2025 **TECHNICAL GUIDE**

Country Cross
MTCX Super Prestige #1 & #2
UCI C2 Weekend

Saturday September 6th - Sunday September 7th, 2025 6 Mile Valley, Huson, MT







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Introduction

MTCX and all of our sponsors and partners are proud to bring you Country Cross, a cyclocross celebration in the heart of Montana. If you have any additional questions after referencing this guild, please email us at: montanacyclocross@gmail.com

This guide is subject to change. Please visit <u>www.montanacyclocross.com</u> to view the latest revisions.

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Officials

Position	Level	Name	Country/Prov.
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Asst. PCP			
Secretary			
Finish Judge			

Regulations and Licensing

Governing Regulations

The **UCI C2** races on September 6th and 7th will be held under 2025 UCI regulations. The UCI penalty scale will apply.

Licensing and Participation

All riders competing in UCI C2 races must possess a current UCI International license.

All riders in the Regional amateur races must possess a valid USAC license or one day USAC license or UCI license with cyclocross coding.

One Day licenses available for purchase for Amateur Racing Only

A rider's racing age, according to UCI 5.1.001

The category to which the license holder belongs on December 31st, 2026 will be used for his or her participation in events for the whole season.

2024/2025 UCI Categories by age:

UCI Category	Race Age
Elite Men	19+
Elite Women	19+
Junior Men	17-18
Junior Women	17-18

- U23 and Elite Men will ride in the same event FOR UCI C2 EVENTS.
- U23 and Elite Women will ride in the same event FOR UCI C2 EVENTS.
- Juniors 17-18 may <u>NOT</u> compete in the Elites.

Registration

Please note on-site packet pickup is located at Race Registration (18450 Six mile road Huson, MT US 59846). Friday, 2pm - 6pm, then all day on Saturday and Sunday.

UCI Riders:

- Pre-registration only for UCI Categories on www.montanacyclocross.com
- Registration closes Wednesday 9/3 at midnight for UCI Categories only.

ALL OTHER RIDERS:

- Registration closes 1 hr prior to your race start
- Call ups are formed Thursday at midnight, must be registered before then to be in your call up

Number Pickup/Sign-in for MTCX Super Prestige, UCI C2 events will close 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO RACE START. Riders and support staff must pick up race numbers and credentials 30 minutes prior to race start, EACH DAY.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a course preview. All day Friday, 9/5

Sign-in closes 30-minutes prior to each race - NO EXCEPTIONS. If a rider has pre-registered but has not picked up his/her bib number 30 minutes prior to race start, the organizer reserves the right to reassign the bib-number to another rider. Riders must sign-in at registration for each day or racing.

Parking, Camping & Team Space

Small (10'x10' tent maximum) - \$100 (12 available)

Special area, that must be reserved ahead of time. Near the pit. There will be a sign waiting for you at your spot. To reserve book online at www.montanacyclocross.com

Parking and Camping

Parking and camping are free. At registration our donation page is setup to let us know if you are camping, please consider filling that out so we can get a rough RSVP. Camping is a first come, first serve basis.

Race Schedule ******UCI registration closes 9/3 at midnight******

Friday Schedule

- 9am-6pm Course is open for Pre-Ride
- 2pm-6pm Registration and Number Pick up

Saturday Schedule

- 8:00 Check-in and reg open
- 8am 9am Course Open
- 9:15am 9 and under race boys and girls 1 lap
- 9:45am 13-14 boys, 13-14 girls, 10-12 boys, 10-12 girls 30m
- 10:45am 17-18 UCI girls 45m
- 11:45am 17-18 UCI boys 45m
- 12:45pm Masters Women 40-49, 50-59, 60+ 45m
- 1:45pm Masters Men 40-49, 50-59, 60+ 45m
- 2:45pm Women Cat 1/2/3, 15-16 girls 45m
- 3:30pm Men Cat 1/2/3, 15-16 boys 45m
- 4:45pm Women UCI Pro 1/2 60m
- 6:15pm Men UCI Pro 1/2 60m

Sunday Schedule

- 8:00 Check-in and reg open
- 8am 9am Course Open
- 9:15am 9 and under race boys and girls 1 lap
- 9:45am 13-14 boys, 13-14 girls, 10-12 boys, 10-12 girls 30m
- 10:45am 17-18 UCI girls 45m
- 11:45am 17-18 UCI boys 45m
- 12:45pm Masters Women 40-49, 50-59, 60+ 45m
- 1:45pm Masters Men 40-49, 50-59, 60+ 45m
- 3:00pm Women UCI Pro 1/2 60m
- 4:15pm Men UCI Pro ½ 60m
- 5:30pm Women Cat 1/2/3, 15-16 girls 45m
- 6:45pm Men Cat 1/2/3, 15-16 boys 45m

