

PART 16 PARA-CYCLING

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Chapter **GOVERNANCE**

16.1.001 The International Paralympic Committee (IPC) is the supreme authority governing para-cycling at paralympic standard where it relates to Paralympic summer Games.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

16.1.002 [article abrogated on 26.06.07].

16.1.003 [article abrogated on 26.06.07].

Viability of events

16.1.004 In para-cycling competitions, except the Paralympic Games, an organizer in consultation with the appointed technical delegate, or the UCI, may mix classes, divisions, age groups and gender, as necessary to produce a viable event.

For events with less than four competitors, the 'minus one' rule will apply if medals are to be awarded: no medal for one competitor, one medal for two competitors, two medals for three competitors and three medals for four or more competitors.

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**Chapter AGE CATEGORIES**

- 16.2.001** In para-cycling competitions, except the Paralympic Games, UCI age categories described at **article 1.1.034 and the following of the UCI regulations** rules shall apply for both men and women. Different age categories may compete together, with the exception of the 'youth' category. In para-cycling combined age competitions, age category awards are not mandatory:
- In para-cycling track and road competitions, the minimum age for the youth category shall be the year of the rider's 14th birthday.
 - All road circuits for youth category racing must be completely closed to other traffic.
 - Youth category riders shall only compete amongst themselves.
 - The completed final entry form for para-cycling competitions for youth category riders shall include a signature of parental (legal guardian) consent for the rider to compete.
 - **International competitions, except Paralympic Games, are opened to junior and elite UCI age categories.**

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.02.08).



Chapter ELIGIBILITY FOR PARA-CYCLING COMPETITIONS

Athletes

- 16.3.001** Eligible for para-cycling competitions are athletes with a functional class profile as defined for each class under these rules.
See details of para-cycling classification in chapter V below.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

- 16.3.002** All athletes, including tandem pilots, must hold a valid international racing license from their UCI recognized national cycling federation. This license must be presented at all para-cycling competitions.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

Tandem pilots

- 16.3.003** Professional cyclists being members of a UCI registered team may not take part as a tandem pilot.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

- 16.3.004** **Cyclists who were members of a UCI ProTeam or UCI Professional Continental Team must respect a waiting period of 36 months after their contract expires before taking part as a tandem pilot. This waiting period comes to 24 months for cyclists who were members of one of the other UCI teams described at article 1.1.041 of the UCI rules.**

(text modified on 1.01.09).

- 16.3.005** Men and women cyclists over 18 years of age, may race as tandem pilots, provided they have not been selected by their national federation **in one of the following events (all disciplines included):**
- **UCI World Championships and Olympic Games - 36 months preceding the para-cycling event;**
 - **UCI World Cup, Regional Games and Championships (i.e. Commonwealth Games, Panamerican Games, Asian Games, Mediterranean Games, European Championships, ...) - 24 months before the paracycling event.**

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.01.09).

- 16.3.006** Each blind or visually impaired athlete is allowed a maximum of one pilot for any para-cycling competition.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.01.09).

16.3.007 In the event of an injury or illness and upon presentation of a medical certificate, the pilot may be replaced up to 24 hours before the official start of the competition in which the tandem is taking part. After this deadline, no change will be allowed.

(article introduced on 1.02.08).

IV

Chapter CLASSES

Blind and Visually Impaired (B & VI)

16.4.001 Blind and visually impaired cyclists compete on the rear of tandem bicycles, with a sighted pilot, in one of **two Divisions**:

Divisions men and women;

Class profiles: See details of para-cycling functional classification chapter V below.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.02.08; 1.01.09).

Locomotor disabilities (LC)

16.4.002 Cyclists with locomotor disabilities compete on bicycles in four **divisions**: LC 1; LC 2; LC 3; LC 4, with separate events for men and women.

Class LC 1 - This **division** is essentially for athletes having minor or no lower limb disabilities. Class profiles: See details of para-cycling classification in chapter V below.

Class LC 2 - This **division** is essentially for athletes with disabilities in one leg, but who are able to pedal normally using two legs, with or without prostheses. Class profiles: See details of para-cycling **classification** in chapter V below.

Class LC 3 - This **division** is essentially for athletes with disabilities on one lower limb, with or without upper limb disability. Most athletes pedal with one leg. Class profiles: See details of para-cycling **classification** in chapter V below.

Class LC 4 - This **division** is essentially for athletes with more severe disabilities usually affecting both lower limbs, with or without upper limb disability. Class profiles: See details of para-cycling **classification** in chapter V below.

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Cerebral Palsy (CP)

16.4.003 Cerebral palsy cyclists compete in four functional divisions, with separate events for men and women.

CP 4 – **subdivisions** 8 & 7 - cycle type: bicycle

CP 3 – **subdivisions** 6 & 5 - cycle type: bicycle

CP 2 – **subdivisions** 6 & 5 - cycle type: tricycle

CP 1 – **subdivisions** 4 to 1 - cycle type: tricycle

The decision to use a tricycle or a bicycle and compete in division 2 or division 3 is that of the athlete. During any para-cycling competition, the athlete is only allowed to start in one division and changing divisions is not permitted.

CP 4 – is for the least severely disabled athletes, who race on bicycles. Class profiles: See details of para-cycling classification in chapter V below.

CP 3 & 2 – These two divisions provide athletes with a choice of racing on bicycles in division 3, or tricycles in division 2. Class profiles: See details of para-cycling **classification** in chapter V below.

CP 1 – is for the more severely disabled athletes who race on tricycles. Class profiles: See details of para-cycling **classification** in chapter V below.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.01.09).

Handcycling (HC)

16.4.004 Handcyclists compete in three disability divisions in para-cycling competitions, with separate events for men and women. Handcycling is for athletes who normally require a wheelchair for general mobility, or athletes not able to use a conventional bicycle or tricycle because of severe lower limb disability.

HC A – **subdivisions** 1 & 2

HC B – **subdivisions** 3; 4 & 5

HC C – **subdivisions** 6; 7 & 8

HC A – is for the more severely disabled athletes with complete loss of trunk and lower limb function, together with other severe and complex disabilities. Class profiles: See details of para-cycling **classification** in chapter V below.

HC B – is for athletes with complete loss of lower limb function and limited trunk stability. Class profiles: See details of para-cycling **classification** in chapter V below.

HC C – is for athletes with complete lower limb function loss, but minimal other functional disabilities, or partial lower limb function loss combined with other disabilities to make conventional cycling not viable. Class profiles: See details of para-cycling **classification** in chapter V below.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.01.09).

