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Mountain Bike Nationals Selection Document

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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 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 Expert in Points
- Priority 2: First U17 Expert in Points
- Priority 3: Committee selection



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Selection by Points

Points will be earned at the <u>Slither XCO Race</u> and the <u>Canmore Canada Cup XCO</u> races. Points will not be awarded in the Provincial Cup categories at Canmore (blue highlighted in the schedule in the tech guide). Points will be awarded in the Expert categories (U17 and U19/Junior), 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/Junior and U17 racers in the category, so if a Junior racer is 12th overall in the combined category, 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.



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Project Fees

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

