



Event Promoter Resources

Event Announcement Requirements

1E. Race Announcements

1E1. A race organizer with an approved event permit may use the USCF name and emblem in advertisements and official race announcements of the event.

1E2. The **official race announcement** must be approved by the administrator before publication (up to \$500 penalty for publication without approval), may include the Federation emblem and must contain the following:

- (a) The declaration “Held under USA Cycling event permit”.
- (b) The date(s) and location(s) of all bicycle races in the race event. All such race information must be included in the race permit.
- (c) A list of races that identifies which classes and categories are eligible for each.
- (d) For each race, the specific kinds of event, the distance(s), the total amount of the prize lists, the nature of the prizes (cash, merchandise, combination thereof, or other), and the number of places that will receive prizes. If cash is to be awarded, the minimum value will be shown.
- (e) For each race, the amount of the entry fee and the amounts of any surcharges and what they are for. All such fees shall be in accordance with the Schedule of Fees.
- (f) The order of events and the starting time of at least the first event; preferably, all expected starting times should be given.
- (g) Any restrictions on entries, such as entry closing date, registration closing times, and minimum or maximum field size.
- (h) Any plans for cancellation or postponement of the event in case of bad weather required for track events; road races are normally run rain or shine.

1E3. For any **non-invitational race** the official race announcement shall be distributed 30 days prior to an event using electronic media, physical distribution, or some combination of both. Organizers who publish an announcement less than 30 days prior to an event shall pay a permit surcharge as specified in the Schedule of Fees.

1E4. **After the official race announcement has been published**, no changes are allowed in the classes of riders eligible to compete, other than adding races for separate classes, and the total prize list for any given class may be reduced only if the class is divided and so are the prizes. Other changes in required elements of the official race announcement shall be permitted by the Administrator or Chief Referee only to accommodate changed circumstances beyond the control of the organizer (up to \$500 penalty for unapproved changes).

1F. Prizes and Payments

1F1. The complete **prize list**, with values for each place, shall be posted at registration and available to competitors on the day of the event. Prize evaluations shall be based on the retail prices. The prizes shall be available for inspection by the chief referee before the start of the race.

1F2. **No Disincentives.** No prizes or primes of value greater than the last place prize may be offered for poor performance, such as a prize for the last rider across the finish line.



1F3. Prize **list up to \$2,000**. The number of places that receive prizes in each event must be at least one for every \$100 in total prize value for the event, up to \$2,000.

1F4. For each race with over **\$2,000 in prizes** there must be prizes to at least 20 places and the values for second and first place prize: 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, 1/5, 1/6, etc. for the first twenty places. Larger fractions are recommended. (As a consequence, the first prize may not exceed 27% of the total prize list for such races.)

1F5. Maximum Prize.

- (a) In youth races and races exclusively for category 5 men, no prizes (including prizes) of commercial value may be awarded – only such things as trophies, medals, ribbons and certificates of participation.
- (b) In club races, individual prizes may not exceed a \$50 value.