

SELECTION POLICY FOR CANADIAN ROAD CYCLING TEAM FOR THE XXX OLYMPIAD

Note: This policy document was written in English and translated to French. In case of any wording discrepancies between the English and French versions of the selection policy, the English wording takes precedence.

INTRODUCTION

This Policy is in two parts. **Part A** sets out the background and procedure for selection of riders to all Canadian Road Pools and Teams. **Part B** sets out the general selection objective and criteria and **Schedule 1** sets out the Specific Selection Criteria for each gender and Event. **Annex A** is the International Cycling Union Olympic Qualification Process.



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Canadian Cycling Association**

CCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND HIGH PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE APPROVED

A - GENERAL

Part A of this Policy sets out the scope and purpose of the Policy, who it applies to, the procedure of the Canadian Cycling Association (CCA) Selection Committee and High Performance Committee, the eligibility and communication requirements for riders seeking selection and how this Policy can be amended.

1. SCOPE AND PURPOSE OF POLICY

1.1 This Policy is issued by the CCA to clearly set out the process and criteria on which riders will be selected to be members of the Olympic Road Pools and Teams.

1.2 This Policy covers the selection of riders to Pools and Teams for the following Events:

Event Date	Event	Category
July 28 th , 2012	Men's Olympic Road Race	Elite men
July 29 th , 2012	Women's Olympic Road Race	Elite women
August 2 nd , 2012	Women's / Men Olympic individual time trial	Elite women/men

2. APPLICATION OF THIS POLICY

2.1 This Policy shall take effect on April 1st, 2011.

2.2 This Policy applies to all members of the CCA and all riders wishing to be considered for selection to the Road Pools and Road Teams.

3. DEFINITIONS

3.1 The words used in this Policy shall have the following meanings:

Canadian Team means the men's and women's teams of riders that are selected to represent Canada in Events as defined in this Policy, also referred to as "**the Team**".

CCES means the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport.

Due Date means the date by which any written applications for exemption to the pre-condition requirements set out in clause 8.1 must be received by the HPD as specified in each project's selection criteria.

Eligible means a rider that has satisfied the requirements in clause 5 of this Policy and in terms of eligibility to be selected for a Road Pool or Team, also means the rider has satisfied the requirements in the applicable Schedule for the rider's gender and Event.

Event means the different events held at competitions for the cycling sport. For example, events for Road include both time trial and road race events unless specified otherwise.

HPD means the CCA's High Performance Director.

In Writing means a written letter that is sent through the mail, a letter that is sent via facsimile, or a letter that is sent electronically through e-mail.

Coach means the person appointed as coach for the Road Team.

Pool is a group of riders that have been selected, and from which a Team is ultimately selected.

Selection Committee means the committee appointed by the CCA High Performance Committee to oversee the process of applying the criteria in this document to nominate riders to the men's and women's Road Pools and Teams. The Selection Committee (http://www.canadian-cycling.com/cca/nat_team/pdfs/advisory_reference.pdf) is comprised of the HPD, the National Team Coach and two additional representatives having expertise in Road and Time Trial Events. Recommendations of the Selection Committee must ultimately be approved by the CCA High Performance Committee.

Selection Criteria means the criteria specified in Part B of this Policy including the Specific Selection Criteria set out in sections 1 through 7 of Schedule 1.

Selection Date means the date that selections ratified by the CCA High Performance Committee are announced, as specified in Schedule 1.

Sport Coordinator means the person who assists the National Team Coach with administrative duties.

UCI means the International Cycling Union, which is the international association of national cycling federations of which the CCA is the national federation of Canada.

UCI Cycling Regulations means the regulations issued by UCI from time to time that regulate the sport of cycling.

Olympic Cycling Team means riders selected by HPC to constitute the Canadian Olympic team in all cycling sports

4. SELECTION COMMITTEE

4.1 The Selection Committee will have sole authority to apply the criteria in this Policy and to recommend riders to Pools, and from Pools to recommend riders to form the Canadian Team. The final decision on selection of Pools and Teams will rest with the CCA High Performance Committee.

5. ELIGIBILITY

5.1 To be eligible for consideration for selection to the Canadian Olympic Road Pool or Team, each rider seeking selection must:

- a. Be a Canadian citizen at the time of application for their CCA license, (including UCI International License) unless specified otherwise in the UCI Cycling Regulations;
- b. Have a current racing license issued by the CCA or by another federation affiliated with the UCI with the license marked 'CAN';
- c. Complete and sign the application form for selection and provide it in writing to the HPD by the Due Date. The HPD may, in his/her sole discretion, accept an application received after the Due Date.
- d. Have read the CCA Athlete Agreement and have signed and returned to the CCA the execution page of the CCA Athlete Agreement by the Due Date. It is a condition of this Agreement that the rider agrees to

participate in and meet all competition, training and participation requirements as determined by the HPD or National Team Coach. Failure to do so may result in removal from the Pool or from the Team.

