

2026 HERO UCI CROSS-COUNTRY MARATHON WORLD CUP

Event Terms & Regulations

1.1 DEFINITIONS

HERO Series GmbH ("HERO") will deliver the organisation, media production and broadcast, promotion and commercialisation of the HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup Series.

The "Organiser" is the local party responsible for planning, promoting, and executing their individual Events, with respect to compliance with HERO and UCI rules and regulations and the administrative, operational, financial, and legal aspects.

"Event" refers to any and all activities related to the HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup Series.

"Rider" refers to a participant in each Event.

"Website" is www.heroucimarathonworldcup.com

1.2 ACCEPTANCE

By registering and/or participating in an Event, a Rider is deemed to agree to and accept these Terms and Conditions. Persons completing an Event entry on behalf of another individual warrant that they have made the Rider aware of this agreement and that the Rider has accepted these Terms and Conditions.

1.3 MODIFICATION

HERO reserves the right, to add, delete, modify or replace any of these Terms and Conditions. If a revision materially affects a Rider's rights, HERO will notify the Rider by sending a message to the email address associated with the Rider's Event entry. Unless a Rider withdraws within 72 hours of notification, the Rider agrees to be bound by the modified Terms and Conditions. The most current version of the Terms and Conditions will always be posted in compliance with UCI Regulations on the Website.

2. RACE EVENTS

2.1 HERO UCI CROSS-COUNTRY MARATHON WORLD CUP SERIES

The 2026 HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup series consists of six Mountain Bike marathons included in the 2026 UCI Mountain Bike international calendar:

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| 1. HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup | Calpe (ESP) |
| 2. HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup | Capoliveri, Elba Island (ITA) |
| 3. HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup | Sant Julià De Lòria- La Rabassa (AND) |
| 4. HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup | Selva Val Gardena (ITA) |
| 5. HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup | Kirchzarten (GER) |
| 6. HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup | Girona (ESP) |

2.2 DATES

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| 1. Calpe (ESP) | 21 February 2026 | 82 km 2,700 hm |
| 2. Capoliveri, Elba Island (ITA) | 9 May 2026 | 72 km 2,700 hm |
| 3. Sant Julià De Lòria- La Rabassa (AND) | 31 May 2026 | 63 km 2,190 hm |
| 4. Selva Val Gardena (ITA) | 13 June 2026 | 86 km 4,500 hm |
| | | 60 km 3,200 hm |
| 5. Kirchzarten (GER) | 26 July 2026 | 118 km 3,550 hm |
| 6. Girona (ESP) | 20 September 2026 | 82 km 2,969 hm |

3. ENTRIES

3.1 CATEGORIES

Individual

- Elite men/women
- Master Licence men/women (older than 30 years; born after 1997)

3.2 ENTRY POLICIES

The Rider represents and warrants that all information they provide, including but not limited to information concerning their name, date of birth, address, credit card number, and other identifying information of any nature, will be true, complete and correct and that the Rider will update all information as it changes.

3.3 REGISTRATION

Registration is exclusively managed through the Datasport online portal dedicated to the 2026 HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup: <https://onreg.datasport.com/2026-hero-uci-marathon-world-cup>.

Individual registration is required for each race. Registrations through the official portals of individual races will not be accepted. Entries are not valid and final until all fees have been paid in full.

The participation fee is € 150.00 for all competitors.

Registrations for each stage close **on the Friday at 1 pm (13:00) CET the week before the event date.**

Start order for each race will be determined based on the UCI ranking (based on the UCI Rules- article 4.12.008).

3.4 TRANSFERS

The Rider acknowledges an Event entry is personal to them and entries cannot be transferred, assigned, gifted, sold or deferred

3.5 WITHDRAWAL

If a Rider decides to withdraw from the competition, they must inform HERO at the following email address: registration@heroucimarathonworldcup.com.

3.6 REFUNDS

Registration fee insurance can be purchased during the registration process. Upon presentation of a valid certificate, the insurance will issue a voucher for the corresponding amount. For information and submission of the documents, please contact schaden@erv.ch. To receive a refund of the registration fee, the voucher number must be sent along with banking details to info@datasport.com. (A 5,00 € administration fee will be deducted).

3.7 RIGHT OF REFUSAL OF ENTRY

HERO and the Organiser maintain the right to refuse or revoke Entry to any Rider if, in HERO, the UCI'S or the Organiser's sole discretion, it considers such action necessary for safety reasons, the proper enjoyment of the Event by other participants, or any other reasonable reason. No refund of the registration fee shall be made if the Rider has acted negligently, maliciously, with wilful misconduct or otherwise without due care and attention for the Event or other participants to cause their removal.

3.8 VALID MEDICAL CERTIFICATE & INSURANCE

By registering, participants confirm:

- they possess a valid medical certificate in compliance with the ministerial decree of 10.08.82; the organisers accept no responsibility for accidents or health problems.
- They have personal liability insurance.

4. RACE LICENCE

4.1 UCI MARATHON WORLD CUP

UCI licences are mandatory for a Rider to compete in each HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup race.

4.2 OPEN RACES

Licence requirements for the Open Races are established by the National Federation in the host country and vary depending on the Event. It is the responsibility of the Rider to verify and comply with the applicable licence requirements.

5. CATEGORIES & UCI WORLD CUP STANDINGS and UCI RANKING

5.1 CATEGORIES

The following categories will be considered:

Individual Standings

- Elite men/women
- Master Licence men/women (older than 30 years)

5.2 UCI RANKING & UCI WORLD CUP STANDINGS

The results of each round will be published on the UCI website - www.uci.org

The updated HERO UCI World Cup standings after each round will be published on Monday within 12.00 pm on www.heroucimarathonworldcup.com.

