

SPORTS INFORMATION GUIDE



Cycling.

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1.0 Competition Dates

Cycling competition for World Masters Games 2017 (WMG2017) offers each athlete the opportunity to compete in multiple disciplines at the Games, with each discipline contested on separate days.

The provisional Cycling competition schedule for WMG2017 is as follows:

	21/4 Fri	22/4 Sat	23/4 Sun	24/4 Mon	25/4 Tue	26/4 Wed	27/4 Thu	28/4 Fri	29/4 Sat	30/4 Sun
Road (Criterium)		0830 - 1630								
Road (Time Trial)			0700 - 1300							
Mountain Bike				0900 - 1500						
Track						1000 - 1500 ----- 1800 - 2200	1000 - 1500 ----- 1800 - 2200	1000 - 1500 ----- 1800 - 2200		
Road (Road Race)										0900 - 1500

The Opening Ceremony is scheduled for the evening of Friday 21 April 2017 with the Closing Ceremony on the evening of Sunday 30 April 2017.

Tuesday 25 April 2017 is also Anzac Day – a national day of remembrance in New Zealand and Australia, which commemorates servicemen and women who have served and died, and honours those that have returned. In line with the respect and tradition afforded to this national day, any sport competition on Anzac Day will not commence until the afternoon. There is currently no Cycling competition scheduled for this day.

All dates and times are subject to change, pending final entries received. A detailed schedule by event for each discipline will be developed throughout 2016.

2.0 Competition Format

The WMG2017 Cycling competition consists of three disciplines. **Road (Road Race, Time Trial and Criterium), Mountain Bike and Track.**

All registered athletes in Cycling can compete in multiple disciplines. For example, an athlete entered in a Road event may also choose to compete in a Mountain Bike event and/or Track Cycling events.

In line with the sport-specific rules, an athlete must compete in their designated age group, with your age determined as at 31 December 2017. For example, if you are 39 during Games time but have turned 40 by 31 December 2017, you would compete in the 40-44 age category.

For Road Race, Criterium and selected Track events, the event distance each athlete can compete in is also determined by their age group.

The age categories for Cycling at WMG2017 are as follows:

Individual Men:

M1: 30-34, M2: 35-39, M3: 40-44, M4: 45-49, M5: 50-54, M6: 55-59, M7: 60-64, M8: 65-69, M9: 70-74, M10: 75-79, M11: 80-84, M12: 85-89, M13: 90-94, M14: 95+

Individual Women:

W1: 30-34, W2: 35-39, W3: 40-44, W4: 45-49, W5: 50-54, W6: 55-59, W7: 60-64, W8: 65-69, W9: 70-74, W10: 75-79, W11: 80-84, W12: 85+

Para-Sport Road:

Men's/Women's: 30+, 40+

Track (Team Sprint): Men: **Two categories with combined ages of <135 and >135 and Women: Two categories with combined ages of <95 and >95**

For each Team Sprint to be confirmed, **all athletes need to be registered and of the same gender (no mixed teams). The age of the athletes combined (Two Women or Three Men)**, determines the age category that the team will compete in. The cut-off date for new teams (subject to available competition capacity) is 31 January 2017. New people joining existing relay teams is available up to and including 31 March 2017.

Please note that the WMG2017 age categories differ to the UCI World Championships and Cycling New Zealand age categories.

If there are insufficient entries in an age category, categories may be combined in order to conduct a viable competition. The awarding of medals will not be affected, that is, individuals will still be awarded medals in the age category in which they originally entered

Eligibility & Exclusions

Individual entries will be accepted from any eligible rider within the Masters age categories, with the following specific exceptions:

- An athlete who has competed in cycling competitions within World Championships, Olympic Games, Continental Games, Continental Championships, Commonwealth Games or World Cups in the previous season and the current year (except for the races that are open to Masters only).
- An athlete who has competed in any other event on the UCI International Calendar in the current year/season (except events open only to Masters).
- An athlete that was a member of a UCI registered team in the previous season and/or the current year.
- An athlete that is under suspension or sanction from the UCI or any National Federation affiliated to the UCI.

2.1 Road

To enable each Cycling athlete the opportunity to compete across multiple events, the Criterium, Time Trial and Road Race will each be held on separate days of the Games. The following Road events are offered :

Discipline	Event	Age Categories
Road	Criterium	Men's/Women's: All age categories
Road	Time Trial 20km	Men's/Women's: All age categories
Para-Sport Road	Time Trial 20km	Men's/Women's: 30+, 40+
Road	Road Race 50-55km	W5 through W12
Road	Road Race 70-75km	M5 through M14; W1 through W4
Road	Road Race 90-95km	M1 through M4
Para-Sport Road	Road Race 30-35km	Men's/Women's: 30+, 40+

For Road Race and Criterium events, the event distance each athlete can compete in is determined by their age group.

