



2017 UEC BMX EUROPEAN CUP

Rounds 1 & 2: Zolder (BEL), 01-02 April

Rounds 3 & 4: Erp (NED), 28-29 April

Rounds 5 & 6: Prague (CZE), 19-21 May

Rounds 7 & 8: Verona (ITA), 2-4 June

Rounds 9 & 10: Sandnes (NOR), 16-18 June

Competition Guide & Charge book

INTRODUCTION :

This document summarizes

- the information needed by European Federations for the organization of the rounds of the 2017 UEC BMX EUROPEAN CUP
- the information needed by European Federations to participate to above events.



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1. GENERAL

The UEC – Union Européenne de Cyclisme owns, sanctions and controls the 2017 UEC BMX European Cup and the 2017 UEC BMX European Championships.

The UEC Management Board awards the organization of the rounds of the 2017 UEC BMX European Cup and the 2017 UEC BMX European Championships.

The UEC BMX Commission has the right to oversee the preparation, organization and running of the races.

The contracting partner of the UEC is the relevant National Cycling Federation, together with the organizer of the race in the country in which it takes place.

The organizer should always be affiliated to a National Cycling Federation recognized by the UCI.

The races must be run in accordance with the rules of the 2017 UEC BMX European Cup and the 2017 UEC BMX European Championships which have been issued and are known by the European National Cycling Federations.

These races are also subject to the provisions of the UCI's BMX rule book in its latest version.

Insurance

The organizer agrees to contract an adequate third part liability insurance. A copy of the insurance contract must be sent to the UEC 15 days before the start of the competition.

The UEC will not, under any circumstances, be liable to any accidents or damage occurred during the official training sessions and the competitions.



2. CALENDAR – VENUE

Rounds 1 & 2	April 01 st April 02 nd Belgium / Zolder	UCI Class HC UCI Class C1
Rounds 3 & 4	April 28 th April 29 th Netherlands / Erp	UCI Class HC UCI Class C1
Rounds 5 & 6	May 20 th May 21 st Czech Republic / Prague	UCI Class HC UCI Class C1
Rounds 7 & 8	June 3 rd June 4 th Italy / Verona	UCI Class HC UCI Class C1
Rounds 9 & 10	June 17 th June 18 th Norway / Sandnes	UCI Class C1 UCI Class C1

Track with 8 meters starting hill will be used by the Championship Classes:
in case of bad weather conditions the UEC technical delegate and UCI PCP can decide in consultation with the riders to use the 5m starting hill, for safety reasons.

In order to prepare the events, the UEC Events Coordinators for the above races will be :

- **Mrs Jolanda POLKAMP (NED):** jolandapolkamp@gmail.com
- **Mr Artis OZOLS (LAT) :** bmx@lrf.lv
- **Mr René NICOLAS (FRA):** bmx.europe@orange.fr

The organizers should direct their request if any to the UEC BMX Commission.



3. METHOD OF HOLDING THE RACES – AUTHORISATION TO START

The 2017 UEC BMX European Cup is a series of 5 international events (10 rounds):

- 10 rounds races with C1 ranking
- 4 rounds races with HC ranking

This represent 10 international races with C1/HC ranking and all races will count for the overall standing for Championship riders.

The ranking of the 2017 BMX European Cup will be established for the following classes:

- Men Elite Male riders 19 years and older
- Women Elite Female riders 19 years and older
- Men Junior Male Riders 17 and 18 years old
- Women Junior Female riders 17 and 18 years old

Challenge classes :

- Boys: 13/14 and 15/16
- Men: 17/24 and 25+
- Girls: 13/14 and 15/16
- Women: 17+

There is no minimum number of races to compete in order to be part of the overall standing. Other classes will not have an overall standing.

There will not be any awards for the overall standing for challenge classes.

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The rounds of the 2017 UEC BMX European Cup (C1/HC races) are open to all riders from any country in Championship and Challenge classes from 7 years and over.

All riders (Challenge and Championship) participating in races organized by UEC must hold a national license issued by an UCI affiliated Federation.

There is no limit in the number of riders a country can register.



