

UCI CYCLING REGULATIONS

PART XI OLYMPIC GAMES

Chapter GENERAL REGULATIONS

- 11.1.001** Participation in cycling competitions at the Olympic Games shall be governed by the rules of the International Olympic Committee and of the UCI.
Participation in the Olympics shall imply acceptance and respect of the IOC and UCI rules by the rider and any other licence holder.

- 11.1.002** **Entries - Confirmation of starters**
The **National** Olympic Committees shall enter their athletes in accordance with the participation limits, qualifying and reserve system approved by the IOC and the UCI (see pp. I-XV).
According to IOC rules, each NOC shall inform the Organising Committee of the names of its athletes within the deadline fixed by the IOC.
The time limits for confirmation of starters are as follows:
– for Road and Mountain Bike: midday, two days before
– for Track: midday, previous day.

(article modified on 1.1.03).

- 11.1.003** **Participation**
To take part in the Olympics, each rider shall:
– hold a licence issued by a National Federation
– be at least 18 years old for track events, 19 years old for road and mountain bike events or reach this age in the year of the Olympics.

- 11.1.004** **Programme**
The Olympic disciplines and events are as follows:

	Men	Women
Road	Road race	Road race
	Individual time trial	Individual time trial
Track	Team sprint	Sprint
	Sprint	500 m time trial
	1 km time trial	Individual pursuit
	Keirin	Points race
	Team pursuit	
	Individual pursuit	
	Madison	
	Points race	
Mountain bike	Cross-country	Cross-country

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Races shall be ridden under the UCI regulations for elite world championship races, taking into consideration any specific clauses for races at the Olympics.

(article modified on 1.1.03).

Commissaires

11.1.005 The UCI Management Committee shall appoint, upon the proposal of its Commissaires' Commission, 15 UCI international commissaires to officiate during the Olympic Games.

Furthermore, the National Federation of the organising country shall name, in consultation with the UCI, a minimum of 15 national commissaires.

Appeals Jury

11.1.006 The Appeals Jury for the Olympic Games shall comprise 10 members appointed by the UCI President. It shall meet in camera when requested by the President or the Executive Board. It may be called upon to give its verdict on any dispute or problem of a general or ethical nature which is internal for cycling and may arise during the Olympics.

Antidoping Examinations

11.1.007 During the Olympics antidoping examinations shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of the IOC.

A representative of the UCI Antidoping Commission will be appointed by the UCI Executive Board to attend the examination process and to liaise with the IOC Medical Commission.

11.1.008 Offences against IOC doping rules and doping facts which are found in accordance with the IOC rules shall be considered as offences against the UCI antidoping examination regulations. Over and above any sanctions which may be imposed by the IOC, disciplinary proceedings shall be implemented and sanctions shall be imposed in accordance to the antidoping examination regulations of UCI.

Equipment

11.1.009 The measures stipulated in the Olympic Charter, including any eventual dispensations granted for cycling events, will be applied.

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QUALIFICATION SYSTEMS

EVENTS

	Men	Women
Road	Road race • individual time trial	Road race • individual time trial
Track	• Team sprint* • Sprint • 1 km time trial • Keirin • Team pursuit* • Individual pursuit • Madison* • Points race	• Sprint • 500 m time trial • Individual pursuit • Points race
Mountain Bike	• Cross-country	• Cross-country

(* team events)

Total: 18 events

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS PER DISCIPLINE

ROAD		TRACK		MOUNTAIN BIKE	
<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>
145	67	153	35	50	30
212		188		80	

Total: 480 participants

MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS PER NOC

	Men	Women
Road	5	3
Track	11	3
Mountain bike	3	3
TOTAL	<u>19</u>	<u>9</u>

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GENERAL PRINCIPLES

1. Any participant fulfilling the selection criteria for an individual race, qualifies his/her NOC for a place in that race.
2. All qualifying participants whose participation in one of the cycling disciplines is confirmed shall have the right to be entered in other cycling events provided that the participation limits per NOC and per event are respected.
3. Should an NOC reach the maximum quota, it is the NOC placed next in the classification of the competition concerned that shall benefit.

