

BUENOS AIRES 2018 YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES
AMENDED NOMINATION CRITERIA FOR CYCLING EVENTS

CYCLING NEW ZEALAND

1. Application of this Nomination Criteria

- 1.1 This Nomination Criteria is issued by the Board of Cycling New Zealand.
- 1.2 This Nomination Criteria shall take effect from 1 September 2017.
- 1.3 This Nomination Criteria applies to:
- (a) All Athletes wishing to be considered for nomination to the Games Team to compete in the Games in a Cycling Event; and
 - (b) Cycling New Zealand, including its Discipline Panels and Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel that wish to recommend or nominate Athletes to NZOC to be considered for selection to the Games Team for the Games.

2. Nomination Process

- 2.1 **Process:** Nomination to the NZOC for consideration of selection to the Games Team is a two-step process as follows:

Step 1: Cycling NZ Selection Panels for each Cycling Event (which for the purpose of this Nomination Criteria are called “Discipline Panels”) decide which Athletes they consider should be recommended to the Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel for nomination to the Games. The Discipline Panels are as follows:

Cycling Event	Discipline Panel	Selectors
BMX	BMX Junior Selection Panel	Tony Takurua Jason Wadsworth
MTB riders for the MTB/Road event	MTB Selection Panel	Gil Peters Paul Cooper Lisa Morgan Sam Thompson
Road riders for the MTB/Road event	Development Selection Panel	Katri Laike (female team) John Rippon (male team) Dean Peterken Richard Fox

Step 2: The Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel decides which Athletes, from those that have been recommended by the Discipline Panels, will be nominated to the NZOC. The Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel is as follows:

Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel		HP Director (convenor) Graeme Hunn Dean Peterken Richard Fox Sam Thompson Gil Peters Tony Takurua
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2.2 **Recommendations:** Each Discipline Panel, shall for the Cycling Event within their discipline and in accordance with clause 4, recommend to the Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel, the Athlete(s) it considers should be nominated to the NZOC in each Cycling Event. Each Discipline Panel may recommend a number of Athletes up to the maximum number of quota places for the Cycling Events in its discipline, which either have been obtained, or could be obtained under the UCI Qualification System for Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games (“UCI Qualification System”) but may recommend additional athletes for consideration by the Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel as reserve Athletes. These recommendations must be made to the Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel by no later than 15 June 2018 (“Panel Recommendation Date”). There is no obligation on a Discipline Panel to make recommendations for all quota places which are or may be qualified for the Cycling Events within its discipline.

2.3 **Nomination Date:** The Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel will consider the recommendations made by the Discipline Panels and shall nominate Athletes to the NZOC to be considered for selection to the Games Team (including any reserves), in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, no later than 29 June 2018 (or any alternative date as agreed between NZOC and Cycling New Zealand). The Cycling New Zealand Olympic Nomination Panel may only consider for nomination, Athletes who are recommended to it by a Discipline Panel.

2.4 **Ranking:** If there are more Athletes who are nominated by the Discipline Panels, than quota places available, nomination will be decided by the Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel having regard to one or more, but not limited to, the following factors:

- (a) The Athlete’s potential result at the Games;
- (b) The potential of an Athlete for future international competitions; and/or
- (c) Any other factors the Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel consider relevant.

3. Eligibility

3.1 **Conditions of Nomination:** Cycling New Zealand may only consider an Athlete for nomination if the Athlete has satisfied the following conditions of nomination:

- (a) returned a completed Athlete Application to the NZOC, in the form prescribed by the NZOC by the Application Date; and
- (b) returned a completed Athlete Agreement in the manner prescribed by the NZOC to NZOC prior to the Nomination Date; and

- (c) demonstrated to the satisfaction of Cycling New Zealand that they are not suffering any physical or mental impairment that would prevent them from competing in the Games to the highest possible standard; and
- (d) acted in such a manner so as not to bring the Athlete, the sport, Cycling New Zealand or the NZOC into public disrepute; and
- (e) to Cycling New Zealand's knowledge has not used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected as being present in the Athlete's body tissue or fluids, would have constituted doping, or used any prohibited method or committed any other doping offence as defined in Cycling New Zealand's, the International Federation's (UCI's) or NZOC's Integrity Regulation; and
- (f) from 30 March 2018 has provided their name and contact address details to NZOC for the purpose of out of competition drug testing with Drug Free Sport New Zealand.
- (g) be a New Zealand citizen with a New Zealand passport; and
- (h) have membership of Cycling New Zealand or one of its members (e.g. a club); and
- (i) be born in 2000 or 2001; and
- (j) have a current racing licence issued by Cycling New Zealand or another federation affiliated with the UCI, with the nationality marked as "NZL" or "New Zealand".

3.2 **Qualification:** New Zealand must qualify for places in a Cycling Event(s) in accordance with the UCI Qualification System and/or UCI requirements for the Games. Qualification for a place in any Cycling Event(s) by an Athlete does not guarantee that Athlete will be nominated or selected to compete in the Cycling Event(s) at the Games.