- e. Comply with the communication requirements set out in clause 5.2 of this Policy.
- f. Be available for sample collection and have provided accurate and up-to date whereabouts information on a regular basis as directed by the UCI and/or CCES pursuant to the Canadian Anti-Doping Program, and the rules, regulations and policies of the UCI, CCA and the World Anti-Doping Code.
- g. The rider must not be under suspension or any other sanction by any recognized body for any doping or doping-related offence.

5.2 Communication

- a. Each rider who has indicated his or her wish to be considered for selection must ensure their full contact details have been provided to the HPD and/or Sport Coordinator. This information will be used for monitoring of a rider's progress, for communicating important information regarding selection, and for the administration of the rider's whereabouts information to ensure compliance with the Canadian Anti-Doping Program and the World Anti-Doping Code.
- b. The contact details and any other correspondence should be forwarded to:

Jacques Landry, copied to Matthew Knight (road@canadian-cycling.com)
High Performance Director – Head Coach
Email jacques.landry@canadian-cycling.com
Phone 1-613-248-1353
Fax 1-613-248-9311

- c. The contact details will be forwarded to the National Team Coach and Sport Coordinator for his/her attention. It is their responsibility to contact the rider as soon as practicable, and once the rider has been contacted, it is the rider's responsibility to communicate with the National Team Coach on the progress of their training and their performance results.

6. AMENDMENT TO THIS POLICY

- 6.1 This Policy, including the general Selection Criteria and the Specific Selection Criteria in Schedule 1, may be amended or supplemented, particularly where matters arise which have not been anticipated or provided for. All amendments must be approved by the CCA Board of Directors before taking effect. Upon approval, the HPD will communicate in writing any amendment or supplement and will endeavor to give as much notice as possible to all persons affected by any such amendment or supplement.

PART B - SELECTION CRITERIA

Part B of this Policy sets out the selection objective and general selection criteria for selection to Pools and Teams.

7. SELECTION OBJECTIVE

7.1 The objective of CCA is to select the Teams to compete in the Road and Time Trial Events at the XXX Olympic Games.

8. PRE-CONDITIONS TO SELECTION:

8.1 In addition to the eligibility requirements (clause 5), and subject to clause 8.2 (Exemption) any pre-conditions to selection are specified in **Schedule 1**.

8.2 **Exemption:** A rider may be exempted from any pre-condition requirement in clause 8.1 only on approval of a written application to the HPD setting out the reasons for not meeting this requirement. This application must be made by the Due Date as specified in **Schedule 1**. The Selection Committee will determine whether or not to grant an exemption and will advise the rider of their decision as soon as practicable and not less than seven (7) days after receipt of the request.

9. SPECIFIC SELECTION CRITERIA

9.1 Any rider who is Eligible and has met the pre-conditions (clause 8), if any, and seeks selection to a Team must achieve the Specific Selection Criteria set out in **Schedule 1** in order to be considered for inclusion in the Pool and ultimate selection to the Team:

10. OTHER FACTORS THAT WILL BE CONSIDERED

10.1 In addition to the Specific Selection Criteria of Schedule 1, the Selection Committee **will** take into account the following other factors in nominating riders for any Pool or Team:

- a. The rider's internationally sanctioned competition results for any events in the 12 month period prior to the being considered for selection to a Pool or Team);
- b. Consistent and successful individual and team performances of the rider in the 12 month period prior to being considered for selection to a Pool or Team in domestic and international sanctioned competition;
- c. The rider's UCI individual classification for specific Events for the 12 month period prior to being considered for selection to a Pool or Team;
- d. The rider's UCI World Cup points and results for the 12 month period prior to being considered for a Pool or Team;
- e. The rider's ability to work in a team structure in team-based events, including working as part of a team and contributing towards a team result;
- f. The rider's ability to perform the roles of time triallist, climber or sprinter, and the rider's all-round riding ability;
- g. The rider's technical ability including their racing approach (aggressive vs. passive), bicycle handling skills, racing skills and tactics;
- h. The results of any of the rider's sport science tests including biomechanical and physiological assessment;

- i. The performance of any rider who has been involved in an intense training or competition program in the 12 month period prior to being considered for a Pool or Team;
- j. The nature of the course on which the Event is being held;
- k. The effect of environmental conditions on performances in Events;
- l. The rider's attendance, performance, attitude and conduct in training while a member of National Team program (project competition and training camp);
- m. The rider's demonstrated understanding and respect for the position on a Canadian Team;
- n. The rider's demonstrated willingness to promote cycling in a positive manner;
- o. The rider's demonstrated ability to take personal responsibility for self and their results; and
- p. The rider's proven ability to be reliable.

11. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

11.1 In considering the performances and results of riders at events, trials, training camps or other activities required under this Policy, the Selection Committee may, in its sole discretion, consider extenuating circumstances in accordance with this Policy.

11.2 For the purposes of this Policy, 'extenuating circumstances' means an inability to compete, attend training camps or perform at an optimum level due to injury or illness (which is documented at the time of occurrence), travel delays caused by carriers, or other extraordinary events that are beyond the knowledge and the control of the rider.

11.3 Riders unable to compete at events, training camps, trials, or other activities required under this Policy must advise the HPD of the extenuating circumstances in writing, with as much advance notice as possible (ideally seven (7) days) prior to the commencement of the events, training camps, trials, or other activities upon which selection may be considered under this Policy.

11.4 In the case of injury or illness, riders must provide a doctor's certificate and/or undergo a medical examination by a medical practitioner nominated by the CCA, in order for the Selection Committee to consider whether the illness or injury represents an extenuating circumstance.

11.5 Extenuating circumstances will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Selection Committee. .

12. OTHER SELECTION MATTERS

12.1 **Factors Pertaining to Team Size:** Where more than the number of riders permitted by the maximum Pool or Team size as specified in the relevant Schedule achieves the Selection Criteria, the Selection Committee shall decide which riders are to be nominated. For this reason, achievement of the Selection Criteria does **not** guarantee selection to a Pool or Team.

12.2 **Naming of alternates:** Once riders are named to the Team based on the quota numbers set by UCI (See Annex A) additional riders will be named as alternates. The number of alternates nominated will be equal to 50 percent of the amount of quota spots allocated by UCI for a given Event. Riders named as alternates must have already been named to the Pool and will be ranked in priority order.

12.3 **Right to Vary or Not Enter Teams:** The CCA reserves the right to enter a smaller Team or no Team at all in any Event.

13. SELECTIONS FOR START LIST

13.1 Once a Team is selected for an Event, the HPD and/or the relevant National Team Coach will have complete discretion to determine from amongst the entire Olympic Cycling Team, the riders to start in each event on the basis of the performances, fitness, and health of the riders and the nature of the course or Event.

13.2 The determination and maximum number of riders to start in each Event will be in accordance with the permitted starting numbers/quotas set out by the UCI for each discipline.

14. REMOVAL FROM CANADIAN TEAM

14.1 A rider may be removed from a Canadian Pool or Team by the High Performance Committee if he or she:

- a. Fails to comply with this Policy;
- b. Fails to comply with:
 - i. the CCA Athlete Agreement and/or National Team policy;
 - ii. the Canadian Anti-Doping Program;
 - iii. the rules of any event, competition or activity in which the rider has been requested to participate;
 - iv. any reasonable instruction or request by the National Team Coach or HPD;
- c. Brings him/herself, another rider in a Pool or Team, the Pool or Team as a whole, an official, CCA, or cycling generally, into disrepute;
- d. Has a significant illness or injury which in the opinion of the CCA will prevent the rider from continuing to meet the Selection Criteria which established the basis for his or her selection to the Pool or Team; or *
- e. Fails to consistently maintain the level of performance and/or results, or to maintain any one or more of the other factors set out in the applicable Selection Criteria.

(*) In order to render a removal decision based on clause 14.1 d the HPC would have to, following consultation with the national team physician or designate, provide documented proof of said illness or injury

15. APPEALS

15.1 Appeals will be heard under the CCA Appeals Policy. Appeals are limited to recommendations of the Selection Committee to nominate or not nominate a rider to a Team, and decisions ratified by the High Performance Committee. For greater clarity, a rider's non-nomination or non-selection to a Pool may not be appealed. (http://www.canadian-cycling.com/cca/about/documents/appeals_policy.pdf)

SCHEDULE 1 – 2012 OLYMPIC GAMES

1. GENERAL

1.1 **Events:** This Schedule covers selection for the Women's and Men's Road Teams for the following Events:

Event Date	Event
July 28 th , 2012	Men's Olympic Road Race
July 29 th 2012	Women's Olympic Road race
August 2 nd 2012	Men's and Women's Individual Time Trial

1.2 **Sanctioned Competition or Authorized Event:** In order to be considered for selection to the Olympic Road Pool or Team riders must achieve the Selection Criteria set out in this Schedule while participating in a UCI sanctioned competition or a CCA sanctioned competition and while using a Road bike that complies with the UCI Cycling Regulations.

