



**WOMENS NATIONAL ROAD
SERIES REGULATIONS**

Objectives

The key objectives of the National Women's Road / Closed Road Race Series are:
To raise the standard of competition amongst the top level female British Road Cyclists
To provide a showcase for cycle sport
To provide a calendar of Women's Road Race promotions for the general public and the media

Regulations for the National Women's Road / Closed Road Race Series

The following regulations must be adhered to when staging a National Women's Road / Closed Road Race Series event:

Entry criteria

Events shall be open to Senior and Junior Female riders of the following categories only

- i. Elite
- ii. First
- iii. Second
- iv. Third

Races

Single day races, stage races, time trials and closed road circuit races will be considered for the competition. Excluding time trials and circuit races, the race distance for any single day event must not be less than 100 kms.

Selection criteria

The selection criteria to be used for each event shall be made using the following prioritisation schedule:

- i. Current National Road Champion
- ii. The previous year's winner of the Series
- iii. National teams
- iv. UCI registered teams
- v. Top ten riders in the current series standings as at the close of entries
- vi. Riders with points in the current series events to date as at the event closing date
- vii. Regional teams

In the instance that the event is oversubscribed with entries, after following the above prioritisation schedule preference will be given to riders based on their current license category.

Rider Gridding

For closed circuit events riders must be gridded on the following basis;

- i. Current National Circuit Champion
- ii. Winner of last year's Series
- iii. The top 15 ranked riders in the series
- iv. National Teams
- v. UCI registered teams
- vi. Other riders in the order of their current National Women's Circuit Race Series standings
- vii. All other riders

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Series Points

Points for the Women's National Standings will be awarded as follows;

Single day Road Races, Time Trials and the final overall classification in Stage Races:

Position	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
Points	60	52	45	40	35	31	27	23	20	17

Position	11 th	12 th -	13 th	14 th	15 th	16 th	17 th	18 th	19 th	20 th
Points	15	13	11	9	7	6	5	3	2	1

Individual Stages in Stage Races:

Position	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
Points	10	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1

Closed Road Circuit Races:

Position	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
Points	30	25	21	17	14	12	10	8	7	6

Position	11 th	12 th -	13 th	14 th	15 th
Points	5	4	3	2	1

Points will also be awarded to the first four across the line on two pre-designated sprint laps in each Closed Road Circuit Race round as follows:

Sprint position	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
Points	5	3	2	1

The overall competition will be won by the rider who gains the highest number of points (the maximum number of races to count shall be two less than the total number of events run). In the case of riders tied at the end of the Series, the result shall be declared a draw; there is no count back in operation.

Race programmes

Race programmes and posters must bear the name of the competition including the name of the sponsor of the overall competition



Commissaire appointment

British Cycling will appoint the Chief Commissaire and at least one Assistant Commissaire. Every effort will be made to obtain suitable officials who live within reasonable travel distance of the event. Organisers shall pay adequate travel and out-of-pocket expenses to these officials.

Event registration

We would politely request that all National Series event organisers use the British Cycling online entry system where possible, helping us to have a consistent approach to the series.

Please visit https://www.britishcycling.org.uk/zuvvi/media/bc_files/online_entry/Event_Organiser_Guide.pdf for details on how to set this up. The standard Event Registration fee is payable per day of racing for each event. All applicants must pay the due fees when submitting their event registration form to their Region to place their event on the Calendar.

Event permit

Event permits will be issued by British Cycling Headquarters (BCHQ) under the conditions laid down in 2011 Technical Regulation 15.2.

Event documentation

The event Organiser shall send an electronic copy of the event programme and riders instructions to BCHQ at least seven days prior to the event. Immediately after the event being held a full result sheet must be forwarded to BCHQ by fax (0161 274 2001) or email (results@britishcycling.org.uk), this is in addition to the results card as submitted by the Chief Commissaire.

Race vehicles

For Road Races Organisers must provide the following minimum of race vehicles:

- a) Two lead cars
- b) Two race service vehicles

It is recommended that more be provided whenever possible. In Closed Road Circuit Races there shall be at least one designated pit area.

Vehicle communication

A compatible and reliable radio system and separate public address equipment must be fitted to cars being used by the Commissaires during the race. Similar radio links should be provided to all other vehicles in the race convoy except for Team service vehicles which must provide their own. All radios must have a reception radius of at least three miles.

First Aid

Qualified First Aid attendants must be present throughout the race, preferably travelling within the race convoy in an independent vehicle not connected with other race support/Commissaires etc.

Prizes

There shall be a prize list of not less than £350 for each race result. It is recommended that this be allocated to the first fifteen riders and, where appropriate, part of this prize fund shall be allocated to primes.

Competitor facilities

Organisers shall provide adequate shower, changing and toilet facilities for all competitors. Adequate car parking at the Race HQ should also be provided.

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Anti-doping control

Organisers are advised that an anti-doping control may be carried out and arrangements should be made for an anti-doping control station to be available. The anti-doping control station should be positioned as close as possible to the race finish. Ideally there should be separate administrative and waiting areas equipped with tables and seating. An adjacent toilet is required for the sole use of the doping control. Particularly important is the security of the station and the privacy afforded to the competitors. The anti-doping control station may need to remain open for at least three hours following the finish of the race. A supply of non-alcoholic drinks in sealed containers must be available for the riders. Event organisers should make preparations to provide this facility in all cases as notice that a control will take place may only be received by the organiser shortly before the event. No prior announcement should be given that there is to be a control.

Photo finish

Photo finish equipment and frame and/or shoulder numbers must be used except where prior agreement is reached with BC. Booking forms for BC's photo finish equipment and other similar Technical Services are available from BCHQ or as a download from the British Cycling website (Road Racing > Road Officials Documents)

Public address

A race announcer, with appropriate PA equipment, should be provided to keep spectators informed. Organisers are encouraged to consider the use of the BC event vehicle which has a built in PA system. For further details relating to this please contact James Lyon by phone (0161 274 2023) or email (jameslyon@britishcycling.org.uk).

EVENT BRANDING

British Cycling and Sponsor Branding

British Cycling and the GB Cycling Team shall be afforded reasonable facilities, if requested, for publicity or promotion of themselves and their sponsors and brands at the event. BCHQ and the Organiser will identify any potential sector clash between BC sponsors and local sponsors of the event.

BC Programme Promotion

BCHQ may seek the assistance of the Organiser in identifying a local organising team to promote other British Cycling programmes, (such as the Go-Ride programme), at the event.

Overall Branding Rights

British Cycling retains the rights to 50% of branding space at all National Youth Circuit Series rounds. British Cycling retains the right to appoint series sponsors who may assert exclusivity in their market sector.

Marketing Materials

The organiser will ensure that the British Cycling logo as supplied is used on all marketing materials for the event, including (but not limited to) event programmes, fliers, posters and event websites. The organiser will also include the logos of any series sponsors as indicated by British Cycling in their promotional materials for the event.

Finish Straight

Branding within the finish straight will be allocated on a 50% split with alternate positions allocated to the local organiser and British Cycling.

Branding may be produced in either solid materials such as Correx or soft materials such as eyeleted PVC.

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ENQUIRIES

For any questions regarding the above series regulations please contact Phil West in the first instance.

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