



## **USA CYCLING ATHLETE SELECTION CRITERIA**

### **2018 TRACK WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS – JUNIOR MEN AND WOMEN**

August 15-19, 2018 – Aigle, Switzerland

#### **AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION INFORMATION**

Below you will find information on how a rider can “automatically” qualify for nomination to the 2018 Junior Track World Championship Team. In cases where there are still available start positions after the automatic qualification process, those positions may be filled via discretionary nominations according to the USAC discretionary selection procedures. More information regarding USAC discretionary selection procedures can be found in the “Team USA - International Events” section of the USAC website.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Athlete must be eligible to represent the United States in a UCI competition at the time of nomination. All nominees must have a valid USAC International Racing License and meet all eligibility requirements of USA Cycling and the Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI) at the time of nomination. All athletes must be in good standing with USAC, UCI, and the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) at the time of nomination with a valid passport.

- Junior Men- 2018 USAC International License Holders racing age 17-18.
- Junior Women- 2018 USAC International License Holders; racing age 17-18.

#### **FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

USAC will assume financial responsibility for athletes in the events listed, provided ATHLETES MEET THE AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION STANDARDS BELOW. USAC will fund automatic qualifiers up to the maximum number indicated. USAC may also fund those athletes who are chosen via selection committee discretionary selection.

## **ATHLETE QUOTAS**

The maximum athlete quota per event is the following:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>Women</b>
Sprint	2	2
Individual Pursuit	2	2
Team Pursuit	4	4
Time Trial (Kilo/500)	2	2
Points Race	1	1
Keirin	2	2
Team Sprint	3	2
Scratch Race	1	1
Omnium	1	1
Madison	2	2

## **FUNDING LEVELS**

### **Level 1: Funded**

For athletes qualifying for the team via automatic selection criteria and who meet the time standard for their respective racing age, USA Cycling will provide one economy class, single destination airfare, which includes up to 2 pieces of luggage: One bike plus one suitcase each under 50lbs (excess weight or additional bag charges are responsibility of the athlete). USA Cycling will also provide competition and casual clothing, lodging/food, ground transportation at event location, all mechanical/race support, and TravMed insurance throughout duration of the event with USA Cycling. All athletes' travel will be booked to arrive 3 days prior to the start of competition and returning the day after their competition events end.

### **Level 2: Self-Funded**

Athletes who meet the automatic selection criteria but do not meet the time standard for their respective racing age or who do not meet the automatic qualification criteria but are selected to the team via USA Cycling Selection Committee discretionary nomination will be responsible for self-funding through a "Team Service Fee" payable on or before the date outlined in this document. The Service Fee for this event and this level is **\$2,500.00**. This fee includes: competition and casual clothing, lodging/food, ground transportation at event location, all mechanical/race support, and TravMed Insurance throughout duration of the event with USA Cycling. Level 2 self-funded athletes are responsible for their airfare and baggage expenses as well. All athletes travel will be booked arriving 3 days before the first day of their competition, and returning the following day after their last competition.

## **PODIUM COMPENSATION**

Any Self-funded athlete who contributes to a team that achieves a top three (3) finish at the 2018 Junior Track World Championships will be refunded the Team Service Fee (if applicable) as well as a fair market value of their economy class round trip airfare ticket to the event (if applicable; all excess baggage costs are the responsibility of the athletes).

## **COMPETITION AND CASUAL CLOTHING**

As a member of the USA Cycling World Championship Team, representing USA Cycling and the United States of America, you will be provided with competition clothing which you will be required to wear during all training sessions and competitions. Additionally you will be provided casual clothing that you will be required to wear at official team functions and while participating as a member of the team. Failure to comply with team clothing rules can lead to disciplinary actions including removal from the team

## **2018 JUNIOR WORLD TRACK CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIPS TIME STANDARDS**

1. The automatic time standards utilized by USA Cycling for 2<sup>nd</sup> year juniors (racing age 18) are based on the cumulative average 5<sup>th</sup> place time from the Junior World Championships from 2009-2017, excluding 200m time trials and team sprints not held on a 250m velodrome. 1<sup>st</sup> year junior standards (racing age 17) are based on the same 5<sup>th</sup> place cumulative time, plus 1.34% to accommodate for the average yearly increase in overall international performance. Automatic time standards will only be approved for selections if provided via electronic timing or no less than three (3) hand held timers verified and approved by UCI or USAC Commissaires.

