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Chapter I GENERAL RULES

§1 Age categories and participation

7.1.001 Trials officially recognises the following types of individual events as described in the present Trials rule book.

- 20" (wheel size between 18" to 23")
- 26" (wheel size between 24" to 26")
- Open (free choice of wheel size, between 18" and 26")

Categories within these events depend on age. The age class a rider is eligible to ride is determined by his/her age which shall be calculated by deducting the year of birth from the current year.

(text modified on 1.02.11; 1.02.12; 15.10.18).

7.1.002 Participation at competition is organised on the basis of the age categories set out below:

- Poussins: 9-10 years old white course Open
- Benjamins: 11-12 years old blue course Open
- Minimes: 13-14 years old green course Open
- Cadets: 15-16 years old black course Open
- Youth Girls: 9-11 years old white course Open
- Girls: 12-15 years old pink course Open
- Men Juniors: 16-18 years old red course 20"
- Men Juniors: 16-18 years old red course 26"
- Men Elite: 19 years old and up yellow course 20"
- Men Elite: 19 years old and up yellow course 26"
- Women Elite: 15 years old and over pink course Open

(text modified on 1.02.11; 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

§2 Calendar

Events classes and date protection

7.1.003 The calendar season starts on January 1 and continues until December 31 of the same year. International trials events are registered on the international calendar in accordance with the following classification:

- World Championships (CM)
  No other Trials event (CDM, CC, CN, HC, C1, JMJ) may be organised on the weekend prior to or on the same dates as the World Championships.

- World Cup (CDM)
  No other Trials event (CM, CC, CN, HC, C1, JMJ) may be organised on the same dates as the World Cup.

- Continental Championships (CC)
  No other Trials event (CN, HC, C1, JMJ) may be organised on the same continent during the Continental Championships.

- World Youth Games (JMJ)
No other Trials event (CM, CDM, CC, CN) may be organised on the same dates as the World Youth Games.

– National Championships (CN)
  No other Trials event (CM, CDM) may be organised on the same dates as the National Championships. Further, the dates retained for CN are mandatory and set out as per art. 1.2.029

– International events, Hors class (HC)
  No other Trials event (CM, CDM, CC) may be organised on the same dates as the Hors Class event. However, the UCI may grant derogations, at its sole discretion, provided that the two events in question do not take place in the same country.

– International events, Class 1 (C1)
  No other Trials event (CM, CDM, CC) may be organised on the same dates as the international event Class 1. However, the UCI may grant derogations, at its sole discretion, provided that the two events in question do not take place in the same country.

(text modified on 1.02.12; 1.10.13; 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

7.1.003 A new event may only be given Class 1 (C1) status in its first year.

bis An event is only given Hors Class (HC) status if the previous season's event had five foreign federations taking part based on the elite participation only.

In order to obtain a registration for Hors Class (HC) events on the international calendar, a detailed technical guide must be presented to UCI during the calendar registration process.

(article introduced on 1.10.13; text modified on 15.10.18).

7.1.004 Every entity organising a Trials event shall conduct the event in strict accordance with the UCI constitution and its regulations.

All events registered on the international calendar must comply with the UCI financial obligations approved by the UCI management committee and published on the UCI website.

(text modified on 1.10.13; 15.10.18).

7.1.005 Inclusion of an international Trials event on the UCI calendar ensures that no national federation may conduct or permit to be conducted under its authority a national championship or international Trials events in accordance with the rule set forth in article 7.1.003.

§3 Technical Delegate

7.1.006 The Technical Delegate shall:
  1. Supervise the technical aspects of the events;
  2. Be the liaison between the UCI headquarters and the UCI Trials commission;
  3. Make an advance inspection of the site, meet with the organisers and immediately make a site inspection’s report to the UCI Trials coordinator;
  4. Oversee and follow up with the organiser in the lead up to the event to ensure the
recommendations contained in the site inspection’s report have been implemented as appropriate;
5. Carry out an inspection of the venue and the sections in conjunction with the president of the Commissaires’ Panel and the section builder/designer; the final determination for the sections and any changes will have to be approved by the Technical Delegate;
6. Make a general event report to the UCI;
7. Coordinate the team/riders meetings/briefing.
(text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15).

7.1.007 For World Championships, World Cup events, Continental Championships and World Youth Games, the Technical Delegate is appointed by the UCI.
(text modified on 1.02.12).

§4 Competition

7.1.008 International Trials competitions shall be organised and run in full respect of the natural environment. Competitions can take place in city centres, in halls, in stadiums or in open country.
(text modified on 1.02.12; 15.10.18).

7.1.009 Organisers and or riders are required to comply in particular with administrative and other requirements as well as with UCI regulations, with current directives on environmental protection and in particular with the present Trials rule book.

7.1.010 The organiser shall be responsible for obtaining the necessary authorisation, administrative or other, for the holding of international events and the use of the planned course.

7.1.011 Trials is a cycling competition, the objective of this sport is to get over obstacles grouped into sections, without setting foot on the ground or on the obstacle or any part of the bicycle (only the tires) touching the ground or on the obstacle as this incurs penalty points. The rider with the lowest total of penalty points shall be declared the winner in his/her category. The total duration of the competition, necessary to negotiate all sections, is set accordingly.

At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games the rider with the highest total of points shall be declared the winner in his/her category.
(text modified on 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

7.1.012 [article abrogated on 1.02.12].

Riders meeting

7.1.013 A meeting of all riders shall be held before the start of the competition. At this meeting all important information on the running of the competition shall be given. Attendance at this meeting shall be obligatory for all riders.
During such meeting the starting method and time, the number and order of sections, the number of laps, the total duration of the competition and any amendments to the regulations decided on at a meeting of the Commissaires' Panel, shall be announced. Upon decision of the Technical Delegate, this meeting may be replaced by the distribution or display of information.

(text modified on 15.10.18).

§5 Sections

7.1.014 The organiser shall, according to each category of competition, lay out a given number of sections.
(text modified on 18.03.15).

7.1.015 The minimum number of sections for each competition shall be 5 and the maximum number shall be 10.
(text modified on 1.02.11; 1.02.12; 18.03.15).

7.1.016 Sections are difficult stretches. Each section shall include a maximum of six principal difficulties (obstacles), that may either be natural or artificial, e.g.: stones, water, sand, soil, steps, inclines, embankment, tree trunks, concrete pipes or precast concrete structures, metallic structures, wooden constructions, train sleepers, spools, etc. A detailed guideline “UCI Event Setup & Trials Section Building Guide” is available on the UCI website explaining how to design and build sections.
(text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

7.1.017 The following section dimensions are proposed:
- Length: between 30 to 50 m, depending of the different Trials skills applying as explained in the UCI Event Setup & Trials Section Building Guide
- Width: at least 1m (at handlebar height)
(text modified on 1.02.11; 18.03.15).

