



GRAVITY MOUNTAIN BIKE

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

JULY 31–AUGUST 4, 2024

RIDE ROCK CREEK, NC

Communiqué #1

1. Shuttle/Venue Wristbands

All riders registered for the DH and END events must wear a **RED Ride Rock Creek wristband** to access the shuttle for practice and racing. If you picked up your plates before wristbands were available onsite, you can collect them at registration starting at 8:00 am on Thursday.

2. Race Plates

You are required to attach your race plate before riding any of the courses during official practice or competition.

Modifying your race plate is prohibited and will result in a monetary fine if observed.

3. Practice Groups

Downhill athletes are divided into three practice groups for the weekend. Please refer to the chart below to find your group and note your practice times based on the schedule:

- **Group A:** Men Elite/Pro, Men 17-18 (Pro/Cat 1), Men 15-16 (Pro/Cat 1)
- **Group B:** Women Elite/Pro (17+), All Cat 1s (excluding Men 15-16 & 17-18)
- **Group C:** All Non-Championship (Amateur Course)

4. Enduro Global Ranking

According to the Mountain Bike World Series guidelines, riders who want to earn Enduro Global Ranking Points must register in the Elite/Pro 17+ category. If you wish to move into this category, you must make the change by 2:00 pm on Friday at registration. A UCI International License is required to compete in this category.

5. Medical Services

The main medical services tent is located behind the registration tent. Medical staff will also be available at key locations on the mountain throughout the event.

6. General Safety Concerns

Please remember that we are guests in this area and may interact with locals. After exiting Hwy 25, respect the speed limits and obey all traffic signs and warnings.

The shuttle road is closed at all times and can only be accessed by shuttle drivers and official vehicles with prior permission. If you are found on the shuttle road without authorization, your race number will be removed, and you will be asked to leave the venue. This rule is for your safety and the safety of the shuttle drivers and passengers.

7. Race Results and Protests

Race results will be posted in paper form on the bulletin board near registration for a standard 15-minute protest period. If you wish to file a protest, go to the Fox Lounge area immediately and speak with USAC official Vicki (wearing a blue shirt), providing a detailed description of the issue. Race results will also be available online, but the official protest period is determined by the time-stamped paper copies.

8. USAC's Safe Sport / MAAPP policies

This is a reminder to please review USA Cycling's Safe Sport Program [Policies](#), including reporting [requirements](#) and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies ([MAAPP](#)).

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