

**UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships – 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

This document summarizes the information needed by the National Federations concerning the participation of their riders at the 2018 UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships.

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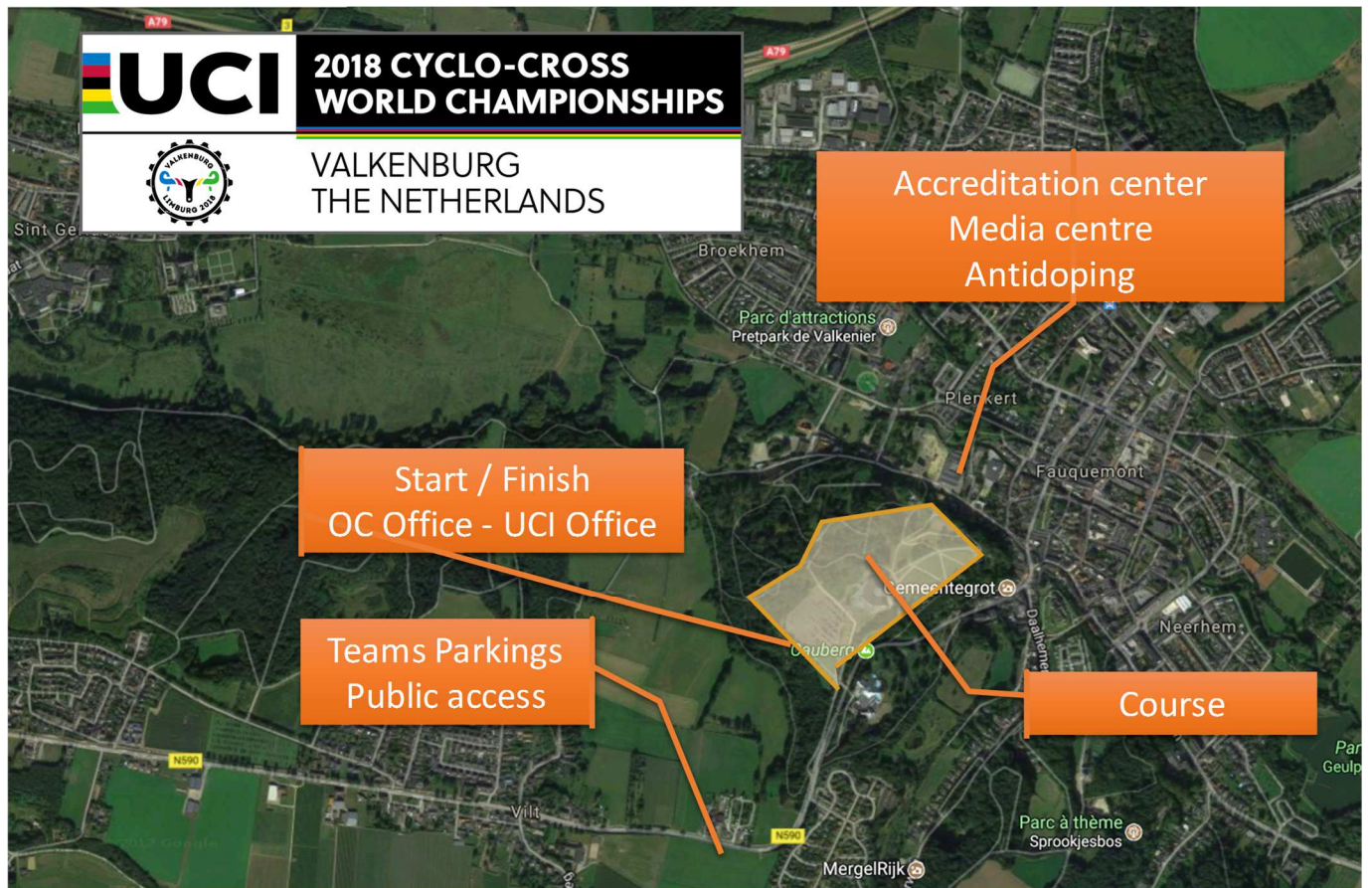
## 1 PROGRAMME

