



COLLEGIATE & PARA-CYCLING ROAD
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
APRIL 2017 • GRAND JUNCTION, CO

Eligibility &
Rules

April 27-30
2017

RACING AGE

Your racing age is determined as of December 31, 2017.

LICENSING & CITIZENSHIP

Collegiate National Championships: Riders must have an annual USA Cycling Collegiate license in order to compete.

Para-Cycling National Championships: Riders must have an annual USA Cycling license in order to compete. All participants must be U.S. Citizens with USA UCI code.

COLLEGIATE ELIGIBILITY & QUALIFICATIONS

1. All riders/teams must bring this form with them to packet pick-up to verify their full-time status:
http://www.usacycling.org/forms/collegiate/collegiate_nationals_eligibility_form.pdf
Riders will not be allowed to start their races without this form.
2. To register, each rider's [Conference Director](#) must first check off that the rider has met both the minimum race requirements (#3-4 below), and qualified for one of the conference's allocated start spots (#5 below).
3. To compete in the criterium or road race, riders need to have competed as a category A rider in at least three conference mass start races this season.
4. To compete in the team time trial, riders must have competed as a category A rider in at least two races this season. (This means that any category collegiate rider can enter the National Championship TTT event, so long as they have entered two category A TTTs this season.)
5. Each conference is [allocated a finite number of start spots in the criterium and road races](#). To earn one of these spots, in addition to the minimum requirements (#3-4 above), riders must rank highly enough in the conference either as a team or individual. Each conference determines differently how many of these spots go to teams and how many go to individuals, so ask your conference director or team leader for details. If you don't think you will earn enough points either as a team or individual to qualify, there may be extra start spots available from other conferences, so ask your conference director.
6. For each gender, club teams may enter up to 6 riders in the road race, 4 riders in the criterium, and one team of 3 to 4 riders in the team time trial (time taken on the third wheel). For each gender, varsity teams may enter up to 8 riders in the road race, 6 riders in the criterium, and one team of 3 to 4 riders in the team time trial (time taken on the third wheel). There are no limits on the number of entrants per team in the ITT, although teams may only enter a *total* of 10 men and 10 women at the National Championships.



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7. Full rules for the event and collegiate cycling in general can be found in sections 6 and 7 of the [USA Cycling Rule Book](#), including explanations of scoring and call-up procedures.

Questions on the eligibility and qualification process for USA Cycling Collegiate Road National Championships should be directed to Emily Palmer, USA Cycling Membership Programs Manager, at 719-434-4202 or epalmer@usacycling.org.

PARA EQUIPMENT RULES

In general, the regulations for bicycles are those of USA Cycling. Please refer to section 11 – Bicycles, in the [USA Cycling rulebook](#).

The main points are:

- A. Bicycles may be no more than 2 meters long and 75 cm wide, except that tandems may be up to 3 meters long.
- B. There may be no protective shield, fairing, or other device on any part of the bicycle, which has the effect of reducing air resistance except that spoke covers may be used.
- C. Wheels may be made with spokes or solid construction.
- D. The handlebar ends shall be solidly plugged.
- E. Handlebars with ends, features, or attachments that extend forward or upward or that provide support for other than the rider's hands are permitted only in time trial events.

Per USA Cycling regulations, the following UCI regulations will be in effect for the event.

- A. For Mass Start Events and Individual Time Trials:
 - I. Bicycle frames must be of double triangle construction
 - II. Wheels must be of the same diameter between 550 and 700 cm.

HANDCYCLE REGULATIONS:

- A. Handcycles are required to have chainring guards.
- B. For mass start events, draft bars are also required.

COLLEGIATE EQUIPMENT RULES

Bicycles and wheels used in competition in all collegiate road events (criteriums, time trials, road races, etc) must use mass-start bicycles as defined in 111(g) of the USAC regulations. These bicycles must have at least 16 spokes and no wheel covers may be used.

Discs brakes are allowed in all events.



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ONLINE REGISTRATION	
ONLINE REGISTRATION OPEN – Monday March 13, 2017 @ 11:00am ET	
Individual Events	\$70
Collegiate Team Time Trial	\$195
*ONLINE REGISTRATION CLOSE Tuesday April 25, 2017 @ 11:59am MT	
ONSITE REGISTRATION FEE – Begins Wednesday, April 27, 2017 @ 3:00pm MT	
Individual Events	\$100
Collegiate Team Time Trial	\$300
REGISTRATION & PACKET PICK-UP LOCATION	
ONSITE REGISTRATION & PACKET PICK-UP TIMES* (all times local to Grand Junction, CO)	
Wednesday April 26, 2017	3:00 – 6:00 pm Location TBD (Para Only)
Thursday April 27, 2017	8:30 – 11:00 am 9km TT Course
Thursday April 27, 2017	3:00 – 6:00 pm Location TBD
Friday April 28, 2017	8:30 am – 12:00 pm Long TT Course
Saturday April 29, 2017	7:00 am – 1:00 pm Road Race Start/Finish
Sunday April 30, 2017	8:00 am – 4:30 pm Criterium Expo Area
*Registration will close the night before the event. Day-of registration is not allowed.	