



2018 UEC BMX EUROPEAN CUP

Rounds 1 & 2: Verona (ITA), 24-25 March

Rounds 3 & 4: Zolder (BEL), 14-15 April

Rounds 5 & 6: Kampen (NED), 28-29 April

Rounds 7 & 8: Blegny (BEL), 19-20 May

Competition Guide & Charge book

INTRODUCTION:

This document summarizes

- the information needed by European Federations for the organization of the rounds of the 2018 UEC BMX EUROPEAN CUP
- the information needed by European Federations to participate to above events.

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1. GENERAL

The UEC – Union Européenne de Cyclisme owns, sanctions and controls the 2018 UEC BMX European Cup.

The UEC Management Board awards the organization of the rounds of the 2018 UEC BMX European Cup.

The UEC BMX Commission has the right to oversee the preparation, organization and running of the races.

The contracting partner of the UEC is the relevant National Cycling Federation, together with the organizer of the race in the country in which it takes place.

The organizer should always be affiliated to a National Cycling Federation recognized by the UCI.

The races must be run in accordance with the rules of the 2018 UEC BMX European Cup which have been issued and are known by the European National Cycling Federations.

These races are also subject to the provisions of the UCI's BMX rule book in its latest version.

Insurance

The organizer agrees to contract an adequate third part liability insurance. A copy of the insurance contract must be sent to the UEC 15 days before the start of the competition.

The UEC will not, under any circumstances, be liable to any accidents or damage occurred during the official training sessions and the competitions.

2. CALENDAR – VENUE

Rounds 1 & 2	March 24 th March 25 th Italy / Verona	UCI Class HC UCI Class HC
Rounds 3 & 4	April 14 th April 15 th Belgium / Zolder	UCI Class HC UCI Class HC
Rounds 5 & 6	April 28 th April 29 th Netherlands / Kampen	UCI Class C1 UCI Class C1
Rounds 7 & 8	May 19 th May 20 th Belgium / Blegny	UCI Class C1 UCI Class C1

Track with 8 meters starting hill will be used by the Championship Classes:
in case of bad weather conditions or safety issues the UEC technical delegate and UCI PCP can decide in consultation with the riders to use the 5m starting hill, for safety reasons.

In order to prepare the events, the UEC Events Coordinator for the above races will be:

- ✓ **Mrs Jolanda POLKAMP (NED):** jolandapolkamp@gmail.com

The organizers should direct their request if any to the UEC BMX Commission.

- ✓ Mrs Martine LASCAUX-MARTINEZ (FRA)
- ✓ Mr Pavel KOSTYUKOV (RUS)
- ✓ Mr Artis OZOLS (BEL)
- ✓ Mr Michel VERMEIREN (BEL)

3. METHOD OF HOLDING THE RACES – AUTHORISATION TO START

The 2018 UEC BMX European Cup is a series of 4 international events (8 rounds):

- 4 rounds races with C1 ranking
- 4 rounds races with HC ranking

This represent 8 international races with C1/HC ranking and all races will count for the overall standing for Championship riders.

European Ranking

The ranking of the 2018 BMX European Cup will only be established for the following classes:
Championship:

- Men Elite 19 years and older
- Women Elite 19 years and older
- Men Juniors 17 and 18 years old
- Women Juniors 17 and 18 years old

Challenge classes:

- All categories 13 years and over

Classes 12 years and younger will not have an overall standing.

The 2018 Overall ceremony will be held in Blegny after UEC BMX European Cup Round 8.

UEC BMX European Cup

The rounds of the 2018 UEC BMX European Cup (C1/HC races) are open to all riders from any country in Championship and Challenge classes from 7 years and over.

All riders (Challenge and Championship) participating in races organized by UEC must hold a national license issued by an UCI affiliated Federation.

There is no limit in the number of riders a country can register.