Directions and Hotel Information

The race venue location is

18450 Six mile road Huson, MT US 59846

HOTEL Information

- City Center Motel
- The Wren
- The Marriot
- The AC Hotel

Event History and Course Description

Event History

Missoula has hosted cyclocross races for 25 years. Our local series averages 125 riders per week. Our cycling culture revolves around inclusivity and love for the sport. 15 years ago we decided to put on a bigger weekend event. Named Rolling Thunder, the event was held at night and quickly gained popularity with pro riders. Past winners include Sam Schultz, Amanda Carey, Caleb Swartz, and Kevin Bradford-Parish. In addition to cyclocross some other fun events have happened in Missoula that have gotten us to where we are today. The Missoula XC is in it's 14th year and is a UCI pro xco race at Marshall Mountain. It's typically the last race before USAC MTB Nationals and bolsters a technical, Euro style course, and mountain town feel.



Timing, Scoring, and Results

Timing and scoring will be done by our timing staff. In addition to the staff and computer program, a high-speed camera will also be present at the finish line. The timing equipment and staff will be located in the officials' tent immediately adjacent to the finish line.

- There will be electric chip timing with photo-finish provided by Competitive Timing.
- Live results will be available at https://competitivetiming.com/
- Full results will be available at https://competitivetiming.com/ immediately after the finish.
- Results will also be posted on the results board by the podium and at the Race Office following each race.

Race Numbers and Equipment Requirements

Race Numbers

Proper number placement is crucial for correct scoring and accurate results. Bib numbers come in a pair on go on the back of the riders jersey.

UCI Homologated Equipment:

According to <u>Article 1.3.001bis</u>, framesets and wheelsets used in Cyclo-cross must be homologated by the UCI and listed on the List of Approved Framesets/Wheels. It is imperative

to note that any use of equipment that is not homologated and/or lacks a UCI label (framesets only) will result in disqualification or the rider being ineligible to start the race.

UCI Tire Width:

In accordance with <u>Article 1.3.018</u>, the width of the tire, measured between the widest parts, must not exceed 33 mm, and it may not incorporate any form of spike or stud. Please ensure that the tires used in Cyclo-cross meet these requirements, as non-compliance will result in disqualification or the rider being unable to start the race.

Commercialisation of Equipment:

We would like to highlight that all equipment used in the UCI Cyclo-cross calendar must follow <u>Article 1.3.006</u> requirements regarding the commercialisation of equipment (see below summary) and a piece of equipment which is in the development phase (prototype) must obtain the Prototype Authorisation issued by the UCI Innovation Unit prior to its first use.

Pinless Systems:

In recent seasons, we have observed a shift towards the use of number pockets made from clear plastic or mesh fabric, where the identification number is placed inside. However, it has come to our attention that this non-transparent mesh-based design can pose readability issues for Commissaires, Fans, and Commentators. We want to remind all teams that the identification number must be placed on the outer layer of clothing.

Please note that the technique used to place the identification number is not restricted to traditional pin-on techniques, as long as it complies with <u>Articles 1.3.029 and 1.3.076</u>. Failure to comply with these regulations may result in fines or disqualification, preventing a rider from starting the race.

We appreciate your cooperation in adhering to these equipment regulations, as they help maintain fair competition and uphold the integrity of UCI Cyclo-cross events. If you have any questions or require further clarification on these regulations, please do not hesitate to reach out. More information can be found at the UCI Regulations and the Equipment Page of the UCI website.

Start Order and Start Procedures

UCI C2

Rider call-ups will begin approximately 10 minutes before the race starts. Riders not present for their call-up will lose their start grid position.

Rider call-ups/start grid position will be determined as follows:

- 1. Per the latest published individual UCI Cyclocross Classification
- 2. Unclassified riders by random draw established by the commissaires

Confirm your ranking with the Race Secretary when you pick up your race number. Upon entering the call-up area, race officials will be checking the placement of your numbers and the width of your tires (33mm maximum).

The number of laps will be calculated and announced at the end of the **second lap**.

All Amateur races

Riders are advised to be in the vicinity of the start staging area at least 10 minutes prior to race start time.