7.1.018 Each side of the section must be marked by plastic course tape. The tape should be installed 20 to 30 cm above the ground. There can also be plastic course tape inside the section to indicate different lines of difficulty or closing some obstacles adding extra difficulty.

The tape should be minimum 12 cm wide and of high quality, as defined in the technical specifications of the organisation guide.

Inside the sections there are coloured arrows indicating:
- Direction: one arrow indicating the riders’ sense.
- Gates: two arrows (same colour and number) pointing at each other and leaving a space between them, where riders must pass through them.

Arrows inside the section must be numbered for easier understanding. The last arrow must be indicated with a circle around the number. At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games, each section shall be split into six sectors. Each sector is composed of different obstacles marked with gates. Gates inside the section with the same number and different letter, belong to the same sector (for example 1A, 1B and 1C belongs to sector 1).
- The first sector starts at the starting line by passing the front wheel axle.
- The next sector starts at the last gate of the previous sector by passing both wheel
axles. The sector ends at the last gate by passing both axles, except the last sector which ends at the finish line by passing the front wheel axle.

(6 text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

7.1.019 Each section shall have an entry and exit gate, marked by a start and finish line and by the corresponding panels (marked START and FINISH). The starting gate shall also bear mention of the section number (START 1, for example).

7.1.020 Each section shall comprise a «neutral zone», behind the starting line, which shall be designated for one single participant. Dimensions of neutral zone: 2 m x 1,5 m.

(6 text modified on 1.02.12; 15.10.18).

7.1.021 The start line shall be at least three metres before the first difficulty (obstacle) to give sufficient space to the rider.

The finish line shall be at least three metres after the last difficulty (obstacle) to avoid any argument over penalties.

(6 text modified on 1.02.12)

7.1.022 Entry to and exit from a section shall be judged on the front wheel axle.

7.1.023 The sections must not be ridden and or practiced by bicycle preceding the start of the competition. In case of a breach, the rider will not be permitted to start.

(6 text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

7.1.024 The maximum time cut for a section is 2 minutes.

(6 text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15).

7.1.025 In choosing sections, it is recommended not to exceed the following maximum drop-off heights:

- Poussins: white course 0,80 m maximum
- Benjamin: blue course 1,00 m maximum
- Minimes: green course 1,20 m maximum
- Cadets: black course 1,40 m maximum
- Youth Girls: white course 0,80 m maximum
- Girls: pink course 1,00 m maximum
- Men Juniors: red course 1,60 m maximum
- Men Elite: yellow course 1,80 m maximum
- Women Elite: pink course 1,60 m maximum

Under special circumstances the Commissaires’ Panel may accept other maximum drop off heights.

(6 text modified on 1.02.11; 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).
At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games sections must be designed/built according to the UCI Trials Event Setup & Section Building Guide and must include a total of six sectors. Sections shall be designed in an easy shape, easy to follow and avoiding loops inside. (article introduced on 27.01.17; text modified on 15.10.18).

§6 Competition area

In order to be attractive, the sections shall be set in one close area, called competition area, placed in city centres, in halls, in stadiums or in open country. The technical area (Trials office, screen area, team area, warm-up section and stage area), VIP area, press office, sound system, big screen, must be installed nearby the competition area. The entire competition area must be fenced off.

The ideal layout is to have the competition area and the technical area connected to each other, as such the riders don’t need to walk through the spectators. The competition area shall be laid out in such a way that spectators can easily follow the competition. “UCI Event Setup & Trials Section Building Guide” provides a detailed explanation how to set the competition area and is available on the UCI website. (text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

A section chart shall be displayed to permit the riders and teams to acknowledge in which phase of the competition the sections will be used. (text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15).

The Technical Delegate with the agreement of the president of the Commissaires’ Panel shall decide whether the sections are to be covered consecutively or in random order. (text modified on 1.02.12).

The sections may be modified by the Technical Delegate in between laps, but only with the agreement of the Commissaires’ Panel. (text modified on 18.03.15).

§7 Starting and riding regulations

Each rider shall be responsible for observing the starting time set for him/her. (text modified on 18.03.15).

During the event, riders shall remain disciplined and shall comply with UCI directives and instructions in order to guarantee equal chances for all. Riders shall have been informed in detail of these conditions before they hand in their enrolment.

In case of accident, riders shall be required immediately to administer first aid to each other, or at least to call for help. Time losses incurred in this way shall be confirmed by the aided rider himself/herself.

It is forbidden for a rider to modify sections of the competition area or their configuration. (text modified on 15.10.18).
7.1.034 [article abrogated on 1.02.12].

7.1.035 With the exception of the Commissaires’ Panel, the Technical Delegate, the medicals, the riders on course and the authorised media, only the rider whose name is called by the commissaire may be in the section.
(text modified on 15.10.18)

7.1.036 Sections may be covered by foot.

7.1.037 Penalties inflicted by the Commissaires’ Panel shall be entered on the score card given to each rider at the start. In addition, penalty points shall be entered on the penalty check list, to be kept for each section. In case of a difference between the score card and the check list, the Commissaires’ Panel decides.

At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games points counted by the section Commissaires shall be entered on the score card given to each rider at the start of the competition. In addition, the counted points shall be entered on the check list, to be kept for each section. In case of a difference between the score card and the check list, the Commissaires’ Panel shall decide.

At the World Championships Finals and at the World Cup Finals a radio or a digital system shall be used.
(text modified on 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

7.1.038 Sections shall be marked with numbered arrows of the colour corresponding with the category of the competition and shall be ridden in accordance with this marking.
(text modified on 15.10.18).

7.1.039 A rider shall not enter a gate reserved for categories other than his/her own.
(text modified on 1.02.12).

7.1.040 Riders must have both wheels inside the neutral zone to take the start.
(text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15).