16.4.005 The UCI recommends to use the codes below on UCI para-cyclists licenses:

Blind and Visually Impaired men **MBVI**
Blind and Visually Impaired women **WBVI**

LC 1 men **MLC1**
LC 2 men **MLC2**
LC 3 men **MLC3**
LC 4 men **MLC4**

LC 1 women **WLC1**
LC 2 women **WLC2**
LC 3 women **WLC3**
LC 4 women **WLC4**

CP 4 men **MCP4**
CP 3 men **MCP3**
CP 2 men **MCP2**
CP 1 men **MCP1**

CP 4 women **WCP4**
CP 3 women **WCP3**
CP 2 women **WCP2**
CP 1 women **WCP1**

HC A men **MHCA**
HC B men **MHCB**
HC C men **MHCC**

HC A women **WHCA**
HC B women **WHCB**
HC C women **WHCC**

The rider's code is read as follows:

- **1st letter: gender**
- **2nd-4th letter or number: class and division**

(text modified on 1.02.08; 1.01.09).

V

Chapter CLASSIFICATION

(chapter modified on 26.06.07).

16.5.001 A functional classification system is used, where an athlete's functional ability is assessed, based on the level of spinal cord lesion, or corresponding disability. Classification of an athlete shall be in race dress with their race equipment, using the following checks:

- Medical documentation of the athlete's disability;
- Functional tests;
- Observation in training and competition.

In the case of an incomplete spinal cord lesion, the functional ability of the athlete will decide the final classification and the decision of the UCI classifier shall be final.

Blind and Visually Impaired (B & VI)

16.5.002 Class profiles - from no light perception in either eye up to visual acuity of 6/60 and/or visual field of less than 20 degrees. This minimum equates to IBSA class B3. Classification assessed in the best eye with the best correction (i.e. all athletes who use contact or corrective lenses must wear them for classification, whether they intend to wear them in competition or not).

Locomotor disabilities (LC)

16.5.003 LC 1 - This **division** is essentially for athletes having minor or no lower limb disabilities.

Profiles - any one of the following:

- a) amputation of more than half-foot (= forefoot);
- b) decrease in muscle strength or ankylosis (arthrodesis) in one lower limb of between 10 and 14 points, or isolated paralysis in muscles quadriceps femoris or triceps surae;
- c) leg length difference of 7-12 cm;
- d) amputation or paralysis of one upper limb, with or without artificial handgrip, or decrease in muscle strength of one upper limb of more than 20 points;
- e) In the case of upper limb amputation or dysmelia the minimal disability is met if all fingers and the thumb of one hand are missing or without functional grip. As proof of the loss of functional grip, the affected athletes will not be able to operate handlebar mounted gear and brake levers with the disabled limb;
- f) deformations of the spine, such that riding in a normal aerodynamic position is not possible.

LC 2 - This **division** is essentially for athletes with disabilities in one leg, but who are able to pedal normally using 2 legs, with or without prostheses.

Profiles - any one of the following:

- a) single above- or below-knee amputation with prosthesis;
- b) decrease in muscle strength in one lower limb of 15-24 points;
- c) leg length difference of more than 12 cm;
- d) restricted flexion of knee of up to between 51 and 80 degrees;

- e) amputation or paralysis of both upper limbs with artificial handgrips on one or both sides (e.g. prosthesis, orthosis, Krukenberg, etc.);
- f) disabilities as described in a)-d) above, with or without upper limb disability.

LC 3 - This **division** is essentially for athletes with disabilities on one lower limb, with or without upper limb disability. Most athletes pedal with one leg.

Profiles - any one of the following:

- a) single above - or below-knee amputation without prosthesis. If a prosthesis is used, the radius of rotation of the pedal on the amputated side is **0 (zero)**;
- b) one lower limb not functional for normal pedalling, for example:
 - flexion of the knee is less than 50 degrees;
 - radius of rotation of one pedal is **0 (zero)**.
- c) decrease in muscle strength in both lower limbs a total of 25-39 points;
- d) double below-knee amputation with prostheses;
- e) stiff hip joint, such that the fixed or maximum flexion is less than 30 degrees and that the radius of rotation of the pedal on the stiffened side is **0 (zero)**.

LC 4 - This **division** is essentially for athletes with more severe disabilities usually affecting both lower limbs, with or without upper limb disability.

Profiles - any one of the following:

- a) double above-knee amputation, with one or two prostheses;
- b) single above-knee amputation, plus amputation of upper limb, without leg prosthesis and holding the handlebar with only one hand;
- c) combination of above-knee and below-knee amputation, with one or two prostheses;
- d) double below-knee amputation, with prosthesis only on one side;
- e) decrease in muscle strength in both lower limbs a total of at least 40 points.

(text modified on 1.02.09).

Cerebral Palsy (CP):

16.5.004

CP division 4 – is for the least severely disabled athletes, who race on bicycles.

Profiles – as follows:

Subdivision 8:

- a) minimally affected diplegic with spasticity Grade 1;
- b) truly ambulant hemiplegic with spasticity Grade 1;
- c) monoplegics and minimal athetoids;
- d) possible loss of function by uncoordinated hands or one leg.

Subdivision 7:

- a) truly ambulant hemiplegic with spasticity Grades 3 to 2 in one half of the body. May walk with a limp;
- b) hand and arm control only affected on non-dominant side.

CP divisions 3 & 2 – These two divisions provide athletes with a choice of racing on bicycles in division 3, or tricycles in division 2.

Profiles – as follows:

Subdivision 6:

- a) athetosis the most prevalent factor, although some ambulant spastic quadriplegics (i.e. more arm involvement than ambulant diplegics);
- b) ambulant moderate athetoid or ataxic, control problems in upper limbs is usual;
- c) athletes with balance problems and difficulty with seated balance and control, may chose to use tricycles;
- d) athetoid athletes will have uncoordinated walking gait and difficulty with athetoid movement of all limbs;
- e) Grasp and release and coordination of hand(s) will be moderately to severely affected.

Subdivision 5:

- a) symmetric or asymmetric moderate diplegic;
- b) may require assistive device for walking, dynamic balance may be affected;
- c) lower spasticity Grade 3 to 2 in one or both legs;
- d) moderate to minimal limitation in upper extremities with normal strength.

CP division 1 – is for the more severely disabled athletes who race on tricycles. Class profiles – as follows:

Subdivision 4 - 1:

- a) severe to moderate locomotor dysfunction of at least three extremities;
- b) poor functional strength in trunk and all extremities;
- c) spasticity Grade 4 to 3;
- d) dynamic control and synchronisation is poor;
- e) trunk rotation is fair to poor;
- f) balance for cycling is poor to fair;
- g) athletes will require assistance with mounts and starts.

