



U.S. Paralympics Cycling
2022 UCI Para-cycling Road World Final (World Cup #3)
Team USA Roster Selection Process
& Information for Independent Athletes
Quebec City, August 4-7, 2022
Projected Travel Dates: Depart USA on July 31, Return on August 8

U.S. Paralympics Cycling will provide support for up to twenty (20) Team USA athletes (not including tandem pilots), for the 2022 UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup Final (World Cup #3) in Quebec City, Canada. All supported athletes will compete for Team USA and will receive the same level of support. Athletes not selected to the Team USA roster for the event may still be eligible to enter as independents, however will not be eligible for support from Team USA (“self-supported independents”).

Eligibility for selection to the Team USA Roster

Only athletes who meet the following criteria are eligible to be named to the Team USA roster:

- Athletes holding a valid U.S. passport, not expiring before December 30, 2022
- Athletes holding a valid USA Cycling International (UCI) license for the 2022 season
- Athletes internationally classified with an international sport class status of R-review or C-confirmed.
 - Athletes who do not have a current international classification of R-review or C-confirmed but are nationally classified are eligible for the Team USA roster and will be submitted by U.S. Paralympics Cycling for classification evaluation at the World Cup(s).
- Athletes who **submit an application by the deadline**, per the link below.
- Athletes in classifications with an available start right per the allocation process outlined below
- Athletes who have met the talent pool standard in the time trial at the 2022 U.S. Paralympics Cycling Open – or – who meet the emerging standard at the 2022 USA Cycling Para-cycling Road National Championships.

Online Application

The deadline to submit an application to be considered for the Team USA roster or for partial support as an independent is Thursday, July 7, 2022 at 5:00 pm, mountain time.

https://usoc.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0B70YxKT06a1xX0

Athletes who do not wish to apply for Team USA roster consideration, but still aim to compete at either World Cup as a self-supported independent should email Jenny Ryan no later than July 7th to notify her of their intent to compete:

jenny.ryan@usopc.org

Team USA Roster Selection

Up to 20 athletes (14 fully-funded, and 6 who are subject to a \$2,500 service fee as outlined below), not including tandem pilots will be selected to the Team USA roster for the World cup final. Three methods – in sequential order – will be utilized to select athletes to the roster:

- **First**, up to five (5) men and five (5) women, not including tandem pilots, will be selected based on results from the individual time trial at the 2022 USA Cycling Para-cycling Road National Championships in Chattanooga, TN (July 9, 2022)

- The top five (5) men and the top five (5) women - who have submitted applications - on the individual time trial ranking list(s) from the selection time trial will be named to the Team USA roster.
- To create ranking lists from the individual time trial, each finish time will be converted to a “result” by expressing it as a percentage of the 2022 *U.S. Paralympics Cycling National Standard*, per classification.
- Each Result will be rounded to the nearest one hundredth of a percent. Lower percentages are better than higher percentages (97% beats 99 % beats 103%). Result = (finish time/National Standard) x 100. All Results will then be utilized to formulate two ranking lists.
 - There will be a separate ranking list for men and women, which will include results for ordered from lowest percentage (best) to highest percentage.
- **Second**, up to four (4) athletes of any gender will be selected by a discretionary selection committee made up of the following staff and athletes:
 - Director, U.S. Paralympics Cycling
 - Associate Director, High Performance, U.S. Paralympics Cycling
 - Athlete Representative
 - Performance criteria used to evaluate athlete performance for discretionary selection (not in priority order) include, but are not limited to:
 - The athletes’ performances at the 2022 USA Cycling Para-cycling Road National Championships
 - The athlete’s performances at the 2022 U.S. Paralympics Cycling Open
 - An athlete with a history of podium performances at UCI Para-cycling World Cup events during the 2019, 2021, or 2022 season(s).
 - The athlete’s performances at UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup #1 and/or Road World Cup #2
 - An athlete who demonstrates a trend of improving performance in international competition, that when extended to the World Cups, intersects the current international performance standards help Team USA meet its goals at the event.
 - An athlete with potential to earn a top-5 performance in an individual event at the Road World Cup final.
 - An athlete with potential to help a teammate attain a top-3 finish in an event at the World Cup final.
 - An athlete who experiences an illness, injury, or other problem during the 2022 USA Cycling Para-cycling Road Nationals that made it impossible for them to compete, but who – based on performances from the 2019, 2021, or 2022 seasons – would have likely ranked high in the results in Chattanooga.
- **Third**, up to four additional (4) male athletes and up to two (2) additional female athletes, not including tandem pilots, will be selected based on results from the individual time trial at the 2022 USA Cycling Para-cycling Road National Championships in Chattanooga, TN (July 9, 2022).
 - The top four (4) men and the top two (2) women - who have submitted applications - on the individual time trial ranking list(s) from the selection time trial, and who have not already been named to the roster, will be named to the Team USA roster for the World Cup final.
 - **Athletes selected via this step in the process will be subject to a \$2,500 service fee**, however will receive full support (the same support as Team USA athletes selected in previous steps).

