



U.S. Paralympics Cycling
2018 UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup #3
Team USA Roster Selection Process
Baie Comeau, Canada, August 15-19, 2018
Travel Dates: August 12-20, 2018

U.S. Paralympics Cycling will support a Team USA roster to compete at 2018 UCI Para-cycling World Cup #3 in Baie Comeau, Canada.

Eligibility for Consideration:

Only athletes who meet the following criteria are eligible for consideration:

- Athletes holding a valid U.S. passport, not expiring before December 30, 2018
- Athletes holding a valid USA Cycling International (UCI) license for the 2018 season
- Athletes internationally classified with an international sport class status of R-review or C-confirmed - **or** - who have a National Sport Class status and will have an opportunity to be evaluated by an international classification panel at the World Cup.
- Athletes who submit a petition, per the link below.

Criteria Guidelines:

The Director, U.S. Paralympics Cycling, in consultation with the Athlete's Advisory Council (AAC) representative (or alternate) is responsible for applying the selection criteria set forth herein.

- The team's maximum size will be nineteen (19) athletes, including tandem pilots, if applicable.
- 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 Tuesday, July 17, 2018*** via the application linked at the following url:
<https://app.e2ma.net/app2/survey/1720455/213086100/4bdac74c34/>
 - *Athletes who do not submit a petition before the deadline are not eligible and will not be considered.*

Team USA Event Goals (in order of importance):

1. Support up to nine (9) *fully-funded athletes* with proven potential to win World Cup individual time trial and/or road race medals in their respective sport class.
2. Support up to ten (10) *partially-funded athletes* who require more international competition experience, but have demonstrated potential to earn a top-8 finish in individual events at the 2018 World Cup in Baie Comeau.
3. Support enough athletes in the appropriate sport classes to field at least one podium-potential handcycle relay team.

Performance Criteria

<i>Fully-funded Athletes (Up to 9 slots)</i>
Performance criteria used to evaluate athlete performance for discretionary selection under this step include, but are not limited to: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. An athlete who is currently the overall world cup leader in their respective, individual sport class.2. An athlete with a history of podium performances at UCI Para-cycling World Cup events during the 2017 or 2018 season(s).3. An athlete who demonstrates a trend of improving performance in international competition, that when extended to World Cup #3, intersects the current international performance standards to ascend the podium at the event.4. An athlete who can contribute to a gold medal winning performance in the handcycle relay at World Cup #3.
<i>Partially-funded Athletes (Up to 10 spots)</i>
Performance criteria used to evaluate athlete performance for discretionary selection under this step include, but are not limited to: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. An athlete who has demonstrated future potential to earn a top-8 finish at a UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup - through results and/or testing by Team USA high performance staff – but requires more international race experience to further improve their performance2. An athlete who has demonstrated future potential, and has not been internationally classified, but has a likelihood of being included on the classification schedule at World Cup #3.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Service Fee: Partially-funded athletes (up to 10) will be required to pay a service fee of \$1,400, due on or before October 31, 2018 (a payment plan is available).

*Athletes **must** submit a petition to be eligible for any of the slots listed above. Athletes who do not submit a petition before the deadline are not eligible and will not be considered.*

Athlete Support

All nominated athletes will receive the following support:

- Roundtrip airfare
- Ground transportation
- Baggage reimbursement up to \$400 (receipts required)
- Accommodations
- Entry fees
- Meals
- Team USA high performance support leading up to, and during the competition(s)
- Team USA competition and casual clothing
- Traveled insurance for the duration of the event

*Note: Team wheels and tires, as well as team helmets **will not be utilized** for this world cup. Athletes must supply their own equipment.*

Handcycle Relay Selection

U.S. Paralympics Cycling will field up to two (2) handcycle relay teams for the 2018 UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup #3 in Baie Comeau, based on results from a tryout in Baie Comeau on Tuesday, August 14, 2018.

Eligibility: Only athletes in eligible sport classes (men or women H1-5), who have already been named to the Team USA roster for the World Cup– or who are competing in Baie Comeau as independent athletes but have a USA Cycling international license with a USA Nationality -- are eligible.

Tryout: U.S. Paralympics Cycling High Performance staff will conduct a tryout on Tuesday, August 14th in Baie Comeau, utilizing a 2-3 kilometer section of the time trial or road race course. Each athlete will be timed on three different stopwatches, which will be averaged for each split.

- First, times from the tryout will be used to create a ranking list, as follows:
 - Each athlete will be given a result which is the combined time of their two fastest laps from the trout.
 - The ranking list will be sorted, first: by each athlete's point category per UCI rule 16.7.012, and second: by the results within each point group, fastest to slowest.
- Second, the three athletes with the fastest combination of times that do not exceed the six (6) points per UCI rule 16.7.012, will be named to Team USA relay team #1.
- Third the three athletes with the next fastest combination of times that do not exceed the six (6) points per UCI rule 16.7.012, will be named to Team USA relay team #2.

Replacement Athletes: In the event of an illness or injury which would a) render an athlete unable to compete, or b) limit the medal potential of the team, The Director, Paralympic Cycling, in consultation with the Associate Director, High Performance and the coaching staff shall select replacement athlete(s) based on results from the following events that would indicate an athlete has the potential to help team USA attain a high finish in the relay at World Cup #3:

- 2018 UCI Para-cycling World Cups #1 and #2 (handcycle relay)
- 2018 USA Cycling National Road Championships (TT, RR, or handcycle relay)
- 2017 UCI Para-cycling Road World Championships (handcycle relay)
- 2017 and 2018 UCI Para-cycling World Cups (handcycle relay)

Factors used to name substitute athletes may include, but are not limited to:

- Single or multiple lap split times from handcycle relays
- Per kilometer times from time trials
- Results attained in road races due to race awareness and tactical expertise