1.3 **Other Factors:** Any selection to a Pool or Team for any one of the Events is subject to this Policy (including clause 10 (Other Factors), 11 (Extenuating Circumstances) and 12 (Other Selection Matters).

1.4 **Time Period:** Riders must achieve the Specific Selection Criteria set out in this Schedule within the time period commencing 1 April 2011 and concluding midnight (Eastern Standard Time) on the 31 May 2012 for elite women and 2 May 2012 for elite men.

2. 2012 OLYMPIC GAMES – WOMEN'S POOL FOR THE ROAD AND TIME TRIAL EVENTS

2.1 **Objective:** Select into the Pool the best Canadian riders who could lead to an Olympic medal in both the Olympic road race and time trial events

2.2 **Selection:** This Section applies to all female riders seeking selection to the Pool for selection to the Road Teams to attend the 2012 London Olympic Games for the road and time trial Events, including the July preparation camp (full preparation program to be published around November 2011).

2.3 **Pool Size:** up to 10 riders.

2.4 **Eligibility:** All female licensed riders that reach the age of 19 or older in 2012 (See *UCI Olympic Games participation clause 11.1.003* (<http://bit.ly/hoINHR>)), who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.

2.5 **Selection Date:** The names of riders selected to the Pool will be announced on or about June 6th 2012.

2.6 **Automatic Selection:** The following riders will be automatically selected to the Pool:

- The Elite Women's Canadian Road Race Champion 2011;
- The Elite Women's Canadian Time Trial Champion 2011;
- Best place finisher at the 2011 road world championships in the road race event;
- Best place finisher at the 2011 road world championships in the individual time trial event;
- The top ranked Canadian rider in the UCI Rankings as at May 31st 2012.
- Medalist at the 2012 Pan American Championships Road race and/or Time trial

2.7 **Additional Selection Criteria:** In considering the additional riders to be selected to the Pool the Selection Committee shall take into account:

- The rider's UCI rankings as at May 31st 2012; and
- The rider's performance and results in the 2011 Canadian Road Race Championships, the Canadian 2011 Elite Women's Time Trial Event, and at UCI World Cup or other approved international events from April 1 2011 to May 31 2012; and
- Items listed in clause 10.1 of this Policy.

2.8 **Pre-participation requirements:** All riders seeking selection to the Women's Road Team must complete an international participation period of at least one (1) month in a CCA-approved Team training and racing program prior to the 2012 Olympic Games.

3. 2012 OLYMPIC GAMES – ELITE WOMEN'S ROAD TEAM

3.1 **Objective:** Select the best Canadian riders who could lead to an Olympic medal in both the Olympic road race and time trial Events

3.2 **Selection:** This Section applies to all female riders seeking selection to the Canadian Road Team to perform at the 2012 Olympic Games road race Event.

3.3 **Team Size:** The maximum size of the Team for the Road Event is 4 riders. The UCI will determine the final team quota size per country on June 1, 2012.

3.4 **Selection Date:** The names of riders selected to the Team will be announced by the High Performance Committee on or about the 18th of June 2012.

3.5 **Selection Criteria:** In considering the riders to be nominated to the Women's Team the Selection Committee shall take into account in no specific order:

- The performance of riders selected to the Pool; and
- Other Factors, Extenuating Circumstances, and Other Selection Matters as set out in clauses 10 to 12 of this Policy.

3.6 **Selection to More than One Team:** Only riders selected to the Road Team can compete in the individual time trial Event.

3.7 **Naming of alternates:** Once the riders are named to the Team based on the set quota numbers set by UCI (See Annex A) additional riders will be named as alternates. The number of alternates nominated will be equal to 50 percent of the amount of quota spots allocated by UCI for a given Event. Riders named as alternates must already be named into the Pool and will be ranked in priority order.

3.8 **Pre-Condition:** All riders seeking selection to the Women's Road Team must complete an international participation period of at least one (1) month in a CCA-approved Team training or racing program prior to the 2012 Olympic Games.

4. 2012 OLYMPIC GAMES – WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL TIME TRIAL

4.1 **Objective:** Medal performance

4.2 **Selection:** This section applies to all female riders seeking selection to the Canadian Road Team to perform at the 2012 Olympic Games in the time trial Event.

