

USA CYCLING ATHLETE SELECTION CRITERIA 2023 PAN-AMERICAN CONTINENTAL DHI MTB CHAMPIONSHIPS ELITE MEN AND WOMEN October 19-22, 2023 Cusco, Peru

SELECTION AND QUALIFICATION INFORMATION

Below you will find information on how an athlete can automatically qualify for nomination to the 2023 Pan American Continental DHI MTB Championship Team ("Team"). In cases where there are available start positions after the automatic qualification process, any available positions **may** be filled via discretionary nominations according to the USA Cycling Discretionary Selection Procedures: https://usacycling.org/team-usa/protected-event-selection

There are extensive UCI requirements for entry into Championships at the national, event and individual levels. Those requirements can be found on the UCI website under rules and regulations: https://www.uci.org/inside-uci/constitutions-regulations/regulations

ELIGIBILITY

- Elite Men and Women: Racing age 19 and over.
- Athlete must be eligible to represent the United States in a UCI competition at the time of nomination.
- All nominees must have a valid UCI International Racing License and meet all eligibility requirements of USA Cycling and the Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI) at the time of nomination.
- All nominees must be in good standing with USAC, UCI, U.S. Center for SafeSport and the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) at the time of nomination.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

All athletes participating on the Team will be responsible for organizing and paying for all travel, food and lodging costs associated with the event. USA Cycling will not assume financial responsibility for any athletes selected to the Team. In addition, all athletes will be responsible for payment of a service fee of \$150.00 which will cover one week of insurance and administration expenses ("Fee").

COMPETITION AND CASUAL CLOTHING

USA competition clothing is required and athletes must wear the current design registered with the UCI with Cuore logos. USA Cuore competition clothing is available for purchase on the <u>Cuore website</u> or through USA Cycling.

QUOTA POSITIONS

Elite Men, Elite Women, Jr Men, Jr Women – open to all eligible athletes who wish to participate. Athletes must have a letter of permission from USA Cycling to enter the event. Please follow these steps to secure the letter:

- 1. Sign into your USA Cycling membership page.
- 2. In "My USA Cycling", under 'My Membership', select the quick link "Foreign Permission Letter".
- 3. Download the letter and fill in the missing information.
- 4. Submit the letter to: membership@usacycling.org

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

Deadline for Submission of Petitions:

September 7, 2023

Selection of Discretionary Nominations:

September 14, 2023

Confirmation of Intent to Participate:

September 15, 2023

Final announcement of the Team:

Deadline for Submission of Fee:

September 22, 2023

PETITION INFORMATION

All athletes interested in being considered for a position on this Team are required to submit a petition. Athletes can find the petition link here: https://usacycling.org/team-usa/protected-event-selection

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR NOMINATION TO THE TEAM – ALL ATHLETES

- 1. Payment of Fee to USA Cycling
- 2. Signed Athlete Code of Conduct with USA Cycling
- 3. Valid SafeSport training
- 4. Completed NCSI background check
- 5. Athlete registers their entry directly with the race organizer
- 6. Full Cuore USA Cycling uniform on race day DH jersey

EVENT INFORMATION

Event Website: fedepeci.pe

Event Organizer contact: administracion@fedepeci.pe