

# USA CYCLING ATHLETE SELECTION CRITERIA 2024 ESPORTS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS SEMI-FINALS QUALIFIER Elite Men and Women Abu Dhabi, UAE November 15, 2025

#### SELECTION AND QUALIFICATION INFORMATION

Below you will find information on how an athlete can qualify for nomination to the 2025 UCI ESPORTS World Championship Semi-Finals Qualifier Team ("Team").

There are extensive Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI) requirements for entry into the World Championships at the nation, event and individual levels. Those requirements can be found on the UCI website:

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#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Elite Men UCI International License holders: racing age 19 and over.
- Elite Women UCI International License holders: racing age 19 and over.
- Athletes must have a valid UCI International Racing License and meet all eligibility requirements of USA Cycling and the UCI.
- Athletes must be in good standing with USA Cycling, UCI, U.S. Center for SafeSport and the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA).
- All athletes who accept a nomination for this event must be added to the USADA registered testing pool.
- Athletes will only be allowed to submit data through TrainingPeaks. USA Cycling will provide a TrainingPeaks account for athletes who do not have one. Guidance on how to create the athlete account is outlined in the petition form.

#### TEAM SIZE AND EVENT SELECTION PRIORITY

#### National Federation Quota Allocation - Men and Women

Men					Women					
Rank	Nation	Points Total	Group	Quota	Rank	Nation	Points Total	Group	Quota	
1	Germany	2480	Α	10	1	Great Britian	2135	Α	10	
2	Denmark	2280	Α	10	2	USA	1880	Α	10	
3	Belgium	1625	Α	10	3	Sweden	1350	Α	10	
4	USA	895	Α	10	4	Netherlands	1050	Α	10	
5	Australia	695	В	7	5	New Zealand	945	В	7	
6	Finland	675	В	7	6	Switzerland	895	В	7	
7	Norway	670	В	7	7	Brazil	715	В	7	
8	South Africa	360	В	7	8	Germany	655	В	7	
9	Poland	325	С	5	9	France	550	С	5	
10	New Zealand	245	С	5	10	Norway	295	С	5	
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#### **EVENT SELECTION STRATEGY**

USA Cycling's primary objective for the 2025 ESports World Championship Semi-Finals Qualifier Team is to select a highly cohesive, medal-capable team and athletes with a strong willingness to work for the common goal of placing someone from the Team on the podium.

#### FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Athletes are responsible for the full expense associated with this event. USA Cycling will not assume financial responsibility for any athletes for the Semi-Final event.

The UCI and MyWhoosh are responsible for the associated travel and lodging costs for the top 20 athletes from the Semi-Final Qualifier who are invited to the ESports World Championships in Abu Dhabi.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES**

**Deadline for Expression of Interest:**August 31, 2025 **Team Selection:**Week of September 1, 2025

## THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR THE 2025 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL QUALIFIER

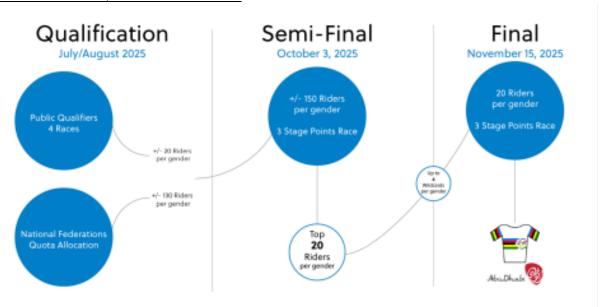
#### Qualification Pathway

The 2025 UCI Cycling Esports World Championships maintains the qualification pathway from 2024, balancing National Federation qualifiers and MyWhoosh-hosted events:

• National Federation Qualifiers (70%)

- o Approximately 150 riders of each gender qualify for the semi-final through National Federations based quota allocated by the UCI.
- MyWhoosh Qualifiers (30%)
  - o 30-50 riders qualifying through MyWhoosh-hosted events, scheduled earlier in the year compared to 2024 for better National Federation coordination.