<b>THURSDAY</b>	09h00 - 11h00	UCI course inspection
01.02.2018	14h00 - 16h00	Official training
<b>FRIDAY</b>	09h00 - 12h00	Riders' confirmation
02.02.2018	10h00 - 12h00	Official training
	14h00 - 16h00	Official training
	17h00 - 17h30	Team managers meeting
	19h30	2019 UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships, Bogense (DEN) - presentation
<b>SATURDAY</b>	09h00 - 10h30	Official training
03.02.2018	11h00 (real start 11h05)	2017 UCI Men junior Cyclo-cross World Championships
	11h45 - 12h30	Official training
	13h00 (real start 13h05)	2017 UCI Women under 23 Cyclo-cross World Championships
	14h00 - 14h30	Official training
	15h00 (real start 15h05)	2017 UCI Women elite Cyclo-cross World Championships
<b>SUNDAY</b>	09h00 - 10h30	Official training
04.02.2018	11h00 (real start 11h05)	2017 UCI Men under 23 Cyclo-cross World Championships
	12h15 - 14h30	Official training
	15h00 (real start 15h05)	2017 UCI Men elite Cyclo-cross World Championships

***An official ceremony as well as a press conference will follow each event.***

## 2 COURSE

### GENERAL SITUATION :



### MAP - LENGTH :

A comprehensive map of the course will be published on <http://www.limburg2018.nl/parcours>.

### START / FINISH :

The start and finish zone is located on the Parking of Holland Casino, at the Top of the Cauberg.

A comprehensive map of the start / finish zone will be published on <http://www.limburg2018.nl/parcours>.

### 3 RIDERS CATEGORIES

Referring to the article 5.1.001 competitions are open to riders born in:

CATEGORY	YEAR OF BIRTH
Men elite	1995 and older
Men under 23	1996 to 1999
Men junior	2000 and 2001
Women elite	1995 and older
Women under 23	1996 to 2001

### 4 COMPETITORS SELECTION

**9.2.042** A World Championship shall be organized for the Men elite, Women elite, Men under 23, Women under 23 (17-22 years old) and Men junior categories.

**9.2.043** The maximum number of riders per Men elite's national team shall be determined by the final classification by nation of the UCI Cyclo-cross Ranking for the preceding season:

Nations ranked from 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> 9 riders, with 6 to start

All other nations 8 riders, with 5 to start

#### 2016-2017 UCI CYCLO-CROSS FINAL NATION RANKING MEN ELITE

1	<b>BELGIUM</b>	17	SWEDEN
2	<b>NETHERLANDS</b>	18	LUXEMBOURG
3	<b>GERMANY</b>	19	ICELAND
4	<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b>	20	HUNGARY
5	<b>FRANCE</b>	21	PORTUGAL
		22	CHILE
6	CZECH REPUBLIC	23	NORWAY
7	SWITZERLAND	24	AUSTRIA
8	SPAIN	25	IRELAND
9	ITALY	26	FINLAND
10	CANADA	27	SLOVENIA
11	GREAT BRITAIN	28	ESTONIA
12	SLOVAKIA	29	COLOMBIA
13	JAPAN	30	MEXICO
14	POLAND	31	UKRAINE
15	DENMARK	32	LATVIA
16	AUSTRALIA		

**In the other categories, the number of riders per team is limited to 8, with 5 to start.**

**9.2.044** The national federations concerned may additionally enter the outgoing World Champions and the leaders of the final UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup standings Men elite, Men under 23, Men junior, Women and Women under 23.

**For the 2017 UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships :**

- Outgoing Men elite World Champion: the **Belgian** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Wout VAN AERT**
- Outgoing Women elite World Champion: the **Belgian** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Sanne CANT**.
- Outgoing Men under 23 World Champion: the **Dutch** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Joris NIEUWENHUIS**.

**For the 2017-2018 Telenet UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup:**

- Leaders of the final 2017-2018 Telenet UCI Cyclo-cross World Cup standings Men elite, Men under 23, Men junior, Women elite and Women under 23 after the UCI World Cup in Hoogerheide (NED), 28.01.2018.

**9.2.009** In all individual specialties, the outgoing World Champion may take part in addition to the number of starters that the National Federation of such Champions may enter under the qualification regulations. The same principle is applicable for the Continental Champion. This facility is limited to the first World Championships following the awarding of the title of Continental Champion.

**For the 2017 Cyclo-cross Continental Championships:**

- Men elite Continental Champions: the **Dutch** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Mathieu VAN DER POEL**, and the **USA** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Stephen HYDE**.
- Women elite Continental Champions: the **USA** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Katherine COMPTON**. (*the European champion, Sanne CANT is already qualified as outgoing UCI Cyclo-cross World Champion*)
- Men under 23 Continental Champions the **Belgian** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Eli ISERBYT**, and the **USA** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Gage HECHT**.
- Women under 23 Continental Champions: the **Italian** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Chiara TEOCCHI**, and the **USA** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Emma WHITE**.
- Men junior Continental Champions: the **Swiss** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Loris ROUILLER**, and the **USA** National Federation will be able to add the rider **Benjamin GOMEZ VILLAFANE**.

