



## ***Mountain Bike Categories Race License***

### ***UPGRADING OF RACE CATEGORY FOR LOCAL RIDERS.***

- ◆ Any rider wishing to move up in category to a higher level of competition must apply in writing to the MCA at minimum 5 days in advance of next event that the rider would be competing in.
- ◆ Riders, who wish to race at a higher level locally than they would at the National or international level, may apply for a letter that states they can do so. This letter would then be carried with their license to local events so commissaries are aware of the approval. When racing abroad in international or National events the category that is listed on their CCA license is the category they must compete in.
- ◆ Any request for upgrade be supported by the athlete's coach/club and that a proven race record at Cup events indicate the athlete's ability to handle the upgrade.
- ◆ In the event the rider does not have the support of club/coach or proven race record the Mountain bike committee will look at each case individually. Decision on athlete being approved to move up would be based on reason for wanting to move up, effect on other riders, events, organizers etc.

### ***IMPLICATIONS:***

1. Riders must apply at least 1 week (5 working days) in advance of an event to allow for processing of a request. The request is not considered completed until the office processes completely the request and the athlete has received written confirmation from the office via fax, email or the postal service.
2. Riders changing categories mid-year lose all points accumulated in earlier races in other categories, and their status in the earlier group.

3. Riders may advance in a year but may not back down a category once the year has begun without getting approval from Mountain Committee.

4. It is the rider's responsibility to carry to all races the documentation supporting a claim to race in a category not clearly indicated on their license