3.3 **Nomination if Nomination Criteria Met:** Provided the requirements set out in clause 3.1 and 3.2 are met, Cycling New Zealand shall nominate those Athletes it considers meet the Nomination Criteria set out below.

4. Nomination Criteria

4.1 **Nomination Criteria:** The Cycling New Zealand Nomination Criteria for nomination to the Games Team is made up of two parts:

- (a) the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria specified in clause 4.2; and
- (b) the Specific Nomination Factors specified in clause 4.3.

4.2 Over-Riding Nomination Criteria:

- (a) In determining whether or not to recommend or nominate an Athlete to a Cycling Event, the Discipline Panels and the Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel, respectively, must be satisfied overall that the Athlete:
- i. For BMX, has a high national ranking (e.g. top 3) or has placed in the top 3 of the most recent National age group championships in the Cycling Event;
or

For MTB / Road combined, has a high national ranking (e.g. top 3) or has placed in the top 3 of the most recent National age group championships in at least one discipline, with the ability to compete competently in the other discipline.
 - ii. has a track record of sufficient quality and depth that Cycling New Zealand believes demonstrates the Athlete will perform with distinction at the Games;
 - iii. where applicable, whether the Athlete has met the UCI's time, distance or other relevant qualification standard;
 - iv. is or have competed at a recognized international event for their sport finishing with a competitive result; and
 - v. has or have a programme developed and endorsed by Cycling New Zealand and/or High Performance Sport New Zealand to prepare them for the Games, and whether they are progressing to the agreed plan.
- (b) Evidence: In determining whether or not the Athlete has met the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria for Cycling Events in clause 4.2(a) above, the Discipline Panels and the Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel shall each consider the Athlete's performances and results in the Cycling Event(s) at which they seek to be selected for the Games in the following Key Events during the period 1 September 2017 to 10 June 2018:

BMX

Key Events

Mighty 11 Trans-Tasman Event (includes all age classes), Sunset Coast BMX Club – 15 October 2017

North Island Titles, Whangarei BMX Club – 21-22 October 2017

South Island Titles, Christchurch – 13-14 January 2018

Northern Regional Championships, Sunset Coast BMX Club – 25 February 2018

National Championships, Christchurch – 13 January 2018

Additional Events

Oceania Championships, Bunbury, Australia – 21 March 2018

World Championships, Baku, Azerbaijan – 5-9 June 2018

MTB

Key Events

2018 National Championships, Wanaka – 23-25 February 2018
2018 Oceania Championships, Dunedin 9-11 February 2018
2018 MTB NZ North Island XCO Championships, 7 January 2018
2018 MTB NZ South Island XCO Championships, 4 February 2018

Additional Events

2017 / 2018 UCI Junior World Series
Australian UCI category Nat Series races

Road

Key Events

2018 Age Group National Championships, Carterton – 20-22 April 2018
2017-2018 Age Group competitions

Additional Events

2018 Oceania Championships, Tasmania 23-25 March 2018

4.3 **Specific Nomination Factors:** When considering the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria above, the Discipline Panels and Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel may also take into account any one or more of the following factors about an Athlete:

- (a) any other performances or results in competitions / events in addition to the Key Events;
- (b) adequate fitness and a commitment to maintain a fitness and training programme as agreed with the applicable coach(es);
- (c) demonstrated good behaviour, including a commitment to training and attendance at training camps;
- (d) demonstrated compatibility with others in a team environment;
- (e) demonstrated compliance with the rules of events and competitions;
- (f) understanding and respect for the obligations that accompany being a member of a New Zealand team when competing at the Games, including respect for team members and support staff;
- (g) willingness to promote Cycling New Zealand in a positive manner;
- (h) demonstrated ability to take personal responsibility for self and their results;
- (i) proven ability to be reliable;
- (j) any other factor(s) the Discipline Panel and/or Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel considers relevant.

- 4.4 **Own Enquiries:** In considering any one or more of the above factors, the Discipline Panel and/or Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel may make such enquiries of the Athlete, or other persons, as they see fit.
- 4.5 **Weight to be Given to Specific Nomination Factors:** The Discipline Panel and/or Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel may give weight to any one or more of the Specific Nomination Factors and, if it does, to apply such weighting to one or more Athletes. No particular factor shall be weighted more or less significantly by reason only of the order in which that factor appears in this Nomination Criteria.
- 4.6 **Extenuating Circumstances:** In any decision regarding the nomination of Athletes to the Games Team, the Discipline Panel and/or Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel may, in their sole discretion, take into account any extenuating circumstances in accordance with clause 5 below.
- 4.7 **Nomination Procedure:** After consideration of this Nomination Criteria, the Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel shall follow the procedure set out in clause 9 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