(text modified on 1.01.09).

Handcycling (HC):

16.5.005

HC division A – is for the more severely disabled athletes with complete loss of trunk and lower limb function, together with other severe and complex disabilities.

Profiles – as follows:

Subdivision 1:

- a) tetraplegic with disabilities corresponding to a complete cervical lesion at C7/C8 or above;
- b) limited handgrip;
- c) thermo-regulatory system limitations;

d) impaired sympathetic nerve system.

Subdivision 2:

a) non-spinal cord injury, but functional ability profile equivalent to class HC 1.

HC division B – is for athletes with complete loss of lower limb function and limited trunk stability.
Profiles – as follows:

Subdivision 3:

- a) paraplegic with disabilities corresponding to a complete lesion from Th1 to Th3;
- b) very limited trunk stability;
- c) impaired sympathetic nerve system .

Subdivision 4:

- a) paraplegic with disabilities corresponding to a complete lesion from Th4 to Th9/Th10;
- b) limited trunk stability.

Subdivision 5:

a) non-spinal cord injury, but functional ability profile equivalent to class HC 3/4.

HC division C – is for athletes with complete lower limb function loss, but minimal other functional disabilities, or partial lower limb function loss combined with other disabilities to make conventional cycling not viable.

Profiles – as follows:

Subdivision 6:

- a) paraplegic with disabilities corresponding to a complete lesion from Th11 to L4;
- b) no lower limb function, or limited function;
- c) normal, or almost normal trunk stability.

Subdivision 7:

a) non-spinal cord injury, but functional ability profile equivalent to class HC 6

Subdivision 8:

- a) double above knee amputee;
- b) single leg amputation, with other disabilities, which prevent the safe use of a conventional bicycle or tricycle;
- c) incomplete loss of lower limb function, with other disabilities, which prevent the safe use of a conventional bicycle or tricycle.

In **subdivision 8** the eligibility for handcycling will be established by comparing the athlete's disabilities with the functional profiles of the appropriate conventional cycling classification. Documentation to prove the medical need to use a handcycle shall be required and the decision of the IPC cycling classifier shall be final.

(text modified on 1.01.09).

Para-cycling classification card

- 16.5.006** A para-cycling classification card will be provided, free of charge, for use by athletes as proof of functional classification for para-cycling. The card may be requested for inspection by various agencies including, national paralympic committees, national cycling federations, plus competition organizers and race officials. Replacement of lost cards will involve an administration fee of circa CHF 5.00. If an athlete is formally re-classified, an updated para-cycling functional classification card will be issued, free of charge.

Other classification criteria

- 16.5.007** In all questionable classifications it is essential that the classifier, in conjunction with the technical adviser, consider the cycle to be used by the athlete and the way it is ridden. In some classifications it may be necessary to include a proviso on the athlete's functional classification card that a particular adaptation is permitted, or essential for reasons of safety.

VI

Chapter UCI PARA-CYCLING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

16.6.001 For all UCI para-cycling world championships, the program of events must be scheduled so that athletes from any **division** are not expected to compete in more than one event on any one day.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.01.09).

VII

Chapter ROAD RACES

§ 1 Road races

- 16.7.001** For all UCI para-cycling world championships, the maximum number of individual athletes from a nation is three for each class in each road race. Races must begin with a neutralized rolling start of at least 200 meters to enable all athletes to be safely and fairly underway. All road race courses must be completely closed to other traffic.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

Road race distances

- 16.7.002** The minimum and maximum distances for UCI para-cycling world championships road races shall be:

Class / Division	Minimum	Maximum
Blind & VI men	90 km	120 km
Blind & VI women	70 km	100 km
LC 1 men	70 km	100 km
LC 2 men	60 km	90 km
LC 3 men	50 km	70 km
LC 4 men	40 km	60 km
LC 1 women	50 km	75 km
LC 2 women	45 km	65 km
LC 3 women	40 km	60 km
LC 4 women	30 km	50 km
CP 4 men	50 km	75 km
CP 3 men	40 km	65 km
CP 2 men	25 km	40 km
CP 1 men	15 km	30 km
CP 4 women	40 km	60 km
CP 3 women	35 km	55 km
CP 2 women	15 km	30 km
CP1 women	15 km	30 km

Class / Division	Minimum	Maximum
HC A men	25 km	40 km
HC B men	40 km	70 km
HC C men	40 km	70 km
HC A women	20 km	35 km
HC B women	30 km	55 km
HC C women	30 km	55 km

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.02.08; 1.02.09).

Road race circuits

- 16.7.003** Road race circuits at all UCI para-cycling world championships, except Paralympic Games, for tandem and solo bicycles shall be a minimum length of 5 km, with 8 km recommended. Circuits which are shorter than 5 km, but with unique, desirable features, (for example purpose built motor racing circuits), may be permitted at the discretion of the UCI, on the recommendation of the appointed technical delegate.

Climbs on any circuit to be not more than 6% average gradient and not more than 15% maximum. Total length of climbing must not be more than 25% of the total circuit length.

Tricycles, handcycles and youth category riders may use a shorter and less technically difficult circuit, at the discretion of the technical delegate.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

Starting order

- 16.7.004** Each road race must start with minimum of two minutes between each class, group, or division to avoid the unwanted mixing of classes.

Pacing/drafting

- 16.7.005** Any athlete **taking pace or drafting from an athlete in another** class, group, or division, will be disqualified. **The racing procedure will be in compliance with articles 2.4.017 to 2.4.020.**

(text modified on 1.02.09).

- 16.7.006** **[article abrogated on 1.02.09].**

16.7.007 Considering the nature of the handicap and the difficulty for certain athletes to grab a bottle during a race, the following measures will apply for the feeding by foot during the road races:

- forbidden to feed during the first and last laps,
- feeding authorized from both sides of the road. The feeding zones must be separated by at least 50 meters.

(article introduced on 1.02.09).