7.1.041 Any rider dropping out of the competition shall return his/her score card to the Trials office or the Technical Delegate.
(text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

8 Duration of the competition

7.1.042 The total duration of the competition shall be set by the Technical Delegate in agreement with the Commissaires’ Panel. It shall be so set as to permit riders to end the sections in the set time. The Commissaires’ Panel may extend it during the competition.
(text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

7.1.043 Default time shall be 30 minutes. The Commissaires’ Panel may extend it after the competition, if more than ten riders would have to be eliminated.
§9 Repairs
7.1.044 Repairs may be undertaken during the competition, but neither inside a section, nor in any other place liable to hamper or endanger riders. (text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18)

§10 Classifications and results
7.1.045 The rider with the lowest total of penalty points shall be declared winner in his/her category.
At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games, the rider with the highest total of points shall be declared the winner in his/her category. (text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).
7.1.046 The other places in the classification shall be allocated in ascending number of penalty points imposed.
At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games, the other places in the classification shall be allocated in descending number of points gained. (text modified on 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).
7.1.047 In case of a tie (where two or more riders have the same total of penalty points, the tie shall be solved in the following order:
1. Highest number of sections covered with zero penalty points;
2. Highest number of sections with one single penalty point, with two penalty points, etc;
3. Best result in the ½ Finals;
4. In a competition without a ½ Finals and concerning a podium place, a decisive section to be competed will be selected by the Commissaires' Panel. In the decisive section, in case of equal points the time will be used as the decision-making criterion to allocate the places on the podium. Should several riders obtain five penalty points, the winner will be the rider who goes furthest in the section;
5. In cases of equal penalty points other than for a podium place, the total competition time will be the decision-making criterion.

In case of a tie in the Final the points obtained in the ½ Finals will be considered as a tiebreaker.

At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games in case of a tie (where two or more riders have the same total of points), the tie shall be solved in the following order:
1. Highest number of sections covered with maximum points possible;
2. Highest number of sections with fifty points, with forty points, etc;
3. Best result in the ½ Finals;
4. In a competition without a ½ Finals and concerning a podium place, a decisive section to be competed will be selected by the Commissaires' Panel. In the decisive section, in case of equal points the time will be used as the decision-making criterion to allocate the places on the podium. Should several riders obtain zero points, the winner will be the rider who goes furthest in the section;
5. In cases of equal points other than for a podium place, the total competition time will be the decision-making criterion.

In case of a tie in the Final the place in the ½ Finals will be considered as a tiebreaker. (text modified on 1.02.12; 1.10.13; 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).
§11 Competition facilities

7.1.048 In order to have a competition sanctioned by the UCI, National Federations and organisers must be able to demonstrate to the UCI that the facilities proposed for the event meet the specifications set forth in this chapter and in the organisation guide. A detailed description of all types of facilities required for the various purposes at Trials event are defined in the organisation guide. (text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

Riders and Teams' area

7.1.049 The area reserved for riders and teams shall be located close or inside to the technical area and outside the competition area. A warm up section shall be installed inside the riders and teams' area. (text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

Bulletin boards

7.1.050 Well-constructed and weather-resistant bulletin boards and/or monitors for posting the start lists, results list and any rider's information shall be erected near the technical area.

Screen area

An area for the screen beside to the technical area must be provided with a good visibility for riders and teams. It must be covered, stable and wind resistant. The screen features are defined in the organisation guide. (text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

Technical area

7.1.051 The technical area must preferably be located at the centre of the site of the Trials event, giving easier access to the riders. This area must be fenced off.

The access to the technical area is restricted to the public. Within the technical area the organiser must provide an area using containers and tents or a lorry intended for this purpose. (text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

Public Address system

7.1.052 The public address system must be capable of projecting the announcer's voice to all the sections as well as around the stage. Announcements are to be made in both English and the language of the host country. (text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15).

Spectator's facilities

7.1.053 A description of all types of spectator's facilities and services required for various purposes for the Trials events are defined hereinafter:

- Grandstand
- Welcome desk
- Information boards
- Big screen
- Score board
Public car park
Food and beverage service
Crossing points
Public toilets
Litter bins

The following spectator’s capacities are suggested:
- International Trials events: 1,000 spectators;
- UCI Trials World Youth Games: 2,000 spectators;
- UCI Trials World Cup events: 5,000 spectators;
- UCI Trials World Championships: 7,500 spectators.

(text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

§12 Officials and staff

7.1.054 The UCI Regulations set forth the manner in which a Trials event shall be conducted. All officials participating in an event are required to be fully conversant with the UCI Regulations and any supplement thereof, which governs any event.

General

7.1.055 Every Trials competition must be staffed with an adequate number of qualified commissaires and officials, including a minimum of one UCI commissaire, to assume all the responsibilities and perform all the duties of the various positions set forth in this section.

Commissaires’ Panel

7.1.056 The Commissaires’ Panel shall be designated according to article 1.2.116 UCI Regulations. The Commissaires’ Panel is the highest authority at any competition and has the right to impose a penalty on any rider, minders, parent, spectator or team manager in the interests of safety or for violation of these rules, as described in §16 of the present rule book and in Part 1 of the UCI Regulations.

Secretary

7.1.057 The secretary shall be designated according to article 1.2.116 UCI Regulations. The secretary shall be responsible for the registration and classification of all riders at the event, the processing and posting of start lists, and the processing of all results (both intermediate and final results). The secretary shall be assisted by a sufficient number of administrators, as described in article 7.1.060 of the present rule book. (text modified on 1.02.12).

National and/or Regional Trials Commissaires

7.1.058 The National and/or Regional Trials Commissaires are appointed by the national federation according to article 1.2.116 of the UCI Regulations. They shall assist the Commissaires’ Panel. In order to perform their tasks, all commissaires shall satisfy the following requirements:
A. They must be fluent in the English language or have English interpretation available;
B. They may not be either directors or officers of the UCI;
C. All commissaires must wear some form of distinctive clothing so that they may be easily identified by riders and team managers;
D. Each section commissaire shall operate from a clearly defined position.

(text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

Organization personnel

7.1.059 The key positions within the organization personnel are given below.
- Director of the Organizing Committee
- General Secretary
- Finance manager
- Administrative manager
- Marketing manager
- Media manager
- Logistics manager
- Volunteer coordinator
- Head of ceremonies
- Technical manager
- Trials section builder/designer
- Marshal coordinator
- First aid & medical
- Announcer
- Deejay

The tasks assigned to the organization personnel are described in the organisers guide.

(text modified on 18.03.15).

Additional personnel

7.1.060 Additional personnel that are necessary to ensure a smooth organization of the Trials events are to be provided by the organiser and shall include, among others the following:
- Marshals
- Assistants
- Volunteers
- Security
- General cleaning maintenance

(text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15).

§13 Clothing and safety equipment

Inspection

7.1.061 Before the start of, or during any competition, the rider’s bicycle, helmet and clothing may be subject to inspection by the Commissaires’ Panel in order to ascertain whether or not this equipment conforms to these rules.

Any rider whose equipment is unsafe in the opinion of the Commissaires’ Panel, whether or not it fails to comply with a specific provision of these rules, shall not be permitted in the competition.

Any rider who does not comply with all instructions given to him/her by the Commissaires’ Panel with respect to his/her equipment shall not be permitted to compete in any competition.