4. RIDERS CATEGORIES

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Championship classes:

Men Elite	19 years and older
Women Elite	19 years and older
Men Juniors	17 and 18 years old
Women Juniors	17 and 18 years old

Challenge classes:

Boys:	7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15/16 (minimum age 7 years old)
Girls:	7, 8, 9, 10, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16 (minimum age 7 years old)
Men:	17/24, 25+
Women	17+
Cruisers:	17/29, 30/39, 40/44, 45+
Cruiser Women:	17 +

5. RULES

The provisions of the UCI's BMX Rulebook in its latest version apply with a few amendments:

- Riders categories: as set forth above;
- BMX European Cup (Championship classes):
Championship riders are seeded according to the current UCI Individual ranking. The event on the second day is seeded using the Final Classification of the event on the first day;
- For all Challenge categories scrambled seeding is used for the motos according to Article 6.1.033. In the motos, for each heat in which he competes, a rider shall receive a point score equal to his finish position in the heat, with the rider in first place earning one point and so on down to the eighth-place rider, who will receive eight points. During the motos, riders scored with an IRM will receive a score for that heat in accordance with article 6.1.034.
The riders with the lowest total points earned in the motos transfer to the next Phase of the BMX Race in accordance with the rules set forth in Annex 1. In the Qualifiers, the top four finishing riders will transfer to the next Stage of the Qualifiers. In the 1/2 Finals, the top four finishing riders will transfer to the Final.
In case Scrambled Seeding is used for the motos, transfers following the motos are done on an aggregate basis for each complete category. That is, following the motos, a classification for all riders in each category based upon the total scores following the motos (in accordance with the method described above) is made. The best ranked riders in this classification will transfer to the next Phase of the event. The number of riders who transfer to the next Phase depends upon the number of riders entered and confirmed following riders confirmation, as described in Annex 1. Ties in transferring positions are resolved in accordance with the method described in Article 6.1.0356.
For avoidance of doubt, in the specific case of a category that has 9 riders and confirmed following riders' confirmation, the 7 riders with the lowest total points earned in the motos shall transfer to the Final.
- Rider's equipment:
 - The use of interlocking pedal-cleat systems is allowed for categories 13 years and over.
 - All riders receive a number plate and side plate from UEC at registration of the UEC BMX European Cup Race. In all UEC sanctioned BMX events a rider must display the number plate and side plate assigned to him. A rider who fails to display the correct number plates will be refused their start, or relegated, if it is noticed after beginning a heat or run.
 - all Championship and Challenge riders must either wear a clearly visible national flag of their country on both shoulders or the national jersey of their country otherwise they will not be allowed to start.
 - if a Championship rider is National Champion in their class, this rider must wear either:
 - the jersey awarded by the federation,
 - a replica of that jersey with publicity in the spaces allowed by the regulations,
 - their normal jersey with the left sleeve designed to look like the flag of their country

- Number of motos: in case of special conditions (weather, wind or else) or a high number of participants, the UEC BMX Commission allows the PCP in agreement with the UEC Technical delegate to reduce the number of motos. This can only apply for challenge classes and never for championship classes.
- Team Managers meeting will be on Friday evening at 16:00. The location of the meeting will be indicated at the event.

The participation is mandatory for:

- max. 1 National Delegate (Chef d'Equipe)
- max. 1 Team Manager of the UEC registered team

If necessary, the UEC Technical delegate and PCP can decide to call for other meetings during the event.

6. 2018 UEC BMX EUROPEAN CUP TEAM RANKING

All teams must register through UEC to take part in the 2018 UEC BMX European Cup Teams Competition. Deadline for registration March 1st 2018.

The 2018 UEC BMX European Cup Teams ranking will consist on 8 rounds. All races count.

Teams wanting to participate in the UEC BMX European Cup Team Competition must register maximum 10 riders 13 years and over and pay a registration fee to the UEC at the beginning of the season; deadline 1st March 2018 – UEC fee € 200,00.

The overall award ceremony will be held at the final Round of the UEC BMX European Cup with Team coach and maximum 4 riders.

National Teams (Championship) teams are not allowed to participate in the team ranking.

The minimum age of riders is 13 years to participate in the team competition.

