



**AUSCYCLING**  
**CX**

# 2021 NATIONAL SERIES GUIDE

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# 1 Introduction

The 2021 AusCycling CX National Series ('Series') is a competition which includes a number of key cyclo-cross events which occur throughout the year. The Series is designed to encourage participation and recognise individual rider achievement.

The results from Series events will be added together to determine an individual's series points and the overall ranking.

In 2021, the Series consists of seven (7) rounds and the National Championships.

## 2021 CX National Series Calendar

Dates	Event	Venue
5-6 June	2021 CX National Series – Round 1 & 2	Port Adelaide, SA
19-20 June	2021 CX National Series – Round 3 & 4	Samford, QLD
3-4 July	2021 CX National Series – Round 5 & 6	Creswick, VIC
21 August	2021 Cyclo-Cross National Championships	Broadford, VIC
22 August	2021 CX National Series – Round 7	Broadford, VIC

This document provides an overview of the requirements of hosting a National Series event with specific roles and responsibilities (both financial and operational). It is critical to read this document in line with the AusCycling Organisers Guide (General and Cyclo-cross Specific) and [AusCycling Technical Regulations](#) (General and Cyclo-cross Specific).

# 2 Hosting a National Series Event

## Event Tiers

The 2021 AusCycling CX National Series will include seven (7) National Series Rounds (Gold) plus the National Championships (platinum). The specifics of these events are outlined below:

### Gold (National Events)

Eligible Riders receive x 1.0 point (per the points table)

### Platinum (National Championships)

Eligible Riders receive x 1.5 points (per the points table)

Table 1: Points Table

Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points
1st	80	11th	20	21st	10	31st	4	41st	2
2nd	65	12th	19	22nd	9	32nd	4	42nd	2
3rd	55	13th	18	23rd	8	33rd	4	43rd	2
4th	48	14th	17	24th	7	34th	4	44th	2
5th	43	15th	16	25th	6	35th	4	45th	1
6th	38	16th	15	26th	5	36th	3	46th	1
7th	33	17th	14	27th	5	37th	3	47th	1
8th	29	18th	13	28th	5	38th	3	48th	1
9th	25	19th	12	29th	5	39th	3	49th	1
10th	22	20th	11	30th	5	40th	3	50th	1
								51st	1
								DNF	1

### 3 Race Categories

The Series categories are based on a riders age as at the 31 December 2022. The Series will recognise categories on UCI age categories as outlined in Table 2.

**TABLE 2: National Series and Championship Categories**

<b>2021 CX National Series Categories</b>		
<b>Category</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Years</b>
Elite (19 years and over)	ME; WE	2003 and older
Expert (19-29 years)	MX; WX	1993 to 2003
Masters 1 (30-34 years)	M1, W1	1988 to 1992
Masters 2 (35-39 years)	M2, W2	1983 to 1987
Masters 3 (40-44 years)	M3, W3	1978 to 1982
Masters 4 (45-49 years)	M4, W4	1973 to 1977
Masters 5 (50-54 years)	M5, W5	1968 to 1972
Masters 6 (55-59 years)	M6, W6	1963 to 1967
Masters 7 (60-64 years)	M7, W7	1958 to 1962
Masters 8 (65-69 years)	M8, W8	1953 to 1957
Junior (18 years and under)	MJ, WJ	2004, 2005
U17 (16 years and under)	M17, W17	2006, 2007
U15 (14 years and under)	M15, W15	2008, 2009
U13 (11 & 12 years)	M13, W13	2010, 2011
<b>2021 CX National Championships Additional Categories</b>		
U23 (19 years – 22 years)	MU, WU	2003 to 2000

Under 23 (MU & WU) (19-22 years old) categories will be included in the 2021 AusCycling CX National Championships. For Series rounds that offer an U23 category, points will be awarded and combined to the participants Under 23 National Series point score.

Participants may qualify for both an Elite ranking and Age-Group ranking for the National Series year if they have competed in each category.

U23 or Masters riders may elect to race in the Elite category for any event however they will only earn Series points in the Elite category from those events where the individual raced in the Elite category. Points accumulated from non-elite categories do not count towards Elite Series points.

Categories may be combined for race starts, in accordance with the AusCycling Technical Regulations but are to be awarded separately (Masters 1-3, Master 4+ etc).