**9.2.045** Each federation shall be required to include **its first three (3) ranked riders** in their Men elite and Women elite team, as long as they are in the top 50 of the UCI Cyclo-cross Classification as published after the national championships in Europe.

This rule shall not apply to riders who have failed to fulfill their obligations under the regulations. In the event of a dispute on this issue, it shall be the responsibility of the National Federation to decide whether the rider will be selected.

## 5 RIDERS REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION

### 5.1 ONLINE REGISTRATION

#### When?

The System will open on: **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018, 12h00 CET**

The System will close on: **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018, 12h00 CET**

#### How?

Through the website **www.uci.ch**, clicking as follows:  
**Web services** (at the bottom of the homepage)  
**UCI World Championships**

**Riders' registration** (accreditation included)

Access: personal login and password of each National Federation



#### Remark

The name of the hotel where the riders will overnight must be given during the online registration.

### 5.2 RIDERS CONFIRMATION AT THE VENUE

#### What?

**All National Federations have to show up at the time of the riders' confirmation to ensure the participation of their riders.**

The accreditation pick-up for a rider is different from the confirmation of his participation to commissaires.

#### When?

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018, from 09:00 a.m. to 12:00 (for all events)**

#### Where?

**POLFERMOLEN**, Plenkertstraat 50, 6301 GL Valkenburg, – 1.5km away from the venue



## 5.3 RIDERS' ACCREDITATIONS PICK-UP

### When?

Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2018	09h00 – 18h00
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2018	09h00 – 17h00
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2018	09h00 – 18h00
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2018	09h00 – 17h00
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	08h30 – 12h00

### Where?

Accreditation centre :

**POLFERMOLEN**, Plenkertstraat 50, 6301 GL Valkenburg, – 1.5km away from the venue – follow also “Amstel Gold Race Experience”



### Remark

The accreditation pick-up for a rider cannot be considered as a confirmation of his participation. **All National Federations have to show up at the time of the riders confirmation to ensure the participation of their riders.**

## 5.4 RIDERS' ASSISTANTS

### Attendants

**5.1.041** Each rider may be accompanied by a paramedical assistant and two mechanics.

The paramedical assistant and the mechanics must be provided by the organiser with a free accreditation, which gives them access to the area reserved for them by virtue of their office.

The accreditations must be distributed outside the circuit, in a clearly indicated place.

For the UCI cyclo-cross world cup and world championships, accreditations for rider's paramedical assistant and two mechanics will be distributed by commissaires exclusively, after that the license's check of each paramedical assistant and the mechanics has been completed.

**5.5.017** UCI cyclo-cross teams registered with the UCI receive a series of benefits which include 2 accreditations for the team managers zone in the pit area and 2 parking passes per UCI cyclo-cross team during UCI cyclo-cross world championships and UCI.

## 6 DELEGATION MEMBERS ACCREDITATION (EXCLUDING RIDERS)

### 6.1 ACCREDITATION REQUEST

#### Who for?

To avoid misunderstandings, the UCI has decided to grant a maximum number of accreditations to certain families according to the list below.

However these quotas correspond to a complete team and will be adapted to the number of riders who will take part in the 2018 UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships.

<b>DELEGATION</b>	President N.F.	1
<b>DELEGATION</b>	General Secretary N.F.	1
<b>DELEGATION</b>	Official Delegate N.F.	3
<b>SPORTING</b>	Team Manager	1
<b>SPORTING</b>	National Technical Director	1
<b>SPORTING</b>	Coach	2
<b>SPORTING</b>	Doctor	1
<b>SPORTING</b>	Mechanic	4
<b>SPORTING</b>	Paramedical Assistant	4
<b>SPORTING</b>	Press-officer	1
<b>SPORTING</b>	Interpreter	1
<b>ACCOMPANYING</b>	Official Delegation	4
<b>ACCOMPANYING</b>	Sport Delegation	3

#### When?

The System will open on: **Monday 04.12.2017, 12h00 CET**

The System will close on: **Thursday 25.01.2018, 12h00 CET**

#### How?

Through the website **www.uci.ch**, clicking as follows:

**Web services** (at the bottom of the homepage)

**UCI World Championships**

**Accreditation** (media, organizers, UCI teams)

Select the language of your choice

Click on the corresponding arrow

Access: personal login and password of each National Federation



### 6.2 ACCREDITATIONS PICK-UP

See point 5.3



## 7 OFFICIALS

### 7.1 UCI OFFICIALS

<b>Commissaires' panel</b>		
President	DOBBELAERE Guy	BEL
Member	MICHAUD Max	FRA
Member	SWINKELS Martijn	NED
Member	ABBOTT Dorothy	USA
<b>UCI Deputy Sports Director, Head of Off-Road</b>	VAN DEN ABEELE Peter	BEL
<b>Official Doctor</b>	JARVIS Chris	GBR
<b>Technical Delegate</b>	WABEL Beat	SUI
<b>UCI Cyclo-cross coordinator</b>	REILLE Christelle	FRA

### 7.2 CADF

<b>Doping Control Officer</b>	SANCHEZ Bernardo	ESP
	BRANDEWINDER Dierk	GER
	AVALIC Nevena	SRB
	NIJMEIJER Jan	NED

### 7.3 KNWU OFFICIALS

<b>Commissaires</b>	HAAN Wilfried	NED
	KISTEMAKER Erwin	NED
	CRUYSSSEN Edwin	NED
	VAN ES Miriam	NED
<b>Announcer</b>	VAN HORIK Rien	NED
<b>KNWU Jury coordinator</b>	REINDERS Joop	NED

## 8 START ORDER / RACE NUMBERS

### 8.1 START ORDER

**5.1.042** The riders shall assemble in the call-up zone defined in article 5.1.019 at least 10 minutes before the start.

Riders must wait for the start with at least one foot on the ground, or be penalized by being sent back to the last place in their start lane.

**5.1.043** The start order of events is determined as follows:

1. As per the most recently published UCI cyclo-cross individual classification of the current season (or the final classification of the previous season if no classification has yet been published for the current season).

2. Unclassified riders: by nations in rotation (\*).

**5.1.053** At the UCI world championships, a classification by nation shall be drawn up by summing the places of the first three riders from each nation. Nations with two riders finishing shall be ranked after those with three. Nations with one rider finishing shall be ranked after those with two. In case of equal points in this classification, the place of the best ranked rider will break the tie. The classification by nation shall not be used for a world champion's title.

### 8.2 RACE NUMBERS

**5.1.046** The allocation of race numbers at UCI World Championships and UCI World Cup events shall be as follows:

- Race numbers in sequence from 1 upwards to the country of the world champion of the preceding season;
- Race number 1 shall only be allocated to the reigning world champion of the category concerned;
- The other race numbers are issued to nations on the basis of their classification in the UCI world championships of the preceding season;
- For nations not ranked or not having taken part in the UCI world championship the preceding season, the allocation shall be by drawing lots by the commissaires' panel.

#### 2017 UCI CYCLO-CROSS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS NATION RANKING - MEN ELITE

1	BELGIUM	10	CANADA
2	NETHERLANDS	11	LUXEMBOURG
3	SWITZERLAND	12	GERMANY
4	CZECH REPUBLIC	13	JAPAN
5	FRANCE	14	POLAND
6	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	15	SLOVAKIA
7	SPAIN	16	GREAT BRITAIN
8	ITALY	17	HUNGARY
9	DENMARK	18	ICELAND

#### 2017 UCI CYCLO-CROSS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS NATION RANKING - WOMEN ELITE

1	BELGIUM	9	SPAIN
2	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	10	DENMARK
3	FRANCE	11	AUSTRALIA
4	CANADA	12	CZECH REPUBLIC
5	GREAT BRITAIN	13	ITALY
6	LUXEMBOURG	14	SWITZERLAND
7	JAPAN	15	POLAND
8	NETHERLANDS	16	GERMANY

**2017 UCI CYCLO-CROSS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS NATION RANKING - MEN UNDER 23**

1	NETHERLANDS	10	SPAIN
2	BELGIUM	11	SLOVAKIA
3	FRANCE	12	LUXEMBOURG
4	ITALY	13	POLAND
5	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	14	GREAT BRITAIN
6	SWITZERLAND	15	SWEDEN
7	GERMANY	16	CANADA
8	DENMARK	17	AUSTRALIA
9	CZECH REPUBLIC	18	JAPAN