All events will be conducted on controlled public road circuits. Permission is provided to **restrict public access** all or parts of those roads, however **all athletes should be aware that local, official and emergency**

traffic have access to the course and that all NZ Road Rules apply at all times. In addition to the event rules and regulations that will be applied, there are certain time restrictions after which an athlete may be withdrawn from the event for safety reasons. Any athlete that is lapped in either the Road Race or Criterium events may be withdrawn from the race.

To enter in a Para-Sport event at the Games, you must be able to meet minimum disability criteria. Please review the Para-Sport Classification requirements in the Para-Sports Information Guide and where an athlete has an existing recognised national or international classification, please indicate this as part of the registration process. If an athlete is not able to meet these requirements, registration will be transferred to the open section of the competition.

2.2 Mountain Bike

The Mountain Bike is a single day cross country event during the Games. The following Mountain Bike events are offered for WMG2017 (note there are no Para-Sport categories available in Mountain Bike):

Discipline	Event	Age Categories
Mountain Bike	Cross Country 20km-30km	M5 and older; W5 and older
Mountain Bike	Cross Country 25km-35km	M3 and M4; W3 and W4
Mountain Bike	Cross Country 40km-50km	M1 and M2; W1 and W2

The final course used for competition will be determined in 2016, when a series of trail upgrades is complete. For Mountain Bike events, the event distance each athlete can compete in is determined by their age group. More information will be provided in future editions of the Cycling Sports Information Guide.

2.3 Track

The Track event schedule follows a typical UCI competition programme (with minor exceptions). The following Track events are offered for WMG2017 (note there are no Para-Sport categories available in Track Cycling):

A provisional schedule for Track Cycling can be found [here](#) under Competition Information.

Discipline	Event	Age Categories
Track	500m Individual Time Trial	M5 through M14; W1 through W12
Track	750m Individual Time Trial	M3 and M4
Track	1000m Individual Time Trial	M1 and M2
Track	2000m Individual Pursuit	M5 through M14; W1 through W12
Track	3000m Individual Pursuit	M1 through M4
Track	5km Scratch	M4 through M14; W1 through W12
Track	10km Scratch	M1 through M3

Discipline	Event	Age Categories
Track	10km Points Race	M7 through M14; W4 through W12
Track	12.5km Points Race	W3
Track	15km Points Race	M5 and M6; W1 and W2
Track	20km Points Race	M3 and M4
Track	30km Points Race	M1 and M2
Track	Sprint (3 laps)	Men's/Women's: All age categories
Track	750m Men's Team Sprint	Men's: <135 years and >135 years
Track	500m Women's Team Sprint	Women's: <95 years and >95 years

For safety reasons of all athletes and officials, it is a requirement that all participating athletes hold a current accreditation certificate/endorsement with their local velodrome and it is recommended that all athletes have previous competition experience racing on a banked velodrome track to compete in the Track discipline. All athletes will be required to provide proof of accreditation/endorsement at event registration.

Where an athlete is not able to provide evidence of accreditation/endorsement, or in the opinion of WMG2017 Cycling Organising Committee presents a danger to themselves or other riders, an athlete may be withdrawn from Track Cycling events at any time prior to or during competition.

Athletes seeking to compete in the Track Cycling competition are reminded that the venue is located in the Waikato region (approximately 2 hours from Auckland city).

3.0 Venue Details

WMG2017 Cycling competition takes place across five competition venues, depending on the discipline:

Venue Name	Wynyard Quarter
Discipline hosted	Road (Criterium)
Venue Information	The Start and Finish area will be located near the Silo Park, Beaumont Street and Jellicoe Street, Auckland 1010; located right in the heart of the Auckland city.

All events will be conducted on controlled road circuits. The Criterium will be contested on a flat profile circuit with approximate lap length of 1.5km.

Venue Name	Auckland Waterfront
Discipline hosted	Road (Time Trial)
Venue Information	The Start and Finish area will be located at Queens Wharf, Quay Street, Auckland 1010; located right in the heart of the Auckland city.

All events will be conducted on controlled road circuits. The Time Trial will be a single 'out and back' course covering 20km on largely flat elevation.

Venue Name	Woodhill Mountain Bike Park
Discipline hosted	Mountain Bike
Venue Information	Woodhill Forest; located just under 40km north west of central Auckland.

The Mountain Bike course utilises trails at a purpose-built single track network at an established Mountain Bike park, which combines a range of natural and man-made trail features.

Venue Name	Avantidrome
Discipline hosted	Track
Venue Information	15 Hanlin Road, Cambridge, Waikato 3450; located approximately 145km south of central Auckland.

The velodrome is a fully enclosed, 250m indoor wooden track made from Siberian Spruce.

Athletes seeking to compete in multiple Cycling disciplines are reminded that the Track Cycling competition venue is located in the Waikato region (approximately 2 hours from Auckland city).

