



## TRACK MODULE 7 – Madison Racing



### Purpose

The purpose of this module is to provide track referees with the basic skill set required to referee Madison events. After completing this module, the official should have the basic skills to be a Referee, Starter, or Chief Judge for local level madison events. The module serves as part of the training necessary for Level C Track Officials for advancement to Level B Track Official.

- Completion of the questions and reading is required.
- Tasks from *at least one of* Module 6 – Keirin Racing *or* from Module 7 – Madison Racing are required for upgrade to Level B.

### Prerequisites

- Track Module 1 – General
- Track Module 4 – 200M & Sprints
- Track Module 5 – Mass Start Events (particularly the section covering Points Races)
- Shadow or officiate ten days of track racing, preferably one of which included a Madison

### Required Reading

- USA Cycling Rulebook Section 2 Track Racing: 2N. *Madison*
- USA Cycling Race Officials Manual Part 3: Officiating Track Events Chapters 29 & 30 *Madison*

### Suggested Reading

- UCI Practical Guide for Commissaires in Track Events Section 7.8 *Madison*

### Goals

After successful completion of this module the Level C Track Official will be able to:

1. Understand the underlying principles of a Madison.
2. Understand the regulations governing the Madison and how the Madison differs from Points Races.
3. Understand what an “exchange” is and the mechanics of a safe exchange.

### Criteria for Successful Completion:

1. Referee a Madison: This task may be incorporated with the judging position, as all officials must constantly be watching the racing during a Madison. These events are complex, and require full attention. Refereeing includes successfully tracking laps gained or lost by teams and giving the report to the Chief Judge.
2. Judge and score a Madison: Judge sprints in a Madison, successfully identifying the “racing” leaders on the track. Tally the points for the teams, correctly apply “laps gained or lost” to the tally, break any ties, and assist in producing final results.
3. Manage laps and bells for a Madison: Turning lap cards for a Madison requires knowing who the leader(s) on the track is/are, and a focus on when the bell laps occur. As for Points Races, the assistant referee on laps and bells must correctly display the number of laps remaining for the leaders on the track, particularly when teams gain a lap on the field. This is even more difficult to manage in a Madison, as teams are often spread more widely around the track.



# TRACK MODULE 7 – Madison Racing



## Scoring Madison Races:

### Points allocated

Scoring Madisons is quite similar to scoring points races. Points are still allocated 5-3-2-1 for each sprint. A tally is made by team number. Both riders on a team should wear similar jerseys and should have the same bib number. Otherwise the judge’s job becomes quite a headache!

### Gaining and losing laps

Gaining a lap is recorded with a tally mark under the column “Laps Up/Dn (Madison).” Losing a lap is recorded in the same column, with a “-“ (minus sign) preceding the tally of laps lost.

### Final Results

Ties are broken by first taking into account the number of laps ridden by a team, with those covering the greatest distance being reconciled first. The final results should show these riders at “0 Laps.” All other teams are recorded relative to the distance they covered to those at “0 Laps.”

Where teams are tied on the number of laps completed, the ties are broken on the number of points earned, from greatest to least.

If they are still tied, the places are determined according to the final sprint (the same way as it’s broken for Points Races).

## Tasks to Be Completed:

Task	Madison at Track Event:	Referee Name/Signature	License #	Date
Referee		CJ:		
Laps/Bells		CR:		
Judge/Score		CJ:		
	1. Intermediate sprints			
	2. Omit teams “in no man’s land” or ineligible			
	3. Correctly allocate and tally points			
	4. Account for laps gained/lost			
	5. Final sprint order			
	6. Final order of places			

I have read all of the required materials and completed the exercises for this module.

NAME:

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_