



2008 UCI SUPERCROSS EVENTS
Madrid, Spain – February 8-9, 2008 (Men Only)
Adelaide, Australia – April 11-12, 2008
Copenhagen, Denmark – May 9-10, 2008

USA Cycling Funded Team Qualification Procedures

GENERAL INFORMATION

USA Cycling (USAC) will nominate, select and manage all athletes and staff who participate for the “Funded Team”. USAC will also manage and coordinate all aspects of the team travel, and all on-site logistics and housing for this event. All athletes and staff who are part of the USA Cycling “Funded Team” delegation for this event in the specific categories for which USA Cycling listed in the *Financial Responsibility* section (below), regardless of the method by which they were nominated, must function **AS A TEAM** (the Team). Therefore, without exception, USAC will manage logistics (food, housing, transportation, race entry, and etc.) for all of the athletes and staff that are part of the Team. **ALL ATHLETES AND TEAM STAFF FOR CATEGORIES LISTED IN THE “FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY” SECTION OF THESE PROCEDURES WILL BE REQUIRED TO TRAVEL WITH THE TEAM AND PARTICIPATE IN THE TEAM LODGING AND MEAL PLAN.**

USA Cycling will manage logistics (food, housing, transportation) for **ONLY** the athletes and staff who are selected by USAC to the “Funded Team.” USA Cycling will **NOT** be responsible for or manage logistics for professional team managers, private coaches, professional team staff, athletes' families, spouses, friends or significant others. It will be the responsibility of these individuals to make separate arrangements for housing, food and transportation and they will be responsible for all costs related to any separate arrangements they might make. Additionally, these individual will **NOT** be credentialed as part of the Team for this event and will therefore *not* be allowed in the USAC Team cabin(s) or pit areas unless specifically granted that privilege by the USAC Team Manager.

Nominations will be based on final, official results from the qualifying events identified in this document as qualifying criteria. Mechanical problems and crashes are a part of cycling. Therefore, USAC will not consider an athlete's position or placing in an event or events at the time the athlete experienced a mechanical problem or crashed or went off course as a determining factor for selection.

Any and all equipment provided by USAC to an athlete attending this event remains the property of USA Cycling and must be returned to USAC at the end of the World Championships. Failure to return USA Cycling property in a timely manner may result in suspension or other penalties as determined by USA Cycling.

The number of athlete start positions per event and category is determined in each event by the relevant governing body (UCI). These nomination procedures have been developed based on the most recent information supplied by the UCI regarding the events, athlete participation, team qualification and team size. USA Cycling's nomination procedures may be subject to change based on the final international and domestic racing calendars and/or updated information from the UCI.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

USA Cycling will fund ONLY those athletes who meet specific criteria for *Automatic* or *Coaches'* Discretionary Nomination as outlined in these procedures in the following categories, up to the maximum number indicated. However, as described above, ALL athletes in these categories will be expected to participate as part of the Team.

1. Elite Men BMX (Maximum of 5)
2. Elite Women BMX (Maximum of 3)

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

1. Madrid, Spain – Team Announcement – January 14, 2008
2. Adelaide, Australia – Team Announcement – February 29, 2008
3. Copenhagen, Denmark – Team Announcement – April 5, 2008

CRITERIA FOR AUTOMATIC NOMINATION TO THE TEAM

Elite Men BMX

Eligible Participants: USAC International License Holders;
Maximum Team Positions: 5

Athletes will receive automatic nominations to the team based on the following criteria:

1. The top two (2) eligible U.S. athletes in USA Cycling BMX Elite Men Rankings as of the following dates:
 - 1.1. Madrid, Spain – December 28, 2007
 - 1.2. Adelaide, Australia – February 15, 2008
 - 1.3. Copenhagen, Denmark – March 31, 2008
2. Any other position(s) will be selected by the USA Cycling Athletic Department following USA Cycling Principles of Athlete Selection (www.usacycling.org).

Elite Women BMX

Eligible Participants: USAC International License Holders;
Maximum Team Positions: 3

Athletes will receive automatic nominations to the team based on the following criteria:

1. The top (1) eligible U.S. athletes in USA Cycling BMX Elite Women Rankings as of the following dates:
 - 1.1. Adelaide, Australia – February 15, 2008
 - 1.2. Copenhagen, Denmark – March 31, 2008
2. Any other position(s) will be selected by the USA Cycling Athletic Department following USA Cycling Principles of Athlete Selection (www.usacycling.org).