



CYCLING HANDBOOK

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1. THE HISTORY OF CYCLING IN FISU

Cycling had its first World University Championship in Moscow, Russia, in 1986. Since then, six other Championships have been organised: 1990 in Palma de Mallorca, Spain, 2006 in Antwerp, Belgium, 2008 Nijmegen, the Netherlands, 2014 Jelenia Gora Poland, 2016 Tagaytay, Philippines and 2018 Braga, Portugal. These Championships have consistently drawn large numbers of competitors and increasingly attracted more spectators. Organised on racetrack and road, they were notable for the high technical levels achieved. In the latest years, mountain biking and BMX were included onto the programme, enabling a renewal of the sport within FISU. Indeed, mountain biking and BMX have seen remarkable development and the enthusiasm they generated in university circles entered this type of event into the regular programme as of 2006. Cycling was included twice as an optional sport of the Summer Universiades: 1983 in Edmonton, Canada and 2011 in Shenzhen, China.

The 2020 World University Cycling Championship was supposed to be organised in the city of Nijmegen, in the Netherland but has unfortunately been cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The 2024 Championship will take place in Costa Rica.

2. STATISTICS

EDITION	YEAR	COUNTRY	CITY	COUNTRIES	MEN	WOMEN	ATHLETES	OFFICIALS	TOTAL
1	1986	URS	Moscow	11	76	0	76	43	119
2	1990	ESP	Palma	12	65	14	79	41	120
3	2006	BEL	Antwerpen	17	86	33	119	54	173
4	2008	NED	Nijmegen	24	133	62	195	61	256
5	2014	POL	Jelenia Gora	20	70	46	116	36	152
6	2016	PHI	Tagaytay	16	59	33	92	33	125
7	2018	POR	Braga	18	95	40	135	44	179

3. SCHEDULE

ARRIVALS	OPENING DAY	COMPETITION DAY 1 TO 4	COMPETITION DAY 1 TO 6	COMPETITION / & CLOSING CEREMONY	DEPARTURES
Day before / Opening day	Day 0: Meetings / registrations	Day 1: Competition MTB M/W Training sessions of road Day 2: Competition road M/W Training sessions of MTB Day 3: Competition MTB M/W Training sessions of road Day 4: Competition road M/W	Day 1: Competition MTB M/W Training sessions of road Day 2: Competition road M/W Training sessions of MTB Day 3: Competition MTB M/W Training sessions of road Day 4: Competition road M/W Training sessions of MTB Day 5: Competition MTB M/W Training sessions of road Day 6: Competition road M/W	Last day of competition Day 4 / 6 (main event) Closing ceremony end of afternoon / night	Day after closing ceremony

4. SPORT REGULATIONS (TECHNICAL REGULATIONS)

4.1. GENERAL TERMS

The cycling competitions shall be run in accordance with the most recent technical regulations of the "Union Cycliste Internationale" (UCI). In any dispute, the French text shall be regarded as authoritative.

The programme and duration of competitions are fixed by FISU in agreement with the Organising Committee and the ITC Championship. The competitions shall last minimum two days and include a minimum of two of the following disciplines in men's and women's event and a maximum of 3 disciplines:

- Road event
- Mountain bike
- Cyclo-cross

Within these 2 or more disciplines, the following subdisciplines can be organised.

- Road events: Road Race
Individual time trial
Criterium race
- Mountain bike: Cross Country (XCO)
Down Hill (DHI)
Marathon (XCM)
Eliminator (XCE)
Short Track (XCC)
E-MTB
Endurance (END)
4Cross
- Cyclo-cross race

The Organising Committee shall propose a list of events and disciplines to FISU at the latest eighteen (18) months prior to the Championship.

Each country may enter:

- for road race events, a maximum of six men and six women;
- for mountain bike events, a maximum of six men and six women;
- for cyclo-cross race events, a maximum of four men and four women.

The delegation may include the following officials, according to the number of competitors entered:

- up to nine participants: three officials;
- up to twenty participants: four officials;
- over twenty participants: five officials.

At the first General Technical Meeting, the Head of Delegation or his/her representative shall confirm and sign the official list of competitors accredited by the CIC.

Every cyclist must have a national cycling licence that is valid for the year of the Championship and issued by his/her national federation, which shall be affiliated to UCI.

4.2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

Three months before the Championship, the Organising Committee has the right to collect 50% of the total cost of stay per athlete and official from participating countries.

All procedures concerning the draw and attribution of race numbers shall follow the UCI procedures.

4.3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

Nomination and costs

International Commissaires shall be appointed jointly by UCI and FISU. The Organising Committee shall bear their costs of travel, board, per diem and lodging (from two days before the opening ceremony to one day after the closing ceremony).

National Commissaires shall be appointed jointly by the OC and the National Cycling Federation. The OC shall bear all their costs.

Number of technical officials needed and qualification

The number of technical officials needed is specified per discipline and per event in the following table.