§ 2 Individual trials

16.7.008 For all UCI para-cycling world championships the maximum number of individual athletes from a nation is three for each class in each time trial. It is recommended that all courses should be completely closed to non-race traffic. The minimum requirement is complete course closure to oncoming traffic. Time trial courses can use the same circuits as those used for road races in the same program.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

Time trial distances

16.7.009 The minimum and maximum distances for UCI para-cycling world championship time trials shall be:

Class / Division	Minimum	Maximum
Blind & VI men	20 km	35 km
Blind & VI women	15 km	30 km
LC 1 men	15 km	30 km
LC 2 men	15 km	30 km
LC 3 men	10 km	25 km
LC 4 men	10 km	25 km
LC 1 women	15 km	25 km
LC 2 women	15 km	25 km
LC 3 women	10 km	20 km
LC 4 women	10 km	20 km
CP 4 men	10 km	25 km
CP 3 men	10 km	25 km
CP 2 men	10 km	20 km
CP 1 men	5 km	15 km

Class / Division	Minimum	Maximum
CP 4 women	10 km	20 km
CP 3 women	10 km	20 km
CP 2 women	10 km	15 km
CP 1 women	5 km	10 km
HC A men	5 km	15 km
HC B men	10 km	25 km
HC C men	10 km	25 km
HC A women	5 km	10 km
HC B women	10 km	20 km
HC C women	10 km	20 km

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.02.08; 1.02.09).

16.7.010 The starting order for individual time trial stages shall be the same as applicable in UCI rules 2.6.023. Nevertheless, the commissaires panel may modify the order for CP 1-2 divisions and HC class if the course is too narrow. In that particular case the order will be established by beginning with the fastest riders and by ending by the slowest ones, in order to facilitate the overtaking during the race.

(article introduced on 1.02.09).

16.7.011 For the individual time trial, following cars will be authorized according to the following terms for the UCI World cup and the World championship:

- one following car for a nation with less than ten riders engaged in the individual time trial, all classes combined;
- two following cars for a nation with ten riders or more engaged in the individual time trial, all classes combined.

The chief commissaire can reduce the number of accredited vehicles if he considers it appropriate. All vehicle drivers must hold a UCI license issued by their national federation.

(article introduced on 1.01.09).

VIII

Chapter TRACK RACES

- 16.8.001** For all UCI para-cycling World Championships, **each nation can register a maximum of three athletes in each division for each track event.** CP 3 & 4 athletes only are permitted to use a single free wheel in track competitions for safety reasons. **Moreover, HC classes and CP 1-2 divisions are not allowed to take part in track events.**

Also for safety reasons, foam pads placed in bends will be prohibited in the first half of the bend.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.02.08).

§ 1 Kilometer and 500 meters

- 16.8.002** **Starting blocks must be used for all classes during the following track events: individual pursuit, first rider of the team sprint and kilometer/500 meters.**

(article introduced on 1.01.09).

- 16.8.003** Races shall be for the following **division** and distances:

Division	Distance
Tandem men; women – blind & VI	1000 meters
Bicycle men - LC1; LC2; LC3; LC4	1000 meters
Bicycle men - CP4; CP3	1000 meters
Bicycle women - LC1; LC2; LC3; LC4	500 meters
Bicycle women - CP4; CP3	500 meters

(text modified on 1.02.09).

§ 2 Individual Pursuit

16.8.004 Races shall be for the following **division** and distances:

Division	Distance
Tandem men - blind & VI	4000 meters
Bicycle men - LC1; LC2	4000 meters
Bicycle men - LC3; LC4	3000 meters
Bicycle men - CP4	4000 meters
Bicycle men - CP3	3000 meters
Tandem; women – blind & VI	3000 meters
Bicycle women - LC1; LC2; LC3; LC4	3000 meters
Bicycle women - CP4; CP3	3000 meters

(text modified on 1.02.09).

16.8.005 Considering the variety in the types of handicap in the LC3 division, it is recommended to match up athletes with similar handicaps during the qualification for the track individual pursuit, in order not to penalize or favour certain athletes. This consideration will have precedence in the pairing of the athletes.

(article introduced on 1.01.09).

16.8.006 When a factor is used for athletes' classification in the track individual pursuit, the athletes will evolve alone in the finals (gold-silver), (bronze-fourth) if they are not part of the same division and will be matched up only if they are part of the same division.

(article introduced on 1.01.09).

§ 3 Tandem sprint

16.8.007 Races shall be for blind and visually impaired - men and women.

(text modified on 1.02.08).

16.8.008 Sprint format
Paralympic Games and UCI World Championships

After the qualifying round, eight fastest riders will advance to the sprint tournament.

Starters	System	Event	Composition	1st	2nd
8	1/4 Finals 4x2 ⇒ 1=4 (in 2 heats, 3 if required)	1	N1-N8	1A1	1A2
		2	N2-N7	2A1	2A2
		3	N3-N6	3A1	3A2
		4	N4-N5	4A1	4A2
4	1/2 Finals 2x2 ⇒ 1=2 (in 2 heats, 3 if required)	1	1A1-4A1	1B1	1B2
		2	2A1-3A1	2B1	2B2
4	Minor Final 2x1 ⇒ 1=2	1	1A2-2A2	7th	8th
		2	3A2-4A2	5th	6th
4	Finals 2x2 ⇒ 1=2 (in 2 heats, 3 if required)	1	1B2-2B2	3rd (Bronze)	4th
		2	1B1-2B1	1st (Gold)	2nd (Silver)

(article introduced on 1.01.09).

§ 4 Team sprint (TS)

16.8.009 Races shall be for:
 men - LC 1; LC 2; LC 3; LC 4 & CP 4; CP 3
 women - LC 1; LC 2; LC 3; LC 4 & CP 4; CP 3

For all para-cycling TS competitions, the maximum shall be one sprint team of 3 athletes per nation that can be mixed, plus substitutes. A second team might be registered for each nation only if it is an all women team. A maximum of two athletes can have the same value in points. Looking at the following table, the total of points for the three TS participants must be at least six.

Gender, classes & divisions	Points
Men LC 1	1
Men LC 2	2
Men LC 3	3
Men LC 4	4
Men CP 3	3
Men CP 4	2
Women LC 1	2
Women LC 2	3
Women LC 3	4
Women CP 4	3
Women CP 3	4

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.02.09).

16.8.010 This event consists of two series. The first series is a qualifying round to select the four fastest teams, on the basis of their times for the finals. The teams with the two best times shall ride off in the final for the gold and silver medals, while the two others shall ride off in the final for the bronze medal and fourth place.

(article introduced on 1.01.09).

16.8.011 [article abrogated on 1.02.09].

16.8.012 [article abrogated on 1.02.09].

IX

Chapter **WORLD RECORDS**

16.9.001 New world records will be ratified according to UCI regulations. A copy of the documentation required must be sent to the UCI administration.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

16.9.002 A new world record submission will only be accepted from an athlete who has permanent status (PS) functional classification for the **division** in which the new record was set. The athlete must also possess a valid international racing licence from a UCI affiliated national cycling federation.