Result files are to be submitted to [offroad@auscycling.org.au](mailto:offroad@auscycling.org.au) with results in the Series categories.

## 4 Roles and Responsibilities

Area of Responsibility	AusCycling	Host Club
<b>Finance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Retains the rights to Series wide sponsorship of the AusCycling CX National Series and National Championships.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Retains ownership of the event.</li> <li>✓ Payment of fees associated with any permits required to deliver the event.</li> <li>✓ Retains all Entry Fees on official categories (minus \$5+GST AusCycling services fee).</li> <li>✓ Retain all entry fees from participation and exhibition classes.</li> <li>✓ Sponsorship rights (excluding naming rights and pending no conflict with AusCycling sponsors).</li> </ul>
<b>Series Management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Sets series Technical Regulations including points, categories.</li> <li>✓ Manage the expression of interest application of interest and the development of the calendar.</li> <li>✓ Series Coordinator to manage points administration, publication and series enquiries.</li> <li>✓ Overall series awards.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Deliver the event under the AusCycling standards, Technical Regulations and Policies.</li> </ul>
<b>Event Promotion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ List event on the AusCycling calendar and promote the series (including recognition of the host club) through AusCycling media channels.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Event and series promotion in conjunction with AusCycling.</li> </ul>
<b>Facility/Venue</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Venue Approval.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Ensure that any permits required to deliver the event from external stakeholders including local council, landowners, state/territory police and/or state/territory road departments are obtained (including payment of fees).</li> <li>✓ Provision of appropriate event infrastructure/facilities including catering, parking, toilets and first aid.</li> <li>✓ Ensure the facility is safe prior to riders/spectators being on site.</li> </ul>
<b>Entry/Registration and Scoring</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Series Coordinator to provide oversight on the registration process to ensure consistency of delivery of common series components.</li> <li>✓ Production of rider call-ups in a timely manner (if required).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Set Up the entry system for the event using AusCycling preferred supplier.</li> <li>✓ Ensure that an acceptable timing system/method is used.</li> <li>✓ Provide access to the entry data and results to the AusCycling Series Coordinator within 48 hours of event completion.</li> <li>✓ Provide refunds in line with the AusCycling refund policy.</li> </ul>
<b>Workforce</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Appointment and payment of PCP for each event.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Appointment and payment of a minimum of four (4) AusCycling CX</li> </ul>

Area of Responsibility	AusCycling	Host Club
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Appointment of Technical Delegate (if required)</li> <li>✓ Work with host clubs on the appointments of all other commissaires.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>accredited Commissaires (excluding the PCP).</li> <li>✓ Provide First Aid personnel in line with the AusCycling First Aid Policy.</li> </ul>
<b>Awards</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Series awards for each recognised category.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Prizes including money, medals, podium prizes or winner jersey (not mandatory).</li> </ul>
<b>General/Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Provide AusCycling equipment where it is <u>currently</u> available.</li> <li>✓ Provide AusCycling signage to display at events.</li> <li>✓ Manage series enquiries from riders or general public.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Provide all equipment (including consumables) required to deliver the competition.</li> </ul>

#### 4.1 Summary of Responsibilities and Benefits of AusCycling CX National Series Events

Description	Series	National Championships
AusCycling CX National Series Points	1.0	1.5
PCP Appointed By	AusCycling	AusCycling
PCP Payment and Travel	AusCycling	AusCycling
Bunting provided to Host by AusCycling	12 Rolls (use is at the discretion of the organiser)	12 Rolls
Promotion on AusCycling EDM & Social Media Channels (subject to approvals)	Yes	Yes
Promoted on AusCycling website	Yes	Yes
Access to use National Series logo/s	Yes	Yes
Listing Fee – AusCycling CX National Series (per round)	\$5 + GST per rider	As per Expression of Interest Form

**Table notes:**

- All riders must hold an AusCycling Off-Road, or All Discipline Race Membership or purchase a Race Event membership (National Championships only).
- Funding opportunities for the Series events may be available to you, please contact AusCycling for further information.
- AusCycling reserve the rights to amend the structure, rules and guidelines of the Series as necessary at any time. Any changes which will have a material impact on the organiser will be discussed in advance of a change.

## 4.2 Submitting results

Confirmed results are to be submitted via email to [offroad@auscycling.org.au](mailto:offroad@auscycling.org.au) as soon as practicable after the conclusion of the event using the prescribed template.