Rider call-ups/start grid position will be determined as follows:

- 1. Cross Results rankings for 1-16
- 2. Fill in

If riders are not present with 10 minutes to start and miss their call-up, they will lose their start grid position. Concerns about start order position should be addressed with the commissaire no less than 30 minutes before the start of the respective event.

The number of laps will be calculated and announced at the end of the **second lap**.

Wheel Pit, Neutral Support, Feeding, and Lapped Riders

Pit Requirements and Neutral Support

UCI racers may be issued up to 2 Pit Passes. Each rider is allowed two mechanics and issued passes with their corresponding numbers at sign-in. No other personnel shall be allowed in the Pit Zone. Anyone receiving a pit pass must show a UCI license and have it recorded with the numbers of the riders they are supporting.

Race staff will provide pit pass badges after packet pick up at registration. All credentials MUST be picked up 1 hour prior to the start of the race. Race staff and officials will check for credentials in the pit and any individual found without proper credentials will be asked to leave the pit area.

Powered pressure washers will be available on site in the pit area. Per UCI regulations, personal high pressure power washers are *forbidden* in the pit area for Continental Championship races.

Please note that a rider may only take the pit lane to change his bicycle, wheel(s), or for other mechanical assistance. Equipment changes must be carried out within the confines of the pit lane and at the same point (box area).

Feeding

Riders may not take food or beverages offered by spectators from the beer garten / food court or any other places on the course. Doing so may result in a disqualification.

Lapped Riders

For the UCI events, the 80% rule may be applied. All other racers please be courteous and move to the side when being lapped, please do not interfere. The President of the Commissaire Panel can and will pull lapped riders if necessary, although it is our intent to allow all riders to finish each event.

Medical, Policing, Security, and Anti-Doping

Event Medical Staff

Local First Aid attendants will be on-site for the treatment of minor injuries for athletes, staff, and spectators. The Race Doctor, Rob Amrine, Missoula Bone and Joint will have his medical van and supplies on site. Official medical support will be located inside registration.

Hospital

Community Hospital

Policing and Security Arrangements

There will be crosswalks on the course operated by course marshals throughout the event. Please only cross the course at marked crosswalks when spectating. Be respectful of racers on the course.

Anti-Doping

Anti-doping control will be located at Event HQ. There will be NO list of riders posted. Chaperones will find riders after the finish and bring them to Anti-doping control. Podiums ceremonies will wait until Doping control is finished.

Podium Etiquette

Podium Etiquette and Changing Area

The podium area is located in front of registration. The top three finishers must report to the podium for awards, podium pictures, and potential interviews with the race announcer.

There will be a "UCI Awards Prep" tent located near the podium at Event HQ. Riders' support staff may assist in the changing/preparing area, but support staff are not permitted on the podium.

Prize money may be withheld from a rider who does not report for the podium ceremony. It is the rider's responsibility to be present for the awards presentation (see protocol, below).

Awards and Ceremony Protocol

The riders who must report to the podium are the Race Winner, Second place, and Third place. Note that failure to attend award ceremonies results in <u>forfeiture</u> of prizes for C2 events.

Prize Procedure

Individual event prizes/prize money for all races will be paid on site during the podium ceremony. In case of extenuating circumstances, checks may be mailed to riders who do not collect their prize money. For racers not receiving prizes on the podium, please report to podium staff after the podium ceremony to collect your prize. You may be required to present your race license plus another form of identification to confirm your identity before prizes are handed out.

Prize List

All UCI/COPACI event prize purses meet the requirements for USAC/UCI C2 events. Prize purses and UCI points for Men and Women in the respective UCI race categories are as follows:

WOMEN'S & MEN'S ELITE RACES Saturday/Sunday C2 Payout

\$356

\$ 183

\$ 122
\$ 92
\$ 87
\$ 81
\$ 76
\$ 71
\$ 66
\$ 61
\$ 56
\$ 51
\$ 46
\$ 41
\$ 36
\$ 25
\$ 25
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UCI U17-18 MEN & WOMENS Saturday/Sunday C2

Juniors \$ 153 \$ 102 \$ 71 \$ 61 \$ 51 \$ 51 \$ 51 \$41 \$41 \$41 \$ 31 \$ 31

\$ 31

\$ 31

\$ 31

Masters/Amateurs

Medals and Prizes, top 3 in each category.

UCI Points Table

C2 Events

Place	Elite C2	Junior C2
1st	40	15
2nd	30	12
3rd	20	10
4th	15	8
5th	10	6
6th	8	5
7th	6	4
8th	4	3
9th	2	2
10th	1	1
11th	х	х
12th		
13th		
14th		
15th		