16.9.003 **Only world records attempted on a traditional bicycle including tandem may be homologated. Handbikes and tricycles can therefore not make a request for the homologation of a world record.**

(text modified on 1.02.08; 1.02.09).

X

Chapter RACING DRESS

- 16.10.001** [article abrogated on 26.06.07. For racing dress provisions, refer to Article 1.3.026 and the following].
- 16.10.002** [article abrogated on 26.06.07. For racing dress provisions, refer to Article 1.3.026 and the following].
- 16.10.003** [article abrogated on 26.06.07. For racing dress provisions, refer to Article 1.3.026 and the following].
- 16.10.004** For all functional class **and division** road races, athletes are required to **wear a** helmet in the correct **division** color, or use an appropriately colored helmet cover, as follows:

Red helmet:	LC 1 men & women
	CP 2 men & women
	HC C men & women
	Tandem men
White helmet:	LC 2 men & women
	CP 4 men & women
	HC B men & women
	Tandem women
Blue helmet:	LC 3 men & women
	CP 3 men & women
	HC A men & women
Black helmet:	LC 4 men & women
	CP 1 men & women

Athletes using the wrong color helmet in road races will not be allowed to start and/or will be withdrawn from the race and disqualified.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.02.09).

Use of catheters

- 16.10.005** It is mandatory for cyclists who use catheters or other urinary diversion devices to prevent spillage by using a catheter bag at all times. This includes training, competition and classification. The penalty structure will be in compliance with the chapter 12, article 12.01.040, penalties for the helmet points 3.2 and 3.3.

(article introduced on 1.02.09).

XI

Chapter MEDALS AND JERSEYS FOR UCI PARA-CYCLING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

See part 9 of UCI regulations.

XII

Chapter PENALTIES

16.12.001 In para-cycling competitions, any participant who commits an infraction of regulations will be subject to the disciplinary procedures and sanctions of the UCI.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

XIII

Chapter ANTIDOPING

16.13.001 Drug testing and health checks may be carried out at any para-cycling competition using UCI rules. The refusal of an athlete to submit to these checks will be treated as if the athlete tested positive, or failed a health check.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

XIV

Chapter EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS

16.14.001 All cycles used in UCI para-cycling world championships or in any other UCI events have to meet the current requirements of the UCI EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS, (Part I, Chapter III). For morphological, or disability reasons, exceptions may be permitted, but the principle of the UCI regulations for cycles must be followed. For example: A handlebar adaptation is allowed for athletes with upper limb disabilities, if the athlete needs the adaptation to operate gear and brake levers, there is no unfair aerodynamic advantage and safety is not compromised.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

16.14.002 All disability adaptations to any cycle must be approved by the UCI technical delegate (TD) of the event before the commencement of competition. Approved adaptations shall be noted on the para-cycling functional classification card of the rider.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

16.14.003 The UCI, or competition officials shall not be liable for any consequences deriving from the choice of equipment and/or any adaptations used by licence-holders, nor for any defects it may have, or its non-compliance.

16.14.004 Artificial handgrips and prosthesis are allowed on upper disabled limbs, but not fixed to the cycle. For reasons of safety in the event of a fall, rigid prosthetic adaptations, mounted or fixed on parts of the cycle, are not allowed.
Except for handcycles, a cyclist's position shall be supported solely by the pedals, the saddle and the handlebar.

16.14.005 **Division** LC 3 and LC 4 athletes with above knee amputation may use a support for the thigh only if, for safety reasons, there is no fixation of the thigh to the bicycle. This means, that the support may be a half tube attached to the cycle, with a closed base and maximum of 10 cm closed side at the base, but no thigh fixing devices are permitted.

(text modified on 1.01.09).

16.14.006 Road bicycles, tandems, tricycles and handcycles must have two independent braking systems. Bicycles and tandems must have an independent brake on each wheel, but the brakes on tricycles and handcycles may be fitted to the most appropriate wheel(s).

Handcycle: In the case of a handcycle, if there is a braking system for the double wheels, it must involve both wheels. The braking systems must be dynamic; wheel locks or stoppers are not allowed.

Tricycle: As for tricycles, they must have two braking systems, one at the front and one at the back. Like handcycles, the braking system on the double wheels must be dynamic and involve both wheels.

(text modified on 1.01.10).

16.14.007 In UCI para-cycling road world championships, where neutral race service is offered, it is probable that only standard bicycle wheels will be available. Therefore, it may not be possible to provide neutral service to tandem frames with hub spacing wider than a standard road bicycle. Also, it is very unlikely that neutral spare tricycle wheels will be available, or spare wheels suitable for handcycles, except where any wheel is interchangeable with a standard bicycle road wheel.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

XV

Chapter TANDEM BICYCLE

Definition

- 16.15.001** The tandem is a vehicle for two cyclists, with two wheels of equal diameter, which conforms to the general principles of UCI construction for bicycles. The front wheel shall be steerable by the front rider, known as the 'pilot'. Both riders shall face forward in the traditional cycling position and the rear wheel shall be driven by both cyclists through a system comprising pedals and chains.
- 16.15.002** The tandem top tube and any additional strengthening tubes, may slope to suit the morphological sizes of the riders.

XVI

Chapter TRICYCLE

Definition

- 16.16.001** The tricycle is a vehicle with three wheels of equal diameter. The front wheel, or wheels, shall be steerable; the rear wheel, or wheels, shall be driven through a system comprising pedals and a chain.
- 16.16.002** Recumbent pedal tricycles are not permitted in UCI para-cycling competitions.
(text modified on 26.06.07).
- 16.16.003** A tricycle with two rear wheels shall conform to UCI construction and measurements for a bicycle, including the bottom bracket, seat tube and saddle position, but excluding the rear triangle.
- 16.16.004** A tricycle with two front steerable wheels shall conform to the general principles of UCI construction and measurements for a bicycle, including the rear triangle.
- 16.16.005** Wheels of the tricycle may vary in diameter between 70 cm maximum and 55 cm minimum, including the tire, using conventional cycle components. Modified hub attachments may be used if necessary. The width of tricycle double wheels may vary between 85 cm maximum and 60 cm minimum, measured at the centre of each tire where the tires touch the ground.
- 16.16.006** If a tricycle two-wheel rear axle does not have a differential, only one wheel must be driven, due to the different speeds of the wheels in bends.
- 16.16.007** A tricycle shall not measure more than 200 cm in length and 95 cm in width overall.
- 16.16.008** To facilitate easy mounting by the rider, the tricycle top tube may slope down rearwards, with the limit being parallel with the down tube.
- 16.16.009** The two wheels of a tricycle may be offset a maximum of 10 cm either side of a centerline which passes through the single wheel and the frame top tube.
- 16.16.010** In road races, it is **mandatory** that a tricycle with two rear wheels should be fitted with a safety bar to prevent the front wheel of a following tricycle from entering the space between the rear wheels. A safety bar must not exceed the width of each rear wheel tire and all tube ends closed or plugged **(for measurements see article 16.17.014)**.

