

PART II – ROAD RACES

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Chapter XVI UCI PROTEAMS

Identity

- 2.16.001** A UCI ProTeam is an organisation created to take part in road events open to UCI ProTeams as per article 2.1.005. It is known by a unique name and registered with the UCI in accordance with the provisions below.

UCI ProTeams shall use the UCI ProTeam logo in accordance with the graphic charter provided by the UCI and shall respect the conditions and restrictions on the use of the logo and brand as defined by the UCI.

The UCI ProTeam comprises all the riders registered with the UCI as members of the team, the paying agent, the sponsors and all other persons contracted by the paying agent and/or the sponsors to provide for the operation of the team (manager, sports director, coach, paramedical assistant, mechanic, etc.).

Each UCI ProTeam must employ at least 20* riders, 3 sports directors and 5 other staff (paramedical assistants, mechanics, etc.) on a full-time basis for the whole registration year.

** Special provision for UCI ProTeams outside of Europe: The minimum number of riders that a team must contract is respectively 16, 18 and 20 for seasons **2021, 2022 and 2023** ~~2020, 2021 and 2022~~.*

*(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.07.12; 1.05.17; 1.01.20; **25.09.20**).*

Audit

- 2.16.014** The team applying for UCI ProTeam status must submit all the documents and information required for the audit to the auditor appointed by the UCI no later than 1st October of the year preceding the year for which registration is being applied for (registration year).

In the event of delay the registration fee will automatically be increased by CHF 500 per day. This increase shall not be cumulative with that applied under article 2.16.012 where they apply to the same period. The team in question may not claim the status of UCI ProTeam. Furthermore the audit shall be postponed until such time as the documentation is in order.

The documents required for the audit will also include all the contracts signed with riders. The number of these contracts, approved by the auditor, must be at least 10 by 1st October and 15 by 20 October. All the contracts, numbering at least 20*, must be submitted to and approved by the auditor no later than 1 December.

Concerning riders' and staff contracts, a copy must be sent by electronic format to the UCI-appointed auditor. The original document must be kept by the team and made available at any times if requested by the UCI-appointed auditor.

The budget and the bank guarantee to be submitted by 1 October must take account of all the riders that the UCI ProTeam intends to recruit.

Any costs incurred for additional work, including random checks, carried out by the auditor on the UCI ProTeam or a team applying for that status before or after its registration may be invoiced to the team as additional auditing costs.

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(text modified on 1.07.10; 1.04.11; 15.08.14; 1.07.15; 13.10.16 ; 1.01.20; 25.09.20).

Teams and riders

2.16.032 The number of riders in each UCI ProTeam shall be no fewer than 20*. These riders will be exclusively from the men elite or men under 23 categories.

The maximum number of riders per UCI ProTeam which may be registered with the UCI is restricted according to the number of new professionals under contract (within the meaning of article 7 of the joint agreement concluded between the CPA (Cyclistes Professionnels Associés) and the AIGCP (Association Internationale des Groupes Cyclistes Professionnels) in the following manner:

Number of new professionals under contract to the UCI ProTeam	Maximum number of riders registered with the UCI
0	28
1	29
2 or more	30

If the number of riders is fewer than the minimum permitted, the UCI shall give notice to the UCI ProTeam and set it a period of 30 days within which to regularise the situation. If this does not occur, the UCI ProTeam shall be liable to a fine of between CHF 5,000 and 50,000. To determine the fine, the UCI shall take specific account of the reduction in the wages bill from which the team benefits during the period for which it is under strength.

The payment of the fine does not release the UCI ProTeam from the obligation to once more take on the minimum number of riders.

In the event of persistent failure to comply, the UCI ProTeam will be suspended.

The UCI ProTeam shall not be obliged to replace a rider that it has dismissed for a violation of the antidoping regulations. For this purpose, a positive result for both A and B samples shall be considered as a violation of the antidoping regulations.

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