- 4.3 **Team Size:** The maximum size of the Team for the time trial Event may be up to two (2) riders. The CCA reserves the right to name one (1) or no rider to the Event if, in the opinion of the Selection Committee, the performance objective cannot be met.
- 4.4 **Selection Date:** The name of the rider(s) selected to the Event will be announced by the High Performance Committee on or about 18th June 2012.
- 4.5 **Selection Criteria:** In making its selection decision, the Selection Committee shall take into account the following in no specific order:
- The rider's performances in major international individual time trials; and
 - Other Factors, Extenuating Circumstances, and Other Selection Matters as set out in clauses 10 to 12 of this Policy.
- 4.6 **Naming of alternates:** From the riders named to the Road Team the Selection Committee will nominate one alternate.

5. 2012 OLYMPIC GAMES – MEN'S POOL FOR THE ROAD AND TIME TRIAL EVENTS

- 5.1 **Objective:** Select into the Pool the best Canadian riders who could lead to an Olympic medal in both the Olympic road race and time trial events.
- 5.2 **Selection:** This Section applies to all male riders seeking selection to the Pool for selection to the Road Team to attend the 2012 London Olympic Games for the road and time trial Events, including the July preparation camp (full preparation program to be published around November 2011).
- 5.3 **Pool Size:** Up to 12 riders.
- 5.4 **Eligibility:** All male licensed riders that reach the age of 19 or older in 2012 (*See UCI Olympic Games participation clause 11.1.003 (<http://bit.ly/noINHR>)*), who are Canadian citizens in possession of a UCI license with a nationality designation of CAN.
- 5.5 **Selection Date:** The names of riders selected to the Pool will be announced on or about May 11th 2012.
- 5.6 **Automatic Selection:** The following riders will be automatically selected to the Pool:
- The Elite men's Canadian Road Race Champion 2011;
 - The Elite men's Canadian Time Trial Champion 2011;
 - Best place finisher at the 2011 road world championships in the road race event;
 - Best place finisher at the 2011 road world championships in the individual time trial event;
 - The top ranked Canadian rider in the UCI World Tour Rankings as at May 2nd 2012;
 - The top ranked Canadian rider in the UCI Continental Tour Rankings as at May 2nd 2012;
 - The top ranked Canadian rider in the UCI World Tour Rankings as at October 16th 2011;
 - The top ranked Canadian rider in the UCI Continental Tour Rankings as at October 16th 2011;
 - Medalist at the 2012 Pan American Championships Road race and/or Time trial

5.7 **Additional Selection Criteria:** In considering the additional riders to be selected to the Pool the Selection Committee shall take into account:

- The rider's UCI World Tour and/or Continental Tour rankings as at May 2nd 2012;
- The rider's UCI World Tour and/or Continental Tour rankings as at October 16th 2011;
- The rider's performance and results in the 2011 Canadian Road Race Championships, the Canadian 2011 Elite men's Time Trial Event, and approved international events from April 1 2011 to May 2nd 2012; and
- Items mentioned in clause 10.1 of this Policy.

5.8 **Pre-participation requirements:** All riders seeking selection to the Men's Road Team must complete an international participation period of at least one (1) month in a CCA-approved Team training and racing program prior to the 2012 Olympic Games.

6. 2012 OLYMPIC GAMES – ELITE MEN'S ROAD TEAM

6.1 **Objective:** Select the best Canadian riders who could lead to an Olympic medal in both the Olympic road race and time trial Events

6.2 **Selection:** This Section applies to all male riders seeking selection to the Canadian Road Team to perform at the 2012 Olympic Games road race Event.

6.3 **Team Size:** The maximum size of the Team for the road Event is 5 riders. The UCI will determine the final team quota size per country on November 1 2011.

6.4 **Selection Date:** The names of riders selected to the Team will be announced by the High Performance Committee on or about the 1st of June 2012.

6.5 **Selection Criteria:** In considering the riders to be nominated to the Men's Team, the Selection Committee shall take into account in no specific order:

- The performance of the riders selected to the Pool; and
- The Other Factors, Extenuating Circumstances, and Other Selection Matters as set out in clauses 10 to 12 of this Policy.

6.6 **Selection to More than One Team:** Only riders selected to the Road Team can compete in the individual time trial Event.

6.7 **Naming of alternates:** Once the riders are named to the Team based on the set quota numbers set by UCI (See Annex A) additional riders will be named as alternates. The number of alternates nominated will be 50 percent of the amount of quota spots allocated by UCI for a given Event. Riders named as alternates must already be named to the Pool and will be ranked in priority order.

