



# USA Cycling-Collegiate Track Championship Rules

## 7. Riders

**7.1** To participate in any Collegiate Cycling Race, a Rider must: (a) Be a full-time student in good standing at the School that will grant their degree, as defined by the bursar or registrar at that School; (b) Be a member in good standing of the Team at the School at which they are a full-time student; (c) Be a member in good standing of Collegiate Cycling, having completed the appropriate USA Cycling license application and having paid the appropriate license fees to USA Cycling; and (d) Present a valid Collegiate Cycling license at race registration or purchase a one-day license at race registration. One-day licenses will not be accepted for Category A Riders. One-day licenses will not be accepted at any Collegiate Cycling National Championship.

## 9. Clothing

**9.1** At each Race, all Riders for a Team must wear identifiably similar (a) team jerseys or (b) blank jerseys with the School's name or abbreviation prominently displayed. [(a) If the Race has not yet commenced, a prohibition on the Rider starting the Race; (b) if the Race has commenced, a \$20 fine administered to the Rider at the Race, and at a Collegiate Cycling National Championship or at the option of the Chief Official, disqualification of the Rider from the Race and forfeiture of Rider points and places at the Race]

**9.2** The School's name, nickname or initials must appear on the Team's jersey and must be the largest and most prominent image on the front and back of the jersey. Sponsors' logos may appear in addition, provided they are smaller than the School name, nickname or initials. Jersey designs must be submitted to the Conference Directors and Conference Directors may disapprove jersey designs.

**9.3** In Collegiate Cycling Races, Riders may only wear shorts (a) of their Team or (b) shorts that are effectively blank. [\$20 fine administered to the Rider at the Race]

**9.4** Collegiate Cycling national champions are permitted to wear their national championship jersey only in Collegiate Cycling Races of the same format that they won (e.g. criterium, downhill). National championship jerseys may not be worn in a National Championship Race.

## 10. Events

### 10.1 General

**10.1.1** Unless otherwise stated in the Rules, Collegiate Cycling road, track and cyclocross Races follow the racing rules and regulations of USA Cycling-Road, and Collegiate Cycling mountain bike Races follow the racing rules and regulations of USA Cycling-Mountain. It is each Rider's responsibility to understand these Rules and those rules.

## 11. National Championships

### 11.1 Eligibility

**11.1.1** The following eligibility requirements apply to all Riders and Teams at each Collegiate Cycling National Championship: **(a)** Each Rider and each Team must satisfy all other applicable eligibility requirements contained in the Rules. **(b)** Each Rider must submit proof of eligibility in the form of a properly completed "Collegiate Cycling Championship Eligibility Verification Form" at registration. This form is available from the USA Cycling website, the Collegiate Cycling Manager and Conference Directors. **(c)** Each Rider must be enrolled as a "full-time student," as defined by their School, and must be in good standing financially, academically and disciplinarily, during the following relevant Championship Eligibility Period:

<b>Championship Starts:</b>	<b>Championship Eligibility Period</b>
In January	Fall session of the previous calendar year
In February-July	Spring session of the same calendar year
In August-December	Fall session of the same calendar year

**11.1.2** In the event a National Championship commences prior to the Championship Eligibility Period, a Rider wishing to compete in that National Championship may satisfy the requirements of this Section by providing written evidence that they have made the appropriate tuition payment for the Championship Eligibility Period.

**11.1.3** To compete in a National Championship in a Discipline in which a Conference offers Conference competition, with the exception of track and cyclocross, a Rider from such Conference must have competed in two A Races during the Conference season. For Disciplines without Conference competition and for track and cyclocross, qualification shall be at the discretion of the Conference Director.

**11.1.4** Petitions regarding Rider or Team eligibility for a National Championship that may result in a Rider or Team not competing, may be filed only until 11:59 p.m. (local time at the National Championship in question) on the day before the

start of the first Collegiate Cycling Race at the National Championship in question. The Board of Trustees or their designee determines all such eligibility issues.

**11.1.5** Teams may bring no more than 8 men and 8 women to any single National Championship Event.

## **11.2 Qualification**

**11.2.1** For each division, Conferences qualify for start spots in a National Championship Race as follows: **(a)** first the host Team (if any) qualifies the number of Riders a Team may enter in that Race, so long as this Team and its Riders otherwise meet the eligibility requirements contained in the Rules; then **(b)** each Conference qualifies the number of Riders a Team may enter in that Race; then **(c)** each Conference qualifies a single male and female Rider; then **(d)** each Conference qualifies a total number of Riders equal to (i) the percentage of the total number of Riders in that division that are recorded in USA Cycling's membership files on December 31 of the previous year as being members of Teams that are members of that Conference, multiplied by (ii) the field limit of such Race reduced by the number of Riders qualified pursuant to subsections (a)-(c) of this Section.

