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## **Mountain Bike Nationals Selection Document**

**Location:** Langford, B.C.

**Project Dates:** July 15-21, 2025

**Race Dates:** July 18-20, 2025

### **Team Size**

The desired team size will be 4 female and 4 male athletes. The ABA reserves the right to vary the team size of the project based on interest level, athlete performance level and logistical considerations.

### **Selection Date**

Notification of selection to the team will be made the week of June 14, 2025. Mandatory team meeting will be June 21 at 16:00.

### **Eligibility**

To be eligible for selection to the event athletes must:

- Possess a current ABA license.
- Be born between 2007 and 2010 inclusive (ages 15-18 in 2025).
- Fill in the expression of interest found at [this link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1XzCjPE0pxTGaZfixaGhLeofJCvgVMIPDu-nSZqh9s8g/edit) before May 15.  
(<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1XzCjPE0pxTGaZfixaGhLeofJCvgVMIPDu-nSZqh9s8g/edit>)

### **Selection Criteria**

Athletes will be selected to the team objectively by both points and results, as well as subjectively by committee selection. Selection will be made in the following priority:

#### **Men and Women**

- Priority 1: First U19 in Points
- Priority 2: First U17 in Points
- Priority 3: Committee selection



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### **Selection by Points**

Points will be earned at the [Slither XCO Race](#) and the [Canmore Canada Cup XCO](#) races. Points will be awarded in the Expert categories (U17, U19, and Open), as indicated in Table 1 below. Athletes looking to upgrade for these races are asked to contact Petrina.

Points will only be awarded to U19 and U17 racers in the category, so if a Junior racer is 12<sup>th</sup> overall, but the second placed athlete born between 2007 and 2010 they will receive 18 points. Points will be allocated to all U19 and U17 racers in the category regardless of Provincial Affiliation, so if a rider from Saskatchewan is the second youth rider there will be no distribution of second place points. Points earned in the season can be viewed [at this link](#).

**Table 1: Points allocated per finishing result**

Place	Points
1	20
2	18
3	16
4	14
5	12
6	10

### **Selection by Committee**

The committee will consider riders' participation in the Qualifying Races, mechanical mishaps, as well skillset and performance displayed during the races.

### **Athlete Appeal Process**

The ABA has a policy document in place that includes a specific procedure for handling an appeal from a Coach or Athlete. This document is available on the ABA website.

### **Services**

The Alberta Bicycle Association will provide 2 staff, ground transportation, and accommodation.

### **Project Fees**

There will be a project fee covering the services mentioned above. Athletes are also responsible for their food and race registration.