6.8 **Pre-Condition:** All riders seeking selection to the Men's Road Team must complete an international participation period of at least one (1) month in a CCA-approved Team training or racing program prior to the Olympic Games.

7. 2012 OLYMPIC GAMES – MEN'S INDIVIDUAL TIME TRIAL

7.1 **Objective:** Medal performance

7.2 **Selection:** This Section applies to all male riders seeking selection to the Canadian Road Team to perform at the 2012 Olympic Games in the time trial Event.

7.3 **Team Size:** The maximum size of the Team for the time trial Event may be up to two (2) riders. The CCA reserves the right to name one (1) or no rider to the Event if, in the opinion of the Selection Committee, the performance objective cannot be met.

7.4 **Selection Date:** The names of riders selected to the Team will be announced by the High Performance Committee on or about June 1st 2012.

7.5 **Selection Criteria:** The Selection Committee shall take into account the following in no specific order:

- The rider's performances in major international individual time trials; and
- Other Factors, Extenuating Circumstances, and Other Selection Matters as set out in clauses 10 to 12 of this Policy.

7.6 **Naming of alternates:** From the riders named to the Road Pool the Selection Committee will nominate one alternate.

UNION CYCLISTE INTERNATIONALE

Road Cycling

A. Events (4)

MEN'S EVENTS (2)	WOMEN'S EVENTS (2)
Mass start Time trial	Mass start Time trial

B. Quota

	QUALIFICATION
Men	145
Women	67
TOTAL	212

Quota by nation

	QUOTA PER NOC BY UCI RANKING <small>(INCLUDES THE 2 MAXIMUM PLACES FOR THE TIME TRIAL EVENTS)</small>	QUOTA PER NOC BY ANOTHER CRITERIA
Men	5	1
Women	4	1
TOTAL	9	2

C. Athlete Eligibility

ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY
<p>All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force and only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games.</p> <p>All the qualified athletes whose participation in one of the cycling disciplines is confirmed will have the right to be entered in other cycling events provided that the limits for participation per NOC and per event are respected.</p>

D. Qualification System

QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

Each athlete who meets the selection criteria in an individual event qualifies his/her NOC for a place in this event. A place earned like this is not nominative and will be awarded to the athlete of the NOC's choice.

MASS START PLACES

System in detail:

MEN

CRITERION N° 1: UCI FINAL RANKING BY NATION 2011, IN ORDER OF THE FOLLOWING TOURS:

UCI WorldTour ranking (1, 3 and 4)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 10 (5 and 6)*	5	50
	Ranked 11 to 15 (5 and 6)*	4	20
Sub-total			70

UCI Africa Tour (1 and 2)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 (5 and 6)*	3	3
	Ranked 2 (5 and 6)*	2	2
Sub-total			5

UCI America Tour (1 and 2)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 3 (5 and 6)*	3	9
	Ranked 4 to 6 (5 and 6)*	2	6
Sub-total			15

UCI Asia Tour (1 and 2)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 (5 and 6)*	3	3
	Ranked 2 to 4 (5 and 6)*	2	6
Sub-total			9

UCI Europe Tour (1 and 2)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 6 (5 and 6)*	3	18
	Ranked 7 to 16 (5 and 6)*	2	20
Sub-total			38

UCI Oceania Tour (1 and 2)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 (5 and 6)*	2	2
Sub-total			2

Sub-total in accordance with criterion n°1	139
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* See special provisions.

CRITERION N° 2: RANKINGS FOR THE 2011 CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (7)*

2011 African Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 2* (8 and 9)	1	2

2011 American Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 2* (8 and 9)	1	2

2011 Asian Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 2* (8 and 9)	1	2

Sub-total in accordance with criterion n°2	6
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*See special provisions.

OVERALL TOTAL MEN'S MASS START EVENT	145
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WOMEN

CRITERION N° 1: UCI RANKING BY NATIONS OF 31.05.2012

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1 to 5 (5 and 6)*	4	20
	Ranked 6 to 13 (5 and 6)*	3	24
	Ranked 14 to 23 (5 and 6)*	2	20
Sub-total in accordance with criterion n°1			64

*See special provisions.

CRITERION N° 2: RANKING OF THE LAST CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS BEFORE 31.05.2012 (7)*

African Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1* (8)	1	1

American Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1* (8)	1	1

Asian Continental Championships (10)*

EVENT	Ranking by nation	Athletes qualified per NOC	Total number of athletes
Mass start	Ranked 1* (8)	1	1

Sub-total in accordance with criterion n°2	3
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OVERALL TOTAL WOMEN'S MASS START	67
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OVERALL TOTAL ROAD	212
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TIME TRIAL EVENT PLACES

The time trial event places are included in the total quota of cycling disciplines. Only the riders entered in the mass start event may take part in the individual time trial race. In the event of *force majeure* (fall, illness, etc.), the athletes from other cycling disciplines will be accepted for the individual time trial.