4. RIDERS CATEGORIES

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Championship classes :

Men Elite	Male riders	19 years and older
Women Elite	Female riders	19 years and older
Men Junior	Male Riders	17 and 18 years old
Women Junior	Female riders	17 and 18 years old

Challenge classes :

Boys:	7, 8, 9, 10, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16 (minimum age 7 years old)
Girls:	7, 8, 9, 10, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16 (minimum age 7 years old)
Men:	17/24, Men 25+
Women	17+
Cruisers:	17/29, 30/39, 40/44, 45+
Cruiser Women:	17 +



5. RULES

The provisions of the UCI's BMX Rulebook in its latest version apply with a few amendments:

- Riders categories: as set forth here above
- BMX European Cup (Championship classes) :
Championship riders are seeded according to the current UCI Individual ranking.
- Rider's equipment :
 - Short pants: are allowed provided they are used together with knee and shin protection with a rigid surface that extends from the knee protection to fully cover the shin until just above the ankle.
Nevertheless the UEC BMX Commission recommends for safety reasons the use of long pants.
 - Jeans are not allowed all classes
 - Use of clip pedals : riders aged 13 and older are allowed to use clip pedals.
 - Front and side plates : colors and sizes as per UCI rule book article 6.1.090. Since photo finish system is utilized, each bicycle entered into competition must display a lateral number plate located just behind the steer tube. The number shall be black with a white background. The height of the number must be a minimum of 8 cm with a width of 1 cm.
 - The riders must display the number assigned to him career number if any for Elite classes and then International European Numbers that are assigned by the UEC race Administrator. It is the responsibility of the rider to check he has the correct number on his plate. No correct number or no correct plate means : no authorization to start and then REL.
 - Numbers on jerseys: riders without a permanent UCI career number **must not print** a number on the back of their jersey.



- UEC BMX European Cup:
 - all Championship and Challenge riders must either wear a clearly visible national flag of their country on both shoulders or the national jersey of their country otherwise they will not be allowed to start.
 - if a Championship rider is National Champion in their class, this rider must wear either:
 - the jersey awarded by the federation,
 - a replica of that jersey with publicity in the spaces allowed by the regulations,
 - their normal jersey with the left sleeve designed to look like the flag of their country
- Number of motos: in case of special conditions (weather, wind or else) or a high number of participants, the UEC BMX Commission allows the PCP in agreement with the UEC Technical delegate to reduce the number of motos. This can only apply for challenge classes and never for championship classes.
- Team Managers meeting will be on Friday evening at 16:00.

The participation is mandatory for:

max. 1 National Delegate (Chef d'équipe)

max. 1 Team Manager of the UEC registered team

If necessary and according to the needs the UEC Technical delegate and PCP can decide to call for other meetings during the course of the event.

A quiet / private meeting room or tent for 50 persons with loudspeaker is to be provided by the organizers. This space should not be inside the public area. The location of the team managers meeting room must be clearly sign posted and indicated in the event invitation.



6. 2017 UEC BMX EUROPEAN CUP TEAM RANKING

The 2017 UEC BMX European Cup Teams ranking will consist on 10 rounds. All races count.

All teams have to register through UEC prior to the first event of the season in order to take part in the 2017 UEC BMX European Cup Teams Competition.

The overall award ceremony will be held in Sandnes (NOR), on the Sunday, June 18th with Team coaches and maximum 4 riders.

The UEC BMX Commission will award 3 trophies to the 3 first teams and one medal to each rider of the team:

- Gold medal for the 1st team of the 2017 UEC BMX European Cup Team ranking
- Silver medal for the 2nd team of the 2017 UEC BMX European Cup Team ranking
- Bronze medal for the 3rd team of the 2017 UEC BMX European Cup Team ranking

2017 UEC BMX European Cup – Teams

Rules; see document on UEC website “2017_UEC_Rules_Teams_v2.pdf”

- Teams wanting to participate in the UEC BMX European Cup Team Competition must register maximum 10 riders and pay a registration fee to the UEC at the beginning of the season (deadline 15 March 2017) – UEC fee € 200.

