



SECTION B3

2019 UCI Mountain Bike World Championships – Cross-Country Marathon (XCM)

PURPOSE

- 1.1. The purpose of the B3 - XCM selection criteria is to nominate athletes to the National Team pursuant to the following objectives:
 - 1.1.1. Athletes capable of achieving a top 20 result at 2019 UCI XCM World Championships.
 - 1.1.2. Athletes who have demonstrated through international performances and results the potential to progress toward a top 20 result at future UCI XCM World Championships, and are adequately prepared for the 2019 UCI XCM World Championships.

2. TEAM SIZE

- 2.1. The maximum number of athletes in each category is equal to the relevant UCI quota.
- 2.2. MTBA reserves the right to not fill quotas.
- 2.3. If quotas are filled the Selectors may list reserves in case athletes decline, are injured, withdraw or are removed from the team. **Reserves must meet all eligibility requirements, minimum performance standards and objectives stated in Section A and Section B3.**

3. PERFORMANCE TIME PERIOD AND SELECTION EVENTS

- 3.1. **Performance Time Period:** The performance period for the purposes of selections is 15th September 2018 to 15th July 2019. In the case of extenuating circumstances being approved under the criteria in Section A part 4, the Selectors may consider an athlete's results in the 12 months prior to the performance time period.
- 3.2. **Selection Events:** For the purposes of nominations the selectors will consider performances achieved in the following events.
 - 3.2.1. **Elite Men and Women**
 - a) International results during the performance period. International results are defined as performances in UCI listed XCM events and may include events in Australia.
 - b) 2019 MTBA XCM National Championships.
 - c) **MTBA National Cup Tier 1 and higher XCM events during the performance period.**

4. MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY (in addition to Section A)

- 4.1. To be eligible for nomination to the team all riders must compete in the following events. In the case of extenuating circumstances being approved under the criteria in Section A part 4, the MTBA Sport Manager may grant exemptions.
 - 4.1.1. **Elite Men and Women**
 - a) 2019 XCM National Championships.

5. MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

- 5.1. To be eligible for nomination to the team all riders must meet minimum performance standards. This includes automatic and non-automatic nominations.
 - 5.1.1. **Elite Men and Women:**
 - a) Finish within 108% of the overall winner's time in the Elite category at the 2019 MTBA Australian XCM National Championships or an MTBA National Cup Tier 1 or higher XCM event during the performance period.

- b) OR finish within 110% of the overall winner's time at a UCI listed XCM event in the Elite category during the performance period.
- c) OR have qualified at a UCI International XCM Series event in accordance with the UCI MTB Marathon Series system.

6. SELECTION PROCESS

- 6.1. Athletes wishing to be considered for selection MUST apply via the form on the International Representation page of the MTBA website.
- 6.2. Criteria are listed in priority order, (i.e. all athletes achieving the first criteria will be nominated). If positions still remain after the first criteria has been considered, then the second criteria will be considered etc. until team size is achieved in accordance with Section A part 1.
- 6.3. If multiple athletes meet a specific criteria such that selecting both athletes would exceed the max UCI quota, then the athlete with the highest result will take precedence. If their best results are the same, then a count back system based on next best result against the same criteria will be used.

7. AUTOMATIC SELECTION CRITERIA

- 7.1. **Elite Men and Women:**
 - 7.1.1. Top 20 at a UCI MTB Marathon Series round during the performance period.
 - 7.1.2. 2019 MTBA XCM National Champion.
 - 7.1.3. Athletes finishing within 105% of the winner at the 2018 MTBA XCM National Championships or an MTBA National Cup Tier 1 XCM event during the performance period.

8. NON-AUTOMATIC SELECTION CRITERIA

- 8.1. If quota places remain after all automatic selections have been made the Selectors, at their absolute discretion, may nominate additional athletes that meet the objectives stated in part 1. All non-automatic nominations must meet eligibility criteria, minimum performance standards, and be endorsed by the MTBA CEO before they become selections to the team.

9. ATHLETE SUPPORT

- 9.1. MTBA will provide team uniform to athletes selected in the National Team.

10. SCHEDULE FOR AUSTRALIAN XCM NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION

| Action | Date |
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| Applications CLOSE . | 30 th June 2019 |
| Submission of all applications to the selection panel. | 15 th July 2019 |
| Submission of nominations to the MTBA CEO. | 19 th July 2019 |
| Notification of selection outcome to all applicants. | 23 rd July 2019 |
| Appeal period OPEN | 12pm – 24 th July 2019 |
| Appeal period CLOSED | 12pm – 26 th July 2019 |
| Commencement of appeals hearing (if required) | 29 th July 2018 |
| Public announcement of team | TBC following close of appeal period or appeal proceedings. |

11. CHANGES TO SCHEDULE

- 11.1. MTBA reserves the right to change these announcement dates in the event that more time is needed to ensure due process and fairness in selection, subject to section A, article 2.4 and compliance with UCI entry dates.
- 11.2. Additional athletes may be nominated to a National Team after the selection dates at the discretion of the Selectors.
- 11.3. Any competition results after the announcement of the team will only be considered if places are available on the team

12. APPLICATIONS AND FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information and all documents visit the International Representation page of the MTBA website.

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