DISCIPLINES	EVENTS	TECHNICAL OFFICIALS	
		ITO	NTO
Road events	Road Race	1	10
	Individual time trial	1	10
	Critierium race	1	6
MTB	Cross Country	1	6
	Marathon	1	6
	Down Hill	1	6
	Eliminator	1	6
	Short Track	1	6
	E-MTB	1	6
	Endurance	1	6
	4Cross	1	6
Cyclo-cross	All events	1	6

5. SERVICES

The Organising Committee shall inform the participating countries through the bulletins and its website about the possible and potential services and their costs.

Wi-Fi shall be available for all delegations for free. Costs for laundry services will be provided as soon as possible to assist with budgeting.

Technical Officials

Technical Officials (TO) Services is complex and must not be underestimated. The Sport functional area must set up an efficient team early in advance.

In coordination with other relevant functional areas, the Technical Officials Services team is responsible for:

- NTOs recruitment in coordination with the Competition Manager and NF;
- support services such as visa, invitation letters, flight tickets and accreditation;
- managing and delivering TO clothing / uniforms when requested;
- procuring suitable accommodation for the period required;
- providing daily catering and transportation;
- ensuring that all TOs are properly qualified (in close cooperation with FISU);
- hosting Technical Officials' meetings;
- per diem and allowance payment.

6. COMPETITION VENUE

The Organising Committee shall present during the inspection visit the layout of the competition venue(s). The complete layout must be sent to FISU Championships Department and FISU TCC for approval. This layout should include all competition and training areas as well as the different areas, accesses and services allocated for each client group taking part in the competition or involved in its delivery.

7. EQUIPMENT

All necessary jury materials should be provided by the OC (cont.), and by the FISU TCC.

The OC is responsible for all the logistics of the races. (Ex. vehicles for the officials, electronic classifications systems, communication systems, logistics for start and finish areas, etc.)

All equipment used by the delegations must be according to the UCI regulations.

For the road races, the OC is responsible to make sure every delegation has a technical car in the race. If a delegation is not able to bring their own car, the OC is responsible to come with a reasonable solution for those delegations.

Other equipment is listed in the FISU Cycling Venue Minimum Requirements.

8. TRAINING SESSIONS

The training sessions schedule should be drawn up by the FISU Technical Committee Chair together with the Organising Committee Competition Manager and provided to the participating teams as early as possible to make the planning as smooth as possible.

9. COMPETITION PROGRAMME

The competition programme shall be approved by the FISU Technical Committee Chair during the inspection visit and published on the website as soon as approved.

10. SPECIFIC MEDICAL AND ANTI DOPING CONTROL REQUIEREMENTS

The OC should follow and UCI specific medical requirements for each discipline. The venue medical plan shall be presented by the OC and approved by the FISU TCC during the inspection visit.

Doping Control

TESTING DAY(S)	NUMBER OF TESTS	ESA	GHRF
2	8	5	1

11. SPORT PRESENTATION

Sport presentation is the audio-visual presentation of a sport in each competition venue of a FISU World University Championship.

Sport presentation has become a vital instrument of major sport events and is key to delivering the Championships sports successfully. It aims to attract, educate, and entertain live audiences at the competition sites and elevates the sport experience for all client groups.

Sport presentation comprises elements such as video clips, sounds, announcements, Championship mascots, creation of fan teams, the involvement of cheerleaders and other innovative elements that increase the understanding of the sport and the attractiveness of the competitions.

It is complex and must be carefully planned to the second, as it can have a substantial impact on the operation of broadcasters and venue teams. Therefore, close collaboration and early communication with broadcasting, awarding ceremonies and the ICT is essential.

Sport presentation planning should ground on one common creative theme that fits with the specific the Championship concept. Nonetheless, as every sport has its own unique characteristics, it is important that each sport presentation is tailored to the particular sport while still embracing the main theme.

Due to its complexity, FISU suggests the OC to consult expert advice for assisting the OC in developing their sport presentation strategy in an early stage of the event lifecycle.

Considering the importance of sport for the sport presentation planning, the OC is recommended to place sport presentation under the responsibility of the sport manager of the Organising Committee.

12. SPORT TIMELINE

DEADLINES	ACTIONS
Event -18 months	- Proposed list of events and disciplines to FISU (OC)
Event -12 months	- Inspection Visit – Venue visit & equipment approval (FISU TCC) - Competition programme and venue medical plan approval (FISU TCC)
Event -6 months	- General entries (NUSFs)
Event -3 months	- Quantitative entries (NUSFs) - 50% payment from the participating countries (NUSFs- OC) - ITO list (FISU - UCI)
Event -1 month	- Individual entries (NUSFs) - Event Handbook (OC - FISU TCC)
Event -1 day	- Accreditation & participants list confirmation (NUSFs) - ITOs / NTOs meeting (ITOs - NTOs - FISU TCC - OC) - General Technical Meeting (NUSFs - OC - FISU)
EVENT	
Event +1 month	- Final report to FISU

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