PLACES BY INVITATION OF THE TRIPARTITE COMMISSION (IOC-ANOC-UCI)

The NOC can request invitations from the tripartite commission. If the commission receives requests for invitations which meet the criteria set, they may be satisfied from the places not taken up by NOCs, by mutual agreement between the UCI and the IOC, in accordance with the principles set out in the section headed "Reallocation of places not taken up".

Further information on places by invitation can be found in the document entitled "Places by invitation of the tripartite commission - Information for NOCs", distributed with the qualification systems by the IOC.

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SYSTEM IN DETAIL

ROAD

212 participants (145 men, 67 women) shall qualify on the basis of the following criteria:

INDIVIDUAL ROAD RACES

Men

CRITERION 1

UCI NATIONS RANKING ON 30.04.2004

EVENT	Nations ranking	Riders qualifying per NOC	Total Number
Road race	Ranked 1 to 15	5	75
	Ranked 16 to 25	4	40
	Ranked 26 to 30 (1)	3	15
Sub-total			130

CRITERION 2

CLASSIFICATION OF THE "B" WORLD ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2003 (2,3)

Event	Individual classification	Total
Road race	Ranked 1 to 15 (4)	15
Sub-total		15
MEN'S INDIVIDUAL ROAD RACE - TOTAL		145

Women

CRITERION 1

UCI NATIONS RANKING ON 30.04.2004

EVENT	Nations ranking	Riders qualifying per NOC	Total Number
Road race	Ranked 1 to 16	3	48
	Ranked 17 to 21 (1)	2	10
Sub-total			58

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CRITERION 2

CLASSIFICATION OF THE "B" WORLD ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2003 (2,3)

EVENT	Classification	Total Number
Road race	Ranked 1 to 9 (4)	9
Sub-total		9
WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL ROAD RACE - TOTAL		67
OVERALL TOTAL ROAD		212

INDIVIDUAL TIME TRIAL EVENTS (5)

Men

PARTICIPATION CRITERION	Rank	Riders qualifying per NOC	Total Number
UCI nations ranking on 30.04.2004	1 to 25	1	25
Elite individual time trial event at the 2003 World Championships	1 to 15 (6)	1	15
Total TT			40 (5)

Women

PARTICIPATION CRITERION	Rank	Riders qualifying per NOC	Total Number
UCI nations ranking on 30.04.2004	1 to 15	1	15
Elite individual time trial event at the 2003 World Championships	1 to 10 (6)	1	10
Total TT			25 (5)

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SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

1) Any NOC which does not qualify under criterion 1 shall be given a placing between the 26th and 30th rank for men (between the 17th and 21st rank for women), if one of its riders figures among the first 300 for men (first 100 for women) of the UCI rankings on 30.04.2004.

In consequence the NOCs qualifying under criterion 1 in the places from 26 to 30 for men (from 17 to 21 for women) shall have their quotas reduced by one rider in reverse order of the UCI NOC rankings in order to respect the maximum total number of 130 participants for men (58 participants for women).

2) NOCs qualifying under another criterion than the UCI ranking may have no more than 2 participants

3) If the riders in the qualifying places include riders representing a nation that already qualifies under criterion 1, the nation whose rider was placed in the next placing in the relevant competition shall be granted the right to participate

4) If an NOC has more than 2 riders from the first 15 for men (the first 9 for women), the NOC of the rider in the next placing following shall qualify

5) The places for the time trial are included in the total quota for cycling disciplines. Only riders entered for the road, the track or the mountain bike may take part in the individual time trial.

6) If the first 15 men (first 10 women) include more than one rider from a given NOC, the rider(s) from the following NOC(s) shall be taken into account to reach the total number of 40 participants for men (25 for women).

DATES/PROCEDURE FOR CONFIRMATION OF PLACES

On 15 May 2004 the UCI shall confirm the number of qualifying places to each National Federation/NOC concerned. Each National Federation/NOC shall have until 15 June 2004 to confirm to the UCI that these places will be taken up. After this date, any vacant place (resulting from the failure of the national federations/NOCs to take up places) shall be allocated by the UCI on 30 June, in the form of invitations from the tripartite commission, and then in the form of reserve places. The deadline for the final reallocation of places is set at 30 June 2004.

