2025 Collegiate MTB Nationals Coaches' Meeting

STAGING

- 1. Staging for both XCC and XCO will begin at exactly 15 minutes before the advertised race start.
- 2. Be ready to start the staging process at this time, even while other races may be ongoing.
- 3. Order of call-ups will be by school and coach-selected first, second, etc. pick.
- 4. Coaches should be prepared to substitute their first, second, etc. choice at the time of actual call-up should the rider not be present to not forfeit the school's call-up position in this round.
- 5. There will be no grace period for missed call-ups and the next school will be called.

80%

- 1. The 80% rule will be enforced in all XCC and XCO races.
- 2. The 80% pull-location is located immediately AFTER riders cross under the finish truss, before entering the single track starting the next lap.
- 3. Riders will be placed in the results as one, two, etc. laps down, in the order they crossed the finish line on their final lap before being pulled.
- 4. For the XCC, the 80% rule will be applied on the final lap (bell lap) to assure that the next race can start on time.
- 5. With potential fields of 80 riders and an XCC course with expected times around 2 minutes, it can be expected that some racers may be pulled after finishing only two or three laps of the XCC.
- 6. Please instruct your riders that if—in case they were not pulled—they get passed by the leaders, they are obligated to pull out at the 80% line the next time they come through the finish.

Technical Assistance / Feeding

- 1. No Technical Assistance or feeding will be allowed during the XCC.
- 2. No Feeding (water hand-ups, etc.) will be allowed during the XCC.
- 3. Feeding will be allowed from lap 2 until the final lap during the XCO.
- 4. Feeding / Technical Assistance are allowed only in the designated Feed Zone.
- 5. Support crew (feed and tech) need to stay on the right side of the course. Support crew are asked to use caution. Riders may discard clothing items in the Feed Zone and also exchange eye-glasses. No spraying riders or bikes while they are riding—racers can do so on their own after receiving a bottle hand-up. When riders are stationary in the tech zone, crew members may spray bikes.

General

- 1. No littering. Period.
- 2. No earbuds, headphones, or other audio devices during all races and official training times.
- 3. Riders must have their handlebar race numbers properly (that means LEGIBLY) displayed.
- 4. Show courtesy and a high level of sportsmanship to everybody, even if it is not your day.
- 5. Let's have fun and make this a memorable experience for everyone involved!

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