

PART II – ROAD RACES

Rules amendments applying on **01.01.2020**

Chapter XV UCI WORLDTOUR

§ 3 UCI WorldTeams

Identity

2.15.049 A UCI WorldTeam consists of the holder of the UCI WorldTour licence, the riders registered with the UCI as members of the team, the paying agent, the sponsors and any other parties contracted by the paying agent to ensure the operation of the team (manager, sports director, coach, team doctor, paramedical assistant, mechanic, accountant etc.).

Each UCI WorldTeam must employ at least **23 27** riders, 4 sports directors and 10 other staff (coaches, doctors, paramedical assistants, mechanics, etc.) on a full-time basis for the whole registration year.

(text modified on 15.11.08; 1.02.12; 1.01.15; 12.01.17; 24.03.17; 1.01.20).

Financial audit

2.15.068 In the context of license and registration applications, the paying agent must provide (electronically) the following financial documentation to the auditor:

1. the audited accounts for the last financial year, with the audit report;
2. interim accounts to 30 June of the current year;
3. profit-and-loss account forecast for the current year;
4. forecast cashflow plan to the end of the current year;
5. annual budget for the registration year with explanatory notes;
6. monthly cashflow budget for the registration year;
7. financial plan for the period covered by the licence application or the remainder of the licence period.

The documents required must be drafted in accordance with the models and instructions drawn up by the administration of the UCI.

The documents required for the audit will also include all the contracts signed with riders. The number of these contracts, approved by the auditor, must be at least 10 by 1st October and 15 by 20 October.

All the contracts, numbering at least **23 27**, must be submitted to and approved by the auditor no later than 1st December.

Concerning riders' and staff contracts, a copy must be sent electronically to the auditor. The original document must be kept by the team and made available at any times if requested by the auditor.

The budget and the bank guarantee to be submitted by 1 October must take account of all the riders that the UCI WorldTeam or applicant intends to recruit.

(article introduced on 1.07.10; text modified on 1.04.11; 1.07.14; 1.01.15; 12.01.17; 1.01.20).

Riders

2.15.110 The number of riders in each UCI WorldTeam may not be fewer than **twenty-seven (27)** ~~twenty-three (23)~~. These riders will be exclusively from the men elite or men under 23 categories.

The maximum number of riders per UCI WorldTeam which may be registered with the UCI is restricted according to the number of new professionals under contract (within the meaning of article 7 of the joint agreement concluded between the CPA (Cyclistes Professionnels Associés) and the AIGCP (Association Internationale des Groupes Cyclistes Professionnels) in the following manner:

Minimum number of new professionals under contract to the UCI WorldTeam	Maximum number of riders registered with the UCI
0	28
1	29
2	30

If the number of riders proves to be less than the stipulated minimum, the UCI shall issue a warning to the UCI WorldTeam and allow it a period of grace of 30 days to regularize the situation. In the event of failure to do so, the UCI WorldTeam shall be liable for a fine of between CHF 10,000 and 100,000. To determine the fine, the UCI shall take account in particular of the reduction of the payroll costs from which the team benefits during the period for which its numbers fall short of the required minimum.

Payment of the fine does not release the UCI WorldTeam from the obligation to enlist the minimum number of riders again. If the failure to comply persists, the UCI WorldTeam shall be suspended.

The UCI WorldTeam is not obliged to replace a rider whom it has dismissed on grounds of a proven violation of the anti-doping regulations. In this regard, the fact that an A and B sample has tested positive is regarded as a proven violation of the anti-doping regulations.

(text modified on 20.10.05; 15.11.08; 1.01.10; 1.10.12; 1.07.13; 1.01.15; 1.07.18; 1.01.20).

Chapter XVI UCI PROFESSIONAL CONTINENTAL TEAMS

(chapter replaced on 1.09.04)

Identity

2.16.001 A UCI professional continental team is an organisation created to take part in road events open to UCI professional continental teams as per article 2.1.005. It is known by a unique name and registered with the UCI in accordance with the provisions below.

The UCI professional continental team comprises all the riders registered with the UCI as members of the team, the paying agent, the sponsors and all other persons contracted

by the paying agent and/or the sponsors to provide for the operation of the team (manager, sports director, coach, paramedical assistant, mechanic, etc.).

Each UCI professional continental team must employ at least ~~16~~ 20* riders, 3 sports directors and 5 other staff (paramedical assistants, mechanics, etc.) on a full-time basis for the whole registration year.

** Special provision for UCI professional continental teams outside of Europe: The minimum number of riders that a team must contract is respectively 16, 18 and 20 for seasons 2020, 2021 and 2022.*

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.07.12; 1.05.17; 1.01.20).

Chapter XVII UCI CONTINENTAL TEAMS

§ 1 General Conditions

2.17.004 A UCI Continental team or UCI women's continental team will comprise riders who may or may not be professional, in the elite and/or under 23 categories. It must have ~~between~~ **minimum 10 riders for UCI continental teams, 8 for UCI women's continental teams and a maximum of 16 riders for both categories.**

However, a UCI continental team shall also have the right to add up to 4 riders specialising in other endurance cycling disciplines (cyclo-cross; mountain bike: cross country; track: points race, scratch, pursuit, omnium) as long as the riders in question are among the top 150 of the last final UCI individual classification.

A UCI women's continental team may also add 4 riders specialising in one of the disciplines listed in the preceding paragraph, as long as the riders in question are among the top ~~400~~ 150 of the final UCI individual classification for that discipline.

(text modified on 1.07.09; 1.07.12; 1.01.17; 1.07.18 ; 1.01.20).

Transfer period

2.17.007 During the season, no rider already registered with a UCI road team for the current season may join a UCI Continental team or UCI women's continental team outside the period from 1 June to 15 July.

However, a rider who is registered with a UCI road team and is considered a cyclo-cross specialist will have the right to transfer to a UCI continental team or UCI women's continental team during the period from ~~1 to 25 March~~ **15 March to 15 April.**

To transfer to a UCI continental team, a rider is considered as specialist if he is ranked in the top ~~400~~ 150 of the final cyclo-cross UCI individual classification.

To transfer to a UCI women's continental team, a rider is considered as a specialist if she is ranked in the top 100 of the final UCI cyclo-cross classification.

(text modified on 1.08.13; 1.01.18 ; 1.01.20).