REALLOCATION OF PLACES NOT TAKEN UP

1. Places by invitation of the tripartite commission

The first unused places from the quota not taken up by NOCs shall be allocated, by agreement with the UCI, in the form of invitations from the tripartite commission.

2. Reserve places

Any additional vacant places shall be allocated in the form of reserve places, as set out below:

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- For the road race, 10 reserve places for men (5 for women) shall be allocated to non-qualified NOCs in order of the UCI nations ranking on 30.04.2004, up to a maximum of 2 riders per NOC.
- Should a rider ranked among the first 15 for men (first 10 for women) in the 2003 World Championships elite time trial represent an NOC which is not qualified for the road events, this NOC shall receive a reserve place. This reserve place shall take precedence over the reserves allocated in the basis of the UCI nations ranking.

QUALIFICATION PERIOD

"B" World Road Championships 5-9 July 2003, Aigle, (SUI)

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SYSTEM IN DETAIL

TRACK

188 participants (153 men, 35 women) shall qualify on the basis of the following criteria:

In the team events, only one team per NOC may compete.

For the men's and women's points races, only one rider per NOC may compete.

For the other individual events, a maximum of 2 riders per NOC may compete.

The maximum number of riders per NOC is 11 men and 3 women.

Men

CRITERION 1

CLASSIFICATIONS IN THE 2004 ELITE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

EVENT	Placing*	Total Number
Team sprint (3 riders per NOC)	Ranked 1 to 10	30
Sprint	Ranked 1 to 4	4
1 km TT	Ranked 1 to 4	4
Keirin	Ranked 1 to 6	6
Team pursuit (5 riders per NOC)	Ranked 1 to 8	40
Individual pursuit	Ranked 1 to 4	4
Madison (2 riders per NOC)	Ranked 1 to 10	20
Points race	Ranked 1 to 4	4
Sub-total		112

* Should an NOC reach the maximum quota, it is the NOC placed next in the classification for the event concerned that shall benefit

NB:

- an NOC whose team qualifies for the team sprint may enter one of these riders per event in the individual sprint, 1 km TT and keirin.
- an NOC whose team qualifies for the team pursuit may enter one of these riders for the individual pursuit
- an NOC whose team qualifies for the madison may enter one of these riders in the points race as long as only one rider per NOC is entered in this discipline.

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CRITERION 2

FINAL GENERAL CLASSIFICATION OF THE 2004 WORLD CUP

(only riders from NOCs which have not qualified under criterion 1 may qualify under criterion 2).

EVENT	Placing*	Total Number
Team sprint (3 riders per NOC)	Ranked 1 to 2	6
Sprint	Ranked 1 to 2	2
1 km TT	Ranked 1 to 2	2
Keirin	Ranked 1 to 3	3
Team pursuit (5 riders per NOC)	Ranked 1 to 2	10
Individual pursuit	Ranked 1 to 2	2
Madison (2 riders per NOC)	Ranked 1 to 2	4
Points race	Ranked 1 to 2	2
Sub-total		31

* Should an NOC reach the maximum quota, it is the NOC placed next in the classification for the event concerned that shall benefit.

CRITERION 3

CLASSIFICATION OF THE 2003 "B" WORLD TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

(only riders from NOCs which have not qualified under criteria 1 or 2 may qualify under criterion 3).

EVENT	Placing*	Total Number
Sprint	Ranked 1 to 2	2
1 km TT	Ranked 1 to 2	2
Keirin	Ranked 1 to 2	2
Individual pursuit	Ranked 1 to 2	2
Points race	Ranked 1 to 2	2
Sub-total		10

* Should an NOC reach the maximum quota, it is the NOC placed next in the classification for the event concerned that shall benefit.