(text modified on 1.01.09).

XVII

Chapter HANDCYCLE

Definition

- 16.17.001** A handcycle is either an arm powered (AP), arm-trunk powered (ATP) or kneeling position, three wheels vehicle with an open frame of tubular construction, which conforms to the general principles of UCI construction for bicycles, except that the chassis frame tubes need not be straight **and that for the seat or backrest construction, the maximum frame tube diameter may exceed the maximum defined by the general principles of UCI.**

The single wheel may be of a different diameter to the double wheels. The front wheel, or wheels, shall be steerable; the single wheel, either front or rear, shall be driven through a system comprising handgrips and a chain.

The handcycle shall be propelled solely, through a chainset and conventional cycle drive train, of crank arms, chainwheels, chain and gears, with handgrips replacing foot pedals.

(text modified on 1.02.09).

- 16.17.002** In the recumbent position, the athlete must have a clear vision. As such, the horizontal of his eyeline must be above the crank housing/crank set, when he is sitting with his hands on the handlebars facing forward at full extent, the tip of his shoulder blades in contact with the backrest and his head in contact with the headrest, when applicable. A quick release body harness is permitted.

The measurement will be made as follows; from the position described above, the distance will be measured from the ground to the center of the eyes of the athlete seated and compared to the distance between the ground and the middle of the crank housing / crank set. The distance from the eyes to the ground needs to be at least equal or greater than the distance of the middle of the crank housing to the ground.

(text modified on 1.01.04; 1.02.09).

- 16.17.003** The recumbent handcycle must have a mirror fixed either to the helmet of the athlete or at any point of the front of the bike in order to ensure rear view vision.

(article introduced on 1.02.09).

16.17.004 In the kneeling position, the athlete's legs and feet must be supported and protected from the ground surface.

(article introduced on 1.02.09).

16.17.005 There should be no adjustment made possible to the equipment during the race. All adjustments must be made prior to the start of the race.

(article introduced on 1.02.09).

16.17.006 [article abrogated on 1.02.09].

16.17.007 Wheels of the handcycle may vary in diameter between a minimum (ETRTO) 406 mm and a maximum of 622 mm. Modified hub attachments may be used if necessary. The width of handcycle double wheels may vary between 55 cm minimum and 70 cm maximum, measured at the centre of each tire where the tires touch the ground.

(text modified on 1.01.04; 1.02.09).

16.17.008 Disk wheels are accepted for handcycle in the mass start competitions.

(article introduced on 1.02.09).

16.17.009 A handcycle shall not measure more than 250 cm in length. Its maximum width shall be 70 cm overall.

(text modified on 1.01.04; 1.02.09).

16.17.010 The shifting device should be within the extremities of the handlebars, except for HC A, which can fit their shifting device on the side of their body to allow for their arm to shift gears.

(article introduced on 1.02.09).

16.17.011 The largest chain ring shall have a guard securely fitted to protect the rider. The protection shall be made of adequate solid material and fully cover the chain ring over half of its circumference (180°) facing the rider.

(text modified on 1.01.04; 1.01.10).

16.17.012 Maximum frame tube dimension shall be 80 mm, irrespective of tube material, or profile. Any fillets, or ribs, inserted at joins between tubes, shall be for strengthening purposes only. Non-functional, aerodynamic devices are not permitted for competition.

(article introduced on 1.01.04).

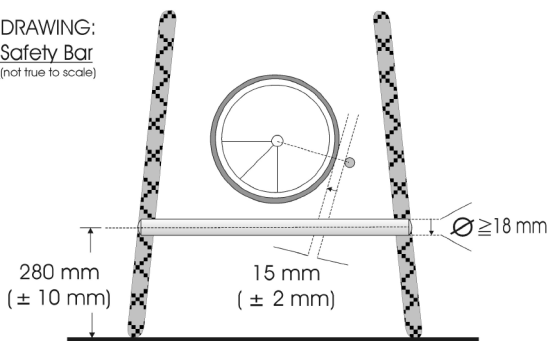
16.17.013 Leg and foot rests shall be fitted as necessary, with a secure means of protecting static lower limbs from all moving parts. **Handcyclists must wear shoes or sufficiently stiff foot protection which covers completely the foot, for security measure, unless the handcycle has a shell / structure which allows the feet to rest with no risk of coming out. In such cases, athletes should at minimum be wearing socks. In all cases, the feet should also be fixed to the bike with some sort of device which prevents the feet from falling out of the footrest.**

(text modified on 1.01.04; 1.02.09).

16.17.014 In road races, it is **mandatory** that a handcycle with two rear wheels should be fitted with a safety bar to prevent the front wheel of a following handcycle from entering the space between the rear wheels. A safety bar must not exceed the width of each rear wheel tire and all tube ends closed or plugged. **The safety bar needs to be 15 mm behind the vertical of the wheels. It must be a round tube (at least 18 mm in diameters) made of adequate solid material. Both tube ends must be plugged. The distance between the ground and the bar axis must be 280 mm (+/- 10 mm). The safety bar must be fitted 15 mm (+/- 2 mm) behind the tire. The structure and assembly of the safety bar must guarantee that normal bumps, which happen during a race, don't affect the safe functioning of the bar (see diagram).**

(text modified on 1.01.04; 1.02.09).

DRAWING:
Safety Bar
(not true to scale)



XVIII

Chapter **PARA-CYCLING INDIVIDUAL RANKING**

(chapter changed on 1.02.09).

- 16.18.001** UCI has created a yearly ranking of riders per division and gender, on road and track. These individual rankings will take in account the following events:
- Track: kilo/500 m, sprint, individual pursuit and team sprint
 - Road: individual time trial and road race

This ranking shall be called “UCI Para-cycling Individual ranking per division” and shall be the exclusive property of the UCI.

- 16.18.002** The International Cycling Union has created a ranking comprising a number of competitions designated each year by the UCI Management Committee.

