

Advanced Rider Certification

Overview

BMX racing requires a high level of technical ability to execute a track safely and competently. The technical level of competency requirements is increased depending on speed and course design.

The Advanced Rider Certification has been developed to ensure riders are ready for racing on any BMX track with an Advanced Section (as outlined in Table 1). Noting that advanced sections vary from track to track, the following are considered Advanced Sections:

- Designated Pro Straights; or
- 8m SX Hill

These sections require a higher level of technical, physical and mental ability, to execute them safely and competently.

As this is a new process ensuring a higher duty of care is brought to our riders, 2021 will provide an opportunity for those riders wishing to gain certification from 1 January 2022.

AusCycling Technical Regulation

The AusCycling Technical Regulation (3.03 Advanced Sections) specifically requires:

Riders wishing to enter the Superclass category at AusCycling sanctioned events where an 8m/SX hill or pro straight is available will be required to show a competency prior to the commencement of racing.

Eligibility

Racing:

To be eligible for an Advanced Rider Certification and able to race the rider must be:

- Minimum 16 years old (age is determined by age as at the end of 31 December of the current year)
 and:
- Trained and assessed on Pro Straights or 8m SX Hills by an AusCycling Development Coach BMX (BMXA Level 1) with 8m Hill Accreditation or above (Approved Coach).

Training:

To be eligible for an Advanced Rider Certification and able to undertake training activities a rider must be:

- Minimum 13 years old (age is determined by age as at the end of 31 December of the current year)
- Trained and assessed on Pro Straights or 8m SX Hills by an AusCycling Development Coach BMX (BMXA Level 1) with 8m Hill Accreditation or above (Approved Coach).

Current Track with an 'Advanced Section (s) can be found in Table 1.

Note: Riders who have previously competed in a BMX race, prior to 2022, where the use of pro straights or 8m SX Hill were raced will be provided with automatic certification.

The Advanced Rider Certification is required by all competing riders prior to the commencement of racing, if a Pro Straight or 8m SX Hill is to be ridden at that event.

Certification Procedure

The following procedure will be followed for BMX Advanced Rider Certification:

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1. Pre-qualification

- a. Prior to 1 January 2022, any rider who has competed in a BMX race where a Pro Straight or 8m Start Hill was used, will be provided with automatic certification.
- b. All riders will have this certification added to their membership profile.

2. Coach or Official Approval

2.1 Training:

- a. Rider to access a track with either a Pro Straight or 8m SX Hill (see Table 1)
- b. Development Coach (BMXA Level 1) with 8m Start Hill Accreditation or above (Approved Coach) to evaluate the rider by having them demonstrate competency by jumping the prostraight or first jump from the 8m SX Start Hill.
- c. The Approved Coach to complete the following form: https://forms.office.com/r/Cfw8Rs2FjE
- d. AusCycling will update the members profile.

NOTE: Officials are not permitted to provide accreditation at training activities.

2.2 Events:

- a. At any race event (including club days a) Advanced Rider Certification can be conducted during any official practice session prior to the commencement of racing. This must be witnessed by the President of the Commissaire Panel (PCP), who may be supported by an Approved Coach. The PCP must be an accredited as a Regional Commissaire or above.
- b. The list of names of any riders certified at the event sent to AusCycling by the PCP using the following form: https://forms.office.com/r/Cfw8Rs2FjE
- c. AusCycling will update the members profile.

NOTE: No matter the certification, the PCP has the final authority to deem a rider competent, or not, to safely compete in any BMX event.

Certified Rider List

A list of certified riders will be available on the AusCycling Website on launch of the certification in 2022.

Table 1: List of BMX Tracks Requiring Certification

State	Club	8m	Pro Straight
NSW	Hawkesbury BMX Club	No	Yes
NSW	Macarthur BMX Club	No	Yes
NSW	Penrith BMX Club	No	Yes
NSW	Bathurst BMX Club	Yes	Yes
ACT	Tuggeranong BMX Club	No	Yes
VIC	Park Orchards BMX	No	Yes
VIC	Casey BMX Club	No	Yes
VIC	Frankston BMX Club	No	Yes
VIC	Shepparton BMX Club	Yes	Yes
VIC	Wyndham BMX Club	No	Yes
SA	Happy Valley BMX Club	No	Yes
SA	Mt Gambier BMX Club	No	Yes
QLD	Cooloola BMX Club	No	Yes
QLD	Nerang BMX Club	No	Yes
QLD	Ipswich BMX Club	No	Yes
QLD	Sleeman BMX Track	Yes	Yes
QLD	Cairns BMX Club	No	Yes
QLD	Townsville BMX Club	No	Yes
QLD	Burdekin BMX Club	No	Yes
QLD	Sarina BMX Club	No	Yes
QLD	Harbour City BMX Club	No	Yes
QLD	Maryborough BMX Club	No	Yes
QLD	Callide Valley BMX Club	No	Yes
NT	Satellite City BMX Club	Yes	Yes
WA	Westside BMX Club	No	Yes
WA	Hills BMX Club	No	Yes
WA	Bunbury BMX Club	No	Yes
WA	Wanneroo BMX Club	No	Yes
WA	Mandurah BMX Club	No	Yes
WA	Kalgoorlie BMX Club	No	Yes
WA	Cockburn BMX Club	No	Yes
WA	Rockingham BMX Club	No	Yes
WA	Southern Districts BMX Club	No	Yes

When adding a Pro Section or 8M Start Hill an approved AusCycling Technical Delegate must undertake a track inspection and approve the Advanced Section (s) using the 'AusCycling BMX Track Inspection Guide'.

Upon approval by the Technical Delegate the Track will be added to the 'List of BMX Tracks Requiring Advanced Accreditation'.