



# 2026 Mountain Bike XCO Development Camp

Project title	2026 Mountain Bike XCO Development Camp
Overview:	This camp will provide Mountain Bike XCO athletes with the opportunity for warm-weather training under the supervision of National Team coaches.
Camp dates:	Dec. 6-14, 2026
Location:	Chula Vista CA USA
Camp size:	4 women who will be Junior in 2027 (born 2009-2010) 4 men who will be Junior in 2027 (born 2009-2010)  <i>CC reserves the right to increase, decrease or reconfigure the camp size per Clause 5 of the General Selection Policy.</i>
Selection panel:	Selection recommendation made by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cycling Canada Mountain Bike XCO Coach Panel (see CC website)</li> </ul> Selection reviewed and approved by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chief Sport Officer, or delegate</li> <li>• Director of High Performance Services, or delegate</li> </ul>
Selection dates:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sept. 29 – Application deadline</li> <li>• Oct. 1 – Coach Panel submits recommendations to CSO and DHPS or delegates</li> <li>• Oct. 3 – CC communicates selection to athletes; appeal period starts</li> <li>• Oct. 11 – Appeal deadline*</li> </ul> <p><i>* Anyone not named in the selection decision must appeal by the deadline or they lose their right to appeal.</i></p>
Prerequisites for selection:	To be considered for this project, athletes must meet the eligibility criteria below and complete the application form found on the CC website no later than the deadline indicated above.
Eligibility:	To be eligible for selection, an athlete must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be 17-18 years old on Dec. 31, 2027 (born 2009-2010).</li> <li>• Be a Canadian citizen.</li> <li>• Have competed in the most recent Canadian Mountain Bike XCO Championships, or have a valid exemption (see National Championships Attendance Policy on the CC website).</li> <li>• Be in compliance with all relevant CC and UCI requirements for eligibility.</li> <li>• Hold a valid UCI license indicating nationality as Canadian.</li> <li>• Sign, submit and comply with the CC National Team Agreement.</li> <li>• Have completed all relevant UCI, WADA and Sport Integrity Canada anti-doping requirements.</li> <li>• Have signed the consent form agreeing to be bound by the Universal Code of Conduct to prevent and address Maltreatment in Sport (UCCMS).</li> <li>• Minors must have parental permission to participate in training programs and competitions.</li> </ul> <p>Additional eligibility requirements may be detailed in the Specific Selection Criteria below.</p>
Selection criteria:	Athletes will be selected in the following order of priority until the quota is filled or there are no more eligible athletes: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Athletes selected to the 2026 MTB XCO World Championships in the junior category by order of selection.</li> </ol>



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>2. Athletes finishing top 5 in the Junior (U19 Expert) XCO at the 2026 Canadian Championships.</li><li>3. Athletes finishing top 3 in the U17 Expert XCO at the 2026 Canadian Championships.</li><li>4. Athletes finishing top 3 in the Junior (U19 Expert) XCO at a 2026 Canada Cup.</li><li>5. Athletes finishing top 3 in the U17 Expert XCO at a 2026 Canada Cup.</li><li>6. Athletes finishing within 110% of the winner's time at the 2026 Canadian Championships. Riders will be selected in the order of their finish in:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Junior (U19 Expert)</li><li>2) U17 Expert</li></ol></li><li>7. Athletes selected at the discretion of the Coach Panel based on:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Results and performances in 2026</li><li>• Consideration of health-related circumstances</li></ul></li></ol>
Self-funding:	<p>Athletes are responsible for the following costs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Travel costs to and from project.</li><li>• Project Fee per CC's National Team Athlete Fees Policy. The fee is based on the athlete's National Performance Pool status, the number of project days, the project location, and whether meals are provided. The fee may change if the project parameters change. Fees must be paid two weeks prior to the start of the project.</li></ul>

*All programming subject to change.*