

## PART II – ROAD RACES

### Rules amendments applying on **01.11.2021**

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#### Chapter I CALENDAR AND PARTICIPATION

##### 2.1.007 bis Obligatory invitations to events on the international calendar

###### Provisions for Grand Tours and UCI WorldTour stage races

The organiser must invite the best UCI ProTeams on the UCI World Team Ranking, as considered on the last day of the previous season (under the terms of article 2.1.001) <sup>(1)</sup>, according to the followings:

Number of UCI WorldTeams	Obligatory Invitation of best UCI ProTeams <sup>(2)</sup>	Remaining wild cards for Organisers	
		Grands Tours <sup>(3)</sup>	Autres épreuves par étapes
19	1	2	5
18	2	2	5
17	3	2	5
16	3	3	6

<sup>(1)</sup> For the purpose of this article, teams registered as UCI ProTeam or UCI WorldTeam during the previous season are taken into consideration.

<sup>(2)</sup> Invitations declined by invited UCI ProTeams may be used by the organiser as additional wild cards.

<sup>(3)</sup> The organiser of a Grand Tour must guarantee the participation in the race of at least one UCI WorldTeam or UCI ProTeam from the country of the organiser amongst the 22 participating teams.

UCI ProTeams that accept the obligatory invitation from the organiser (except wild card) to participate in at least one Grand Tour, shall pay the same contribution to the biological passport as UCI WorldTeams, as published in the International Testing Agency (ITA) financial obligations document available on the UCI website.

###### Provisions for UCI WorldTour one-day races

The organiser must invite the best UCI ProTeams on the UCI World Team Ranking, as considered on the last day of the previous season (under the terms of article 2.1.001) <sup>(1)</sup>, according to the followings:

Number of UCI WorldTeams	Obligatory Invitation of best UCI ProTeams <sup>(2)</sup>	Remaining wild cards for Organisers
19	2	4
18	3	4
17	4	4

Number of UCI WorldTeams	Obligatory Invitation of best UCI ProTeams <sup>(2)</sup>	Remaining wild cards for Organisers
16	4	5

<sup>(1)</sup> For the purpose of this article, teams registered as UCI ProTeam or UCI WorldTeam during the previous season are taken into consideration.

<sup>(2)</sup> Invitations declined by invited UCI ProTeams may be used by the organiser as additional wild cards.

### **Provisions for UCI Women's WorldTour events**

The organiser must send an invitation to all UCI Women's WorldTeams and to the two best UCI women's continental teams on the basis of the first UCI women's world team ranking published after the last event of the previous season.

In the event that the number of UCI Women's WorldTeams is less than 13, the number of obligatory invitations to the UCI women's continental teams, based on the above-mentioned ranking, shall be increased accordingly in order to ensure a minimum number of 15 invitations to the UCI WorldTeams and UCI women's continental teams.

### **Provisions for ME and MU class2 events of the Europe Tour as well as ME and MU class 1 and class 2 events of the America Tour, Asia Tour, Africa Tour and Oceania Tour**

The organiser must invite the first 3 UCI continental teams in the classification by team for the relevant continental circuit of the event, on the last day of the previous season (in the sense of Article 2.1.001). For the application of this provision, only teams from the relevant continental circuit of which the event is part and, amongst these, only the best team of each nation is considered.

### **Provisions for ME and MU class 1 and class 2 events of the Africa Tour**

The organiser must invite the first 3 national teams in the classification by nation for the UCI Africa Tour, on the last day of the previous season (in the sense of Article 2.1.001).

For stage races, the date to be taken into account is the first racing day.

The organiser must accept entries from above mentioned teams who have responded positively to an invitation.

