

2010 USA CYCLING JUNIORS, U23 AND ELITE ROAD NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

ELIGIBILITY, RULES & REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE A CURRENT & VALID USA CYCLING LICENSE WITH THE PROPER CATEGORY AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION. Only riders who have a current and valid USA Cycling license will be allowed to register. Riders must also be licensed for the category in which they are attempting to register. If you do not have a current and valid USA Cycling license, the easiest way to obtain one is via the USA Cycling website at www.usacycling.org. You may purchase, renew and/or request a category upgrade online on your My USA Cycling page.

ELIGIBILITY

At the time of registration, all participants in the USA Cycling Juniors, U23 and Elite Road National Championships MUST meet the minimum required category for the respective races according to the 2010 USA Cycling Rulebook

All participants in the 2010 Juniors, U23 and Elite Road National Championships MUST be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident depending upon the category as outlined below:

- **a.** Junior 10-16: Participants **MUST** be either a U.S. Citizen OR permanent resident
- **b.** Junior 17-18: Participants **MUST** be a U.S. Citizen
- c. U23: Participants **MUST** be a U.S. Citizen
- **d.** Elite: Participants **MUST** be a U.S. Citizen

U23 athletes who are on a UCI ProTour roster **are not eligible** to compete at the USA Cycling Juniors, U23 and Elite Road National Championships. U23 athletes who are on a UCI Professional Continental team or UCI Continental team **are only eligible** to compete in the U23 National Championships. No male rider who is a member of any UCI road team may participate in the Men's elite road, TT, or criterium championships.

Age Group/Category Participation:

- **a.** Junior 10-16 participants **MUST** race in their respective age groups, subject to category restrictions
- **b.** Junior 17-18 participants **MAY** race in both their age group and/or the Elite races, subject to category restrictions
- **c.** U23 participants **MAY** race in both their age group and/or the Elite races, subject to category restrictions and the UCI team restrictions noted above.

REGISTRATION

PARTICIPANTS MAY ONLY REGISTER ONE START SPOT PER ATHLETE. Riders are allowed to register one start spot per athlete, per race. Start spots are not allowed to be held, sold or otherwise transferred to other riders at a later time.

Online registration for the 2010 edition will open at 11:00 AM EDT on Tuesday April 20th, www.usacycling.org, click on "My USA Cycling".

In an attempt to encourage members to register for the event early, USA Cycling has implemented a **LATE ONLINE REGISTRATION** period. The late online registration period will begin at **11:59 PM EDT on Tuesday, June 1st.** Members who register online after this time will incur an additional \$25.00 for U23 and Elite riders, juniors will be \$10.00, late registration fee PER RACE in addition to the original registration fee.

On line registration will close at 11:59 PM EDT on Tuesday, June 15th.

Also, in an attempt to allow as many competitors as possible to register for the event, USA Cycling will also allow **late on-site registration**. Participants may register for the 2010 USA Cycling Juniors, U23 and Elite Road National Championships up until one day prior to their respective race. All on-site registration must be completed by the close of registration the day BEFORE your race. Please note: **All on-site registrants will incur a 100% increase in the original registration fee**.

USA Cycling will consider refund requests up until two weeks prior to the opening of on-site registration. **Refunds will no longer be considered after 8:00 PM EDT on Monday June, 7th.** All refunds are subject to a 20% processing fee.

Packet Pick-up/On-site Registration will be available every day throughout the event at the host hotel. There will be specific times designated each day. USA Cycling encourages participants to pick up their race packets during these times. In order to pick up your packet, you MUST present your valid USA Cycling license at packet pick-up/registration. Additional on-site packet pick-up will be available at the start line each day, subject to a \$20.00 late fee

You may designate a coach, friend or teammate to pick up your number packet for you during evening hours provided. Your designated person has the following in his or her possession:

- A signed letter requesting your numbers be picked up
- A signed and completed 2010 USAC Release Waiver
- Your signed 2010 USAC racing license or a photocopy
- Designated person must have ID

IMPORTANT REGISTRATION DATES

Tuesday, April 20 (11:00 AM EDT): Online Registration Opens at www.usacycling.org, click on "My USA Cycling"

Tuesday, June 1st (11:59 PM EDT): Late Online Registration Period Begins (\$25 late fee charged for elite/U23 participants, \$10 for juniors)

Monday, June 7th (8:00 PM EDT): Refunds No Longer Considered

Tuesday, June 15th (11:59 PM EDT): Online Registration Closes

Monday, June 21st: On-Site Registration Begins (100% increase in registration fee)

RULES

All bicycles for riders ages 17 and up (i.e., junior 17-18, U23, elite), must be UCI legal. For any questions regarding bike measurements please <u>click here</u>.

Individual Time Trials:

Are open to ALL categories – men's categories 1-5 and women's categories 1-4.

ROAD RACE RULES:

The Junior 10-14 men's and Junior 10-18 women's road races are open to ALL categories. The Junior 15-18 men's road races are restricted to category 1-3 participants only. The U23 women's road race is restricted to road category 1-2 participants only, as it is combined with the Elite women.

The U23 men's road race is restricted to road category 1-2 participants only

The Elite women's road race is restricted to road category 1-2 participants only

The Elite men's road race is restricted to road category 1 participants only

CRITERIUM RULES:

The Junior 10-14 men's and Junior 10-18 women's criterium are open to ALL categories

The Junior 15-18 men's criterium are restricted to road category 1-3 participants only

The U23 women's criterium is restricted to road category 1-3 participants only

The U23 men's criterium is restricted to road category 1-2 participants only

The Elite women's criterium is restricted to road category 1-2.

The Elite men's criterium is restricted to road category 1.