



YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES 2010 SINGAPORE

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OBJECTIVE QUALIFICATION!

On 16 August 2010, the Olympic Movement will gather together in Singapore, to celebrate sport for the first Youth Olympic Games, organised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).



Cycling will be among the 26 sports featured on the programme of this major event, which will represent not just a sporting competition. The Youth Olympic Games will also offer a cultural and educational programme aimed at bringing together not only the sports movement but also young people from all over the world, to in the words of the IOC President, Jacques Rogge, «propose to young athletes from all over the world, a unique and powerful introduction and celebration of Olympism».

To take part in this big international gathering and to offer your country the prestige of gaining an Olympic title, initially the first step is to qualify your athletes. The International Cycling Union has already sent to you details on the current qualification system, which is based on the performances of the 2009 season. This first newsletter gives us the opportunity to remind you of the requirements, so that you can give yourself every chance to compete in the first Youth Olympic Games in history.

THE SPORTS CONCEPT

Cycling will have three disciplines on the programme: Road (Road race and Time-Trial), Mountain Biking and BMX. Each of the 32 Federations that qualify will line up a team comprising 3 men and one woman in the Juniors category. Medals will be awarded to teams and not to individuals, based on a general ranking produced after competitions. The participation of athletes in the various races is as follows:

MEN JUNIORS

Mountain bike	1 athlete
Road (Time-Trial)	1 athlete
BMX	1 athlete
Road race	3 athletes

WOMEN JUNIORS

Mountain bike	1 athlete
Road (Time-Trial)	
BMX	



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QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

The qualification system for the Youth Olympic Games is principally based on two sets of criteria, related to «endurance» and «performance».



- The first («endurance») is calculated based on the final ranking of the 2009 UCI Juniors Nations Cup.
- The second («performance») is calculated based on the nations ranking for the UCI Mountain Bike and BMX World Championships for the 2009 season.

It is therefore obviously vital for your athletes to compete in these events, where their results could enable them to qualify your country for the Singapore Youth Olympic Games.

For further details on the subject of the qualification system, please consult the documents that the UCI sent to you last December. You will also find them on the UCI website or can obtain them at the address road@uci.ch.

CALENDAR OF 2009 QUALIFYING EVENTS

ENDURANCE CRITERIA:

2009 UCI JUNIORS NATIONS' CUP

Date	Event	Country
12.04.2009	Paris - Roubaix Juniors	FRA
06-10.05.2009	Course de la Paix Junior	CZE
11-14.06.2009	Trofeo Karlsberg	GER
11-12.07.2009	GP Général Patton	LUX
21-26.07.2009	Tour de l'Abitibi	CAN
07.08.2009	UCI Juniors World Championships (time trial)	RUS
09.08.2009	UCI Juniors World Championships (road race)	RUS
18-20.09.2009	Kroz Istru /Tour d'Istrie	CRO

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA:

UCI BMX WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Date	Event	Venue
23-26.07.2009	UCI BMX World Championships	Adelaïde (AUS)

UCI MOUNTAIN BIKE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Date	Event	Venue
01-06.09.2009	UCI Mountain Bike World Championships	Canberra (AUS)



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PROGRAMME OF CYCLING EVENTS AT THE YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES

MONDAY 16 AUGUST 2010

Confirmation of starters – all disciplines
MTB XCO official training – Men/Women

TUESDAY 17 AUGUST 2010

MTB XCO official training – Men/Women
BMX official training – Men/Women
MTB XCO official training – Men/Women
Team leaders' meeting – all disciplines

WEDNESDAY 18 AUGUST 2010

MTB Olympic cross-country Women
MTB Olympic cross-country Men
Inspection of road time trial circuit (Men Juniors)

THURSDAY 19 AUGUST 2010

Road time trial – Juniors Men
BMX official training session – Men/Women

FRIDAY 20 AUGUST 2010

BMX (Men's & Women's Juniors)/Time trials seeding
BMX (Men's & Women's Juniors)/Finals

SATURDAY 21 AUGUST 2010

Rest day

SUNDAY 22 AUGUST 2010

Road time trial (Women Juniors)
Road race (Men Juniors)



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The duration and the distance of the following races will be approximately as follows:



MOUNTAIN BIKE

- Men's races: duration of 1h00' - 1h15' max.
- Women's races: duration of 45' - 60' max.

ROAD

- Men's road race: between 70 and 90km
- Men's time trial: between 3 and 5km
- Women's time trial: between 2 and 4km



BMX

- Men's and Women's races:
duration of competition approx. 2h30'
duration with warm-up approx. 4h00'

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