#### VISUAL OVERVIEW OF THE QUALIFICATION SYSTEM



# Step 1: USA Cycling Automatic Criteria

a. See criteria listed below under "Criteria for Nomination to the Team".

#### Step 2: My Whoosh World Championships Semi-Final Public Qualifier

- a. The Public Qualifying round is referred to as the "public qualifiers."
- b. Riders can choose between four (4) open qualifiers in the schedule provided. The top riders from each qualifier and gender category will be offered a place in the 2025 UCI Cycling Esports World Championships semi-finals. The number of slots for each race will be announced before the first race.

#### **TBC - Schedule for Public Qualifiers**

EVENT	FORMAT	DATE	GENDER	TIME UTC	TIME CET	TIME GST	TIME CDT	TIME AEST
Open Q 1	1 stage	16 July	Women	09:00	11:00	13:00	04:00	19:00
Asia-Pacific & Europe	sia-Pacific & Europe points based		Men	11:00	13:00	15:00	06:00	21:00
Open Q 2	1 stage points based	25 July	Women	17:00	19:00	21:00	12:00	03:00
Europe & Americas			Men	19:00	21:00	23:00	14:00	05:00
Open Q 3	1 stage points based	22 August	Women	09:00	11:00	13:00	04:00	19:00
Asia-Pacific & Europe			Men	11:00	13:00	15:00	06:00	21:00
Open Q 4	1 stage points based	27 August	Women	17:00	19:00	21:00	12:00	03:00
Europe & Americas			Men	19:00	21:00	23:00	14:00	05:00

#### Time Zones:

**UTC - Coordinated Universal Time** 

CET - Central European Time

GST - Gulf Standard time (+2 from CET)

CDT - Central Daylight time ( -7 from CET)

AEST – Australian Eastern time (+8 From CET)

## Step 3: UCI World Championships

- a. 20 M/W will be invited by name from the UCI to participate in the World Championships.
- b. The Final will consist of three (3) stages, each stage roughly 20 min in duration.

#### MYWHOOSH CYCLING ESPORTS RULES AND REGULATIONS

https://www.mywhoosh.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/MyWhooshEsportsRulesetV2.0.8-MAY0905425.pdf

#### **CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION TO THE TEAM**

Elite Women and Men

Maximum Quota Positions: 10

- 1. Any athlete placing in the top three (3) at the 2024 World Championships in the same event and category will be nominated to the Team.
  - a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the athlete with the highest placing will be nominated first, followed by the athlete with the next highest placing, and so on.

2. After considering the preceding criteria, any athlete who finishes in the top three (3) of the 2025 USA Cycling E-SPORT National Championships, provided the race is held in its entirety and run under UCI regulations, will be nominated to the Team.

a. If more athletes meet this criterion than available quota positions, the athlete with the highest placing will be nominated first, followed by the athlete with the next highest

placing, and so on.

3. After considering the preceding criteria, any athlete finishing in the top three (3) of the 2025 USA Cycling Semi-Final Qualifier event, provided the race is held in its entirety and run under UCI

regulations, will be nominated to the Team.

4. Any remaining quota positions will be filled in rank order from 4th through 10th place finishers from the 2025 USA Cycling Semi-Final Qualifier event, provided the race is held in its entirety and

run under UCI regulations, until all quota positions have been allocated.

# 2025 USA Cycling Sem-Final Qualifier Event Information

Date: 8/21/25

**Time:** 5pm MDT for Women

6pm MDT for Men

Distance: 32.4km

**Profile:** Undulating terrain with sharp climbs

Challenge: AlUla stage is designed for all-round riders. This rolling hills course will allow riders

with all abilities to qualify. This is the same course as the public qualifiers.

Race Overview Total Laps: 1

**Total Race Distance:** 32.4 km

**Elevation gain:** 377m

**Sprints:** 4 segments and finish

Register:

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