# 2018 MERCEDES-BENZ UCI MTB WORLD CUP - XCC

This document aims to explain all the relevant regulations and procedures related to the introduction of the short-track (XCC) to the UCI XCO World Cup.

# **Programme:**

Whilst we always try to keep the programme consistent across all rounds, please be aware that some organisers do occasionally request a change in schedule to fit better with their own circumstances, including host-broadcast television.

<u>Please check the official schedule published on the UCI website for each round to confirm training and race start times.</u>

#### Friday:

08.30am - 10.00am: Final rider confirmation 15.45pm - 16.15pm: Training, Women only 16.15pm - 16.45pm: Training, all riders 16.45pm - 17.15pm: Training, Men only

17.30pm: Women Start, followed by flower ceremony 18.15pm: Men Start, followed by flower ceremony

#### **Course:**

The XCC course will be between 1km – 1.5km in length with a lap time of between 2 - 3 minutes.

The course will use the XCO Start/Finish straight and line.

The preference is for a wide, flowing course with no sections of singletrack or course 'features' and one that encourages close tactical racing and is television and spectator friendly.

# Race duration:

Both races will be run for +/- 25 mins.

The number of laps will be advised in a UCI communiqué and also indicated at the Start.

The Finish line timing gantry will indicate laps-to-go.

A bell will indicate the start of the last lap.

## 80% Rule:

The 80% rule will be in effect to avoid lapped riders interfering with the leaders. Art. 4.5.016.

# **Entry criteria:**

Participation categories: men elite (aged 23 and over) and women elite (aged 23 and over).

No separate online registration is required for the XCC event. Registration is done on site during riders' confirmation.

Each XCC race will comprise a maximum of 40 riders already registered and confirmed for the elite XCO taking place during the same weekend, selected as follows:

- The top-16 ranked riders of the most recently published XCO World Cup Standings
- The 24 best ranked riders of the most recently published UCI XCO individual rankings, not including the top-16 of the most recently published XCO World Cup Standings or any U23 riders, with the exception of those granted a derogation to race the entire UCI XCO World Cup series as elite.

Art.4.5.003.

# **Equipment:**

The same bicycle frame must be used for both XCC and XCO races of a UCI MTB World Cup round. Minimum tyre width is 45mm.

The bicycle frame will be marked prior to the start of the XCC race and this mark must still be visible at the start of the XCO race.

In the event of an extraordinary circumstance (for example, breakage or theft) which results in the XCC frame not being available for the XCO, the new equipment must be presented to the President of the Commissaires' Panel for verification and marking at least 1 hour before the start.

XCC bike plates and body numbers are the same as the ones used for XCO event.

# Feed/Technical Assistance:

Feeding and technical assistance will be permitted within the designated zone on the course. Note: this may not be the same zone as used in the XCO.

# **XCC Start Order:**

The start order is determined as follows:

- 1. Riders ranked in the top 16 of the most recently published XCO World Cup Standings
- 2. As per the most recently published UCI XCO individual ranking.

Art. 4.5.015.

# **Award Ceremony:**

The top-3 riders will be required immediately after the finish for a short flower ceremony. Art. 4.5.006.

# **World Cup points:**

World Cup points only will be attributed to the top-40 finishers as per art. <u>4.5.037</u>. A team classification is drawn up as per art. <u>4.5.009</u>

# **XCO Start Order:**

The start order is determined as follows:

- 1. The riders ranked in the top-16 of the XCC race taking place in the current weekend.
- 2. As per the most recently published UCI XCO individual ranking.
- 3. Unclassified riders: by drawing lots.