**2017 UCI CYCLO-CROSS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS NATION RANKING - WOMEN UNDER 23**

1	NETHERLANDS	10	POLAND
2	GREAT BRITAIN	11	AUSTRALIA
3	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	12	BELGIUM
4	FRANCE	13	DENMARK
5	CZECH REPUBLIC	14	CANADA
6	ITALY	15	JAPAN
7	SWITZERLAND	16	GERMANY
8	AUSTRIA	17	LUXEMBOURG
9	SPAIN		

**2017 UCI CYCLO-CROSS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS NATION RANKING - MEN JUNIOR**

1	GREAT BRITAIN	11	LUXEMBOURG
2	BELGIUM	12	SWITZERLAND
3	FRANCE	13	SPAIN
4	NETHERLANDS	14	POLAND
5	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	15	HUNGARY
6	CZECH REPUBLIC	16	JAPAN
7	GERMANY	17	AUSTRALIA
8	CANADA	18	IRELAND
9	ITALY	19	ICELAND
10	DENMARK	20	SLOVAKIA

## 9 ALLOCATION OF BOXES

**5.1.036** At UCI world championships, UCI world cup events and continental championships the pit boxes are allocated at the team managers meeting, as follows:

1. Separately for each category on the basis of the most recently published UCI cyclo-cross classification by nation of the current season for the category concerned (or the final classification of the previous season if no classification has yet been published for the current season);
2. The allocation of boxes to teams that do not feature in the relevant classification shall be by drawing lots;
3. The team leaders shall select their preferred box in the order thus determined.

## 10 TEAM MANAGERS MEETING

Each National Federation shall designate a team manager who shall represent the team and the National Federation during the World Championships and at the team managers meeting. Any contact with the National Federation teams shall be made through the team manager.

### Date

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018 at 17h00**

### Place

**POLFERMOLEN**, Plenkertstraat 50, 6301 GL Valkenburg, – 1.5km away from the venue – follow also “Amstel Gold Race Experience”

### Aim

At the team managers meeting the commissaires panel will deliver the race numbers as well as the double pit area passes.

In order to be informed about any announcement made in the evening of the race numbers attribution it is essential for the team managers to attend the race headquarters.

No distribution will be made at the teams’ hotels.

## 11 PRIZE MONEY

place	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Men / Women Elite</b>	€ 5'000	€ 3'000	€ 2'000
<b>Men / Women Under 23</b>	€ 2'500	€ 1'500	€ 1'000
<b>Men Junior</b>	€ 1'250	€ 750	€ 500

\* those prize money are paid by the UCI after the final validation of the UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships results. Following the decision of the UCI Management Committee on 28.06.2017, they have been increased of 36% compared to the 2017 UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships.

## 12 RULES

### 12.1 PARTICIPATION IN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

**9.2.001** It is the National Federations who select riders to participate in World Championships.

**9.2.003** National Federations shall enter with the UCI via its website.

**9.2.004** The enrolment of the federations' riders shall reach the UCI within the following deadlines:

**From Thursday 18.01.2018 12:00 CET until Friday 26.01.2018 12:00 CET**

**9.2.005** Save in the case of an act of God, a National Federation that has enrolled by returning the enrolment form for a World Championship and that does not participate shall be liable to a fine of CHF 500 to CHF 2'000.

**9.2.007** Federations shall announce the names of the riders who are to take the start to the commissaires panel by noon at the latest on the eve of the first race of the competition:

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018, riders' confirmation for all races  
9:00 - 12:00 CET**

A rider declared unfit following an abnormal blood test cannot be replaced.

**9.2.008** Unless prevented by an act of God, a rider once announced as taking the start and who fails to present, shall be liable to a fine of CHF 500 to CHF 5'000.

An injury or sickness shall be recognized as an act of God only if the rider is declared incapable of taking the start by the UCI official doctor.

### 12.2 OTHER EXTRACTS

**1.3.031** Wearing a rigid safety helmet shall be mandatory during competitions and training sessions.

**2.2.023** The article on the maximum gear ratio for junior- Part 2 road races - is not valid for Cyclo-cross events.

**5.1.059** For the UCI cyclo-cross world cup and world championships, men elite and women races only, the use of radio-communication from the rider to his/her mechanics is allowed. The use of radio-communication from staff to the rider is forbidden.

The use of such a system is subject to any relevant legal provisions.

**1.3.025** Disc brakes are allowed in cyclo-cross training and competition.

For races on the road and cyclo-cross, the use of fixed sprocket is forbidden: a braking system that acts on both wheels is required.

