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Manitoba Cup Series Criteria - Mountain Bike

The Manitoba Cup is comprised of a series of races in which points are awarded to all finishers in each category. The winner in each category is determined by the accumulation of all the points received in every race in which the athlete competes (number of races may vary each season). The points are awarded by finish as follows:

1 st – 30	6 th – 18	11 th – 13	16 th – 8	21 st - 3
2 nd – 25	7 th – 17	12 th – 12	17 th – 7	22 nd - 2
3 rd – 22	8 th – 16	13 th – 11	18 th – 6	23 rd - 1
4 th – 20	9 th – 15	14 th – 10	19 th – 5	All others – 1
5 th – 19	10 th – 14	15 th – 9	20 th – 4	DNF/DNS - 0

Anyone who participates in the series but misses a race because they are organizing or commissairing the event will receive point equal to their average for the season. This will be calculated at the end of the season.

Athletes who move up a category during the season will have their points adjusted; they will receive 70% of the points they earned in the lower category, i.e. a rider who earns 50 points in the first 2 races in their initial category will carry 35 points into the next category when they move up.

Athlete Requirements

Eligibility

Athletes must be members of the MCA in good standing and must hold a valid MCA/CCA/UCI racing license in order to be eligible for MB Cup points.

All athletes must abide by all MCA/CCA/UCI rules and regulations governing the conduct and responsibilities of riders. These rules and regulations can be obtained online at:

<http://www.canadian-cycling.com/English/information/rulebook.htm>

These rules include (but are not limited to):

- wearing approved racing attire
- having your license with you at all races and events
- respecting the organizers and officials,

- familiarizing yourself with the race course (i.e. marshals cannot give out directions to confused riders)

Points Calculation

To win the series the athletes must start a minimum of four (4) Cup races.

The total accumulation of points earned in all races will be used to determine a final score for the year.

Points for each athlete are calculated based on the official results as posted online at:

<http://www.cycling.mb.ca/>

N.B. It is the athlete's responsibility to review the results as soon as they are posted and to immediately inform the Chief Commissaire for MTB events of any discrepancy in regards to results. Results will be posted on-site and athletes/coaches will have 15 minutes in which to lodge an appeal. After 15 minutes with no appeals the results become official and will be posted on the MCA website for the remainder of the calendar year.

Tie-Breaker

If two or more athletes receive the same time for a particular race the athletes will share the points allocated to that shared position.

If two or more athletes receive the same amount of total points as calculated at the end of the season the athletes' times in the same races they competed in will be used to determine a final score for each athlete.

Categories

The Manitoba Mountain Bike Cup Series places an emphasis on ability and not age for its races. Athletes should know their ability and thus which category they fall under. If an athlete is in a category under or over their ability they will be asked to change categories by the acting Mountain Bike Committee.

Athletes may make a formal request by letter or email to the Committee to move up a category at any time during the season. The following categories are used in the Manitoba Mountain Bike Cup series:

- Elite male and female
- Expert male and female
- Comp male and female
- Sport male and female
- U17 male and female
- U 15 male and female
- U13 male and female
- U11 male and female
- U9 male and female

Note: The Provincial Championships use the UCI/CCA age and class divisions:

- Master 50+ male and female
- Master 40+ (40-49) male and female
- Master Expert 30+ (30-39) male and female
- Master Sport 30+ (30-39) male and female
- Senior Elite male and female
- Senior Expert (19-29) male and female
- Senior Sport (19-29) male and female
- Junior Expert (17-18) male and female
- Junior Sport (17-18) male and female
- U17 Expert male and female
- U17 Sport male and female
- U 15 male and female
- U13 male and female