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## **Chapter III ONE-DAY RACES**

### **Following vehicles**

**2.3.018** The order of team cars in the race will be determined as follows:

#### **UCI WorldTour and UCI Women's WorldTour events**

1. the cars of the teams represented at the sports directors' meeting referred to in article 1.2.087 in the order of the ranking of starting riders on the last UCI World men individual ranking (for UCI WorldTour events) or UCI Women's WorldTour individual ranking\* (for UCI Women's WorldTour events) ~~of the current season;~~
2. the cars of the other UCI WorldTeams or UCI Women's WorldTeams represented at the meeting whose starting riders have not yet earned points in the men UCI world individual ranking or in the UCI Women's WorldTour individual ranking;

3. the cars of the other teams represented at the meeting whose starting riders have not yet earned points in the UCI World men individual ranking or in the UCI Women's WorldTour individual ranking;
4. the cars of teams which failed to confirm their starting riders within the time limits set out in article 1.2.090;
5. the cars of teams not represented at the meeting.

*\* ~~Criterion 1 is not applicable~~ For the first UCI Women's WorldTour event of the season, the UCI Women's WorldTour individual ranking not having been established yet, the final ranking of the previous season will be used.*

In groups 2 to 5 the order is determined by drawing lots.

The car of a team covered by point 1, 2 or 3, but which falls into the categories covered by points 4 or 5, will be placed in group 4 or 5 as appropriate.

#### **Other events**

1. the cars of UCI teams and of national teams represented at the sports directors' meeting and having confirmed their starters within the time limits set out in article 1.2.090;
2. the cars of other teams represented at the sports directors' meeting which confirmed their starters within the time set;
3. the cars of teams represented at the sports directors' meeting which failed to confirm their starters within the time set;
4. the cars of teams not represented at the sports directors' meeting.

Within each group, the order of cars will be determined by drawing lots at the sports directors' meeting.

In all events, the drawing of lots shall use a slip of paper bearing the name of the teams entered. The first name drawn shall be given the 1<sup>st</sup> place, the second name drawn the 2<sup>nd</sup> place, etc.

In all events, when required, the order of cars may be rectified by the president of the commissaires' panel; any change shall be communicated to all followers through "radio-tour".

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## **Chapter VI STAGE RACES (N)**

### **Team vehicles**

- 2.6.034** For the first road race stage, the order in which team vehicles drive shall be determined according to the position of the first rider of each team in the general individual time classification at the end of the prologue or the first stage if the latter is an individual time trial or a team time trial and, where no such classification exists, as per the following provisions:

#### **UCI WorldTour and UCI Women's WorldTour events**

1. the cars of teams represented at the sports directors' meeting and having confirmed their starters within the time limits set out in article 1.2.090, in the order of the ranking of starting riders on the last UCI World men individual

- ranking (for UCI WorldTour events) or UCI Women's WorldTour individual ranking\* (for UCI Women's WorldTour events);
2. the cars of UCI WorldTeams or UCI Women's WorldTeams represented at the sports directors' meeting and having confirmed their starters within the time limits and whose starting riders have not yet earned points in the men UCI world individual ranking or in the UCI Women's WorldTour individual ranking;
  3. the cars of other teams represented at the sports directors' meeting which confirmed their starters within the time set and whose starting riders have not yet earned points in the men UCI world individual ranking or in the UCI Women's WorldTour individual ranking;
  4. the cars of teams represented at the sports directors' meeting which failed to confirm their starters within the time set;
  5. the cars of teams not represented at the sports directors' meeting.

In groups 2 to 5, the order of cars will be determined by drawing lots at the sports directors' meeting. The drawing of lots shall use a slip of paper bearing the name of the teams entered. The first name drawn shall be given the 1<sup>st</sup> place, the second name drawn the 2<sup>nd</sup> place, etc.

For the following stages, the driving order shall be determined according to the position of the first rider of each team in the general individual time classification.

When required, the order of cars may be rectified by the president of the commissaires' panel; any change shall be communicated to all followers through "radio-tour".