Handcycle Relay Selection Process

U.S. Paralympics Cycling will enter a minimum of one (1) team in to the Handcycle Relay at both World Cups.

U.S. Paralympics Cycling high performance staff **may** choose to enter a second relay, only if the team has adequate resources to manage the second team. The relay composition (3 athletes) must comply with the UCI rules on total points for mixed classification events.

- Team composition can be made-up of athletes who are selected to the Team USA roster for the event as individual athletes, or it can also include independent U.S. athletes.
 - The composition may be a mix of Team USA roster athletes and independent athletes, exclusively Team USA roster athletes, or exclusively independent athletes, however;
 - The roster entered in to the relay will be entered as a Team USA squad and will wear Team USA uniforms.
- The team(s) will be selected and named by the Director, U.S. Paralympics Cycling following the conclusion of the road race at the World Cup final in consultation with coaching staff.
- Performance criteria used to evaluate athlete performance for selection to the handcycle relay roster(s) include, but are not limited to:
 - The athlete's performance in Handcycle Relay events in 2019 and 2021, and 2022
 - The athlete's performance in the road race or the relay at the 2022 U.S. Paralympics Cycling Open
 - The athlete's performance in the road race or the relay at the 2022 USA Cycling Para-cycling Road National Championships
 - An athlete with potential to help Team USA win a medal in the Handcycle Relay at the 2022 UCI Para-cycling Road World Cup Final.
- Athletes will be notified if they earned a position on the Handcycle relay roster the evening before the relay.

Entries

- U.S. Paralympics Cycling will manage the entry and confirmation process for all U.S. athletes competing at the event.

Start Rights

- Start rights are managed by U.S. Paralympics Cycling and will be allocated as follows:
 - First priority: Athletes competing as part of the Team USA roster
 - Second priority: Self-supported independent athletes.
 - In the event that there are more USA athletes than available start rights after the prioritization above has been applied:
 - Athletes ranked higher on the selection time trial ranking list will receive priority over lower-ranked athletes.

Notification

- All athletes who apply will be notified of their outcome on or before July 10, 2022.
- All athletes must accept or decline their spot by 12:00 noon on July 12, 2022.

Participation Requirements

All athletes competing at the World Cups must adhere to the following requirements:

- Adult athletes must complete, or have completed within the last calendar year, the U.S. Center for SafeSport's Core training, or applicable Refresher training course if they have previously taken the Core training. The training must be completed prior July 7, 2022 and must be valid through the conclusion of the World Cup.
 - Please visit: <https://safesporttrained.org?KeyName=ILANlqlacGkGjSXcgZZ5>
 - Enter your information and click Sign Up create your account
 - Click on My Courses and begin your required training.
- Athletes are required to abide by all event and USOPC COVID-19 protocols, including testing and quarantines (if applicable).
- Athletes are required to abide by the USOPC Athlete Code of Conduct.
- Athletes must have completed a background check.

Athlete Support

Team USA:

- Entry into the event as a Team USA roster athlete
- Roundtrip airfare
- Ground transportation (athlete and equipment)
- Accommodations
- Baggage reimbursement up to \$400 (receipts required)
- Accommodations
- Entry fees
- Meals
- Race Day nutrition
- Team USA high performance support leading up to, and during the competition(s)
- Team USA competition gear and casual clothing
- Coordination and implementation of COVID-19 testing
- Traveled insurance for the duration of the event

Independents:

- Registration and confirmation as an independent athlete, coordinated by U.S. Paralympics Cycling
- Assistance with pre-event travel documents and travel authorization
- Facilitation of required COVID-19 testing
- Traveled insurance for the duration of the event

Travel Information

U.S. Paralympics Cycling will help coordinate quarantine and testing for all U.S. athletes. Travel protocols and restrictions are subject to change at any time without notice. U.S. Paralympics Cycling will keep athletes up-to-date on changes to the restrictions.

Classification

Athletes who attend the but do not yet have an international classification with a status of C-confirmed or R-review, should expect to go through a classification evaluation at the event and will be required to submit documentation within four (4) weeks prior to the start of competition.

For questions about this document, or entry in to the World Cup, please contact: jenny.ryan@usopc.org