

## **Youth Tour of Scotland 2024 Selection Criteria Guidance**

### **1. Date and Venue**

- 1.1. 5-8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 – Strathallan School
- 1.2. Further event information can be found [HERE](#)

### **2. Selection Policy Aims**

- 2.1. The aim of the selection process is to provide the selected riders with a development experience at YTOS to increase their potential to achieve future success at international events and Olympic Games
- 2.2. The Selection Panel shall be under no obligation to select a rider to which it reasonably believes:
  - 2.2.1. is unlikely to achieve the aim of 2.1;
  - 2.2.2. selection of a rider would contravene the duty of care owed to that rider; and/or
  - 2.2.3. selection of a rider would pose an unreasonable risk (as determined by the Selection Panel in its absolute discretion) to a rider or riders

### **3. Team Eligibility**

- 3.1. Boys Team Youth A category in 2024 (born in 2008 or 2009)
- 3.2. Girls Team Youth A or Youth B category in 2024 (born 2008-2011)
- 3.3. Invited teams may only select riders who have the name of their region printed on their National Federation racing licence.
- 3.4. Riders must be a member of British Cycling and hold a valid BC racing license

### **4. Regional Teams:**

- 4.1. Scottish Cycling East & Central
- 4.2. Scottish Cycling North
- 4.3. Scottish Cycling North East
- 4.4. Scottish Cycling South West
- 4.5. Scottish Cycling West

### **5. Application**

- 5.1. Riders wishing to be considered for selection should complete an expression of interest form [HERE](#)
- 5.2. Closing date for expressions of interest is 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024
- 5.3. Selected riders will be notified no later than 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2024

### **6. The Selection Panel**

- 6.1. All selections shall be made by an appointed selection panel
- 6.2. The selection panel will be chaired by a representative of Scottish Cycling Performance Programme
- 6.3. Additional members of the selection panel will include regional team staff as appointed
- 6.4. Where any of the above members of the selection panel are unable to attend the selection panel meeting the Scottish Cycling Head of Performance will nominate a replacement

### **7. Selection Criteria**

- 7.1. Selection criteria will comprise of three key areas, the selection panel will consider all three areas to make an informed decision, these are as follows:
  - 7.1.1. Race results
  - 7.1.2. Personal skills
  - 7.1.3. Performance

### **8. Race Results**

- 8.1. Race results will be prioritised in the order of:
  - 8.1.1. International
  - 8.1.2. British National
  - 8.1.3. Scottish National

- 8.1.4.Scottish Regional
- 8.2. Training and attendance at the following Scottish Cycling RACE National Training Days will also be considered

## **9. Personal Skills**

- 9.1. The selection panel will also consider the following individual attributes, the panel will seek guidance from Scottish Cycling Performance Programme staff including:
- 9.1.1.Attitude
  - 9.1.2.Commitment
  - 9.1.3.Behaviour
  - 9.1.4.Discipline at races/training
  - 9.1.5.The ability to work as part of a team

## **10. Performance Criteria**

- 10.1. Selections will also consider performance criteria for the purpose of selection; the panel will seek guidance Scottish Cycling Performance Programme staff including:
- 10.1.1. Attacking riding – ability to make repeated efforts or attacks
  - 10.1.2. Bike handling ability
  - 10.1.3. Finish position
  - 10.1.4. Tactical awareness

## **11. Additional Points**

- 11.1. An accumulative or average scoring / points system from events shall not be used for selection
- 11.2. Preference will be given to Youth A riders who are of the appropriate level compared to Youth B riders for development purposes
- 11.3. The selected team, including any reserves, will be expected to make every effort to attend training sessions organised in the lead up to the event
- 11.4. With the use of the above criteria, the selection panel will select a team of riders that they feel have best demonstrated the essential qualities to be competitive at the Youth Tour of Scotland considering the various events that make up the event programme
- 11.5. Where a Scottish region has less than 4 expressions of interest from that the selection panel feel are of the suitable standard to participate in the race, riders from these regions, who have indicated a willingness, will have their applications considered for a Scottish composite team
- 11.6. It is advised that riders discuss submitting an expression of interest with their club coach prior to submitting
- 11.7. Rider contribution to support participation will be subsidised. The cost of participation will be £200 per rider
- 11.8. Scottish Cycling believe in inclusivity and are committed to finding solutions that enable every rider to take part. Should financial constraints pose a challenge to rider participation in the event, please contact - [Isabel.sloan@scottishcycling.org.uk](mailto:Isabel.sloan@scottishcycling.org.uk)