



**USA CYCLING ATHLETE SELECTION CRITERIA
2024 BMX RACING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**May 16 – 18, 2024
Rock Hill, SC, USA**

SELECTION AND QUALIFICATION INFORMATION

Below is information on how an athlete can qualify and be nominated for the 2024 USA Cycling UCI BMX Racing World Championship Team ("Team"). In cases with available start positions after the automatic qualification process, any available positions may be filled via discretionary nominations according to the USA Cycling Discretionary Selection Procedures: <https://usacycling.org/team-usa/protected-event-selection>

There are extensive UCI requirements for entry into the World Championships at the national, event, and individual levels. Those requirements are on the Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI) website under rules and regulations – World Championships: <https://www.uci.org/inside-uci/constitutions-regulations/regulations>

ELIGIBILITY

- Elite Men and Women: Racing age 19 or older
- U23 Men and Women: Racing age 19-22
- Junior Men and Women: Racing Age 17-18
- Athletes must be eligible to represent the United States in a Union UCI competition
- Athletes must have a valid UCI International License and meet all eligibility requirements of USA Cycling and the UCI
- Athletes must be in good standing with USA Cycling, UCI, the US Center for SafeSport and the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA)

TEAM SIZE AND EVENT SELECTION PRIORITY

USA Cycling will determine Team size and prioritization of events prior to the Championship based on event goals and strategy, available resources, and available athletes. USA Cycling may choose not to fill all available quota positions for all events.

HIGH PERFORMANCE PLAN GOALS

In the Elite categories, the goal of the 2024 World Championships is to provide an opportunity for our best athletes to earn maximum UCI Olympic qualifying points. The secondary goal is select U23 and Junior athletes who have a high probability of qualifying for the main event, as demonstrated by their recent performances (last 12 months) on tracks with 8m start hills.

Consideration will also be given to consistency in performance and the athlete's trajectory towards improvement in the future as demonstrated at World Cup, HC, or C1 events over the last 12 months.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Level 1: Funded

USA Cycling will provide one economy class, single destination airfare, which includes up to 3 pieces of luggage: Up to two bikes, plus one suitcase each under 50lbs (excess weight or additional bag charges are the athlete's responsibility). USA Cycling will also provide competition and casual clothing, lodging/food, ground transportation at the event location, all mechanical/race support, and travel insurance throughout the duration of the event with USA Cycling.

Level 2: Self-Funded

Athletes will be responsible for paying a service fee ("Fee") of \$500.00 payable on or before the date outlined in this document. This Fee includes: registration, two jerseys, casual clothing, and administration expenses. *Athletes are responsible for their airfare, baggage and accommodation expenses.*

USA Cycling will NOT be responsible for or manage logistics for professional team managers, private coaches, professional team staff, athletes' families, spouses, friends, or significant others. These individuals will make separate arrangements for housing, food, and transportation. They will be responsible for all costs related to any separate arrangements they might make.

EVENT REGISTRATION

USA Cycling will manage the registration process and notify all riders who have qualified for the Championship event of how to register and when. All riders will be required to sign digital waivers during the registration process. USA Cycling will then notify all riders of when and where to collect event number plates, transponders, wristbands, and bike security tags once the Team Manager has collected them before the event.

COMPETITION AND CASUAL CLOTHING

As a member of the USA Cycling World Championship Team, representing USA Cycling and the United States of America, athletes will be provided with two jerseys, which they will be required to wear during all training sessions and competitions. Athletes will also be provided with casual clothing that they will be required to wear at official Team functions and while participating as a Team member. An option to purchase additional jerseys is available. Failure to comply with Team clothing rules can lead to disciplinary actions, including removal from the Team.

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

Qualification Period:	August 1, 2023 – March 17, 2024
Deadline for Submission of Petitions:	March 19, 2024
Selection of Team:	March 29, 2024
Final Announcement of the Team:	April 2, 2024
Submission of Fee:	April 2, 2024

CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION TO THE TEAM

Elite Men

Maximum Quota Positions: Up to 4 plus any athletes qualified under criterion #1 below

Level 1: Funded

1. By UCI rules, any athlete ranked in the top eight (8) of the UCI Elite Men World Rankings as of December 31, 2023, will be nominated to the Team.
2. Any athlete placing in the top eight (8) at the 2023 BMX World Championships in the same event and category will be nominated to the Team.
 - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than remaining quota positions, the athlete with the highest placing will be nominated first, the second highest placed athlete will be nominated second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.
3. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criteria, any athlete placing in the top eight (8) in a UCI BMX World Cup event between August 14, 2023, and February 26, 2024, will be nominated to the Team.
 - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the athlete with the highest placing will be nominated first, the second highest placed athlete will be nominated second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.
 - b. In the event of equal highest placings, the nomination will be made based on recency, and the athlete(s) with the most recent highest placing will be nominated first, the athlete with the next most recent highest placing will be nominated second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.