5. **Extenuating Circumstances**

- 5.1 **Extenuating Circumstances:** In considering the nomination of Athletes in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, the Discipline Panel and/or Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel may, in their sole discretion, give weight to any extenuating circumstances which may include, but are not limited to, the following:
- (a) injury or illness;
 - (b) travel delays;
 - (c) equipment failure;
 - (d) bereavement or personal misfortune; and/or
 - (e) any other factors reasonably considered by the Discipline Panel and/or Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel to constitute extenuating circumstances.
- 5.2 **Athlete to Advise:** Athletes unable to compete at events, trials, or other attendances required under this Nomination Criteria, must advise the Chief Executive of the extenuating circumstances and reasons, in writing, with as much advance notice as possible and ideally seven (7) days prior to the commencement of the event, trial or other attendance. If the Chief Executive is not notified of any extenuating circumstances in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, then the Discipline Panel and/or Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel have no obligation to rely on such circumstances.
- 5.3 **Medical Certificate:** In the case of injury or illness, Athletes may be required by Cycling New Zealand to provide a medical certificate and/or to undergo an examination by a health practitioner/s nominated by Cycling New Zealand, and to provide that opinion and/or report

to Cycling New Zealand. Any failure to agree to such a request may result in Cycling New Zealand being unable to consider the injury or illness as an extenuating circumstance.

- 5.4 **Case by Case:** In the case of any extenuating circumstance/s, the Discipline Panel and/or Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel will make a decision on a case-by-case basis.

6. Appeal Procedure

- 6.1 **Nomination Appeals:** An Athlete may appeal to Cycling New Zealand against their non-nomination to the NZOC by the Cycling New Zealand Nomination Panel provided that the Athlete has returned a completed:

- (a) Athlete Application to the NZOC by the Application Date; and
- (b) Athlete Agreement to the NZOC by the Nomination Date.

- 6.2 **Procedures for Nomination Appeals:** Any appeal under paragraph 6.1 must be made in accordance with the procedures set out in clause 13 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

7. Inconsistencies

- 7.1 **NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation:** In the event there is any inconsistency between this Nomination Criteria and the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation, the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation shall prevail.

- 7.2 **UCI Qualification System:** If this Nomination Criteria imposes a higher qualification standard or a lesser number of participants than stated by the UCI Qualification System, this shall not be regarded as an inconsistency.

8. Amendments to this Nomination Criteria

- 8.1 **Prior to Nomination Date:** This Nomination Criteria may be amended or supplemented from time to time by the Board, before the Nomination Date, provided NZOC has approved the amendment/s and supplement/s.

- 8.2 **Notice:** The Board will give as much notice as possible of any amendment/s or supplement/s made under clause 8.1 to this Nomination Criteria, to persons it considers may be affected by any such amendment/s or supplement/s.

9. Definitions

- 9.1 **Additional Events** means events where results and performances may be considered by each relevant Discipline Panel.

- 9.2 **Application Date** means 30 March 2018, by which Athletes must submit a completed Athlete Application in accordance with clause 8.3 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.
- 9.3 **Athlete** means a person who wishes to be considered for nomination to the Games Team.
- 9.4 **Athlete Agreement** means the agreement that must be completed by any Athlete wishing to be considered for nomination and selection to the Games Team in accordance with clause 8.4 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.
- 9.5 **Athlete Application** means the form set by the NZOC that must be completed by any Athlete applying to be nominated and selected to the Games Team.
- 9.6 **Board** means the Board of Cycling New Zealand as constituted under the Constitution.
- 9.7 **Chief Executive** means the Chief Executive Officer of Cycling New Zealand and includes his / her nominee.
- 9.8 **Constitution** means the Constitution of Cycling New Zealand.
- 9.9 **Cycling Event** means one of the following events in the Games in which an Athlete competes:

Men's Events	Women's Events	Mixed Events
Men's combined (Road: road race, criterium, time trial) and (Mountain Bike: cross-country, eliminator, short track)	Women's combined (Road: road race, criterium, time trial) and (Mountain Bike: cross-country, eliminator, short Track)	BMX Freestyle Park mixed team
		BMX Race mixed team

- 9.10 **Cycling New Zealand** means Cycling New Zealand Incorporated.
- 9.11 **Games** means the 2018 Youth Olympic Games to be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina from 6 – 18 October 2018.
- 9.12 **Games Team** means the New Zealand Team at the Games selected in accordance with the NZOC Selection Policy for the Games.
- 9.13 **Key Events** means a national competition listed in clause 4.2(b) which is a major or pinnacle domestic event for the sport which will identify athletes likely to perform at the games. Attendance at these events will be considered as mandatory unless covered by clause 5 Extenuating Circumstances.
- 9.14 **Nominated Athlete** means an Athlete who has been nominated to the NZOC by Cycling New Zealand.
- 9.15 **Nomination Criteria** means the criteria made up of the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria and the Specific Nomination Factors, and is also referred to as "this Criteria".
- 9.16 **Nomination Date** means the date set out in clause 2.3 of this Nomination Criteria.

- 9.17 **NZOC** means the New Zealand Olympic Committee Incorporated.
- 9.18 **NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation** means the regulation of NZOC relation to the nomination and selection Process for all Olympic and Commonwealth games, including the Games.
- 9.19 **Over-Riding Nomination Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 4.2.
- 9.20 **Recommendation Date** means the date set out in clause 2.1 of this Nomination Criteria.