



**NATIONAL YOUTH CIRCUIT  
RACE SERIES REGULATIONS**

## Objectives of the National Youth Circuit Race Series

The key objectives of the National Youth Circuit Race Series are:

To raise the standard of competition amongst the top level British youth cyclists

To provide a showcase for cycle sport

To provide a calendar of closed road circuit race promotions for the general public and the media

## Regulations for the National Youth Circuit Race Series

The following regulations must be adhered to when staging a National Youth Circuit Race Series event:

### Entry criteria

Events shall be open to Youth category riders who hold a full UCI competition licence.

### Races

Single day and stage races will be considered for the competition.

The following category definitions and race distances per day will be applied:

Category	Year of birth	Min Distance	Max Distance
Youth A Boys	1996 & 1997	30km	60km
Youth A Girls	1996 & 1997	30km	60km
Youth B Boys	1998 & 1999	25km	50km
Youth B Girls	1998 & 1999	25km	50km
Youth C All	2000 & 2001	15km	25km
Youth D All	2002 & 2003	8km	15km
Youth E All	2004 or Later	8km	15km

Age groups may be combined to create a reasonable field size in any particular race at the will of the organiser. When doing this, organisers should give primary consideration to the following

- Combining Youth A & B girls.
- Combining Youth D & E categories.
- When combining categories the maximum distance of the youngest category must be observed.
- Whenever two or more age and/or gender categories are combined, each category shall be published as a separate result.

### Selection criteria

Where excessive entries are received for any one category as at the event closing date, the selection of the race field shall be determined as follows:

- i. Riders who have scored points in this year's National Series.
- ii. Entrants taken in order of preference based on their position in the BC National Rankings as of the entry closing date.
- iii. Riders holding licenses in the name of the promoting club.
- iv. Riders who reside in the BC region of the promoting club.

### Event Schedule

Organisers must supply details of the planned event schedule to BC HQ for approval before publishing.

The schedule should cover race start times, length of races, order of events. For BC HQ contact details see below.

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## Rider Start Positions

Riders must be positioned on a grid at the start of each event, in the following order:

- i. Current National Circuit Race Champion
- ii. Winner of the previous year's event
- iii. National Series Leader followed by the next 15 classified riders
- iv. All other riders

## National Series ranking points

Series points will be allocated for the result of each National Series single day event and overall stage race result will be awarded as follows:

<b>Position</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Points</b>	25	21	17	14	12	10	9	7	6	5	4	3

Within each single day event or stage race there shall be two sprint laps for each category. National series ranking points for each sprint will be awarded as follows:

<b>Sprint Position</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Points</b>	5	3	2	1

The winner of each national series shall be the rider who has accumulated the most ranking points from the series. The overall competition will be won by the rider with the highest number of points gained. 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 countback in operation.

## Equipment and gearing

Equipment and Gearing restrictions are as per current British Cycling Technical Regulations

For information gear restrictions are as per below -

Category	ROAD RACING
Youth A	6.93 metres
Youth B	6.45 metres
Youth C	6.05 metres
Youth D	5.40 metres
Youth E	5.10 metres

## Facilities

National Series rounds will only be run on proven closed road circuits, venues and facilities which are regularly used for competition. In instances where this is not the case approval of the Road Commission must be sought via application to British Cycling Major Domestic Events Coordinator – Phil West.

## Event programmes

Event programmes and posters must bear the name of the competition including the name of the sponsor, if applicable, of the overall competition.

## Commissaire appointments

British Cycling shall 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. The organiser is at liberty to appoint further officials as necessary.



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### Event documentation

The event organiser shall send an electronic version 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 (road@britishcycling.org.uk), this is in addition to the results card as submitted by the Chief Commissaire.

### First Aid

Qualified First Aid attendants must be present throughout each race meeting. Organisers are reminded to ensure that adequate arrangements are made for ambulance entry/exit and that the appropriate race personnel are aware of such arrangements.

### Competitor facilities

Organisers shall provide adequate changing, shower and toilet facilities for all competitors.

### 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.

## 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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## **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 either by phone (0161 274 2023) or email ([jameslyon@britishcycling.org.uk](mailto:jameslyon@britishcycling.org.uk))

## **ENQUIRIES**

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

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