(text modified on 15.10.18).
Helmet

7.1.062 Protective headgear shall be worn in all Trials competitions, during training and when riding the distances between sections. Riders are obliged to opt for a helmet which meets the high standards, like Snell, ANSI or DIN 33954. Helmet straps must be securely fastened during the whole competition.

Camera

7.1.062 bis Cameras and supports are not permitted during ¼ Finals, ½ Finals and Final rounds. The UCI can decide to allow a camera during final but only for the usage of the TV production company. (text modified on 27.01.17).

Jersey

7.1.063 Proper long or short sleeve jersey is required. 
- Regulations regarding the national champion jersey are set in articles 1.3.056 ff.
- Regulations regarding the UCI Trials World Champion jersey are set in articles 1.3.060 ff.
- Provisions on advertising matter are regulated by the UCI. (text modified on 15.10.18).

Jersey - Order of priority

7.1.063 bis Should various provisions requiring the wearing of different Trials jerseys apply to the same rider, the order of priority shall be as follows:
- the UCI Trials World Champion’s jersey
- the leader’s jersey of the UCI Trials World Cup
- the Continental Champion’s jersey (as per article 1.3.070)
- the National Champion’s jersey
- the National Federation jersey

For the sake of clarity, if the leader of the UCI Trials World Cup is also the UCI Trials World Champion, he/she must wear the World Champion’s jersey (as per article 1.3.071). During World Championships and Continental Championships every rider has to wear the jersey of the national team as per article 1.3.071. (article introduced on 18.03.15; text modified on 15.10.18).

Pants

7.1.063 Proper long or short pants are required.

Shoes

7.1.065 Solid shoes are required.

Shin guards and back protections

7.1.066 The UCI strongly recommends that riders wear shin guards and back protections. (text modified on 1.02.12).

Gloves

7.1.067 The wearing of gloves is recommended.
§14 Bicycle

General
7.1.071 All bicycles used for competition must meet the general specifications provided in this chapter.

Frame
7.1.072 The bicycle's frame must be of sufficient strength to withstand the rigors of Trials riding and be devoid of any cracked or bent frame members or welds which are cracked or otherwise deficient.
All components, accessories and other parts must be firmly attached to the bicycle.

Wheels and tires
7.1.073 18" to 23" nominal (overall) wheel size shall be permitted in 20" class.
24" to 26" nominal (overall) wheel size shall be permitted in 26" class.
Tyres may not be fitted with chains, ropes or other devices.
(text modified on 1.02.11).

Brakes
7.1.074 The bicycle shall have two brakes in working order (one front and a second one for the rear wheel).
(text modified on 18.03.15).

Cranks, pedals
7.1.075 Pedals must be securely attached to the crank arms and adjusted so as to eliminate lateral motion of the pedal body along the pedal axle. Pedal axles must be of sufficient strength to withstand the rigors of competition. The teeth on pedal cages must be sufficiently pointed and prominent to offer effective grip on a rider's shoes without being so sharp as to pose a safety hazard. In addition no pedal hooks or toe straps shall be allowed.
For 26" class; only one rock-ring chain guard shall be authorized on the transmission side. No additional, lower chain guard may be fitted.
(text modified on 1.02.11).

Handlebars
7.1.076 Handlebars that are cracked or bent are not permitted. Handlebars must have the end capped.
(text modified on 1.02.12).
§15 Starting numbers

7.1.077 The rider’s body number and number plate shall be water proof and clearly show the starting number, the colour of the course and the sponsors' logos. The colour of the number plates shall correspond with that of the course (example: yellow for Men elite, red for Men juniors, pink for Women elite). The plates are defined in the technical specifications.
Number plates shall be placed on the bike’s handlebars to be visible from the front, whilst the body numbers must be put on the back.
(text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

7.1.078 Body numbers and number plates shall be neither removed nor modified, on penalty of supplementary penalties.

7.1.079 Starting numbers shall be allocated sequentially starting from the first event. The number one plate shall be reserved for the current world champions and the allocation shall be based on the latest UCI Trials ranking.

§16 Infringements, penalties and protest

Part 1: Infringements

7.1.080 All riders must observe these rules and follow all instructions given by any commissaire or official at any time during the course of the event. Every rider must at all times observe such conduct which reflects the ideals of good sportsmanship and avoid any conduct which may bring himself/herself or the sport of Trials into disrepute. The use of obscene or foul language is forbidden. Riders using such language will be penalized in a manner to be determined by the Commissaires' Panel.
The infringements described in this chapter will be penalized by the Commissaires' Panel, according to the present chapter 16.
(text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

Third Persons Interference

7.1.081 Team managers, minders, parents and other people who accompany a rider or who provide external assistance shall not interfere with the competition on behalf of a team or a rider.
(text modified on 15.10.18).

Part 2: Penalties

Penalty points

7.1.082 The following penalty points may be imposed cumulatively on riders in the sections:
(text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

7.1.083 Any support on the obstacle or on the ground to re-establish the rider’s balance, be it with apart of the body or with a part of the bicycle, except the tyres (1 penalty point).
The body is splitted in 4 parts:
- feet until the ankle;
between the ankles until the hip;
- upper part of the body, from the hip including the arms and the head;
- hands until the wrists (incl. the handlebar if it’s touched by the hand).

In case of a support of more than one part, the penalty points will be cumulated.
If one or more parts of the body are touching the obstacle or the ground, they are penalized with penalty points. Contacts with parts of the bike on the ground or on the obstacle, which are not caused in order to re-establish the rider’s balance, are permitted.

Brushing without any weight on the touching part of the bike or the body during the bicycle movement shall be permitted. It is allowed to turn the foot on place.

If a rider is approaching the gate from behind the visual line (with bike and/or parts of the body) in static position (without attempt) and puts the foot on the obstacle/ground to cross the gate (5 penalty points). The rider is not allowed to continue riding the section.

(7.1.084) Resting a pedal and/or the lower chain guard on the ground or on the obstacle (1 penalty point).
(7.1.085) Passing the maximum time cut of 2 minutes for the section (1 penalty point per 10 seconds).

7.1.086 Riding over or under, raising or tearing the tapes and arrows marking the limits of the section (5 penalty points). The wheel axles and the longitudinal axis of the bicycle shall form the measuring points.

7.1.087 Entering the gate of some other category, skipping a gate or a direction of his/her own category or not riding the gates or direction in the correct order (5 penalty points).

At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games the rider must cross the gates of the sector where he/she is riding whereas it is not allowed to cross any other gates of other sectors.

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Entering a gate or a direction in the wrong sense for the first time (5 penalty points). A gate is passed only if the line between the two arrows with the same number is crossed in the correct sense of the arrows. Once the gate is passed, if it is crossed backwards, the rider will have to pass it again (in the correct sense of the arrows).
An arrow is passed only if the line between the arrow, and the next tape in the sense of the arrow, is crossed in the correct sense of the arrow. Once the arrow is passed, if it is crossed backwards, the rider will have to pass it again (in the correct sense of the arrow).