**1.3.018** Wheels of the bicycle may vary in diameter between 70 cm maximum and 55 cm minimum, including the tyre. For the Cyclo-cross bicycle the width of the tyre (measured between the widest parts) shall not exceed 33 mm and it may not incorporate any form of spike or stud.

**5.1.034** Personal high pressure cleaners are forbidden in the pit area during the UCI cyclocross world championships, the UCI cyclo-cross world cup and the continental cyclocross championships.

## 13 RACE CLOTHING

**Wearing of national team clothing shall be mandatory during the UCI World Championships.**

The team managers must therefore present the national jersey and shorts or the national skinsuit to the commissaires' panel at the starters confirmation.

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2018, from 09:00 a.m. to 12:00**

**1.3.056** National federations shall submit to the commissaires' panel of events as specified in art. 1.3.059, a sample of their national team clothing for validation. The design, color, place and size of the advertising spaces of the validated equipment must be identical for all athletes participating to the applicable events.

We encourage you to present to the UCI your national apparels before sending them for final production.

The apparel of the riders of a national team must always be identical to the last sample submitted.

**1.3.057** The following advertising shall be authorized:

- front of the jersey: 2 rectangular zones of 64 cm<sup>2</sup> maximum;
- area comprising shoulders and sleeves: strip of maximum 5 cm high;
- on the sides of the jersey: a 9 cm wide strip;
- sides of the shorts: a 9 cm wide strip;
- the manufacturer's label (30 cm<sup>2</sup>) may appear once only on the jersey and once on each leg of the shorts.

Advertising matter on jersey and shorts may vary from one rider to another.

The design of the jersey and shorts may vary from one category of rider to another.

Additionally, the rider's name may appear on the back of the jersey.

The above measures also apply to other items of clothing worn during competition (rain jackets, etc.).

## 14 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

The following points apply to the official ceremonies:

**9.1.044** Within 10 minutes following the end of each race (unless otherwise provided and duly recorded in an official communiqué), the World Champion, as well as the second and the third placed riders shall be ready for the official ceremony that shall be conducted under the responsibility of the president of the commissaires' panel.

**9.1.046** Riders shall appear in racing attire, wearing their national jerseys but bare-headed and without headband or glasses, until they leave the official ceremony enclosure.

**9.1.050** A World Champion may not wear the jersey identifying his title and bearing the regulation advertisement of his main sponsor(s) until, at earliest, the day following that on which he received it.

**9.1.051** Any infringement of the provisions of articles 9.1.044 to 9.1.050 shall be punished by a fine of CHF 2'000 to CHF 10'000 minimum. A higher fine may be imposed depending on the advantage derived from the offence.

## 15 ACCESS AND PARKINGS

All information regarding the Teams parking, Teams cabins, water and electricity access may be addressed to: [koen@pro-cycling.be](mailto:koen@pro-cycling.be).

5 cabins will be available for the National Federations to put their material. NF have to request to the Organisation Committee for the use of one of this cabin the 17.12.2017 at the latest: [koen@pro-cycling.be](mailto:koen@pro-cycling.be).

The parking passes will be collected in the accreditation center, by one delegate by nation only.

From the Teams parking at the top of the Cauberg to the entrance of the circuit, a corridor will be dedicated to the riders participating at the event to the accredited persons. Another parallel corridor will be available for the public.

## 16 USEFUL ADDRESSES

If you need further information about the 2017 UCI Cyclo-cross World Championships, please contact the following people:

### Union Cycliste Internationale

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Switzerland

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**Email:** [offraod@uci.ch](mailto:offraod@uci.ch)

**Information :** [www.uci.ch](http://www.uci.ch)

### Organising Committee

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Cross 2018  
Postbus 817  
6300 AV Valkenburg aan de Geul

**Phone:** +31 (0)43 - 203 00 13

**Email:** [info@limburg2018.com](mailto:info@limburg2018.com)

**Information :** [www.limburg2018.nl](http://www.limburg2018.nl)

### UCI Official Hotel

**Chateau S<sup>T</sup> Gerlach**  
Joseph Corneli Allee, 1  
6301 AV Valkenburg Aan De Geul  
The Netherlands

### Accreditation Center

**Polfermolen**  
Plenkertstraat 50  
6301 GL Valkenburg  
The Netherlands

### UCI Office

**Parking Holland**, next to the course  
Cauberg 28  
6301 BT Valkenburg  
The Netherlands

### Press Room

**Polfermolen**  
Plenkertstraat 50  
6301 GL Valkenburg  
The Netherlands