The UEC BMX Commission will award 3 trophies to the 3 first teams and one medal to each rider of the team:

- Gold medal for the 1st team of the 2018 UEC BMX European Cup Team ranking
- Silver medal for the 2nd team of the 2018 UEC BMX European Cup Team ranking
- Bronze medal for the 3rd team of the 2018 UEC BMX European Cup Team ranking

For all other rules concerning Team Ranking see document on UEC website "2018_UEC_BMX_European_Cup_Team_rules_def_25012018.pdf"

Other teams:

The Organiser can provide spaces for team tents to non-UEC registered teams, of 6 x 3 m for each team, at the cost of a minimum of € 250,00.

Team area

UEC asks organisers to think of the placement of the team area. Make it easy for riders to go to staging from the team area and after the race from the finish line back to the team area.

Please keep the following order into account when making a team area plan:

- 1st priority and closest to staging: UEC registered teams
- 2nd priority and less close to staging: National teams
- 3rd priority and farthest from staging: all other teams that rented a team space

7. BMX TRACK AND SURROUNDING FACILITIES DURING THE EVENT

The whole BMX track must be secured in such a way that no unauthorized person is able to gain access. Security must be maintained by specifically appointed personnel.

It is mandatory for a doctor to be present at trackside during the training sessions and competition and he must be backed up by an adequate paramedical service with care and treatment facilities. Transport to the nearest hospital must also be provided free of charge by the organizer to the injured riders. The UEC Administration must be notified of the name of the said hospital and given instructions on how to get there.

Well-constructed and weather-resistant bulletin boards and/or scrolling monitors for posting the moto draws/ race results shall be erected in enough locations, given the number of entries in the event. Suitable locations include the riders area, team manager area and staging area. Clear plastic sheeting must be available to cover moto boards and/or scrolling monitors in case of wet weather conditions.

The posting of race information including start lists and results will also be done electronically at every event of the UEC BMX European Cup events.

A camping area must be provided for riders, assistants and national officials. Approximately 300 to 350 places must be available for tents, caravans and camper vans with if conditions allow adequate water supplies, showers, toilets and where possible electricity connections for the caravans and camper vans. The area must be so secured that visitors and spectators cannot get access there.

The price charged for the use of the camping facilities must be fair and reasonable for the riders, assistants and national officials and must consider the services which are offered.

The organizer must organize a car parking dedicated for officials / media / public.

The organizer must provide sufficient clean sanitary facilities for the public.

Drinking alcohol is not allowed for all officials, personnel and volunteers during the race.

8. RIDERS REGISTRATION, REGISTRATION FEES, LATE ENTRIES

The registration fees must be paid by National Cycling Federation by bank transfer or by the National Team Manager on site at registration control.

The registration fees are the following:

Junior Classes:	€ 37,00 per entry
Elite Classes:	€ 59,00 per entry
Challenge classes:	€ 29,00 per entry

Above apply both for all races of the UEC BMX European Cup.

The registration fees for all riders must be paid in full to the UEC bank account indicated in the Invitation of the event before the deadline set for the event. Deadline for payment is Monday before the race weekend.

For all rounds – UEC bank account:

Union Européenne de Cyclisme (UEC)
BIC / Adresse SWIFT : UBSWCHZH80A
UBS Switzerland AG / Place St François 16 / CH – 1002 LAUSANNE

Account EURO Iban: CH70 0026 9269 9200 65M9 K

Federations can register Championships riders as late entries on Friday between 11:00-13:00 paying double entry fee for these riders.

Chef d'Equipe

Each federation which registers riders must appoint a Chef d'Equipe (national team manager) to represent the interests of all of its riders. Each Chef d'Equipe must confirm the presence of each rider as per the preregistration riders list, on the scheduled day and times of registration.

A Chef d'Equipe or his nominated assistant is accredited by the organiser with the right to enter a restricted zone in order to perform his duties. Such accreditation may be revoked for any breach of the UCI Regulations or noncompliance with the instructions of the organisation or the Commissaires' panel.