Other teams:

The Organiser can provide spaces for team tents to non-UEC registered teams, of 6 x 3 m for each team, at the cost of a minimum of €200.

These teams receive the following passes at an event from the organiser:

- **2x pass type C - with the following rights:**
Free entry to track

Team area

UEC asks organisers to think of the placement of the team area. Make it easy for riders to go to staging from the team area and after the race from the finish line back to the team area.

Please keep the following order into account when making a team area plan:

1st priority and closest to staging: UEC registered teams

2nd priority and less close to staging: National teams

3rd priority and farthest from staging: all other teams that rented a team space



7. BMX TRACK AND SURROUNDING FACILITIES DURING THE EVENT

The whole BMX track must be secured in such a way that no unauthorized person is able to gain access. Security must be maintained by specifically appointed personnel.

It is mandatory for a doctor to be present at trackside during the training sessions and competition and he must be backed up by an adequate paramedical service with care and treatment facilities. Transport to the nearest hospital must also be provided free of charge by the organizer to the injured riders. The UEC Administration must be notified of the name of the said hospital and given instructions on how to get there.

Well-constructed and weather-resistant bulletin boards and/or scrolling monitors for posting the moto draws/ race results shall be erected in a sufficient number of locations, given the number of entries in the event. Suitable locations include the riders area, team manager area and staging area. Clear plastic sheeting must be available to cover moto boards and/or scrolling monitors in case of wet weather conditions. If announced in the technical guide for the event, posting of race information including start lists and results may also be done electronically.

A camping area must be provided for riders, assistants and national officials. Approximately 300 to 350 places must be available for tents, caravans and camper vans with if conditions allow adequate water supplies, showers, toilets and where possible electricity connections for the caravans and camper vans. The area must be so secured that visitors and spectators cannot get access there.

The price charged for the use of the camping facilities must be fair and reasonable for the riders, assistants and national officials and must take into account the services which are offered.

The organizer must organize a car parking dedicated for officials / media / public.

The organizer must provide sufficient clean sanitary facilities for the public.



8. RIDERS REGISTRATION, REGISTRATION FEES, LATE ENTRIES

The registration fees have to be paid by National Cycling Federation by bank transfer or by the National Team Manager on site at registration control.

The registration fees are the following :

Junior Classes :	€37,00 per entry
Elite Classes :	€59,00 per entry
Challenge classes :	€29,00 per entry

Above apply both for the races of the UEC BMX European Cup.

The registration fees for all riders have to be paid in full to the National Cycling Federation (or organizer) which organize the event.

It is NOT possible to register after the deadline or on the spot.

Chef d'Equipe

Each member organization which registers riders must appoint a Chef d'Equipe (national team manager) to represent the interests of all of its riders. Each Chef d'Equipe must confirm the presence of each rider as per the preregistration riders list, on the scheduled day and times of registration.

A Chef d'Equipe or his nominated assistant is accredited by the organiser with the right to enter a restricted zone in order to perform his duties. Such accreditation may be revoked for any breach of the UCI Regulations or noncompliance with the instructions of the organisation or the commissaires' panel.

In addition to this Chef d'Equipe, a number of team assistants shall be allowed. This number of team assistants shall correspond to the limits defined below.

Each head of National Delegation will also receive extra Crew passes that he will be able to distribute to : mechanic, physics, national coach or any other person of their delegation, according to the table below.

Riders	No of Chef d'Equipe passes	No of Assistant passes	No of Crew passes
1 - 2	1	0	0
3 - 5	1	1	0
6 - 10	1	2	2
11 - 50	1	2	4
51 - 100	1	3	4
101 - 200	1	4	4
201 +	1	5	4
Host country	1	5	4

The organizer must provide ID cards / passes to:

Pass A - this pass is handed to:

- Chef d'Equipe (1 per country participating)
- Team manager UEC registered team (1 per UEC Team registered to the team competition that weekend)

Pass A rights:

- Free entry to track
- Entry to staging
- Entry to track (in case of crashed rider)
- Entry to Team manager meeting
- Entry to Team manager area

Pass B - this pass is handed to:

- Assistant chef d'Equipe (number of passes according to number of riders per country participating)

Pass B rights:

- Free entry to track
- Entry to staging
- Entry to Team manager area

Pass C - this pass is handed to:

- Crew (number of passes according to number of riders per country participating)
- Assistant team manager UEC registered team (1 per UEC Team registered to the team competition that weekend)
- Teams who rent a space in the team area (maximum 2 per team)

Pass C rights:

- Free entry to track



Pass D - this pass is handed to:

- Event crew
- UCI officials
- UEC officials
- Timing company crew
- Live stream company crew

Pass D rights:

- All access to track and event

9. INVITATION AND INFORMATION

Invitations to the rounds of the UEC BMX European Cup as well as to the Continental Championships shall be sent at least 2 months before the event to the UEC BMX Commission by the organizer.

In addition the race organizer is required to provide the following information :

- Address of the BMX track;
- Details how to get there;
- Organizer's local contact persons;
- Location Welcome center/ riders registration / team area registration
- Camping facilities including details of cost and where applicable a camping registration form;
- List of local and regional hotels and B&B with prices;
- All the additional information and invitations sent out by the race organizer to the UEC technical delegate shall be in the English language.

The UEC Chief Administrator will send out all information as well as the registration form to all Federations.

The invitation will be also included on the UEC Website.

The UEC deadline for registration will not be included in the invitation, these dates will be sent to the Federations separately by the UEC Chief Administrator.

The Welcome Center can be used for:

- Chef d'Equipe: Programme of the event and goodie bag for Chef D'Equipe: entrance bracelet for the rider, the riders info, competition bracelet bike and rider, number plate, etc.
- Officials welcoming
- Staff welcoming
- General information
- Teams
- Entry tickets
- Camping entrances
- Shops
- VIP



10. TIME SCHEDULE

No detailed time schedule should be forwarded to the federations prior to the event.

The time schedule will be established by the UEC Chief Administrator according to the number of entries and will be forwarded in due time to the organizer of the race for the registration control, and will be at the same time posted on the UEC website.

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Hereafter detail of the different activities per day in a provisional time schedule:

Friday afternoon* :

- Registration control by country / National Chef d'Equipe only from 11:00 to 14:00
- Chefs d'Equipe meeting at 16:00
- 13.00: 20 inches (13 - 25 +)
- 14.45: 20 inches (7 - 12)
- 16.00: All 24 inches
- 16.30: Women Junior and Elite
- 17.15: Men Junior
- 18.00: Men Elite

Saturday* : as from 8.00 a.m.

- 8.00: Warm Up Bloc 1 (Cruiser and Challenge 7 - 12)
- 8.30: 3 motos Bloc 1
- 11.30: Warm Up Bloc 2 (13 – 25 +)
- 12.00: Warm Up Bloc 3 (Championship classes)
- ... 3 motos Bloc 2 + 3
- ... Finals all classes
- ... Award ceremony all classes

Sunday* : as from 8.00 a.m.

- 8.00: Warm Up Bloc 1 (Cruiser and Challenge 7 - 12)
- 8.30: 3 motos Bloc 1
- 11.30: Warm Up Bloc 2 (13 – 25 +)
- 12.00: Warm Up Bloc 3 (Championship classes)
- ... 3 motos Bloc 2 + 3
- ... Finals all classes
- ... Award ceremony all classes

* **Provisional time schedule**



11. PRELIMINARY REGISTRATIONS

The Federations will send their registrations to the races by email to the UEC Chief Administrator according to following time schedule :

- The deadline for sending registrations is fixed on the Friday at 8.00 am (08.00) two weeks before the start of the race:
- The UEC Chief Administrator will send the list of riders with the assigned international numbers to the Organizer as soon as possible as well as to the various countries and to the UEC website.
- The Federations can cancel riders until the Thursday 8.00 a.m. before the event. They will not have to pay for this registration. If the riders do not show up at the event and do not cancel their participation in due time entry fee will have to be paid by the national delegate.
- If there is a no show from one delegation the UEC will send the invoice accordingly. The registration to the next event will depend on the payment of the invoice.
- The Federations can NOT add riders after the deadline.
- The Chief Administrator will send back to the organizer the final list with additions and cancellations in view of preparation of the registration control.
- He will then establish a time schedule according to the number of participants and will submit it to the PCP and the organizer
- No individual registration from riders will be accepted.



