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2025 ESPORTS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION POLICY

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SECTION A – GENERAL INFORMATION

This document lays out the criteria to be used for selection to the Canadian team for the 2025 UCI Esports World Championships Semifinals.

The 2025 Esports world championships are in a similar format and on the same platform as in 2024. To qualify for the finals, athletes must qualify through a semifinal, which will be held virtually on Oct. 3, 2025, and is limited to 150 riders per gender.

The top 20 riders per gender from the semifinals will be invited to attend the finals person in Abu Dhabi, UAE, on Nov. 15, 2025. Flights and accommodation for the world championships will be paid by MyWhoosh.

Athletes can earn spots for the semifinal either through the public qualifier events hosted by MyWhoosh on Aug. 8 and Aug. 27, or by using one of Canada's quota spots. Canada has been awarded a quota of 4 women and 5 men for the semifinals; these positions will be allocated according to the specific criteria in Section C.

Cycling Canada will provide riders selected to the semifinal with administrative support, invitations to any preparation rides and events that Cycling Canada will host, and a jersey and bib shorts to be worn during the semifinal and, if they qualify, the World Championships.

Here is a calendar of important dates:

Date	Time	Event	Notes
Aug. 21, 2025	19:30 ET 20:30 ET	Cycling Canada community rides on worlds courses	Hosted by Cycling Canada on MyWhoosh
Aug. 23, 2025	12:00 ET	Cycling Canada qualifier (2 races)	Hosted by Cycling Canada on MyWhoosh
Oct. 3, 2025	TBC	UCI World Championship Semifinal	150 riders per gender, racing as part of their National Teams. Hosted by the UCI on MyWhoosh
Nov. 15, 2025	TBC	UCI Esports World Championship	20 riders per gender, racing as part of their National Teams. Hosted in person by the UCI

The technical guide and registration links for the Cycling Canada qualifier can be found on [this page](#) of the CC website.

For more information on the World Championships and the Public Qualifiers, please visit [this page](#) of the UCI website.

Athletes must meet the Eligibility Criteria in Section B to be considered for selection.

Selection decisions are based on the Specific Criteria in Section C.

Unless expressly stated in the Specific Selection Criteria, selections are subject the General Selection Policy found on the Cycling Canada website.



SECTION B – ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for selection to the Canadian team, an athlete must:

- Be a Canadian citizen.
- Have a valid Canadian passport that does not expire before the date required by the consular authorities of the country in which the event is being held.
- Be in compliance with all relevant CC, UCI and MyWhoosh requirements for eligibility and performance verification.
- Hold a valid UCI license indicating nationality as Canadian.
- Sign, submit and comply with the CC National Team Agreement.
- Have completed all relevant UCI, WADA and CCES anti-doping requirements.
- Have signed the consent form agreeing to be bound by the Universal Code of Conduct to prevent and address Maltreatment in Sport (UCCMS).
- Minors must have parental permission to participate in training programs and competitions.
- Have competed at the most recent Canadian Esports Championships or have an approved exemption per the Cycling Canada Canadian Championships Attendance Policy.

Additional eligibility requirements may be detailed in the Specific Selection Criteria below.

**SECTION C – SPECIFIC SELECTION CRITERIA**

Project		UCI Esports World Championships Semifinal
Competition date:	Oct. 3, 2025	
Competition location:	MyWhoosh virtual platform	
Category:	U23 and Elite (born 2006 and earlier)	
Team size:	4 Women 5 Men	
	<i>The team size is based on the quota allocated to Canada by the UCI.</i> <i>Cycling Canada reserves the right to modify the team size per Section 5 of the General Selection Policy.</i>	
Performance validation:	Athletes are subject to any applicable performance validation requirements of Cycling Canada, of the UCI, and of MyWhoosh.	
Selection panel:	Selection decision made by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chief Sport Officer (CSO)• Director of High-Performance Services (DHPS)• High Performance Committee	
Selection dates:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aug. 25 – CSO and DSHP, or delegates, submit selection recommendations to HPC• Aug. 27 – Selection decision approved; CC informs athletes; appeal period starts*• Sept. 4 – Appeal deadline <p>* Anyone not named in the selection decision must appeal by the deadline or they lose their right to appeal.</p>	
Selection criteria:	Elite women and elite men will be selected in the following order of priority until the quota is filled or there are no further athletes to be recommended: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Priority 1: The 2025 Canadian Esports Champion• Priority 2: Athletes participating in the Cycling Canada Esports qualifier, in the order of ranking using the points scales in Appendix A <p>One or more alternates may be named using the same criteria.</p> <p><i>If fewer athletes meet the selection criteria than quota spots available in each category, or if a rider declines selection, Cycling Canada reserves the right to add athletes to the team, at its discretion.</i></p>	
Self-funding:	Athletes are responsible for any fees and costs as outlined in the Athlete Fees Policy published on the Cycling Canada website. These costs will be communicated to the athlete at the time of selection. All outstanding project fees must be paid prior to the beginning of the project.	



APPENDIX – CYCLING CANADA ESPORTS QUALIFIER POINTS SCALES

Cycling Canada is hosting an Esports Qualifier consisting of two events held on Aug. 23, 2025.

The first will be held on the course that was used in the third leg of the 2024 Esports World Championships (four laps of 4.0 km, 68 m of elevation gain); the second will be held on the course that was used in the third leg (8.9 km, 203 m elevation).

Participants will be ranked based on points allocated to the finishers of each race as follows:

Finishing place	Points
1	40
2	38
3	36
4	34
5	32
6	30
7	28
8	26
9	24
10	22
11	20
12	18
13	16
14	14
15	12
16	10
17	8
18	0
19	6
20	2

Any ties will be broken by the athletes' finishing order in the second race.