Before each event a national federation must register their Chef d'Equipe and assistants in the UEC online registration system, the registration will be checked at the event.

National federations must register official trainer/coaches in the online registration system. Then we can acknowledge them as trainers and give them pass at European events.

Team managers and assistants need to present a license from the federations. UEC will check the license and then they will be given the accreditation. Accreditation will not have a photo on them, they will have a country flag on them. Without a federation license UEC will not give out accreditation.

In addition to this Chef d'Equipe, a number of team assistants shall be allowed. This number of team assistants shall correspond to the limits defined below.

Each head of National Delegation will also receive extra Crew passes which he can distribute to: mechanic, physics, national coach or any other person of their delegation, according to the table below.

The UEC will provide ID cards / passes at all events:

Riders	No of Chef d'Equipe (Pass A)	No of Assistant Passes (Pass B)	No of Crew Passes (Pass C)
1 – 2	1	0	0
3 – 5	1	1	0
6 – 10	1	2	2
11 – 50	1	2	3
51 – 100	1	3	4
101 – 200	1	4	4
201 +	1	5	4
Host country	1	5	4

Pass A - this pass is handed to:

- Chef d'Equipe (1 per country participating)
- Team manager UEC registered team (1 per UEC Team registered to the team competition that weekend)

Pass A rights:

- Free entry to track
- Entry to staging
- Entry to track (in case of crashed rider)
- Entry to Team manager meeting
- Entry to Team manager area

Pass B - this pass is handed to:

- Assistant chef d'Equipe (number of passes according to number of riders per country participating)

Pass B rights:

- Free entry to track
- Entry to staging
- Entry to Team manager area

Pass C - this pass is handed to:

- Crew (number of passes according to number of riders per country participating)

- Assistant team manager UEC registered team
- Teams who rent a space in the team area

Pass C rights:

- Free entry to track

Pass D - this pass is handed to:

- Event crew
- UCI officials/UEC officials
- Timing company crew/Live stream company crew

Pass D rights:

- All access to track and event

9. TIME SCHEDULE

No detailed time schedule should be forwarded to the federations prior to the event.

The time schedule will be established by the UEC according to the number of entries and will be forwarded in due time to the organizer of the race for the registration control, and will be at the same time posted on the UEC website.

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Hereafter detail of the different activities per day in a **provisional time schedule**:

Friday afternoon:

- Registration control by country / National Chef d'Equipe only from 11:00 to 13:00
- Chefs d'Equipe meeting at 16:00
- 13.00: 20 inches (13 - 25 +)
- 14.45: 20 inches (7 - 12)
- 16.00: All 24 inches
- 16.30-17:00: Women Junior and Elite women from 5 m hill
- 17:00-17:30: Women Junior and Elite women from 8 m hill
- 17:30-18:30: Men Junior
- 18.30-19:30: Men Elite

Saturday*: as from 8.00 a.m.

- 8.00: Warm Up Bloc 1 (Cruiser and Challenge 7 - 12)
- 8.30: 3 motos Bloc 1
- 11.30: Warm Up Bloc 2 (13 – 25+)
- 12.00: Warm Up Bloc 3 (Championship classes)
3 motos Bloc 2 + 3
- Finals all classes
- Award ceremony all classes

Sunday*: as from 8.00 a.m.

- 8.00: Warm Up Bloc 1 (Cruiser and Challenge 7 - 12)
- 8.30: 3 motos Bloc 1
- 11.30: Warm Up Bloc 2 (13 – 25+)
- 12.00: Warm Up Bloc 3 (Championship classes)
- ... 3 motos Bloc 2 + 3
- Finals all classes
- Award ceremony all classes

10. PRELIMINARY REGISTRATIONS

Federations must use the UEC online registration system for all UEC BMX races. Federations pay registration fee directly to UEC. The bank account is indicated in the invitation of the event.