Level 2: Self-Funded

4. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criteria, athletes may be nominated to the Team in accordance with USA Cycling's Discretionary Selection Procedures.

Elite Women

Maximum Quota Positions: Up to 5 plus any athletes qualified under criteria #1 below

Level 1: Funded

1. By UCI rules, any athlete ranked in the top eight (8) of the UCI Elite Women World Rankings as of December 31, 2023, will be nominated to the Team.
2. Any athlete placing in the top eight (8) in the same event and category at the 2023 World Championships will be nominated to the Team.
 - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than remaining quota positions, the athlete with the highest placing will be nominated first, the second highest placed athlete will be nominated second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.
3. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criteria, any athlete who places in the top eight (8) in a UCI BMX World Cup event between August 14, 2023, and February 26, 2024, will be nominated to the Team.
 - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the athlete with the highest placing will be nominated first, the second highest placed athlete will be nominated second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.
 - b. In the event of equal highest placings, the nomination will be made based on recency, and the

athlete(s) with the most recent highest placing will be nominated first, the athlete with the next most recent highest placing will be nominated second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.

Level 2: Self-Funded

4. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criteria, athletes may be nominated to the Team in accordance with USA Cycling's Discretionary Selection Procedures.

U23 Men

Maximum Quota Positions: U p t o 4

Level 1: Funded

1. Any athlete in the top eight (8) in the same event and category at the 2023 World Championships will be nominated to the Team.
 - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the athlete with the highest placing will be nominated first, the second highest placed athlete will be nominated second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.
2. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criterion, any athlete ranked in the top eight (8) of the UCI U23 Men Individual Ranking as of March 19, 2024, will be nominated to the Team.
 - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the nominations will be made with the highest-ranked athlete first, the next highest-rank second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.

Level 2: Self-Funded

3. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criteria, athletes may be nominated to the Team in accordance with USA Cycling's Discretionary Selection Procedures.

U23 Women

Maximum Quota Positions: U p t o 4

Level 1: Funded

1. Any athlete in the top eight (8) at the 2023 World Championships in the same event and category will be nominated to the Team.
 - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the athlete with the highest placing will be nominated first, the second highest placed athlete will be nominated second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.
2. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criterion, any athlete ranked in the top eight (8) of the UCI U23 Women Individual Ranking as of March 19, 2024, will be nominated to the Team.

- a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the nominations will be made with the highest-ranked athlete first, the next highest-rank second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.

Level 2: Self-Funded

3. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criteria, athletes may be nominated to the Team in accordance with USA Cycling's Discretionary Selection Procedures.

Junior Men

Maximum Quota Positions: U p t o 4

Level 1: Funded

1. Any athlete in the top eight (8) at the 2023 World Championships in the same event and category will be nominated to the Team.
 - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the athlete with the highest placing will be nominated first, the second highest placed athlete will be nominated second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.
2. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criterion, any athlete ranked in the top eight (8) of the UCI Junior Men Individual Ranking as of March 19, 2024, will be nominated to the Team.
 - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the nominations will be made with the highest-ranked athlete first, the next highest-rank second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.

Level 2: Self-Funded

3. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criteria, athletes may be nominated to the Team in accordance with USA Cycling's Discretionary Selection Procedures.

Junior Women

Maximum Quota Positions: U p t o 5

Level 1: Funded

1. Any athlete in the top eight (8) at the 2023 World Championships in the same event and category will be nominated to the Team.
 - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the athlete with the highest placing will be nominated first, the second highest placed athlete will be nominated second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.
2. If quote positions remain after considering the preceding criterion, any athlete ranked in the top eight (8) of the UCI Junior Women Individual Ranking as of March 19, 2024, will be nominated to the

Team.

- a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the nominations will be made with the highest-ranked athlete first, the next highest-rank second, and so on until all quota positions are filled.

Level 2: Self-Funded

3. If quota positions remain after considering the preceding criteria, athletes may be nominated to the Team in accordance with USA Cycling's Discretionary Selection Procedures.