The crossing is only valid if at least one wheel axle crosses above the arrow level or gate line. If both axles cross the line below the arrow level, the crossing is not passed yet. The crossing with both axels below the arrow level shall be permitted for all other categories.

(7.1.088 Holding the bicycle by any part other than part above the headset (5 penalty points).
7.1.089 Placing both feet simultaneously on the ground or on an obstacle (5 penalty points).
7.1.090 Front wheel outside the entry gate, i.e. that when, after entering the section, the front axle exits the gate again (5 penalty points).
7.1.091 Placing both feet on the same side of the bicycle when one of the feet is on the ground (5 penalty points).
7.1.092 Fall, i.e. parts of the body above the hips in contact with the ground or sit on the ground or on an obstacle (5 penalty points).
7.1.093 When the maximum of 5 penalty points is reached, the rider has to leave the section.
7.1.094 It is forbidden to mark 5 penalty points on the score card without having entered the section. At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games it is forbidden to mark 0 points on the score card without having entered the section.
7.1.095 Touching the ground or the obstacle with a hand that does not hold the handlebars (5 penalty points).

**Supplementary penalties**
In addition to the penalties set out in articles 7.1.082 ff of the present Trials rule book, the following penalty points may be imposed cumulatively on riders:

(7.1.095 Touching the ground or the obstacle with a hand that does not hold the handlebars (5 penalty points).
7.1.096 Per minute for being late at the start (1 penalty point) in case of starts at minute intervals. At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games per minute for being late at the start (minus 10 points) in case of starts at minute intervals. (text modified on 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

External assistance
7.1.097 Relatives, followers or attendants shall in no case interfere in the competition.

The following acts by attendants or followers to help riders shall be prohibited and penalized by 10 penalty points against the rider helped:

At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games these acts by attendants or followers to help riders shall be prohibited and penalized by minus 100 points against the rider helped:

A. Taking up position, for the rider, at the entry to a section
B. Criticizing the commissaire
C. Entering a section (assistance to protect the rider without influencing his/her performance in the section shall be permitted)
D. Giving advice (positions) to a rider riding in the section (text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

7.1.098 Losing the score card or omitting a section (10 penalty points).

At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games losing the score card or omitting a section (minus 100 points). (text modified on 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

7.1.099 Unsporting behavior (10 penalty points).

At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games unsporting behaviour (minus 100 points). (text modified on 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

7.1.100 Skipping more than three sections on the total competition round (disqualification). (text modified 18.03.15).

7.1.101 Leaving or shortcutting the circuit (disqualification).

7.1.102 Abandoning the competition (disqualification).

7.1.103 Changing the configuration of a section (disqualification).

7.1.104 Injured rider continuing the competition without doctor's authorization (disqualification).

7.1.105 Supplementary penalties that only the Technical Delegate can impose in agreement with the Commissaries' Panel, shall be added to the other penalty points.
At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games supplementary penalties that only the Technical Delegate can impose in agreement with the Commissaries' Panel shall be subtracted to the other points. (text modified on 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

7.1.106 Any rider exceeding the set duration of the competition shall be penalised by 1 penalty point for each minute or part thereof in the default time.

At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games any rider exceeding the set duration of the competition shall be penalized by with a deduction of 10 points for each minute or part thereof in the default time. (text modified on 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

7.1.107 Any rider exceeding the default time shall be excluded from the classification.

7.1.108 Non compliance of the rules concerning the wearing of a helmet (disqualification). (text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

7.1.109 Non compliance of the rules concerning the number plate and/or the body number (10 penalty points).

At the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games non compliance of the rules concerning the number plate and/or the body number (minus 100 points). (text modified on 18.03.15; 27.01.17; 15.10.18).

Other Penalties

7.1.110 The Commissaires’ Panel may, without prejudice to its possibilities provided in Parts 1 and 12 of the UCI Regulations, invoke any of the censures provided in this section against a rider who commits one of the infractions mentioned.

Official warning

7.1.111 A rider may receive an official, verbal warning for certain misconduct. The first warning issued to a rider at an event carries no specific penalty other than the advice of the warning, however the issuance of a subsequent warning for the same, or any other offence, on the same day will result in the rider's disqualification from the competition. A warning shall be displayed on the printed output of the result list and on the monitors. (text modified on 15.10.18).

Disqualification of riders

7.1.112 A rider may be disqualified and thereby barred from further participation in either the competition category in which the infringement occurred or the entire event.

Removal of an offender from the competition

7.1.113 The Commissaires’ Panel shall have the discretion to remove an offender from the competition for an offence against any of the provisions set down in this rule book. (text modified on 15.10.18).
Suspension of an offender from the competition

7.1.114 The UCI may by its sole discretion and for cause suspend for any period of time, or permanently revoke, the licence entitling a rider to compete in a Trials event. The following offences will result in suspension:
   A. Competing under a false name;
   B. Use of false information relating to age, category or other subject at the time of registration in order to gain an unfair advantage;
   C. Conspiring with one or more other riders to predetermine the outcome of any competition;
   D. Offering, giving or receiving either directly or indirectly any bribe or other incentive intended to influence the outcome of a competition either to or from any other person, including without limitation, riders, commissaires, officials and spectators at a Trials competition;
   E. Wilfully entering a competition or riding a bicycle that does not conform to the rules of the competition;
   F. Altering the specification of any bicycle after inspection that results in an infringement of the rules of competition;
   G. Engaging in any unfair practice, misbehaviour or action detrimental to the sport of Trials, whether or not related to a specific event.

(text modified on 15.10.18).

7.1.115 Riders will be held accountable for the actions of their parents, team managers and any other persons in their company at a Trials competition or event. Any misconduct on the part of any of these persons may, at the discretion of a commissaire or event director, result in the disqualification or suspension of the riders and the removal of the offending persons from the competition area.

Part 3: Protests

7.1.116 Only riders or their legal representative may lodge a protest.

7.1.117 The deadline for lodging a protest shall be 30 minutes after the finish of the last rider of the corresponding category.

7.1.118 Collective protests, protests against the timekeeping or the decisions of the Commissaires’ Panel shall not be entertained.

7.1.119 The president of Commissaires’ Panel after consulting the Commissaires’ Panel, shall decide on objections submitted.
§17 Riding system applicable at the World Championships, World Cup and World Youth Games.

7.1.120 The penalty points will apply as per art. 7.1.082 to 7.1.119.

A rider starts the section with zero penalty points and zero points.

