

The President

**To all affiliated National Federations of the
UCI requiring an entry visa to the United
Kingdom**

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Procedure for obtaining a visa to enter the United Kingdom

Dear President,

As you are aware, the UCI Cycling World Championships and the 192nd UCI Congress will be held in Glasgow - and across Scotland in the case of several competitions - in August.

To take part in these two major UCI events, you need to apply for a visa. As this is a lengthy and complicated procedure, it has been explained in detail on several occasions in the UCI Newsletter and at the various Heads of Mission sessions. In addition, the UCI's International Relations Department has set up workshops to help applicants obtain these visas.

Having completed the first round of workshops, I have noticed that a large number of you have not yet applied for visas and/or completed the required procedure.

I would hereby like to remind you that as this procedure follows national rules and deadlines, it is urgent that you complete your visa applications for all the members of your delegation as soon as possible.

A second round of visa assistance workshops will be organised, for which you will receive a letter of invitation very shortly. I would be grateful if you could make yourself available on the proposed date.

As a reminder, you will find below information on the procedures and fees involved in obtaining entry visas.

Online Visa Application Form and Payment of Visa Fees:

To initiate the visa application process, each member of the delegation must fill out the online visa application form and make the payment of visa fees online. Both of these steps are crucial for the application to be considered complete. Please note that incomplete applications will not be processed.

Booking and Submission of Biometric Appointment:

Once the online visa application form is submitted and the visa fees are paid, each member of the delegation must proceed with booking a biometric appointment online. It is mandatory for each member to provide

their biometric data at the designated visa application centre. This step is essential for the processing of the visa application.

It is important to note that a delegation member's application will only be sent to UK Visa and Immigration (UKVI) for processing once they have completed the biometric stage.

In addition, I would like to draw your attention to the following points:

- Availability of Priority and Super Priority Services: Please note that Priority and Super Priority services may not be available at all visa application centres. It is advisable to check the availability of these services at the application centres.
- Payment for Priority and Super Priority Services: Each member wishing to avail themselves of Priority or Super Priority services must make the required fee payment online prior to their biometric appointment.

Service Type Processing Time (starting from the date biometrics have been taken)	Additional Cost per application
Standard 15 working days	£0
Priority 5 working days	£250
Super Priority Next working day	£956

Finally, please find below the deadlines to apply for a visa without any additional fees, based on the delegates' arrival dates in Glasgow:

Arrival Date in Glasgow	Latest a visa can be requested without extra cost
29 July 2023	8 July 2023
30 July 2023	9 July 2023
31 July 2023	10 July 2023
1 August 2023	11 July 2023
2 August 2023	12 July 2023
3 August 2023	13 July 2023

The International Relations Department remains at your disposal for any further information at the following address: internationalrelations@uci.ch.

I would like to emphasise that it is vitally important that representatives from as many National Federations as possible attend the forthcoming UCI Cycling World Championships and UCI Congress. It would be extremely regrettable if your representatives were deprived of the opportunity to take part in the inaugural edition of the event or if your delegates were unable to attend the Congress due to visa problems.

With warm regards,



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President
IOC Member