Registration procedure

- The deadline for online registrations is fixed on Friday at 8.00 am (08.00) two weeks before the race. The deadlines will be communicated with federations at the beginning of the season.
- Federations can cancel riders using the online registration system until Monday 18:00, before the event. They will not have to pay for these cancelled registrations.
If riders do not show up at the event and did not cancel their participation before the deadline set, the entry fee will have to be paid by the national delegate.
- Deadline for payment of registrations for federations to UEC is Monday before the race or cash at the Friday before the race between 11:00-13:00 at the Welcome Center.
- If there is a no show from one delegation the UEC will send the invoice accordingly. The registration to the next event will depend on the payment of the invoice.
- The Federations can NOT add Challenge riders after the deadline.
- Federations can register Championships riders as late entries on Friday between 11:00-13:00 paying double entry fee for these riders.
- UEC BMX Commission will establish a time schedule according to the number of participants and will submit it to the PCP and the organizer for publication.
- No individual registration from riders will be accepted.

11. EVENT COORDINATOR, RACE COMMISSAIRES, OFFICIALS AND OTHER PERSONNEL

The UCI / UEC Commissaires and officials:

- The UEC Technical Delegate:
 - Mrs Jolanda POLKAMP: jolandapolkamp@gmail.com
- The PCP (appointed by UCI)
- An assistant to the PCP must be appointed by the National Federation for all rounds;
- The Chief Administrator (UEC) who will handle the race and provide time keeping and system to make the results (after receipt of all registrations and preparation of the moto sheets).

The national cycling federation organizing the event is required to provide all the Commissaires as per latest UCI Rulebook.

The organizer must provide the officials as stipulated in the UCI BMX Rulebook for the running of races and training sessions. The same applies to other personnel required during the event for safety or for care of the BMX track.

12. PRIZE MONEY AND TROPHIES

UEC BMX EUROPEAN CUP (C1/HC):

The organizer shall bear the cost of the cash prizes for the four championship classes (Men and Women Elite, Men and Women Junior) for 2 rounds as per breakdown hereafter.

	MEN ELITE	WOMEN ELITE	MEN JUNIOR	WOMEN JUNIOR
PLACE	€ / round	€ / round	€ / round	€ / round
1	€ 1.600,00	€ 1.600,00	€ 400,00	€ 400,00
2	€ 800,00	€ 800,00	€ 200,00	€ 200,00
3	€ 400,00	€ 400,00	€ 150,00	€ 150,00
4	€ 350,00	€ 350,00	€ 130,00	€ 130,00
5	€ 300,00	€ 300,00	€ 90,00	€ 90,00
6	€ 250,00	€ 250,00	€ 60,00	€ 60,00
7	€ 200,00	€ 200,00	€ 40,00	€ 40,00
8	€ 150,00	€ 150,00	€ 20,00	€ 20,00
TOTAL	€ 4'050,00	€ 4'050,00	€ 1'090,00	€ 1.090,00

Total per round € 10'280,00

The prize money must be paid to the riders immediately after the award ceremony. Prize money that is not collected by a rider directly following the ceremony will not be paid out afterwards.

The organizer will bear the cost of the trophies for the first eight riders of all classes of the International BMX race for challenge classes (2 races in the week end, preferably 2 different trophies)

Only riders placed 1 to 3 must go to the podium. Riders placed 4 to 8 receive the trophy on the finish line.

Championships classes Overall Ranking

The award ceremonies for Championships classes will be organized after the last event of the UEC BMX European Cup series.

The organizer will have to provide a podium back drop for the prize ceremony according to the specifications provided by UEC and the contract.

The prize money for the overall standing of the 2018 UEC BMX European Cup will be paid to the riders by the UEC in accordance with the Competition rules as per enclosed breakdown:

	ELITE MEN	ELITE WOMEN	JUNIOR MEN	JUNIOR WOMEN
PLACE	OVERALL	OVERALL	OVERALL*	OVERALL*
1	€ 1.400,00	€ 1.400,00	€ 450,00	€ 450,00
2	€ 900,00	€ 900,00	€ 300,00	€ 300,00
3	€ 450,00	€ 450,00	€ 150,00	€ 150,00
Total	€ 2.750,00	€ 2.750,00	€ 900,00	€ 900,00

*20% less than in 2017 because of 4 organisers instead of 5

The UEC will proceed to the payment by the end of October 2018 through the riders' National Cycling Federation.