*\* For the first UCI Women's WorldTour event of the season, the UCI Women's WorldTour individual ranking not having been established yet, the final ranking of the previous season will be used.*

#### **Other events**

1. the cars of UCI teams and of national teams represented at the sports directors' meeting and having confirmed their starters within the time limits set out in article 1.2.090;
2. the cars of other teams represented at the sports directors' meeting which confirmed their starters within the time set;
3. the cars of teams represented at the sports directors' meeting which failed to confirm their starters within the time set;
4. the cars of teams not represented at the sports directors' meeting.

Within each group, the order of cars will be determined by drawing lots at the sports directors' meeting. ~~In all events,~~ The drawing of lots shall use a slip of paper bearing the name of the teams entered. The first name drawn shall be given the 1<sup>st</sup> place, the second name drawn the 2<sup>nd</sup> place, etc.

For the following stages, the driving order shall be determined according to the position of the first rider of each team in the general individual time classification.

*(text modified on 3.06.16; 1.01.19; 1.11.21).*

## Chapter X UCI RANKINGS

### § 6 Technical and qualifying rankings

#### **UCI world ranking for women UCI teams – 2 years et 3 years**

**2.10.045** The UCI world ranking for women UCI teams – 2 years shall be drawn up at least once a week by adding the points of each women UCI team in the UCI world ranking for women UCI teams of the “n-1” year established at the end of their respective season (as per article 2.1.001), with the points of each women UCI team in the UCI world ranking by women UCI teams of the current “n” season that was reset to zero at the beginning of the aforementioned season.

The UCI world ranking for women UCI teams – 3 years shall be drawn up at least once a week by adding the points of each women UCI team in the UCI world ranking for women UCI teams of the “n-2” and “n-1” years established at the end of their respective season (as per article 2.1.001), with the points of each women UCI team in the UCI world ranking by women UCI teams of the current “n” season that was reset to zero at the beginning of the aforementioned season.

#### **Separating tied teams**

Ties between teams shall be resolved by counting the greatest number of 1st places on the (final general) classification (on time) of their best 8 riders on the UCI individual world ranking during races run in the course of the current season. If there is still a tie between teams, it will be resolved by the greatest number of 2nd places, then 3rd places, etc

*(article introduced on 1.11.21).*

## Chapter XIII UCI WOMEN’S WORLDTOUR

### § 1 UCI Women’s WorldTour

#### **Participation**

**2.13.006** [article abrogated on 1.11.21].

~~For the 2020 and 2021 seasons, the organiser of a UCI Women’s WorldTour event must invite 15 teams, as described below. From the 2022 season onward, all UCI Women’s WorldTeams must be invited by the organiser.~~

~~For the 2020 and 2021 seasons, all UCI Women’s WorldTeams must be invited by the organiser. A number of UCI women’s continental teams corresponding to the remaining number of required invitations, based on the UCI women world ranking by teams –calculated on the last day of the previous season– must also be invited by the organiser.~~

~~The organiser must accept entries from the above-mentioned teams that have responded positively to an invitation.~~

~~(text modified on 1.01.04; 1.01.05; 1.1.06; 1.01.07; 1.01.09; 1.07.10; 1.07.11; 1.07.12; 1.01.16; 1.01.18; 1.01.19; 11.02.20; 12.06.20).~~

## § 4 UCI Women's WorldTour Team Licence

**2.13.042** For the award of licences scheduled for the 2024 and 2026 seasons ~~and thereafter, in the first instance,~~ the sporting criterion is evaluated with regard to the UCI world ranking for women UCI teams - 2 years, as defined in article 2.10.041 §1.

For the award of licences scheduled for the 2029 and subsequent seasons, the sporting criterion is evaluated with regard to the UCI world ranking for women UCI teams - 3 years, as defined in article 2.10.041 §2.