OVERALL TOTAL MEN	153
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Women

CRITERION 1

CLASSIFICATIONS IN THE 2004 ELITE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

EVENT	Placing*	Total Number
Sprint	Ranked 1 to 10	10
500 m TT	Ranked 1 to 2	2
Individual pursuit	Ranked 1 to 10	10
Points race	Ranked 1 to 4	4
Sub-total		26

* Should an NOC reach the maximum quota, it is the NOC placed next in the classification for the event concerned that shall benefit

NB:

- an NOC who qualifies a rider for the sprint may enter that rider in the 500 m TT
- an NOC who qualifies a rider for the individual pursuit may enter that rider in the points race, as long as no more than one rider per NOC is entered for that discipline.

CRITERION 2

FINAL GENERAL CLASSIFICATION OF THE 2004 WORLD CUP

(only riders from NOCs which have not qualified under criterion 1 may qualify under criterion 2).

EVENT	Placing*	Total Number
Sprint	1st ranked	1
500 m TT	1st ranked	1
Individual pursuit	1st ranked	1
Points race	Ranked 1 to 2	2
Sub-total		5

* Should an NOC reach the maximum quota, it is the NOC placed next in the classification for the event concerned that shall benefit.

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CRITERION 3

CLASSIFICATION OF THE 2003 "B" WORLD TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

(only riders from NOCs which have not qualified under criteria 1 or 2 may qualify under criterion 3).

EVENT	Placing*	Total Number
Sprint	1st ranked	1
500 m TT	1st ranked	1
Individual pursuit	1st ranked	1
Points race	1st ranked	1
Sub-total		4

* Should an NOC reach the maximum quota, it is the NOC placed next in the classification for the event concerned that shall benefit.

OVERALL TOTAL WOMEN	35
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OVERALL TOTAL TRACK	188
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SUMMARY OF PARTICIPATION

MEN				
EVENT	Criterion 1	Criterion 2	Criterion 3	Total
Team sprint	10*	2*	-	12*
Sprint	14	2	2	18
1 km TT	14	2	2	18
Keirin	16	3	2	21
Team pursuit	8*	2*	-	10*
Individual pursuit	14	2	2	18
Madison	10*	2*	-	12*
Points race	14	2	2	18

* teams

WOMEN				
EVENT	Criterion 1	Criterion 2	Criterion 3	Total
Sprint	10	1	1	12
500 m TT	12	1	1	14
Individual pursuit	10	1	1	12
Points race	14	2	1	17

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DATES/PROCEDURE FOR CONFIRMATION OF PLACES

On 31 May 2004 the UCI shall confirm the number of qualifying places to each NOC concerned. Each NOC shall have until 15 June 2004 to confirm to the UCI that these places will be taken up. After this date, any vacant place (resulting from a failure by the NOCs to take up places) shall be allocated by the UCI, in the form of invitations from the tripartite commission, and then in the form of reserve places. The deadline for the final reallocation of places is set at 30 June 2004.

REALLOCATION OF PLACES NOT TAKEN UP

1. Places by invitation of the tripartite commission

The first unused places from the quota not taken up by NOCs shall be allocated, by agreement with the UCI, in the form of invitations from the tripartite commission.

2. Reserve places

Any additional vacant places shall be allocated in the form of reserve places, as set out below:

For each of the 12 Olympic individual and team events at the 2004 Elite World Championships, a reserve place will be allocated to the riders from non-qualifying NOCs on the basis of the placings in each event.

3. Others

Any places remaining vacant in certain events shall be allocated by the UCI, by agreement with the IOC, to non-qualifying NOCs, on the basis of the results obtained at the 2004 World Championships, in the order of their position in the general classification of the event in question.

QUALIFICATION PERIOD

"B" World Championships 5 – 9 July 2003, Aigle (SUI)

Final general classification of the World Cup May 2004

Elite World Championships 26 - 30 May 2004, Melbourne (AUS)

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SYSTEM IN DETAIL

MOUNTAIN BIKE CROSS COUNTRY

80 riders (50 men and 30 women) shall qualify on the basis of the following criteria:

Men

CRITERION 1

UCI NATIONS RANKING ON 31.12.2003 (1)

Nations ranking	Riders qualifying per NOC	Total Number
Ranked 1 to 5	3	15
Ranked 6 to 15 (2)	2	20
Ranked 16 to 22	1	7
Sub-total		42

