

Guidance Notes: Cycling Ireland Expression of Interest for nomination for Team Ireland 2024 Paris Paralympic Games and for UCI Zurich Rd World Championships.

Introduction

Due to the proximity of the 2024 Paralympic Games, and the UCI Para-cycling Rd World Championships, the expression of interest form will serve both events. There are some parts which apply uniquely to each. Please read the below details carefully. If you are in any doubt regarding an aspect of completing this form, please refer to National Para Cycling Coach Jamie Blanchfield in the first instance.

Please note the current selection policy for 2024 Paralympic Cycling events is here:

[CIPGNominationPolicy2024.pdf \(cyclingireland.ie\)](#)

For Paris 2024, nomination is conducted by Cycling Ireland for selection by Paralympics Ireland (PI). It will take place in accordance with the most recently published policy, linked above. All candidate athletes are invited to appraise themselves of this policy, and the Games specific appeals policy also, which can be found here: [OGPGNominationAppealsProcedureAndFormFINAL.pdf \(cyclingireland.ie\)](#)

For the UCI Rd World Championships the prevailing policy may be found here:

[CyclingIrelandNationalTeamSelectionPolicy01.01.2024\(2\).pdf](#)

Please note that a different appeals policy applies to this event which can be found here:

<https://www.cyclingireland.ie/downloads/OGPGNominationAppealsProcedureAndFormFINAL.pdf>

Expressions of Interest form must be completed by all candidate athletes seeking nomination for this event and/or selection UCI Paracycling Rd World Championships to represent Cycling Ireland.

It's important the athletes submitting an expression of interest have completed their forms fully, so we possess all of their relevant performances and supporting information to hand when the panel meet.

Timeline:

Expressions of Interest are open from Monday 17th June until 5pm Monday 1st July. The Information gathering meeting will take place on 3rd July, and the Nomination Panel meeting (Paris) and Selection Panel meeting (Worlds) will take place on 4th July. We will endeavour to contact all athletes within 24hrs of the nomination panel meeting taking place with the outcomes from nomination/selection.

Wherever possible complete the form in it's Excel format and return in the same format. (It's recommended you utilise a PC or lap top to complete form.)

The stipulated aims of the Paris 2024 nomination process are present in the nomination policy and also outlined in the top left of the expression of interest form.

With reference to the prevailing National Team Selection Policy, the selection aim for the UCI Zurich Para cycling Rd World Championships is solely selection aim 1; to select only medal competitive athletes, which is also stipulated in the expression of interest form.

The panel will be guided to consider if your results and performances give sufficient evidence to those selections aims in order of priority.

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Completing the form - important:

Please familiarise yourself with all nomination criteria and notes to nomination criteria on the Team Ireland Selection Policy before you complete your expression of interest.

Complete the blank columns B-K with the information requested.

Column J – ‘Events you wish to be considered for.’ Here, complete the events you are submitting your interest in. It could be just Paris Paralympics, it could be just Zurich Rd World Champs, or it could be both.

Column K – ‘For Paris, which disciplines’ Please state from RR, TT, Kilo and/or IP.

Columns L-M can be left.

Column N/Criteria 1 - Recent competition Results. The timeframe to add results is from 1st Jan 2022, to 30th June 2024. No need to add results or performances outside of this timeframe, or results in events that don't contribute to the quota allocation.

Column O – This is a UCI Rd World Championships specific criteria. If you wish to be considered for selection for the Zurich World Champs, there will be no need to add to your results if you have completed the preceding cell in column N. However if you have additionally competed in any class 1 international races in the past year since Glasgow Rd World Championships you can add that result here. Note for the Rd World Championships only results since Glasgow will be considered.

If you are solely expressing an interest in the Rd World Championships and not the Paralympic Games, please complete this cell with all your relevant results in the past year since Glasgow.

Column P Supporting Statement – your opportunity to support your expression of interest with any relevant information, such as progress, return from injury, training data etc especially info that we might not be aware of.

Column Q to Column U – For office use only. These cells replicate the sport specific nomination criteria and are there to ensure that the nomination panel consider each relevant aspect of a candidate athlete's performance.

Column V/Criteria 7 – asks if you're able to commit to the team plans in place to prepare for the Games.

Column W/Criteria 8 – for office use. Guides the panel to consider candidate athlete's ability to race competitively in more than one discipline.

Column X/Criteria 9 and UCI Rd World Champs – for office use. Requires the panel to consider the nature of the course, climate etc to examine the competitiveness of the candidate athlete.

Column Y/Criteria 10 – for office use – guides the panel to consider aspects of the candidate athlete's profile relating to 'trajectory' that would evidence the potential to meet PI selection aim 2 or 3 for Paralympic Games.

Column Z/Criteria 11 – athlete declaration - asks you to declare your eligibility, eg that you have a current 'IRL' licence and are/would be compliant with anti-doping policy and code of conduct. Ref 8.0 in OFI Team Ireland Selection Policy. Anyone found not to be compliant will not be able to be selected by PI, or CI in relation to Zurich Rd World Champs. (Answer Yes/No)

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Once completed please send your excel form as an e-mail attachment to selection@cyclingireland.ie by 5pm on Monday 1st July 2024. If you have any further questions regarding completing the form please also address these in good time to National Para Cycling Track Coach either directly or via the above e-mail address. Late submissions after the closing date will not be accepted.

By submitting this form, you confirm that you meet all the eligibility criteria to be selected, and that all information contained is true to the best of your knowledge.

Ends 17.06.24



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