MEN

Participation CRITERION

A – According to the 2011 final ranking by nation of the following tours (2)*:	Ranking by nation	Number of riders per NOC	Total number
World Tour	Ranked 1 to 15	1	15
Africa Tour	Ranked 1	1	1
America Tour	Ranked 1 to 4	1	4
Asia Tour	Ranked 1 to 2	1	2
Europe Tour	Ranked 1 to 7	1	7
Oceania Tour	Ranked 1	1	1
B – According to 2011 World Championships	Individual ranking		
Individual elite time trial event	1 to 10 (9)*	1	10
Total TT			40

*See special provisions.

WOMEN

Participation CRITERION

A – According to UCI ranking by nation of 31.05.2012	Ranking by nation	Number of riders per NOC	Total number
World tour by nation	1 to 15	1	15
B – According to 2011 World Championships	Individual ranking		
Individual elite time trial event	1 to 10 (9)*	1	10
Total TT			25

*See special provisions

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- 1) An NOC may not have more qualified riders than it has riders ranked in the individual ranking of the tour concerned.
- 2) An NOC already qualified (according to criterion no. 1) or having obtained one place for the Time Trial event (according to participation criterion A) through the UCI WorldTour ranking cannot be taken into account to obtain places in the other tours. Therefore, the remaining ranked nations will be taken into consideration in accordance with the respective rank of the UCI Africa Tour, UCI America Tour, UCI Asia Tour, UCI Europe Tour and the UCI Oceania Tour.
- 3) An NOC not reaching its athlete quota through the UCI WorldTour Calendar rankings (special provision no. 1) may obtain places up to the number of places it was unable to obtain in its respective tour – the UCI Africa Tour, UCI America Tour, UCI Asia Tour, UCI Europe Tour and the UCI Oceania Tour (special provision no. 2) – but must not, however, exceed the athlete quota obtained in the UCI WorldTour ranking.
- 4) An NOC that has not obtained its athlete quota through the UCI WorldTour Calendar rankings, despite applying special provision n°3, will have its remaining athlete quota allocated:
 - 4.1 to the NOCs qualified through the UCI WorldTour ranking whose quota has been reduced in accordance with special provision n°5 in the order of the ranking;
 - 4.2 to Tripartite Commission Places.
- 5) Any NOC which is not qualified according to criterion n°1 will receive a place according to the following conditions:

MEN

- o **UCI WorldTour Calendar:** Each NOC with an athlete in the 2011 final individual UCI WorldTour ranking will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the UCI WorldTour Calendar 2011 final ranking by nation, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.
- o **UCI Africa Tour:** Each African NOC with an athlete in the top five in the 2011 final individual ranking of the Africa Tour will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the 2011 final ranking by nation for the Africa Tour, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.
- o **UCI America Tour:** Each American NOC with an athlete in the top 20 in the 2011 final individual ranking 2011 of the America Tour will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the 2011 final ranking by nation for the America Tour, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.
- o **UCI Asia Tour:** Each Asian NOC with an athlete ranked in the top 10 of the 2011 final individual ranking of the Asia Tour will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the 2011 final ranking by nation for the Asia Tour, in order to respect the total maximum number of

139 athletes.

- **UCI Europe Tour:** Each European NOC with an athlete in the top 200 of the 2011 final individual ranking of the Europe Tour will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the 2011 final ranking by nation for the Europe Tour, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.
- **UCI Oceania Tour:** Each Oceanian NOC with an athlete in the top three in the 2011 final individual ranking of the Oceania Tour will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified according to criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the 2011 final ranking by nation for the Oceania Tour, in order to respect the total maximum number of 139 athletes.

WOMEN

- Each NOC with an athlete among the first 100 in the UCI world individual ranking of 31.05.2012 will receive one place. Therefore, the NOCs qualified in accordance with criterion n°1 will have their allocated quota reduced by one athlete, in the reverse order of the UCI world ranking of 31.05.2012, in order to respect the total maximum number of 64 athletes.
- 6) If the number of NOCs qualified according to the individual ranking (special provision n°5) by tour exceeds the number of NOCs qualified on the same tour according to criterion n°1, the number of countries qualified according to the individual ranking will be decided in the order of the ranking of the number of nations qualified according to criterion n° 1.
 - 7) The NOCs qualified through a criterion other than the UCI ranking may have a maximum of only one rider - the NOC whose rider is ranked in the next place will qualify.
 - 8) If, among the riders occupying the qualification places, there are athletes representing an NOC already qualified according to criterion n°1, it is the NOC whose rider who is ranked in the next place in the competition concerned who will benefit from the right to participate.
 - 9) If, among the first 10 riders, there is more than one rider from the same NOC, we take into consideration the rider(s) of the following NOC(s) to reach the total number of 40 athletes (25 for women).
 - 10) The places not allocated by criterion 2 are re-allocated to the Tripartite Commission Places.