12. EVENT COORDINATOR, RACE COMMISSAIRES, OFFICIALS AND OTHER PERSONNEL

The UCI / UEC shall appoint the following Commissaires and officials :

- The UEC Technical Delegate:
 - Mrs Jolanda POLKAMP : jolandapolkamp@gmail.com
- The PCP (appointed by UCI)
- An assistant to the PCP has to be appointed by the National Federation for all rounds;
- during the CC race the UEC will appoint the assistant PCP;
- The Chief Administrator (UEC) who will handle the race and provide time keeping and system to make the results (after receipt of all registrations and preparation of the moto sheets).

The national cycling federation organizing the event is required to provide all the Commissaires as per latest UCI Rulebook.

The organizer must provide the officials as stipulated in the UCI BMX Rulebook for the running of races and training sessions. The same applies to other personnel required during the event for safety or for care of the BMX track.

All officials involved in the running of the races must be able to prove that they have received specific national or international training in the running and management of BMX races. These officials must be able to communicate in English language.

13. PRIZE MONEY AND MEDALS

UEC BMX EUROPEAN CUP (C1/HC):

The organizer shall bear the cost of the cash prizes for the four championship classes (Men and Women Elite, Men and Women Junior) for 2 rounds as per breakdown hereafter.

	MEN ELITE	WOMEN ELITE	MEN JUNIOR	WOMEN JUNIOR
PLACE	€/ round	€/ round	€/ round	€/ round
1	€ 1.600,00	€ 1.600,00	€ 400,00	€ 400,00
2	€ 800,00	€ 800,00	€ 200,00	€ 200,00
3	€ 400,00	€ 400,00	€ 150,00	€ 150,00
4	€ 350,00	€ 350,00	€ 130,00	€ 130,00
5	€ 300,00	€ 300,00	€ 90,00	€ 90,00
6	€ 250,00	€ 250,00	€ 60,00	€ 60,00
7	€ 200,00	€ 200,00	€ 40,00	€ 40,00
8	€ 150,00	€ 150,00	€ 20,00	€ 20,00
TOTAL	€ 4'050,00	€ 4'050,00	€ 1'090,00	€ 1.090,00

Total per round € 10'280,00

The prize money must be paid to the riders immediately after the award ceremony.

The organizer will bear the cost of the trophies for the first eight riders of all classes of the International BMX race for challenge classes (2 races in the week end, preferably 2 different trophies)

Only riders placed 1 to 3 have to go to the podium. Riders placed 4 to 8 receive the trophy on the finish line.



The prize money for the overall standing of the 2017 UEC BMX European Cup will be paid to the riders by the UEC in accordance with the Competition rules as per enclosed breakdown:

	ELITE MEN	ELITE WOMEN	JUNIOR MEN	JUNIOR WOMEN
PLACE	OVERALL	OVERALL	OVERALL	OVERALL
1	€ 1.600,00	€ 1.600,00	€ 600,00	€ 600,00
2	€ 1.000,00	€ 1.000,00	€ 400,00	€ 400,00
3	€ 600,00	€ 600,00	€ 200,00	€ 200,00
Total	€ 3.200,00	€ 3.200,00	€ 1.200,00	€ 1.200,00

The UEC will proceed to the payment by the end of October 2017 through the riders' National Cycling Federation.

The award ceremonies will be organized in Sandnes (Norway) after the last event of the UEC BMX European Cup series.

The organizer will have to provide a podium back drop for the prize ceremony according to the specifications provided by UEC and the contract. Prize money that is not collected by a rider directly following the ceremony will not be paid out afterwards.



14. PRESS AND MEDIA

Press passes for the event may be granted only to accredited journalists in possession of an ID card issued by the national press association.

During the UEC BMX European Cup events BIB's will be handed out by UEC Press Officer. It is mandatory to provide UEC press BIB's for the journalists on the track. The UEC will provide them and have someone responsible for their distribution.