- 16.18.003** Each division’s ranking shall be established according to the points obtained by riders participating in competitions of the international calendar following these standards:

International calendar

Paralympic Games

World Championships

World Cup

Para-cycling regional races (P1):

- Minimum 1 class represented;
- Minimum 5 participating nations in Europe;
- Minimum 3 participating nations in America;
- Minimum 2 participating nations in Asia;
- Minimum 2 participating nations in Oceania and in Africa.
- An athlete has the right to accumulate P1 points on a single continent, the one where he has accumulated most points;
- Only three best single results in different events will be accumulated in the individual ranking.

Para-cycling regional races (P2):

The P2 regional para-cycling races will not give any point to the ranking, but will be identified in the calendar to get opportunities of competition for nations.

The individual ranking begins again at zero on January 1st of every year.

16.18.004 The number of points to gain in every individual event is fixed according to the following table:

Rank	World Championship and Paralympic Games	World Cup	Regional P1	Regional P2
1	60	30	15	0
2	52	26	13	0
3	44	22	11	0
4	36	18	9	0
5	32	16	8	0
6	28	14	7	0
7	24	12	6	0
8	20	10	5	0
9	16	8	4	0
10	12	6	3	0

In cases of the team events (team sprint and team time trial), each athlete will be awarded a third of the points with regards to an individual competition.

For P1 competitions, only those answering the criteria of participation will award points.

16.18.005 For every competition, the UCI points will be awarded once by event (finals).

For the competitions taking place in a tournament format, UCI points will be awarded according to the general classification of the competition. In the absence of general classification, the event which will award UCI points must be clearly identified on the program of the competition. In defect, points will not be awarded.

16.18.006 Ties on points between riders shall be resolved by counting up the greatest number of 1st places, 2nd places, etc. on the ranking of the races of the current year, taking into account the competition giving the most points, up through the regional P1 races.

16.18.007 National federations and organizers shall be required, immediately following the end of the race, to transmit to UCI headquarters by fax or e-mail the list of starters and complete results. For stage races and multi-race championships, this information shall be transmitted within **48** hours of the end of the last stage, or championship event.

The national federation of the organizer of the event shall also, within **48** hours of the final decision, communicate the downgrading of a rider to UCI headquarters. As a general practice, all national federations shall immediately communicate any facts or decisions that could result in an amendment to the points obtained by a rider.

Should any such information not be transmitted as indicated, the UCI may declassify the race in question or exclude it from the calendar, notwithstanding any other penalties provided for in the regulations.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.02.08).

16.18.008 The para-cycling road and track individual ranking and the rankings by nation shall be drawn up at least **once** a month **when there is competition.**

If need be, the ranking of preceding months will be corrected.

(text modified on 26.06.07; 1.02.09).

XIX**Chapter NATIONS' RANKING**

(chapter changed on 1.02.09).

16.19.001 UCI created a ranking by nation on the road and on the track. For these, the result of the best athlete by division and by gender is taken into account as well as points accumulated through the national championships.

National Championships

16.19.002 Points cumulated on the nations' ranking from the national championships will be awarded under the following principals:

Ten (10) points will be granted to nations, by division (LC1, LC2,...) and by gender, represented at the national championships (road and track), independently of the number of events in which the athletes participate and of the number of athletes in the division.

UCI is the exclusive owner.

16.19.003 Para-cycling road and track nations' ranking will be established on December 31st of every year.

If need be, the nations' ranking will be corrected.

XX

Chapter PARA-CYCLING WORLD CUP

(chapter changed on 1.02.09).

16.20.001 The International Cycling Union has created a «Para-cycling World Cup», comprising a general individual ranking based on a number of competitions designated each year by the UCI Management Committee.

16.20.002 The para-cycling world cup shall be the exclusive property of UCI.

16.20.003 Events selected for the para-cycling world cup are the following:

Road

Road race – all classes and divisions

Individual Time Trial – all classes and divisions

Track

Kilo/500 m – classes B&VI, LC & CP (divisions 3 & 4)

Individual pursuit – classes B&VI, LC & CP (divisions 3 & 4)

Team sprint – classes LC & CP (divisions 3 & 4)

Sprint – class B&VI (men only)

Participation

16.20.004 The competitions shall be for national selections or teams or individuals under recommendation of the affiliated National Cycling Federation.

16.20.005 The nation's maximum number of participant in each event will be three.

16.20.006 National Federations shall confirm their participation by means of an enrolment form within four weeks before the date of the race.

This confirmation shall mention the number of persons making up each delegation, as well as their class and division.

16.20.007 The names of riders, substitutes and attendants shall reach the organizer by three weeks before the date of the race at the latest.

In case of the non-attendance of nominated athletes after confirmation, the following penalties may be imposed:

A financial penalty of CHF 2,000.00 per athlete. This penalty shall be paid to the organisation. The rider's National Federation shall be held jointly liable for paying the penalty.

Organisation

- 16.20.008** Organisers of World Cup races shall sign a contract with the UCI governing, notably, the radio and TV broadcasting rights, marketing rights and the material organisation of the races.
- 16.20.009** The maximum registration tax per accredited person will not have to exceed CHF 160.00 or EUR 105.00. The accommodation, the local transport and the meals are the responsibility of the athlete.
- 16.20.010** The commissaires panel shall comprise three UCI international commissaires including the chief commissaire appointed by the UCI.
- The organizing National Federation shall designate two international commissaires, one of which should be the secretary, and five to eight national commissaires in order to assure an efficient control of the races, as well as timekeepers.
- 16.20.011** UCI shall appoint a technical delegate.
- 16.20.012** The transportation fee and daily allowance of persons appointed by UCI will be directly paid by UCI according to the current condition. The organizer has to provide them with accommodation as well as local transportation.
- 16.20.013** UCI will appoint the chief classifier. His costs of transport and daily allowance will be paid by UCI according to the current condition. The organizer will however have to insure the local transport and the accommodation and supply a national classifier.
- 16.20.014** A meeting shall be convened at 6 pm on the eve of the first competition. It shall be attended by all the officials and the team leaders. It shall be chaired by the chief commissaire in the presence of the UCI technical delegate and the persons responsible for organisation.

Prizes

- 16.20.015** The scale of prizes for the individual classification by race will be fixed annually by the UCI Management Committee in the financial obligations and will add up to an amount of CHF 5,000.00.
- 16.20.016** The prizes shall be paid out by the organizer at the end of each competition to the representatives of the respective teams.
- 16.20.017** The first three riders in each race shall receive from the organizer, respectively, a gold medal (1st place), a silver medal (2nd place) and a bronze medal (3rd place).

