U.S. Paralympics will support a Team USA roster to compete at 2017 UCI Masters Track World Championships in Carson, CA.

Eligibility for Consideration:
All athletes who wish to be considered must complete the online petition per the link below, by the deadline. Only athletes who meet the following criteria are eligible for consideration:

- Only current USA Cycling Annual *International* License holders, in the appropriate age-group are eligible to compete, including tandem pilots. Applicants must have a valid, international license at the time of application, or their application will not be considered.
- National classification with sport class status of NN-National New, NR-National Review, NC-National Confirmed; or
  - International classification with sport class status of R-Review, FRD-Fixed Review Date, or C-Confirmed

Criteria Guidelines:
The High Performance Director, U.S. Paralympics Cycling is responsible for applying the selection criteria set forth herein.

- The team’s maximum size will be ten (10) athletes, including tandem pilots, if applicable.
- No objective criteria will be applied.
- Discretionary nominations will be made based on review of eligible athlete petitions, in order to field the strongest team capable of meeting the Team USA goals for the event (see below).
- Athlete petitions must be submitted online and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. mountain daylight time on September 4, 2017 via the application linked at the following url:

https://app.e2ma.net/app2/survey/1720455/213030105/fd2b143c87/

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**Team USA Event Goals (in order of importance):**

1. Support up to ten (10) *elite athletes* with proven medal potential – or -- *development athletes* who require more international competition experience, but have demonstrated future medal potential in individual events, when looking toward Tokyo 2020.
2. Support enough athletes in the appropriate sport classes to field a podium-potential team sprint.

**Performance Criteria**

Performance criteria used to evaluate athlete performance for discretionary selection include, but are not limited to:

1. An athlete with a history of podium performances at international para-cycling, or domestic master’s cycling track events during the 2016 or 2017 season(s).
2. An athlete who demonstrates a trend of improving performance in international competition, that when extended to the Master’s Track World Championships, intersects the current international performance standards to ascend the podium at the event.
3. An athlete who has demonstrated future potential - through results and/or testing by Team USA high performance staff – but requires more international race experience to further improve their performance

**Athlete Support**

All nominated athletes will receive the following support, including but not limited to:

- $500 travel stipend (athletes are responsible to book their own travel to Carson)
- Hotel Accommodation
- Entry fees
- $150 Meal stipend (athletes are responsible to procure their own meals)
- Team USA high performance support - t.b.d. - leading up to, and during the competition(s)
- Team USA competition and casual clothing

All Team USA athletes will be required to stay at the official team hotel, and adhere to the schedule (t.b.d) set forth by Team USA High Performance staff.