The number of journalists on the track at the same time has to be agreed by the PCP depending on the track space/size.

Time for press conferences, flash interviews etc. must be agreed with the UEC BMX Commission.

The organizer must provide an official photograph who will provide to the UEC all images useful for their publication on the UEC website (www.uec.ch).

For all publications the UEC logo as well as the UEC main sponsor logo should be used in accordance with UEC graphic charter.

General rules

- At every UEC BMX event BIB's are used for press on and off the track.
- The distribution of the BIB at the events is done by the indicated UEC press officer or his / her deputy.
- During the events, five **orange** BIB's (of which one for the UEC photographer) are distributed, the rest of the photographers get a **yellow** BIB.
- The BIB distribution is examined separately for Challenge and Championship classes
- A guarantee for each BIB is mandatory: €50 or an official document (driver's license, identity card, press card ...)
- By failing to comply with the regulations or the instructions of officials, the BIB can be taken from a photographer immediately.
- Be careful when using flash. Do not flash directly into the eyes of the riders.
- Photographers must be impartial on the track; it is not allowed to cheer for a rider in the track.
- It is strictly forbidden to touch a rider and / or bicycle
- It's forbidden to walk across the photo finish line. This can cause problems for the people of the photo finish cameras.
- A photographers meeting can be organized. This will be announced in advance in a timely manner.

Orange BIB

- A Red BIB allows you to enter the track.
- A photographer may be asked to share a single red BIB with multiple photographers. We hereby advise you to arrange a system. (1st moto, 2nd moto, etc. ...).
- It is forbidden to lean over the white line during shooting.
- It is forbidden to cross the pro-section straight during the Championship Classes.



- During training, it is allowed to take pictures at the start hill. Note that the riders should never be hindered, so mobile phone is off, do not stand in front of the start lights and remain at all times out of the path of the riders.
- Do not stand directly behind riders during the start procedure.
- During racing the start hill is a no-go area for photographers.
- Every photographer must follow the instructions of the officials: any requests to move or alter the photo position must be obeyed immediately.
- If you are unsure about the safety of your position, ask advice from an experienced photographer or one of the officials.

Yellow BIB

- A photographer cannot enter the track with a yellow BIB.
- UEC will provide areas accessible only for photographers with a yellow BIB's. One area will be provided at the finish line in the finals.

Drones

- Drones might be allowed after consultation with the UEC responsible. The pilot must hold a valid pilot license and there must be compliance with all regulations regarding the airline (flight plan etc.) Moreover, the minimum and the maximum height are fixed according to the regulations of the country. Failure to comply with all the proposed rules will be reported to the police.

Live streaming

The UEC will provide a live streaming service for all events.



15. MISCELLANEOUS

The organizer must install a suitable public address system for official announcements and race comments.

The organizer must provide means of communications (walkie talkie) to the working staff, using different channels for track and else.

It is strongly recommended that the commentators can make their comments both in the organizing country language and fluent English language.

The organizer must provide a large enough spectator area along the trackside. It is recommended to erect grandstands. See UCI track requirements.

The organizer is recommended to arrange a VIP area.

The organizer may at his discretion charge an admission fee for visitors to the event. However, competing riders, all officials holding a pass are entitled to free entry and are exempt from admission fees. It is necessary to ensure that competitors are at all times able to have access to their national team managers by the shortest route possible.

The organizer shall provide the UEC BMX Commission with clearly visible positions for two UEC banners and will provide free of charge positions for hanging two UEC flags. Should the banners / flags be lost, the organizer shall bear the cost of their replacement.

Anti-doping controls

On the assignment of the UEC, the Organiser will furthermore take charge of the organization of the anti-doping controls during the Championships. The Organiser together with its National Federation will make agreements with a WADA accredited laboratory that will carry out the analysis at the end of the event. Moreover, in accordance with the UCI rules, the Organiser will purchase all the necessary material (Bereg Kits) with which the anti-doping controls will be carried out and supply the necessary staff, including a doctor, a nurse and the prescribed DCO for the duration of the event.