2. a list of other persons and the division of tasks;
3. the team's internal regulations;
4. the team's medical regulations;
5. the team's organisational chart;
6. a description of the system used to formalise each rider's training plan;
7. a description of the communication procedures;
8. a copy of the doctor's medical diploma, full CV, certificate of good standing and statement.

The documents required must be drafted in accordance with the models and instructions drawn up by the UCI administration.

*[Note: any reference in this chapter to the organisational criterion and organisational audit shall apply beginning with the licence and/or registration procedure in anticipation of the 2022 season].*

*(text modified on 12.06.20).*

### Bank guarantee

**2.13.111** For the 2020 season, the amount of the guarantee shall represent 15% of all the gross sums due by the UCI Women's WorldTeam to riders and persons under contract for the operation of the team during the registration year. In no case may the amount of the bank guarantee be less than CHF 20,000.

For the 2021 season, the amount of the guarantee shall represent 20% of all the gross sums due by the UCI Women's WorldTeam to riders and persons under contract for the operation of the team during the registration year ~~plus the amount of CHF 15,000~~. In no case may the amount of the bank guarantee be less than ~~CHF 50,000~~ ~~CHF 65,000~~.

From the 2022 season onward, the amount of the guarantee shall represent 25% of all the gross sums due by the UCI Women's WorldTeam to riders and persons under

contract for the operation of the team during the registration year plus the amount of CHF 15,000. In no case may the amount of the bank guarantee be less than CHF 130,000.

(text modified on 12.06.20).

## Chapter XVIII UCI PROSERIES MEN ELITE

### § 2 UCI ProSeries calendar

#### Eligibility criteria for events on the UCI ProSeries calendar

**2.18.007** The following selection criteria will be taken into account by the UCI Management Committee when: accepting or refusing an application for registration; withdrawing a registration; submitting a registration to the respect of conditions and/or measures considered appropriate; or reducing the duration of an event:

1. the sporting level according to the start lists of the two editions preceding the application for registration with, as a minimum, the following participation levels:

	2019	2020	2021	2022 and subsequent
<b>Events in Europe</b>				
Minimum number of UCI WorldTeams and UCI ProTeams at the start for the relevant year	10	11	12	13
Minimum number of UCI WorldTeams at the start for the relevant year	-	3	3 4	4 5
<b>Events outside Europe</b>				
Minimum number of UCI WorldTeams and UCI ProTeams at the start for the relevant year	6	6 8	8 10	10 12
Minimum number of UCI WorldTeams at the start for the relevant year	-	-	1	3

2. the format, structure and nature of the event, contributing to the image of UCI ProSeries' elite events;
3. the sporting ambition and coherence of the event within the UCI ProSeries calendar;
4. the quality of the event's organisation, in particular with regards to the safety of the riders, race followers and spectators;
5. the technical quality of TV production and observance of the UCI TV production guide;
6. live international TV coverage of the event in at least ten countries and live TV coverage of the event in the organiser's country;
7. respect of UCI regulations and other applicable regulations;
8. respect of the organisation guides, specifications or guidelines published by the UCI;
9. respect of contractual, legal and regulatory obligations;
10. respect of the financial obligations published by the UCI;
11. the absence of attempts to infringe or circumvent obligations;
12. respect of sporting ethics;

13. the absence of any other element liable to harm the image of the UCI ProSeries, the UCI or cycle sport in general.

The eligibility criteria for submitting an application for registration on the UCI ProSeries calendar are defined above and may be adapted by the UCI Management Committee if necessary.

The UCI Management Committee may also take acknowledged facts into account.

*(text modified on 12.06.20).*