Ranking

16.20.018 At the conclusion of each one of the events of every competition, points will be awarded to the first ten riders following rule 16.18.004.

16.20.019 A «Para-cycling World Cup» ranking by division and by gender will be published the week following every event.

At the conclusion of every competition, the tied riders in the general ranking will be decided by the greatest number of 1st places, 2nd places, etc. by considering only places awarding points.

If they are still tied, the best ranking in the most recent event will serve as a tie breaker.

16.20.020 The UCI shall award a World Cup winner jersey to the first rider in the final individual ranking of each division. Except where article 1.3.055 bis, point 6, applies, the World Cup winner has to wear his jersey at the *World Championship* of the current year, and in no other competition.

XXI
Chapter

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFYING SYSTEM

(chapter changed on 1.02.09).

General comments

16.21.001 *National Federations shall select riders to participate in World Championships.*

16.21.002 *A rider against whom an investigation was opened in relation to a fact which may cause a breach of the UCI Anti-Doping Rules, will not be eligible for the World Championships or is not authorised to participate to the World Championship until the end of the suspension or until his definitive acquittal. In the event of a positive A Sample, this clause applies starting from the notification of the abnormal analysis result to the rider.*

Unless otherwise decided by the anti-doping commission, the above paragraph is also applicable in the event of an investigation or a procedure regarding such a fact, opened in pursuance of a law of other regulation.

Specify cases are examined by the anti-doping commission or its president. Their decision is without appeal.

In addition to the disqualification, the licensee and his national federation will be respectively sanctioned by a fine of CHF 2,000.00 to CHF 10,000.00.

The present condition for participation aims to protect the integrity, serenity and reputation of the world championships. Its application does not prejudge the decision whether an anti-doping violation has occurred and shall not give rise to any claim in the events of acquittal.

16.21.003 *At a World Championship, in each of the para-cycling event, the nation of the world champion titular will be given an additional slot for this athlete, for the event for which he is a world champion. If the world champion cannot participate at the World Championships, this place is not accumulated in the quota of the nation.*

16.21.004 *The host nation for the UCI para-cycling world championships will be entitled to register a full contingent of athletes (maximum quota) in all divisions, on the track and on the road, for both men and women.*

16.21.005 *The number of slots each nation will receive for the UCI World Championships will be determined by using the Nations' rankings in each division (LC1, LC2, ...) on December 31 from the previous year.*

(article introduced on 1.01.10).

Track

16.21.006 *At minimum, each nation will be entitled to have two slots per division and will be entitled to register an additional athlete according to their rank on the nations' ranking.*

(article introduced on 1.01.10).

16.21.007 *The Nations' ranking takes into account points from the World Championship (results from the Paralympic Games would be taken into account on a paralympic year), points from the World Cup (two best results from two events held in different regions). This principle described below applies both for men and women:*

Europe:

Places 1 - 5 in the Europe ranking ➔ **3 slots**

Places 6 and more in the Europe ranking ➔ **2 slots**

America:

Places 1 - 2 in the America ranking ➔ **3 slots**

Places 3 and more in the America ranking ➔ **2 slots**

Asia:

Places 1 - 2 in the Asia ranking ➔ **3 slots**

Places 3 and more in the Asia ranking ➔ **2 slots**

Oceania:

Place 1 in the Oceania ranking ➔ **3 slots**

Places 2 and more in the Oceania ranking ➔ **2 slots**

Africa:

Place 1 in the Africa ranking ➔ **3 slots**

Places 2 and more in the Africa ranking ➔ **2 slots**

(article introduced on 1.01.10).

Road

16.21.008 *At minimum, each nation will be entitled to have two slots per division for road race and one slot per division for time trial. Nation will be entitled to register an additional athlete according to their rank on the nations' ranking.*

(article introduced on 1.01.10).

16.21.009 *The national ranking comprises points for the UCI World Championships in the current year (if it is a Paralympic year, the results of the Paralympic Games will be taken into account), the World Cup points (two best results obtained in two events in a different region) and the three best results obtained from at least three regional (P1) competitions. The principle described below applies to both men and women:*

Europe:

Places 1 - 5 in the Europe ranking ⇒ 3 slots for road and 2 slots for time trials

Places 6 and more in the Europe ranking ⇒ 2 slots for road and 1 slot for time trial

America:

Places 1 - 2 in the America ranking ⇒ 3 slots for road and 2 slots for time trials

Places 3 and more in the America ranking ⇒ 2 slots for road and 1 slot for time trial

Asia:

Places 1 - 2 in the Asia ranking ⇒ 3 slots for road and 2 slots for time trials

Places 3 and more in the Asia ranking ⇒ 2 slots for road and 1 slot for time trial

Oceania:

Place 1 in the Oceania ranking ⇒ 3 slots for road and 2 slots for time trials

Places 2 and more in the Oceania ranking ⇒ 2 slots for road and 1 slot for time trial

Africa:

Place 1 in the Africa ranking ⇒ 3 slots for road and 2 slots for time trials

Places 2 and more in the Africa ranking ⇒ 2 slots for road and 1 slot for time trial

(article introduced on 1.01.10).

XXII**Chapter PARALYMPIC GAMES**

16.22.001 Participation in cycling competitions at the Paralympic Games shall be governed by the rules of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) and of the UCI.

Participation in the Paralympics shall imply acceptance and respect of the IPC rules and UCI regulations rules by the rider and any other license holder.

(text modified on 26.06.07).

Entries – Confirmation of starters

16.22.002 The national paralympic committees shall enter their athletes in accordance with the participation limits, qualifying and reserve system approved by the IPC.

According to IPC rules, each NPC shall inform the organizing committee of the names of its athletes within the deadline fixed by the IPC.

Participation

16.22.003 To take part in the Paralympics, each rider shall:

- hold a UCI licence issued by a national cycling federation
- be at least 18 years old for both track and road events, or reach this age in the year of the Paralympics.
- hold a para-cycling international functional classification designated PPS (Paralympic Permanent Status) or RS (Review Status)

(text modified on 26.06.07).

Paralympic road race circuits

16.22.004 Road race circuits for the Paralympic Games shall be a minimum of 7 km, with 10 km recommended.

XXIII

Chapter PARA-CYCLING TECHNICAL NOTES

16.23.001 All technical notes carry the same authority as UCI regulations. The technical notes will be subject to continuous revision by the UCI management committee, to reflect technological advances in world cycling and changes to UCI regulations.

(text modified on 26.06.07).