Results are to be submitted to AusCycling on the prescribed template with all required information provided.

AusCycling will then upload the approved results with Series points being allocated to each individual rider National Series points tally as displayed on the AusCycling website.

AusCycling does not have the authority to change results at the request of individual queries from riders. If an enquiry is received by AusCycling regarding results at a National Series event it will be referred to the event host for clarification and an update of the submitted results.

## 4.3 Event Cancellation or Postponement

In the scenario that a listed National Series event must be cancelled due to a force majeure (e.g. weather, pandemic):

- All refunds must follow the AusCycling event entry policy. AusCycling also suggest that if an alternate date can be secured for the event to be rescheduled, riders must be given the option of a refund if they are unable to attend on the new date.
- National points will not be awarded to entrants of a cancelled event.
- It is the responsibility of the Host Organiser to inform riders and potential participants if a race is to be cancelled, relocated or postponed.

## 4.4 Prizes and Awards

Prizes may be awarded to the riders at each individual competition at the discretion of the Host Organisers. Prizes are not mandatory for series rounds.

Overall National Series awards will be presented by AusCycling as follows:

All Categories	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jersey
All Categories	1 <sup>st</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Medal or Trophy
Elite Classes	1 <sup>st</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup>	Prize money

## 4.5 Quality and Consistency

It is critical for all participants to ensure a minimum standard and consistency is delivered through the series. To do so the following are requirements of all organisers. All National Series events are to adhere to the AusCycling Cyclo-cross Technical Regulations.

- All AusCycling CX National Series events will be required to meet a minimum set of requirements and standards. AusCycling will appoint a President of the Commissaire Panel known as a “PCP” for all Series events, unless the event is listed with the UCI, where the UCI will appoint the PCP. All PCP’s for all AusCycling Series events will be required to submit a post-event report to AusCycling.
- Event hosts must provide an Event Guide/Plan to AusCycling a minimum of 8 weeks prior to the event including the following:
  - Event personnel roles and responsibilities
  - Emergency management procedures
  - First aid and medical information
  - Event safety measures
  - Communication procedures
  - Risk management plan

- Course Maps showing:
  - Full course
  - Location of course marshals
  - Evacuation points
  - First aid location
  - Emergency access points
- AusCycling will provide all event hosts with written feedback from the event PCP and AusCycling (as appropriate).
- AusCycling will provide event hosts with support services and resources to help develop the overall quality of the Series.

## 4.6 Event Naming

The following naming convention will be used for all National Series Events:

- [Year] AusCycling Cyclo-Cross National Series RD[1] – [Host Location]
- Example: 2021 AusCycling Cyclo-cross National Series RD 1 - Darebin

The National Series naming rights are the exclusive property of AusCycling. The event specific name may be set by the organiser and sponsorship may be sold accordingly.

- Example: 2021 AusCycling Cyclo-cross National Series SRAM RD 1 - Darebin

## 4.7 Communications & Marketing

- To assist with the promotion and development of Cyclo-Cross, the host must provide high quality photos to be used for AusCycling social media and media release within 24 hours of events. Any photos provided to AusCycling should be clean with no watermark. AusCycling will credit the photographer when posting/using these images. Photography is at the expense of the host.
- Any promotion on social media is to include the National Series logo. This will be provided to all organisers.
- Hosts must use the Series logo on all event related documentation and promotional material (AusCycling must approve the use of the logo prior to finalisation and distribution of any marketing material).
- Use of AusCycling social media tags should be used in promotion of events:

**Facebook** - @auscyclingaus

**Instagram** - @auscyclingaus

**Hashtags:** #auscyclingaus #NCXS21

## 4.8 Sponsorship, Event Branding & Official Partners

AusCycling will seek to appoint a National Series Naming Rights sponsor along with several supporting partners.

These partners will be permitted to activate at any AusCycling CX National Series listed event throughout the year with prior consultation of the host club/organiser.

### 4.8.1 Local Event Sponsorship:

Local host clubs and private promoters may engage additional sponsors for their events at their discretion;

- Where there is a conflict of interest between the National Series Partners and the local sponsor, it will be the local sponsor that takes precedence for that event.

- In recognition of their support, AusCycling request host organisers to firstly contact the Series partners to seek direct support and benefits for your event.