

Special Rules and Programme for MTBO World Cup 2012

The 2012 World Cup will consist of 10 individual competitions and 4 relay competitions.

1) Programme

5 – 8 May	Round 1 in Czech Republic	2 individual events (sprint or middle, long) 1 relay competition (mixed)
31 May - 3 June	Round 2 in Poland	3 individual events (sprint, middle, long)
20 – 25 August	Round 3 (WOC) in Hungary	3 individual events (sprint, middle, long) 2 relay competitions (women, men)
21 – 23 September	Round 4 in Estonia	2 individual events (sprint or middle, long) 1 relay competition (mixed)

2) Entries

Individual

The maximum entry per member federation per event is 6 competitors for all the events.

Relay

Round 1+4: a maximum of 4 teams of 3 riders per member federation. Each team must include at least one woman.

Round 3 (WOC): a maximum of 2 teams of 3 riders in each class (women, men).

3) Scoring

Individual

1. Each competitor's total score is the sum of her/his 7 best point scores out of 10 World Cup events. In the unlikely event that the result of a competition is voided, the number of results to count in the total score will be 6.
2. The 35 best competitors in each class shall obtain points as follows: 60, 50, 45, 40, 36, 33, 30, 28, 27, 26,, 3, 2, 1.
3. If two or more competitors share a place in a competition, they all receive the higher point score.
4. In the case of an equal total score for two or more competitors, the best single score decides, then the second best, the third best, etc. If they are still equal, the placings in the last competition of the World Cup are decisive, even if it is not among the 7 best results.

Relay

1. Each member federation's score is the total score of all 4 relay competitions.
2. The best 15 teams in each competition shall obtain points as follows: 20, 17, 15, 13, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7,, 2, 1. For the allocation of points only the best placed team of each federation shall be considered.
3. In the case of equal total scores, the best single score decides. If they are still equal, the placing in, chronologically, the last event is decisive.
4. A federation's total score is independent of which competitors make up the best placed relay team in each competition. In the prize-giving ceremony for the overall Relay World Cup, a federation may be represented by all the competitors having ridden in at least one of the counting teams.

4) Prize-giving

Prize-giving should take place together with the final World Cup round.