Every time that the rider crosses a sector with zero penalty points, his/her score will be added by 10 points. The procedure to validate the sector is defined in article 7.1.018. The same procedure must be followed with the other sectors of the section.

The rider can only score five penalty points in the whole section. If a rider has got five penalty points before finishing the whole section, he/she has to leave the section, but he/she keeps the previous score gained.

(article introduced on 27.01.17; text modified on 15.10.18).
Chapter II INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Registration of participants

7.2.001 The registration procedure is handled by each organiser of each International Trials event, respecting the opening and closing dates. Riders need to complete their registration individually for each International Trials event. Late entries shall be accepted according the organiser’s rules.
(text modified on 1.10.13).

7.2.002 Either the team manager or the rider himself must confirm the presence of the rider as per the pre-registration riders list, on the scheduled day of registration, by provision of the following information:
- Rider’s presence at the venue;
- Correct spelling of the rider’s name;
- Rider’s category of competition;
- Rider’s date of birth;
- Rider’s bike number;
- Rider’s proof of identity.
(text modified on 15.10.18).

7.2.003 Confirmation of registration must be reported by the rider to the secretary. The definitive list of the starters must be drawn up before the start of the competition. As well as the riders’ names, it must also accurately list their UCI ID, category, the competition type and the start list.
(text modified on 1.02.12; 15.10.18).

7.2.004 Entry fees, due to the organiser of an International Trials event, are to be set by the National Federation/organisation hosting the event.

Competition format

7.2.005 The competition shall be established according to the procedures set forth in the present rule book.

7.2.006 Competition categories at an International Trials event shall be based on the description in articles 7.1.001 ff of the present rule book.

Events format

7.2.007 Hors Class (HC) events shall be run in one or two days. One qualification round and one final round will be run. International events Class 1 (C1) shall be run in one day with a single round.
(article introduced on 1.10.13; 15.10.18).
Chapter III  UCI TRIALS WORLD CUP

General

7.3.001 The UCI Trials World Cup is contested over a number of events in different countries. These events shall be selected annually by the UCI Management Committee as per the procedure set out in the bidding procedure manual and the UCI Trials World Cup organisation guide.

The awarding of an event as a UCI Trials World Cup event shall be subject to the signing of a contract between the organiser and the UCI.

(text modified on 18.03.15;).

7.3.002 UCI Trials World Cup shall be the exclusive property of the UCI.

7.3.003 UCI Trials World Cup events are open to all eligible riders in possession of a UCI license.

7.3.004 A number of UCI Trials World Cup events shall be scheduled in each calendar year to establish a yearly overall ranking of the riders in a combined men elite and men juniors and women elite category recognised by the UCI.

(text modified on 18.03.15).

Registration and confirmation of riders

7.3.005 All riders must be registered using the UCI online registration system (www.uci.ch) through their National Federation. The opening/closing dates of the online registration system are published on the UCI website. All riders or their team managers must attend the riders’ confirmation presenting their licenses and picking up their numbers.

A rider cannot be registered in more than one category.

The riders confirmation deadlines are indicated on the official programme published on the UCI website.

Riders that are not confirmed within the set deadline or that did not complete the registration procedure will not be authorised to compete at the event.

Late entries are refused unless authorised by the UCI, and on payment of a fine of CHF 100 for the first rider. Where more than one rider per national federation is involved, a total fine of CHF 200 must be paid. Late entries are entries handled after the online registration deadline and before the riders’ confirmation deadline. Once passed the riders’ confirmation deadline no more late entries will be accepted.

(text modified on 1.02.12; 1.10.13; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

Categories

7.3.006 Competition categories at a UCI Trials World Cup event shall be as described in article 7.1.002 where combined classes are made as follows:

- Men Elite 20: made by Men Elite 20, Men Juniors 20 and second year of cadets
- Men Elite 26: made by Men Elite 26, Men Juniors 26 and second year of cadets

As well as:

- Women Elite

(text modified on 1.02.12; 18.03.15).
**Age class**

7.3.007 Categories depend on age class as stated in article 7.1.002.

**Competition format**

7.3.008 In the women’s category, each UCI Trials World Cup competition format shall include a ½ Finals and a Final.

In the men’s categories, each UCI Trials World Cup competition format shall include a ¼ Finals, a ½ Finals and a Final.

**Women Elite ½ Finals**
The UCI Trials World Cup event will begin with a ½ Finals. The UCI Trials World Cup ½ Finals is open to all riders entered. The ½ Finals shall consist of two laps of five sections. The Commissaires’ Panel will set the competition time according to the number of entered riders.

**Women Elite Final**
The best six riders in the ½ Finals will be eligible to compete in the Final. The penalty points obtained in the ½ Finals do not count in the Final. In case of a tie, the penalty points in the ½ Finals will be considered as a tiebreaker.

**Men Elite 20 and 26 ¼ Finals**
The UCI Trials World Cup event will begin with a ¼ Finals. The world cup ¼ Finals is open to all non-qualified riders entered. The ¼ Finals shall consist of two laps of five sections. The Commissaires’ Panel will set the competition time according to the number of entered riders.

The Men Elite ¼ Finals will be set in groups:

- Groups (3 or 4) will be determined depending on the number of riders entered.
- If the number of riders entered is 30 or lower, they will be split in 3 groups.
- If the number of riders entered is more than 30 they will be split in 4 groups.
- Groups will be determined as per riders order in the current UCI Trials ranking, as e.g. group of 10 riders, positions: 11, 15, 19, 23, 27, 31, 35, 39, 43 and 47. (This principle is to avoid having riders ranked in highest position in the same group).
- For 3 groups the best four riders of each group will be eligible to compete in the ½ Finals plus the three or more of the lucky losers in overall should be qualified.
- For 4 groups the best three riders of each group will be eligible to compete in the ½ Finals plus the three or more of the lucky losers in overall should be qualified.

**Men Elite 20 and 26 ½ Finals**
The number of riders qualified in the ½ Finals including the top ten is always 25. At least the first fifteen riders in the ¼ Finals in each category and the ten highest ranked riders on the UCI Trials ranking qualify for the ½ Finals. More riders can qualify if the number of directly qualified (from the UCI Trials ranking) is less than ten riders.

The ½ Finals shall consist of two laps of five sections. The Commissaires’ Panel will set the competition time.

**Men Elite 20 and 26 Finals**
The best six riders in the ½ Finals will be eligible to compete in the Finals.
The penalty points obtained in the ½ Finals do not count in the Finals round. In case of a tie, the penalty points obtained in the ½ Finals will be considered as a tiebreaker.

**Final procedure**

At the Final round the six by six system shall be applied:

Before the start, the six riders will be presented on the start podium, in reverse order to the position obtained in the ½ Finals round. After the presentation they must go to section one.