CRITERION 2

INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFICATION OF 2003 CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (EXCEPT EUROPE)(3,4)

(only those NOC which do not qualify on the basis of CRITERION 1 may qualify under CRITERION 2)

Continent	Placing	Riders qualifying per NOC	Total Number
Africa	Ranked 1 to 2	1	2
Americas	Ranked 1 to 2	1	2
Asia	Ranked 1 to 2	1	2
Oceania	Ranked 1 to 2	1	2
Sub-total			8
TOTAL MEN			50

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Women

CRITERION 1

UCI NATIONS RANKING ON 31.12.2003

Nations ranking	Riders qualifying per NOC	Total Number
Ranked 1 to 5	3	9
Ranked 4 to 9 (2)	2	12
Ranked 10 to 14	1	5
Sub-total		26

CRITERION 2

INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFICATION OF 2003 CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (EXCEPT EUROPE)(3,4)

(only those NOC which do not qualify on the basis of CRITERION 1 may qualify under CRITERION 2).

Continent	Placing	Riders qualifying per NOC	Total Number
Africa	Ranked 1	1	1
Americas	Ranked 1	1	1
Asia	Ranked 1	1	1
Oceania	Ranked 1	1	1
Sub-total			4

TOTAL WOMEN	30
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OVERALL TOTAL	80
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SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

- 1) The UCI nations ranking is determined on the basis of the 3 best riders from each NOC ranked among the first 100 men (first 60 women) in the UCI mountain bike rankings of 31.12.2003.
- 2) Any NOC which does not qualify under CRITERION 1, but which has a rider in the first 50 men (first 30 women) in the UCI rankings on 31.12.2003 shall receive one place allocated initially to the NOCs ranked in positions 6 to 15 for men (4 to 9 for women). As a result the NOC qualifying under CRITERION 1 in places 6 to 15 for men (4 to 9 for women) shall have their number of qualifying riders reduced from 2 to 1 in reverse order of the UCI nations ranking, in order to maintain the maximum total number of 50 riders for men and 30 riders for women.
- 3) An NOC may obtain only a single qualifying place under CRITERION 2
- 4) Should an NOC obtain a qualifying place under CRITERION 2, but already have qualified under CRITERION 1, the following NOC in the classification of the relevant Continental Championships shall qualify.

DATES/PROCEDURE FOR CONFIRMATION OF PLACES

Before 15 January 2004 the UCI shall confirm the number of qualifying places to each NOC concerned. Each NOC shall have until 15 June 2004 to confirm to the UCI that these places will be taken up. After this date, any vacant place (resulting from the failure of the national federations/NOCs to take up places) shall be allocated by the UCI, in the form of invitations from the tripartite commission, and then in the form of reserve places. The deadline for the final reallocation of places is set at 30 June 2004.

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2. Reserve places

Any additional vacant places shall be allocated in the form of reserve places, as set out below:

Men

- For the 42 places available under CRITERION 1, 5 reserve places shall be allocated to non-qualifying NOCs on the basis of the UCI rankings of 31.12.2003, in the order of those rankings, with a maximum of 3 riders per NOC.
- For the 8 places available under CRITERION 2, a maximum of 1 reserve place per continent shall be allocated to a non-qualifying NOC on the basis of the classification by nation of the relevant Continental Championships.

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Women

- For the 26 places available under CRITERION 1, 3 reserve places shall be allocated to non-qualifying NOCs on the basis of the UCI rankings of 31.12.2003, in the order of those rankings, with a maximum of 3 riders per NOC.
- For the 4 places available under CRITERION 2, a maximum of 1 reserve place per continent shall be allocated to a non-qualifying NOC on the basis of the classification by nation of the relevant Continental Championships.

QUALIFICATION PERIOD

Championships and Continental Games

- Africa 9-10 August, Cape Town, (RSA)
- Americas 13-15 June, Medellin, (COL)
- Oceania 19-23 February, Melbourne, (AUS)
- Asia 18-21 September, Moya Hills Resort, Aomori, (JPN)