



U.S. Paralympics Cycling
2019 UCI Para-cycling Road World Cups 1 & 2
Team USA Roster Selection Process *updated: 3/20/2019*

Corridonia, Italy, May 9-12

Ostend, Belgium, May 16-19

Travel Dates: May 5 – 13 – or – May 5 – 20

U.S. Paralympics Cycling will provide full support for a Team USA roster to compete at 2019 UCI Para-cycling World Cup #1 in Corridonia, Italy, and partial support for a Team USA roster at 2019 UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup #2 in Ostend, Belgium.

Eligibility for Consideration for World Cup #1 (Team USA Roster)

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

- Athletes holding a valid U.S. passport, not expiring before December 30, 2019
- Athletes holding a valid USA Cycling International (UCI) license for the 2019 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.

Eligibility for Consideration for World Cup #2 (Team USA Roster):

Only athletes who have been selected to the Team USA roster for (and participate in) World Cup #1, will be eligible to compete for Team USA at World Cup #2.

Start Rights

Start rights are allocated by U.S. Paralympics Cycling, and athletes selected to the Team USA roster will have priority start rights. If, after all Team USA athletes have been entered, there are remaining start rights available for any classification(s), U.S. Paralympics Cycling will allocate additional start rights for independent athletes based on national road rankings as of December 31, 2018. Higher-ranked athletes will receive priority over lower-ranked athletes. In the event that two or more athletes apply to enter as independents, but there are limited start rights available and the athletes do not appear on the ranking list, the discretionary selection committee will allocate the remaining start rights.

Criteria Guidelines:

The Director, U.S. Paralympics Cycling is responsible for applying the selection criteria set forth herein.

- The Team USA roster's maximum size will be sixteen (16) athletes, not 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).

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- Athlete petitions must be submitted online and must be received ***no later than 5:00 p.m. mountain daylight time on Monday, April 1, 2019*** via the application linked at the following url:

<https://app.e2ma.net/app2/survey/1720455/213084813/ff2610b5ec/>

Athletes who do not submit a petition before the deadline are not eligible and will not be considered to be a part of the Team USA roster.

- Athlete selections will be made by a discretionary selection committee comprised of the following:
 - Director, U.S. Paralympics Cycling
 - Associate Director, High Performance, U.S. Paralympics Cycling
 - Athlete Representative

Entries

All U.S. athletes participating (as “Independent” or for Team USA) must be entered by U.S. Paralympics Cycling. Athletes who wish to compete as an *Independent* at either World Cup, must notify U.S. Paralympics Cycling of their intent to participate, no later than Monday, April 15, 2019, at 5:00 pm. To express an intent to participate, please send an email to: kyle.mckinnis@usoc.org

Team USA Event Goals (in order of importance):

1. Support up to twelve (12) *elite athletes* with proven potential to win individual time trial and/or road race medals in their respective sport class.
2. Support up to four (4) *development athletes* who require more international competition experience, but have demonstrated future medal potential in individual road events, when looking towards Tokyo 2020.

Performance Criteria

Performance criteria used to evaluate athlete performance for discretionary selection include, but are not limited to (in no particular order):

1. An athlete with a history of podium performances at UCI Para-cycling World Cup events during the 2017 or 2018 season(s).
2. An athlete who demonstrates a trend of improving performance in international competition, that when extended to World Cups 1 & 2, intersects the current international performance standards to ascend the podium at the event.
3. An athlete with potential to earn a top-5 performance in a classification and/or event for which U.S. Paralympics Cycling does not have another entrant.
4. An athlete with potential to help Team USA earn a podium result in the handcycling relay.

Notification

Athletes named to the Team USA roster for the event will be notified via email **on Wednesday, April 3, 2019.**

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Athlete Support

All athletes named to the Team USA roster will receive support as outlined below. Athletes selected for Team USA will be required to sign and abide by the U.S. Paralympics Cycling Athlete Agreement, Team Rules, and Travel Policies, as well as the USOC Athlete Code of Conduct.

If competing at World Cup #1 only*:

- Roundtrip airfare from home airport to/from Rome, Italy
- 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 (athletes will receive one set of clothing for the 2019 season)
- Traveled insurance for the duration of the event

If competing at World Cup #1 and World Cup #2 *:

- Airfare from home airport to Rome, Italy
- Airfare from Brussels, Belgium back to their home airport
 - Athletes competing for Team USA at world cup #2 will be responsible to pay for their own “intra-Europe” flight between Rome and Brussels. However, U.S. Paralympics Cycling will book the travel on behalf of the athlete and bill the athlete back. Athletes will fly without their bikes/equipment from Italy to Belgium.
- Equipment transport from Italy to Belgium (all equipment will be transported by truck)
- Ground transportation from Italy to Belgium, in Belgium during the event, as well as from Ostend to Brussels airport on 5/20.
- Baggage reimbursement up to \$400 (total for World Cups 1 and 2)
- Booking service for accommodations
 - Athletes will be responsible for the cost of accommodations and food at the Vayamundo hotel in Ostend. However, U.S. Paralympics Cycling will book the hotel rooms on behalf of the athlete, and will bill the athlete back.
- Entry Fees
- Team USA high performance support leading up to, and during the competition(s)
 - Staff at World Cup #2 will be limited and support will be truncated.
- Team USA competition and casual clothing (athletes will receive one set of clothing for the 2019 season)
- Traveled insurance for the duration of the event

** Athletes who compete as part of the Team USA roster at World Cup #1 are not required to compete at World Cup #2.*

- *Athletes who do not compete at World Cup #1 are not eligible to compete for the Team USA roster at World Cup #2, however, may compete as independents if start rights are available.*