The order to start will be determined by the result obtained in the ½ Finals round. Rider that obtained the sixth place shall start first in section one and so on. The same principle applies for the remaining sections.

Once a rider finishes a section, the next rider has maximum thirty seconds to start the section. After the thirty seconds have elapsed the section time is running.

In case of slight injury, the other rider must overtake and start the section in front of him/her.

In case of a tie, article 7.1.047 shall apply.

(text modified on 1.02.11; 1.02.12; 1.10.13; 18.03.15; 27.01.17).

**Number of sections and laps**

7.3.009 The number of sections and laps are as indicated below:

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(text modified on 1.02.11; 1.02.12; 18.03.15).

**Recognition and awards**

7.3.010 Every year the UCI shall bestow upon the first place overall finisher in each competing category, the title of “UCI Trials world cup winner”.

This title shall remain the property of the UCI and may not be used in conjunction with any product endorsement or for any other commercial purpose without UCI’s prior express consent.

At the UCI Trials World Cup final round, the UCI will award the first three positions in each category UCI Trials World Cup trophies.

(text modified on 18.03.15).

**UCI Trials World Cup standings**

7.3.011 The UCI Trials World Cup standings are drawn up on the basis of the points won by each rider in accordance with the table in article 7.6.006.

The last world cup event of the season will be awarded with double world cup points in accordance with the table in article 7.6.006.
Riders tying on points are ranked by considering the greatest number of first places, second places, etc. taking account only of places for which points are awarded for the world cup. If they are still tied, the points scored in the most recent event are used to separate them. (article introduced on 1.02.12; 18.03.15).

**Leader's jersey**

7.3.012 The rider leading the UCI Trials World Cup standings must wear the leader's jersey in every UCI Trials World Cup event concerned, except in the opening event. (article introduced on 1.02.12; text modified on 1.10.13).

7.3.013 The design of the leader's jersey is determined by the UCI and is its exclusive property. It may not be reproduced without UCI authorization. It may not be altered, except as regards the advertising spaces reserved for the wearer's sponsors. (article introduced on 1.02.12).

7.3.014 Advertising on the world cup leader's jersey is reserved by the UCI. However, the riders are permitted to put their own advertising logos on the leader's jersey as follows:
- a maximum of only 4 advertising logos are permitted;
- on the front of the jersey: on a maximum surface of 300 cm$^2$;
- on the back of the jersey: on a maximum surface of 300 cm$^2$;
- on the shoulders: a single line of a maximum of 5 cm wide;
- on the sides of the jersey: a single line of a maximum of 9 cm wide.

The design of the jersey received at the official ceremony must be respected. Further details are provided in the brochure available on the UCI website. (article introduced on 1.02.12).

**Official ceremony**

7.3.015 The official ceremony shall take place immediately after the competition.

The following riders must attend the official ceremony:
- the first three riders in the Men Elite 20, Men Elite 26 and Women Elite competitions;
- the leaders of the Men Elite 20, Men Elite 26 and Women Elite UCI Trials World Cup standings after the competition in question.

Bicycles cannot be taken onto the podium. However, an area can be provided by the organiser in front of the podium to display the bicycle of the winner during the official ceremony. (article introduced on 1.10.13; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).
**Chapter IV  **

**UCI TRIALS WORLD YOUTH GAMES**

**General**

7.4.001 The UCI Trials World Youth Games are contested over one event. This event shall be selected annually by the UCI Management Committee as per the procedure set out in the bidding procedure manual and the UCI Trials Youth Games organisation guide. The designation of the UCI Trials World Youth Games event shall be subject to the signing of a contract by the organiser with the UCI. (text modified on 18.03.15).

7.4.002 The site of the event shall normally be within the national or territorial boundaries of the National Federation which shall serve as the host federation for the event. (text modified on 18.03.15).

7.4.003 The UCI Trials World Youth Games shall be the exclusive property of the UCI.

7.4.004 The UCI Trials World Youth Games are open to all eligible riders in possession of a UCI license.

**Registration and confirmation of riders**

7.4.005 Riders wishing and eligible to compete in the UCI Trials World Youth Games must be registered through their National Federation. Registration fees are not charged for the UCI Trials World Youth Games. The opening/closing dates of the registration are published on the UCI website. All riders or their team managers must attend the riders’ confirmation presenting their licenses and picking up their numbers.

The riders confirmation deadlines are indicated on the official programme published on the UCI website.

**Registration for the UCI Trials World Youth Games is subject to the following restrictions:**
- In total, each National Federation shall be permitted to register up to 5 riders in each category.
- The host federation may register a greater number of riders, with a maximum of 6 riders in each category. (text modified on 1.02.11; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

**Competition type and categories**

7.4.006 For the UCI Trials World Youth Games events, the competition type is open (free choice of wheel size between 18” and 26") and the competition categories are youth girls, poussins, benjamins, minimes, cadets and girls, as described in article 7.1.002 of the present rule book. (text modified on 1.02.11; 27.01.17).

**Age class**

7.4.007 Categories depend on age as stated in article 7.1.002 of the present rule book.
7.4.008 Competition format

The UCI Trials World Youth Games shall include one ½ Finals and one Final.

If the category has more than 16 riders, the best 12 riders in the ½ Finals will be eligible to compete in the Final.

If the category has between 11 and 16 riders, the best 8 riders in the ½ Finals will be eligible to compete in the Final.

If the category has less than 11 riders there will be no ½ Finals.

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(text modified on 1.02.11; 1.02.12; 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

7.4.009 Each National Federation which registers riders must appoint a national team manager to represent the interests of all of its riders at the Trials world youth games. Entry fees for all categories, due to the UCI, are published in the UCI financial obligations.

(text modified on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).

National Jersey

7.4.010 Riders taking part in the UCI Trials World Youth Games represent their country, the wearing of the national federation outfit is strongly recommended, although not mandatory.

(text modified on 18.03.15).

Recognition and awards

7.4.011 The UCI shall bestow upon the first place finisher in each competing category the title of «UCI Trials world youth games winner». This title shall remain the property of the UCI and may not be used in conjunction with any product endorsement or for any other commercial purpose without UCI's prior express consent.

The UCI will award the first three positions in each category with world youth games medals.

(text modified on 18.03.15).

Official ceremony

7.4.012 The official ceremony shall take place immediately after the competition. The first three riders in each category must attend the official ceremony.

Bicycles cannot be taken onto the podium.

(article introduced on 18.03.15; 15.10.18).
Chapter V  UCI TRIALS NATIONAL TEAM COMPETITION

General

7.5.001 The UCI Trials National Team competition shall be established in a dedicated section at the UCI Trials World Championships and at the UCI Trials World Youth Games. (text modified on 18.03.15).