Challenge classes Overall Ranking

The award ceremonies for Overall Ranking Challenge classes 13 years and over will be organized at the last event of the UEC BMX European Cup series.

The UEC will provide for the top 8 riders in the overall ranking of each category a special number plate, starting with number 21 for the winner of the overall ranking. This plate number will be allocated to these riders in the next year, providing they did not win a Worlds plate number.

13. PRESS AND MEDIA

Press passes for the event may be granted only to accredited journalists in possession of an ID card issued by the national press association. Accreditation for the events must be done through the UEC website for all UEC events <http://uec.ch/en/media>.

During the UEC BMX European Cup events accreditation and BIB's will be handed out by UEC Press Officer. It mandatory to wear UEC press BIB's for the journalists on the track. The UEC will provide them and have someone responsible for their distribution.

The number of journalists on the track at the same time must be agreed by the PCP depending on the track space/size.

Time for press conferences, flash interviews etc. must be agreed with the UEC BMX Commission.

For all publications the UEC logo as well as the UEC main sponsor logo should be used in accordance with UEC graphic charter.

General rules

- at every UEC BMX event BIB's are used for press on and off the track;
- the distribution of the BIB at the events is done by the indicated UEC press officer or his / her deputy;
- during the events, five red Bibs' (of which one for the UEC photographer) are distributed, the rest of the photographers get a yellow BIB;
- the BIB distribution is examined separately for Challenge and Championship classes;
- a guarantee for each BIB is mandatory: € 50 or an official document (driver's license, identity card, press card ...);
- by failing to comply with the regulations or the instructions of officials, the BIB can be taken from a photographer immediately;
- be careful when using flash. Do not flash directly into the eyes of the riders;
- photographers must be impartial on the track; it is not allowed to cheer for a rider in the track;
- it is strictly forbidden to touch a rider and / or bicycle;
- it's forbidden to walk across the photo finish line. This can cause problems for the people of the photo finish cameras;
- a photographers meeting can be organized. This will be announced in advance in a timely manner.

Drones

- Drones might be allowed after consultation with the UEC responsible. The pilot must hold a valid pilot license and there must be compliance with all regulations regarding the airline (flight plan etc.) Moreover, the minimum and the maximum height are fixed according to the regulations of the country. Failure to comply with all the proposed rules will be reported to the police.

Live streaming

- The UEC will provide a live streaming service for all events.

14. MISCELLANEOUS

The organizer must install a suitable public-address system for official announcements and race comments.

The organizer must provide means of communications (walkie talkie) to the working staff, using different channels for track and else.

It is strongly recommended that the commentators can make their comments both in the organizing country language and fluent English language.

The organizer must provide a large enough spectator area along the trackside. It is recommended to erect grandstands. See UCI track requirements.

The organizer is recommended to arrange a VIP area.

The organizer may at his discretion charge an admission fee for visitors to the event. However, competing riders, all officials holding a pass are entitled to free entry and are exempt from admission fees. It is necessary to ensure that competitors are always able to have access to their national team managers by the shortest route possible.

The organizer shall provide the UEC BMX Commission with clearly visible positions for two UEC banners and will provide free of charge positions for hanging two UEC flags. Should the banners / flags be lost, the organizer shall bear the cost of their replacement.

Anti-doping controls

On the assignment of the UEC, the Organiser will furthermore take charge of the organization of the anti-doping controls during the Championships. The Organiser together with its National Federation will make agreements with a WADA accredited laboratory that will carry out the analysis at the end of the event. Moreover, in accordance with the UCI rules, the Organiser will purchase all the necessary material (Bereg Kits) with which the anti-doping controls will be carried out and supply the necessary staff, including a doctor, a nurse and the prescribed DCO for the duration of the event.

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UEC BMX Commission

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