

Chapter 9

Records

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9A. Qualifications

9A1. National records for the fastest time for a certain distance or the farthest distance for a certain time may be recognized for U.S. citizens participating in races that have been issued a permit by USA Cycling or another organization affiliated with the International Cycling Union.

9A2. All **claims for records** must have been based on events that were executed in accordance with the rules of the body that issued the race permit. A record claim must be submitted on the official form supplied by USA Cycling and must be signed by the chief referee and other licensed race officials who witnessed the event.

9A3. If **more than one record** of a given type is claimed in some 24 hour period, only the fastest one in that period will be recognized.

9A4. The bicycle used to set a National record must comply with current UCI regulations for bicycles even if the event permit did not require UCI bike compliance.

9B. Course Measurement

9B1. Claims for records shall be accompanied by a statement from a registered surveyor or registered engineer certifying the distance to be correct within one part in 10,000 and the certification must specifically state that the measurement was carried out in accordance with these measurement rules. For records over a particular distance, certification must be done before the event.

9B2. On **road courses**, the measurement of distance shall be along the shortest possible path for the riders to take. Around curves the measurement shall be made 40 centimeters from the inside curb or centerline.

9B3. On **tracks**, distances shall be measured at the inside edge of the measurement line.

9C. Timing Rules

9C1. All original **timing data** shall be preserved and submitted with the record application.

9C2. In **multi-lap events**, each timer shall submit time readings for each lap to verify the lap count and overall time.

9C3. Record times *must* be based on automatic electronic timing *with manual timing as backup*.

9D. Distances Recognized

9D1. Class A. The following records shall be recognized by certificates and be listed on the USA Cycling website.

(a) All time trial events in which National Championships are currently conducted, including those that are part of an omnium. Master riders may hold records for their own or **Elite** age group. Junior riders may hold records for their own or older junior age groups or for **Elites**. Timings in pursuit events may be treated as time trials if the rider or team does not approach within 25 meters behind an opponent at any time during the event.

(b) Elite and Under 23 men's, women's and mixed records for standing start road time trials at a distance of 40 km, and elite, *junior* and Under 23 men's and women's standing start track time trials at one hour. Masters or junior distances set at a standard of 40, 20, or 10 Km where applicable.

(c) Elite men's and women's 500 meter flying start time trial.

9D2. Class B. Track or course records for time trial or massed start events shall be administered for each state by the Administrator in accordance with the rules and policies of USA Cycling. Separate records are recognized for men and women but no distinction shall be made by age group. Intercity records involving more than one district shall be administered by the Administrator of the region in which the destination city lies.

9E. Attempting Records

9E1. Attempting National Records

(a) Obtain the necessary forms *and permissions* from USA Cycling *at least one month before the attempt*:

- (i) Permit
- (ii) Record Application *Form*
- (iii) Course Measurement Certificate
- (iv) *Anti-Doping coordination*

(b) *USA Cycling* or the Technical Director will assign at least three officials to witness and assist timing of the event. The rider is responsible for paying fees, transportation, room and board where applicable for officials (see Schedule of Fees) and any *anti-doping* expenses.

(c) The course must be certified by a surveyor. *For metric standard tracks, the length of the track shall be based on the whole number of laps or half laps for 1 kilometer precisely, with a tolerance of plus 10 cm. For non-standard tracks, the distance of one lap, established by the average of 3 surveyed measurements with an accuracy of 1/100,000, shall be used for the lap distance.*

(d) For record attempts at National Championships, individuals will not have to provide the above. They will be arranged by USA Cycling. *The rider is responsible for submitting the record application to USA Cycling.*

(e) *Anti-doping testing at the conclusion of an attempt is required for the confirmation of national records. For team events, all team members who have set the new record must be tested. The record will be confirmed only on the basis of a certificate issued by the laboratory indicating that the test proved negative.*

9E2. Attempting World Records

(a) Complete steps 1 through 3 above.

(b) The UCI will appoint the chief commissaire. UCI requires 60 days advance notice from USA Cycling for making this appointment.

(c) The athlete setting the record will also have to pay the costs of antidoping controls, facility costs, officiating fees, and professional electronic timing fees.

Current national records can be found on the [USA Cycling website](#). Current world records can be found on the [UCI website](#).