Entries

7.5.002 World Championships
The rider’s participation in the UCI Trials National Team competition must be done by the team manager at the rider’s confirmation.

The maximum number of riders in a Trials national team competition shall be 5, one per category:
- 1 Men Juniors 20"
- 1 Men Juniors 26"
- 1 Men Elite 20"
- 1 Men Elite 26"
- 1 Women Elite

The minimum number of riders in a Trials national team competition shall be 3. They must belong to different categories.

World Youth Games
The rider’s participation in the UCI Trials Youth National Team competition must be done by the team manager at the rider’s confirmation.

The maximum number of riders in a Trials national team competition shall be 6, one per category:
- 1 Poussin (9-10)
- 1 Benjamin (11-12)
- 1 Minime (13-14)
- 1 Cadet (15-16)
- 1 Youth Girl (9-11)
- 1 Girl (12-15)

The minimum number of riders in a Trials national team competition shall be 4. They must belong to different categories. (text modified on 18.03.15)

Starting procedure

7.5.003 World Championships
The total number of UCI points a national team is obtained by adding the sum of each rider’s individual UCI points. The total number of UCI points will determine the start order in the UCI Trials National Team competition. The national team with the lowest total UCI points will start first.

The start order of the riders in each national team is determined by each team manager.
The first rider to start the competition belongs to the national team with the lowest UCI points. The second rider is from the national team with the second lowest UCI points and so on. The same procedure applies for the remaining riders.

Riders ride the sections one by one and only once.

**World Youth Games**

The girls and cadets' total UCI points of each national team will determine the start order in the UCI Trials Youth National Team competition. The national teams without UCI points will start first. The start order will be determined at random. The national team with the lowest total UCI points will start after the national teams without UCI points. The start order of the riders in each national team is determined by each team manager.

The first riders to start the competition belong to the national teams without UCI points. The remaining riders are from the national teams with UCI points and so on. The same procedure applies for the remaining riders.

Riders ride the sections one by one and only once.

(article introduced on 18.03.15; 27.01.17).

**Section description**

**7.5.004**

The section, which must be split in five sectors, has to be designed/built according to the UCI Trials section building guide. Each sector is composed by different obstacles marked with four different levels (gates).

The length of a section must be between 30 to 50 m and must be lineal or in a U-shape. The five sectors of each section must be clearly defined by a cross-wise tape on the ground in order to identify each part.

Each sector must contain the four different levels (gates) indicated with coloured arrows. Riders will get a different score depending on the level (gate) they choose to ride.

- Points scored with each level (gate)
  - White gate: 10 points
  - Blue gate: 20 points
  - Red gate: 30 points
  - Yellow gate: 40 points

(article introduced on 18.03.15; text modified on 15.10.18).

**Riding system**

**7.5.005**

The penalty points will apply as per art. 7.1.082 to 7.1.119.

A rider starts the section with zero penalty points and zero points. A rider can choose the level (gates) he wants to ride in each part of the section or skip some of them. The level gates chosen in each part can only be passed once. If the rider finishes the first part of the section with zero penalty points, his/her score will be the points corresponding to the level (gate) chosen. The same procedure must be followed with the other parts in the section.
A part in a section starts when the front wheel’s axle passes the cross-wise tape on the ground.

Once the rider starts the second and following parts of the section, he can go back to the previous part.

In the case that the rider commits a penalty point on the part that he has already finished, the penalty point will count as a penalty point for the part which is about to start.

The rider can only make five penalty points in the whole section. If a rider has got five penalty points before finishing the whole section, he/she has to leave the section, but he/she keeps the score from the completed sectors.

(article introduced on 18.03.15; text modified 15.10.18).

Results

7.5.006 The points scored by each rider count as points for his/her national team’s overall score. The winner is the national team with the highest score.

In case of tie, the national team that scored points riding on the highest level (gate) will break the tie.

(article introduced on 18.03.15).

Recognition and awards

7.5.007 At the UCI Trials World Championships as per article 7.5.006 the UCI shall bestow upon the first place the title of «UCI Trials National Team World Champion».

The UCI will award the first three teams ranked.

At the UCI Trials World Youth Games as per article 7.5.006 the UCI shall bestow upon the first place the title of «UCI Trials Youth National Team winner».

The UCI will award the first three teams ranked.

These titles shall remain the property of the UCI and may not be used in conjunction with any product endorsement or for any other commercial purpose without UCI’s prior express consent.

(article introduced on 18.03.15).

Official ceremony

7.5.008 World Championships

The official ceremony shall take place immediately after the competition and will be run according to articles 9.1.043 ff.

All members of the first three national teams must attend the official ceremony.

World Youth Games

The official ceremony shall take place immediately after the competition

All members of the first three national teams must attend the official ceremony.

Bicycles cannot be taken onto the podium.

(article introduced on 18.03.15; text modified 15.10.18).
Chapter VI  UCI TRIALS RANKING

7.6.001 The UCI has created the UCI Trials ranking and shall be its exclusive owner. The UCI Trials ranking is drawn up over a period of one year, in accordance with the conditions set out below, by adding the points won since the preceding ranking was drawn up, and respecting the provisions of the present rule book.

7.6.002 At the same time the remaining points obtained up to the same day of the previous year by each rider in international Trials competitions are deducted. The new ranking comes into force on the day of its publication and stands until the publication of the subsequent ranking.

7.6.003 An individual ranking for men and one for women is drawn up for each of the following types of event:
   – UCI Trials Men Elite 26” individual ranking;
   – UCI Trials Men Elite 20” individual ranking;
   – UCI Trials Women Elite (open) individual ranking.
   
   (text modified on 18.03.15).

7.6.004 Riders who are tied in the individual ranking shall have their positions decided by their ranking in the most recent event of the season, in the following order:
   1. World Championships;
   2. World Cup events;
   3. Continental Championships;
   4. National Championship;
   5. Hors Class events;
   6. Class 1 events.
   
   (text modified on 1.10.13; 18.03.15; 27.01.17).

7.6.005 The UCI Trials ranking will be updated after the World Championships, after each World Cup event, after the National Championships and on 31 December. The dates of ranking updates are published on the UCI website.
   (text modified on 1.10.13).

7.6.005 bis As set out in article 1.2.029, National Trials Championships shall be run on the last weekend of June. However, it is possible to run them together with the national mountain bike championships.

   The UCI may grant dispensations for the southern hemisphere or in cases of force majeure.

   Concerning the calculation of the UCI Trials rankings, national championships run before or after the mandatory date shall be considered as being run on the mandatory date.
   
   (article introduced on 1.10.13; text modified on 15.10.18).
Points scale

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