**11.2.2** Only points from Category A Conference Events from a Discipline count toward a Team's and a Rider's qualification for that Discipline's National Championship.

**11.2.3** Subject to the other requirements of the Rules, each Conference Director may decide how to allocate start spots in a National Championship Race among Teams and individual Riders from their Conference

## **11.3 Administration**

**11.3.1** Start lists for each National Championship will be posted prior to the start of the first Race of such National Championship.

**11.3.3** Subject to additional requirements contained elsewhere in these Rules, for each division and gender, (a) a national championship jersey will be awarded to individual first place at a National Championship Race and (b) gold, silver, bronze, bronze and bronze medals will be awarded to first through fifth places, respectively.

**11.3.4** Subject to additional requirements contained elsewhere in these Rules, for each division and gender, (a) a national championship jersey will be awarded to first place Rider in a National Championship omnium and (b) gold, silver, bronze, bronze and bronze medals will be awarded to first through fifth places, respectively.

**11.3.5** Subject to additional requirements contained elsewhere in these Rules, for each division, (a) national championship jerseys will be awarded to the first place Team at a National Championship and (b) gold, silver, bronze, bronze and bronze medals will be awarded to the first through fifth place Teams, respectively.

## **11.7 Track National Championship**

**11.7.1** USA Cycling-Track racing regulations are in effect for the championships, as listed in the USA Cycling Rules of Bicycle Racing.

**11.7.2** The Track National Championship must take place in the course of three full days, and, if held outside, with a fourth day scheduled for inclement weather.

**11.7.3** To compete in a track National Championship, a Rider must have either successfully completed a track safety course or submitted a participation form that verifies that the Rider has safely competed in a track Race prior to that National Championship. A Rider must have a USA Cycling-Track category of 4 or above. A Rider must have a USA Cycling-Track Category of 3 or above to compete in the Points Race.

**11.7.4** A Team may register a maximum of eight men and eight women at track nationals. In the Points Race, up to four Riders per Team may compete.

**11.7.5** Only the points scored by the top three point-scoring Riders for each Team in each Race are counted in the ranking of the Teams for that Race. Any lower scoring Riders for each Team are placed, and they are included in the determination of the Rider omnium based on any points they score.

**11.7.6** A Rider is limited to competing in only three individual Races, not including team Races. These Races must be declared at time of registration.

**11.7.7** The following individual Races shall count toward the men's omnium: Match Sprints (Championship format), 3 Kilometer Individual Pursuit, 30 Kilometer Points Race and Kilometer Time Trial. To be included in the men's individual omnium standings, a Rider must score individual points in at least (a) one of the Match Sprints and Kilometer Time Trial and (b) one of the 3 Kilometer Individual Pursuit and 30 Kilometer Points Race.

**11.7.8** The following individual Races shall count toward the women's omnium: Match Sprints (Championship format), 2 Kilometer Individual Pursuit, 20 Kilometer Points Race and 500 Meter Time Trial. To be included in the women's individual omnium standings, a Rider must score individual points in at least (a) one of the Match Sprints and 500 Meter Time Trial and (b) one of the 2 Kilometer Individual Pursuit and 20 Kilometer Points Race.

**11.7.9** The following team Races are to be held: Collegiate Team Pursuit, Women's Team Pursuit and Men's Team Pursuit.

**11.7.10** The Women's and Men's Team Pursuit is 3 kilometers. Teams for the Women's and Men's Team Pursuit shall consist of a minimum of three Riders and a maximum of four Riders. Teams will be timed on the leading wheel of the third

Rider. Riders must be of the same gender and from the same Team; no composite teams are allowed.

**11.7.11** The Collegiate Team Pursuit is a six-lap Race. Each Team must field a minimum of two and a maximum of six Riders with at least one woman and no more than 4 men per team. The women must lead the team for a minimum of two laps. Teams will be timed on the leading wheel of the first Rider to cross the finish line. Only standard drop handlebars are allowed in the Collegiate Team Pursuit.

**11.7.12** For team competitions, Teams are limited to one team per Race.

**11.7.13** Division I and Division II Teams are scored together.

**11.7.14** For purposes of allocating Team points toward Team omnium results, Division I and Division II Teams will be ranked separately.

**11.7.15** The points scoring for the Collegiate Cycling Track National Championship Races is set forth on the attached Appendix A.

**11.7.16** Men's and women's individual Race winners and Team Race winners will be determined without regard for Division.

**11.7.17** Men's and women's individual omnium results will be determined without regard for Division.

**11.7.18** Team omnium results will be determined by Division.