Venue Name	Clevedon Roads
Discipline hosted	Road (Road Race)
Venue Information	The Start and Finish area will be located at Bruce Pulman Park, 90 – 138 Walters Road, Takanini, Auckland 2112; located just over 30km south of central Auckland.

The controlled road course will combine an 'out and back' section with a number of laps of an undulating course, determined by the age category entered. Typical for any Road Race event, there will be at least one challenging ascent.

4.0 Competition Details

4.1 Competition standards and rules

The WMG2017 Cycling event will be conducted in line with the competition rules of the International Cycling Federation (UCI), or as otherwise specified in this document. Current rules at time of release can be located at <http://www.uci.ch/inside-uci/rules-and-regulations/regulations/>

4.2 Athlete experience and safety

The nature of competing in a Cycling event involves some element of risk. The level of capability and experience of each athlete in a competitive race environment contributes to the success of the event. To maximise the safety of all participants, it is recommended that each athlete has participated in an organised Cycling event **in a competitive environment** prior to competing at WMG2017. **If the WMG2017 Cycling Organising Committee believe an athlete presents a danger to themselves or other riders/officials/spectators, they may be withdrawn from the event at any time prior to or during competition.**

Please see specific Track requirements listed in 2.3.

4.3 Cycling Licence

UCI rules stipulate that all athletes need to have a licence in order to compete in an international Cycling competition. To compete in the Cycling competition at the Games, each athlete must hold either a current **'National Level' UCI International Licence issued by their national federation (for International athletes)** or **2017 Cycling New Zealand National or Local Licence (For NZ athletes)**. You will need to present your physical UCI or **Cycling New Zealand** Licence prior to the start of competition, at Athlete Registration and/or the competition venue or when requested

Cycling New Zealand Licences range between NZD\$40.00 to NZD\$60.00 for a 'Local Licence' and NZD\$100 to NZD\$150.00 for a 'National Licence' and can be purchased via www.cyclingnewzealand.nz. **Note: All NZ licenses must have a current accredited club membership.**

Licences are valid for a calendar year (1 January to 31 December 2017), therefore licences cannot be purchased until the licence renewal period opens. The Cycling New Zealand renewal period relevant for WMG2017 opens on 1 October 2016.

For more information see www.cyclingnewzealand.nz

For Non NZ athletes, a UCI International Licences must be purchased through your National Federation.

4.4 Hours of Competition

Track Cycling is proposed to be conducted across two sessions on each day of competition. A morning session is identified to commence at 1000 hrs and conclude by 1400 hrs, with an evening session scheduled to commence at 1800 hrs and finishing at 2200 hrs. Each session may finish earlier, pending final entries and schedule developed.

Events in Road and Mountain Bike will be conducted during daylight hours, with Road events commencing no earlier than 0700 hrs and Mountain Bike proposed for a 0900 hrs start.

4.5 Bike Transport

WMG2017 recognises the requirement to assist with bike transport for selected Cycling disciplines and events and is currently exploring options for transport from a central Auckland location.

More information will be provided in future editions of the Cycling Sports Information Guide regarding bike transport options for the Road Race, Mountain Bike and Track events only. A service will not be scoped for either Criterium or Time Trial, given the location of relevant competition venues in central Auckland.

5.0 Equipment

It is the responsibility of each individual athlete to bring their own **bikes suitable for the event they are competing in i.e. a Track bike is required for Track events, a Mountain Bike is required for Mountain Bike event**), helmets, shoes, accessories (including water bottles and strapping tape) and training gear. Each athlete is also recommended to bring with them necessary basic tools and spare items (i.e. tubes).

WMG2017 is exploring the potential provision of services relating to bike hire, supplies and maintenance. More information will be included in future editions of the Cycling Sports Information Guide when available.

6.0 Uniforms

Club, representative or national team clothing is permitted, however national team clothing should only be worn if prior authorisation has been received from your National Cycling Federation.

7.0 Training and Practice Facilities

Outside of the day of each event, road courses for Time Trial, Criterium and Road Race are public roads and can be accessed by athletes. For the safety of both athletes and other road users, it is recommended that

any cycling on these courses prior to competition is for familiarisation only and no racing or high speed training is undertaken.

Limited Track Cycling training times may be made available on Monday 24 and Tuesday 25 April for training on the velodrome prior to the commencement of competition. Please see www.avantidrome.co.nz for more details and bookings. Individual rates for access to the Track may be applicable.

The Mountain Bike Park is open daily for athlete training. Individual rates for access to the Mountain Bike Park may be applicable.

8.0 Further Information

Planning for the WMG2017 Cycling competition will continue throughout 2016 and early 2017. Additional sport specific operational information will be communicated to registered participants and updated in future additions of this Sports Information Guide.

All participants are encouraged to monitor the WMG2017 website at www.worldmastersgames2017.co.nz and other Games communication channels to find out all of the latest information.

If you have any further sport specific questions, please send an email to contactus@wmg2017.co.nz.