

**Mountain Bike Australia (MTBA)**  
**SECTION B4**  
**General Selection Eligibility Criteria and Appeals Guide**  
**2010 UCI Mountain Bike Marathon World Championships**  
**(XCM)**

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## **1 PERFORMANCE TIME PERIOD**

Results from National and International UCI and MTBA sanctioned XCM after 7 August 2009, and other nominated events (see Article 2.1) will be considered as per the Schedule for Selection. Long term performance history may be compared to results achieved in the performance time period to establish whether an athlete is progressing towards medal potential performance.

In documented cases of extenuating circumstances under Section A Article 6 affecting the performance time period, the Selectors may consider performances achieved outside the time period.

## **2. SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA**

The purpose of the MTBA MTB Selection Committee and of this selection document is to select Australian athletes to compete in the 2010 UCI Mountain Bike Marathon World Championships, to be held in St-Wendel (Germany) on 8 August 2010. Further information about entering the event can be obtained from the official 2010 World XCM Championships website at:

<http://www.sankt-wendel.de/en/sports/worlds-mtb-marathon/>

These selection criteria are listed in priority order, Athletes must meet at least one of the following standards.

### **2.1 Men and Women (Max 15 Male and 15 Female)**

- 2.1.1 Finish within 105% of the overall winner's time for their gender at the 2010 MTBA Australian XCM National Championships.
- 2.1.2 Finish within 110% of the overall winner's time for their gender at a UCI XCM event conducted outside of Australia after 7 August 2009. Athletes intending to qualify at overseas XCM races should notify the National Coordinator of the event and date as soon as possible.
- 2.1.3 Finish within 105% of the overall winner's time for their gender at another MTBA sanctioned Australian XCM event held after 7 August 2009.
- 2.1.4 Finish in the top 5 overall placings for their gender in the 2010 Australian Solo 24 Hour National Championships.
- 2.1.5 Have a history of high performance at Elite level XCM or Elite/U23 XCO events.

## **2.2 Notification of Intent to be Considered for Selection**

2.2.1 Athletes who have met, or consider that they will meet the selection criteria in 2.1 and who intend to submit an Application Package (see 5.1) must notify the National Coordinator by 1 May 2010 of their intent to be considered for selection.

2.2.2 Athletes who consider they have met the selection criteria need to inform the National Coordinator of the manner in which they consider they have met the criteria.

2.2.3 Athletes who have not yet met the selection criteria need to inform the National Coordinator of the race(s) and date(s) of the event(s) from which they intend to qualify for selection.

## **3. TEAM SELECTION**

### **3.1 Team Size**

The maximum number of athletes is subject to UCI quotas. There is no specific target team size set by MTBA. MTBA reserves the right to enter a smaller team or no team at all for any event. If enough athletes are nominated that the target team size has been achieved, the Selectors may list potential reserves in case athletes decline, withdraw or are removed from the team. MTBA may elect not to provide a manager or other support staff for this team, depending on eventual team size or other considerations.

### **3.2 Additional Selections**

In selecting athletes, a development trajectory will be considered, meaning that athletes demonstrating clear progression may be selected ahead of athletes who are performing at a higher level but with stable performance.

### **3.3 Coordinators Choice**

The National Coordinator may elect to exercise a Coordinators choice for places in the team in order to achieve the objectives of the criteria.

### **3.4 Funding / Levies**

Participation will be entirely at the athlete's own cost, including but not limited to travel, accommodation, meals, uniform and costs associated with management of the team when out of Australia.

#### **4. REMOVAL FROM A TEAM**

An athlete may be removed from the Final Team if they fail to meet the eligibility criteria, as listed within Section A, Clause 2.2.

#### **5. SCHEDULE FOR NATIONAL XCM TEAM SELECTION**

##### **5.1 Selection Dates**

- Monday 28 June 2010 - final date for submission of 'Application Package', including international results to National Coordinator for consideration.
- Monday 5 July 2010 - nominations for the 2010 XCM Team forwarded to MTBA Management Committee through the MTBA EO by the Chairman of Selectors.
- Monday 12 July 2010 - Team selections announced by MTBA.
- Friday 16 July 2010 - Closing date for appeals against non-selection.
- Week commencing Monday 19 July 2010 - Period identified to conduct appeal hearings, if required.
- Friday 23 July 2010 – Final XCM Team announced (if changed following appeals).
- Sunday 1 August 2010. Online entries close.

##### **5.2 Changes to Selection Schedule**

MTBA reserves the right to change these announcement dates in the event that more time is needed to ensure due process and fairness in selection, subject to section A, clause 2.6 and compliance with UCI entry dates. Additional athletes may be added to the Final Team after the Selection Dates on the advice of the Selectors.

## 6. CONTACT INFORMATION

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### Attachments (to be issued)

- A. Application for Selection
- B. Personal Data Form
- C. National Team Agreement
- D. Sponsor / Team Declaration Form
- E. International Licence Application Form
- F. Clothing Size Form