<b>2018 JUNIOR INTERNATIONAL TIME STANDARDS</b>		
<b>EVENT</b>		<b>18 YR OLD / 17 YR OLD</b>
200m QUALIFYING	MEN	10.408/10.547
	WOMEN	11.704/11.860
TIME TRIAL (1K/500m)	MEN	1:03.648/1:04.500
	WOMEN	36.104/36.587
INDIVIDUAL PURSUIT (3K/2K)	MEN	3:19.602/3:22.276
	WOMEN	2:28.731/2:30.723
TEAM SPRINT	MEN	45.991/46.607
	WOMEN	36.408/36.895
TEAM PURSUIT	MEN	4:10.122/4:13.473
	WOMEN	4:43.408/4:47.205

## **IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES**

1. Automatic Nominations
  - 1.1. Notification of Automatic Nominations for Individual Events and confirmation of intent to participate: July 18, 2018
2. Petition Discretionary Nominations for Individual Events
  - 2.1. Deadline for submission of petitions: July 17, 2018
  - 2.2. Notification of Discretionary Selections and confirmation of intent to participate: July 18, 2018
  - 2.3. Deadline for submission of **\$2,500.00** Service Fee: July 18, 2018
3. Final announcement of the Team: July 19, 2018.
4. Team departs for Switzerland- August 11, 2018

## **ATHLETE SELECTION CRITERIA**

The USA Cycling Selection Committee will apply the selection criteria set forth herein and will make all final selections. Following the nomination announcement for UCI Junior Track World Championships event, all athletes who accept their nomination (both individual and team events) are required to participate in all Team USA training camps, races or team events as prescribed by the USA Cycling Coaching Staff, unless given written permission from the VP of Elite Athletics, Scott Schnitzspahn

### **All Individual Events- Sprint, Kilo/500m TT, Individual Pursuit, Points Race, Scratch Race, Omnium**

1. Any eligible athlete placing in the top three (3) at the prior year's World Championships in the same event and category. In order to maintain their position on the Team, the eligible athlete(s) must continue to demonstrate the ability to finish in the top three (3) at the World Championships during the current racing season. This evaluation will be based on results from major international competition and current ranking on the appropriate UCI Individual Classification. If more than one rider meets this criterion, then the rider with the highest placing athlete in the prior year's World Championships will be selected.
2. If positions remain after considering the preceding criterion, then any athlete who meets any of the automatic time standards for their individual event, provided that race is held in its entirety and run under UCI regulations. Automatic time standards will only be approved for selections if provided via electronic timing or no less than three (3) hand held timers verified and approved by UCI or USAC Commissaires.
3. If positions remain after considering the preceding criterion, then the winner of the 2018 USA Cycling Junior Track National Championships provided that race is held in its entirety and run under UCI regulations.
4. If positions remain after considering the preceding criterion, then athletes who petition by the deadline may be selected by the USA Cycling Selection Committee following USA Cycling Principles of Athlete Selection. More information regarding USAC discretionary selection procedures can be found in the "Team USA - International Events" page on the USAC website ([www.usacycling.org](http://www.usacycling.org)). Petitioning athletes should be within 3% of the 18 year old time standards and / or have significant international experience, as a 17-18 year old, demonstrating medal capability.

### **All Team Events- Team Sprint, Team Pursuit, Madison**

In all Team Events, athletes will automatically qualify for, or can petition to be part of the USA Cycling 2018 Junior Track World Championship Long Team. USA Cycling may choose to send a team to the 2018 UCI Junior World Championships if, in the opinion of the USA Cycling designated Coaching Staff, the team has the capability to be internationally competitive in that event. USA Cycling is not obligated to enter a team in any or all Team Events.

## **1. Junior Team Events –Long Team**

**Athletes will be nominated to the USA Cycling Junior World Championships Team Event Long Team based upon the following criteria:**

1. Any eligible athlete who is a member of a team placing in the top three (3) at the 2017 Junior World Championships in this event and category. In order to maintain their position on the Team, the eligible athlete(s) must continue to demonstrate the ability to be medal capable at the World Championships during the current racing season. This evaluation will be based on results from major international competition, current ranking on the appropriate UCI Individual Classification and time standards where applicable.
2. Any eligible athlete who is a member of a team (teams made up of International athletes are excluded) that rides a Junior International Time Standard in a 2018 event up to and including USA Cycling Junior National Championships will be nominated to the 2018 UCI World Championship Team Event Long team. Automatic time standards will only be approved for selections if provided via electronic timing or no less than three (3) hand held timers verified and approved by UCI or USAC Commissaires.
3. Any eligible athlete who is a member of the winning team (qualifying or final round) of the 2018 Junior National Track Championships or 2018 Junior Pan American Track Championships provided that race is held in its entirety and run under UCI regulations.
4. If positions remain after considering the preceding criterion, then athletes who petition by the deadline may be selected for the Long Team by the USA Cycling Selection Committee following USA Cycling Principles of Athlete Selection. More information regarding USAC discretionary selection procedures can be found in the “Team USA - International Events” page on the USAC website ([www.usacycling.org](http://www.usacycling.org)). Petitioning athletes should have significant international experience, as a 17-18 year old, demonstrating medal capability or the ability to contribute to a medal winning team performance.

## **Men’s and Women’s Team Pursuit –Final Team**

**Athletes will be selected to the ride the Team Event based upon the following prioritized criteria:**

### **Level 1 Funding**

1. All final nominees for the USA Cycling 2018 UCI Junior Track World Championship Team will come from the previously nominated Long Team.
2. Final coaching nomination will be based solely on the Principles of Discretion criteria “An Athletes Ability to Enhance Team Performance”. Team USA will be not be comprised of the best individual athletes, but rather the athletes that comprise and make up the best team as determined by the USA Cycling Selection Committee.