TRIPARTITE COMMISSION PLACES

Eligible NOCs may request invitations from the Tripartite Commission. However, none will be directly allocated in the quota for Road Cycling. If the commission receives any requests from NOCs for invitations which meet the criteria which have been set, these may be filled with places not used by the NOCs. This procedure shall be done in accordance with the steps defined in Section F of this qualification system.

On 1 November 2011, the International Olympic Committee will contact all those NOCs who are eligible to apply for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places.

The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places is 16 January 2012. In relation to the end of the qualification period, the Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the respective NOCs between 1 May and 9 July 2012.

Detailed information on Tripartite Invitation places is contained in the – Tripartite Commission Invitation Places - Information Paper for NOCs – which is included in the Games of the XXX Olympiad, London 2012 Qualification and Participation Criteria.

E. Confirmation process for quota places**CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES**

By 1 November 2011 (for men) and by 6 June 2012 (for women), the UCI will confirm the number of quota places obtained to each NOC/national federation concerned. Each NOC/national federation will have until 17 November 2011 (for men) and 15 June 2012 (for women) to confirm to the UCI whether it will be using these quota places. After this date, any vacant place (subsequent to any place(s) being given up by the NOC/national federation) will be allocated by the UCI between March and April 2012 (for men) and on 7 July 2012 (for women) as Tripartite Commission Invitations, then as reserve places.

F. Reallocation of unused quota places**REALLOCATION OF UNUSED IF QUOTA PLACES**

Any used IF quota place(s) within the reserved quota will be reallocated by the Tripartite Commission.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED TRIPARTITE COMMISSION PLACES

If the Tripartite Commission is not able to reallocate all of the places, they will be allocated using the process outlined below:

Reserves Places**Men**

- If the vacant place comes from an NOC qualified through the individual rankings of the continental tours or the UCI WorldTour Calendar, this place will be allocated as a priority to the nation qualified through the ranking by nation, which had their quota reduced through this provision.
- If a rider ranked in the top 10 in the elite time trial event of the 2011 World Championships represents an NOC that has not qualified for the road events, this NOC will receive a reserve place.
- Additional reserve places are then allocated in the order of the ranking by nation of the various tours of 15.10.2011, with one place per nation not yet qualified. These places are allocated as a priority to the continents that have not used their place.

Women

- If the vacant place comes from an NOC qualified through the individual rankings of the World Calendar, this place will be allocated as a priority to the nation qualified through the ranking by nation, which had their quota reduced through this provision (in the order of the ranking).
- If a rider ranked in the top 10 in the elite time trial event of the 2011 World Championships represents an NOC that has not qualified for the road events, this NOC will receive a reserve place.
- Additional reserve places are then allocated in the order of ranking by nations of 31.05.2012, with one place per nation not yet qualified.

G. Qualification timeline

DATE	MILESTONE
14 November 2010	Continental Championships for Africa - men's qualification (RWA)
20 February 2011	Continental Championships for Asia - men's qualification (THA)
8 May 2011	Continental Championships for America - men's qualification (COL)
16 October 2011	Establishment of the UCI WorldTour ranking, UCI Africa Tour, UCI America Tour, UCI Asia Tour, UCI Europe Tour and UCI Oceania Tour rankings
1 November 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadline by which the UCI must confirm to the NOCs the number of men's quota places obtained • IOC will contact all NOCs who are eligible to apply for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places
17 November 2011	Deadline by which the NOCs have to confirm the use of men's quota places obtained
2012 - dates TBC	Continental Championships - women's qualification (locations TBC)
16 January 2012	Deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places
March – April 2012	Reallocation of unused men's quota places
1 May – 9 July 2012	The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of Invitation Places to the NOCs
1 June 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of the women's elite ranking • Deadline by which the UCI must confirm to the NOCs the number of women's quota places obtained
15 June 2012	Deadline by which the NOCs must confirm the use of the women's quota places obtained
7 July 2012	Reallocation of unused women's quota places
9 July 2012	Deadline for London 2012 Organising Committee to receive entry forms