



**Guidance Notes: Cycling Ireland Expression of Interest for selection for UCI Rd World Championships, Zurich, Road and TT events.**

Please note these guidance notes are specific to the 2024 UCI Road World Championships, and form part of the policy in place for this event specifically and do not extend to any other event.

Links to the UCI technical information for the event may be found here: [2024 UCI Road and Para-cycling Road World Championships | UCI](#)

Quota allocations will be published by the UCI during the timeframe of the expressions of interest being open, so that by the time the selection panel meet, we will have an awareness of our quota.

Selection for this event is conducted by Cycling Ireland. It will take place in accordance with the most recently published policy, available here

[CyclingIrelandNationalTeamSelectionPolicy01.01.2024\(2\).pdf](#) All candidate athletes are invited to appraise themselves of this policy, and the relevant appeals policy also.

Expressions of Interest must be completed by all candidate athletes seeking selection for this event.

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. The panel cannot be held accountable for not knowing personal/performance information if not submitted by rider in their expression of interest, and neither can new information be relied upon in any subsequent appeal.

Expressions of Interest are open from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August until 5pm Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2024. The Information gathering meeting and nomination panel meeting will take place on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of August respectively. We will endeavour to contact all athletes within 24hrs of the selection panel meeting taking place with the outcomes.

Wherever possible please complete the form in it's Excel format and return in the same format.

The stipulated aims of the selection process for this specific event are based off the National Team Selection policy, but these here below are the prevailing aims specific to this event. They are also outlined in the top left of the expression of interest form. The below are in priority order to an extent, recognising that the role of support riders (aim 2) for a number of identified lead riders (aim 1) is essential to maximise our competitiveness.

**Selection aim 1:** Select individual athletes that have the demonstrated ability to be top 10.

**Selection aim 2:** Select individual athletes that have the demonstrated ability to support a priority rider in the RR.

**Selection aim 3: W RR/TT only:** Enable individual athletes that have demonstrated competitiveness at WWT level, the opportunity to gain beneficial experience which can help them progress to podium standard in the LA Olympic cycle at elite European, World Championship & OG level.

The panel will be guided to consider if your results and performances give sufficient evidence to those selections aims. See further guidance on this below, section 'column N'.



**Completing the form - important:**

**You are strongly recommended to evidence competitive performances over similar circumstances and parcours when you offer results for consideration of by the nomination panel. Stage racing for example, may not carry much similarity to large scale one day Championship racing. Generally speaking your results in single day races will carry more weight than stage race results, however ability to perform over similar parcours will still be essential.**

**Performances at the highest level eg WT/WWT will be given more priority consideration than lower category racing, and the same principle remains in age group categories where appropriate.**

**If you are putting yourself forward as a team mate to a designated leader (selection aim 2) consider how this can be evidenced to the panel with your performances, and what evidence you offer in the supporting info section (column R).**

**The panel will hear recommendations from the discipline leads regarding the potential best composition of the teams in respect of potential leader(s) aiming for the final result, and how those aspirations are best supported via team mates.**

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

Columns K-M can be left.

In column G 'Coach if applicable' if you have a Coach please enter their name here.

Column J – 'Events to ride in' Here, complete the disciplines you are submitting your interest in (**Road or TT or Both**); Before submitting interest in multiple events consider the practicality or your availability to do more than one event.

Columns K-M can be left.

Column N/Criteria 1 - Recent competition Results. The timeframe to add results is from the last edition of the Rd World Champs (Glasgow, inclusive) to Mon 26<sup>th</sup> August. If you have moved age categories since Glasgow add only results for this season's age group/category.

Be thorough completing information, such as event name, date, finish position. This does not need to be an exhaustive list of all of your races or events.

By all means add a link to your Procycling stats webpage or similar, but you are still encouraged to highlight your best results in this section, rather than rely totally on a web link.

Column O/Criteria 2 – Please enter your current UCI ranking.

Column R/Criteria 3 – your opportunity to support your expression of interest with any relevant information, such as progress, return from injury, training data etc that we might not be aware of. We can only consider supporting information that you submit, and can't be held responsible for information not submitted that you later come to rely upon in the event of an appeal.



Column Q/Criteria 4 – Requires you to comment on your ability to double up if you are submitting your interest for both road race and TT. Check if your race results submitted in the previous column support of this claim, and how you fare navigating the workload of a 'championship week'. Note, due to the combined nature of this event with the Paracycling Rd World Championships, some of the event scheduling may not be in the familiar format between the TT's and RR's.

Column R/Criteria 5 - 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. Anyone found not to be compliant will have their nomination withdrawn immediately. (Answer Yes/No)

Once completed please send your excel form as an e-mail attachment to [selection@cyclingireland.ie](mailto:selection@cyclingireland.ie) by 5pm on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2024. If you have any further questions regarding completing the form please also address these in good time to the same e-mail address and we can direct your enquiry to the appropriate staff member. 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 10.08.24**