The 15 top-ranked teams in the above-mentioned ranking, among the teams having applied for a UCI Women's WorldTour licence in accordance with articles 2.13.032 and 2.13.035 and having met the criteria defined in articles 2.13.039 to 2.13.039quater, are deemed to meet the sporting criterion.

~~, a classification is established by totalling the points of the UCI Women's WorldTeams~~  
~~a. in the final UCI women's world ranking by teams of the previous year ; and~~  
~~b. in the UCI women world ranking by teams calculated at the end of the current season.~~

*(text modified on 1.01.20, 1.11.21).*

**2.13.042 bis** [Article abrogated on 1.11.21].

~~Subsequently, a classification is established including the UCI Women's WorldTeam which does not meet the sporting criterion as per article 2.13.042 as well as the UCI women's continental teams that are candidates for the status of UCI Women's WorldTeam, based on the UCI women's world ranking by teams at the end of the season.~~

~~Depending on the number of licences available, the best candidate teams in the aforementioned classification are deemed to fulfil the sporting criterion. The team(s) beyond the position that corresponds to the number of licences available shall not satisfy the sporting criterion.~~

*(text modified on 1.01.20).*

## § 6 UCI Women's WorldTeams

### Compulsory staff

**2.13.210** ~~For the 2020 season, each UCI Women's WorldTeam must employ at least 1 sports director and 2 other staff members (coaches, doctors, paramedical assistants, mechanics, etc.) on a full-time basis and for the whole registration year. The sports director and 2 other staff members must be paid for their activity.~~

~~For the 2021 season, each UCI Women's WorldTeam must employ at least 1 sports director and 3 other staff members (coaches, doctors, paramedical assistants, mechanics, etc.) on a full-time basis and for the whole registration year. The sports director and at least 2 of the other staff members must be paid for their activity.~~

~~For the 2022 season~~ Each UCI Women's WorldTeam must employ — on a full-time basis and for the whole registration year — at least 2 sports directors and 5 other staff members, who must all be paid for their activity (coaches, doctors, paramedical assistants, mechanics, etc.).

*(text modified on 10.06.21; 1.01.22).*

2.13.211 ~~From 2020 onwards~~, All UCI Women's World Team sports directors must hold the UCI Sports Director Diploma in accordance with the provisions of article 1.1.077.

(text modified on 1.11.21).

## Annex A Minimum criteria for International road events

International calendar	Minimum required
<b>Women Elite events</b>	
UCI Women's WorldTour	<p><b>TV production</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Live TV diffusion of minimum 45 minutes</li> <li>- Minimum quality of the signal</li> </ul> <p><b>Events' history</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Year Y-1 : UCI ProSeries</li> <li>- Year Y-2 : Class 1</li> </ul> <p><b>Other requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Minimum 15 teams at the start</li> <li>- Respect of obligations in terms of "UCI" visual identity</li> </ul>
UCI ProSeries	<p><b>TV production</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Live TV or Internet or highlights of 20 minutes minimum</li> </ul> <p><b>Events' history</b></p> <p>Year Y-1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- UCI Women's WorldTour or Class 1</li> <li>or</li> <li>- <del>Organiser of a UCI WorldTour event</del></li> </ul> <p><b>Other requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Minimum 15 teams at the start</li> <li>- Evaluation of the commissaire's report of Year Y-1</li> <li>- Evaluation of the participation of Year Y-1</li> </ul>
Class 1 events	<p><b>TV production</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Highlights of 2 minutes minimum of the race or each stage to be broadcast at least on social media</li> </ul> <p><b>Event's history</b></p> <p>Year Y-1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Class 2</li> <li>or</li> <li>- <del>Organiser of a Men Elite class 1 event</del> UCI ProSeries minimum</li> </ul> <p><b>Other requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Minimum 15 teams at the start</li> <li>- Evaluation of the commissaire's report of Year Y-1</li> <li>- Evaluation of the participation of Year Y-1</li> </ul>

(text introduced on 23.10.19; text modified on 1.11.21).