The following points will be awarded for each **position from 1st to 60th** in the respective general classification:

POSITION	POINTS
1	250
2	200
3	160
4	150
5	140
6	130
7	120
8	110
9	100
10	95

11	90
12	85
13	80
14	78
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UCI points for the UCI ranking will be directly linked to the rank in each race. Each HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup participant will accumulate points in each race for the overall series standings. After the six races, the general leader will be the rider with the highest overall score.

In the event of a tie, it will be resolved based on the highest number of 1st places, then 2nd places, and so on. If the tie persists, the standings will be determined by classifying the most recent UCI World Cup stage.

5.3 LEADER JERSEY

The leaders of the individual standings will receive the "HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup Leader" jersey and will be awarded at every round. The leaders will be required to wear these during competitions.

5.4 PRIZES.

The following prize money is allocated for the overall Elite men/women individual ranking:

Position Prize (€)

1st	5,000.00
2nd	3,000.00
3rd	2,000.00
4th	1,500.00
5th	1,000.00

The following prize money is provided for the first 10 positions in the overall Elite classification of each HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup stage:

Position Prize Money (€)

1st	1,500.00
2nd	1,200.00
3rd	900.00
4th	750.00
5th	600.00
6th	450.00
7th	375.00
8th	300.00
9th	150.00
10th	75.00

All prize money for the final HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup Series standing and for the single rounds is subject to tax withholdings. According to Italian Law 91/1981 (Article 3, Paragraph 2, Letter a) and DPR 600/1973, the withholding tax rate for Italian residents is 20%, while for non-residents, it is 30%.

Prizes for individual rounds will be awarded in accordance with UCI regulations and issued via bank transfer. The presence of the top three finishers in each round's official award ceremony is mandatory. Race prizes (cash and in nature) will only be awarded and handed over to athletes who are present. Winners of cash prizes for each stage must submit a request using our official [cash prize request form](#).

5.5 AWARD CEREMONY

The final overall HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup Award Ceremony will take place during the last round of the series, *La Tramun Sea Otter Europe*, in Girona/Costa Brava, on September 20, 2026.

5.5 QUALIFICATION FOR THE 2026 UCI MTB MARATHON WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2026 HERO UCI Marathon World Cup rounds are a qualifier for the 2026 UCI Mountain Bike Marathon World Championships as per UCI Rule - article 9.2.035

Supplementary to the 10 men and 10 women nominated by the national federation, the top 20 men and women of each round of the UCI Marathon World Cup as well as the top 80 of the UCI XCM individual ranking, obtain a qualification for the UCI Marathon World Championships.

6. UCI MTB TEAM

6.1 UCI MTB MARATHON TEAM BENEFITS

These benefits are exclusively available to UCI MTB Marathon Teams registered with the UCI:

- **Paddock Space:** Allocation of 30 m² for all HERO UCI Marathon World Cup rounds upon request via info@heroucimarathonworldcup.com, 30 days before each round. Additional square meters can be requested for 20,00 Euro per m².
- **Team Standings:** Inclusion in the HERO UCI Marathon World Cup Team standings.
The UCI marathon team ranking is calculated by adding the points of the 4 best placed men and the 4 best placed women of each UCI TEAM in the UCI XCM individual ranking.
- **Accreditation Passes:**
 - **4 Accreditation passes for registered UCI MTB TEAMS** valid for the entire 2026 HERO UCI Marathon World Cup season for the Start/Finish area and the dedicated areas in the Feed and Technical Zones. The passes will be handed out during the Team Manager's Meetings.
- **S-Lounge Passes:** 2 passes for the S-Lounge at the ZERO Village during the HERO Dolomites UCI World Cup race.

Please note: Accreditation and Team Ranking will not be provided to Teams not registered with the UCI.

7. EVENT RULES & POLICIES

The Rider agrees to abide by all applicable UCI rules and the event and terms conditions of the HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup. All information relating to the Event will be published on the website www.heroucimarathonworldcup.com. The Rider is expected to read and understand the Technical Guide, Rule Book, and any other information relevant to their Event.

7.1 HERO RACE TALK

At each round of the HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup, a HERO Race Talk with Elite athletes is scheduled on the day before the race or after the race. Invitations are sent to the athletes by the event organisers. At the request of the organiser, the three best placed riders in the event and the leader in the world cup standings must attend the HERO Race Talk.

During the final stage, the 2026 HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup HERO Race Talk with the top three men and women will take place immediately after the Official Overall HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup Award Ceremony. Attendance by the athletes is mandatory. Should the race and the award ceremonies extend beyond 4:00 PM CEST, the HERO UCI Cross-Country Marathon World Cup Press Conference shall be automatically cancelled.

8. POSTPONEMENT/CHANGES/CANCELLATION

8.1 COMPLAINTS

Any complaints must be submitted to the President of the UCI Commissaire's Panel.

8.2 CANCELLATION

The organising committees of individual rounds reserve the right to modify rules, routes, or elevations at any time if circumstances require it. Races will take place under all weather conditions, provided participant safety is ensured.

If races are cancelled for reasons beyond the organisers' control, registration fees will not be refunded or carried over to the following year. Any changes to event details will be published on the race websites and communicated during the races.

8.3 MODIFICATIONS

The organising committee reserves the right to modify the regulations at any time if circumstances require it. The official event websites are the primary sources of information, and all official updates will be communicated through them.

8.4 LIABILITY

Mountain biking and MTB racing, in particular, are physical activities that involve risks. Each participant must be aware of the dangers of racing on mountainous terrain, including steep climbs and fast descents, and take part in their responsibility.

By registering, participants waive any claims against the organisers and any individuals or entities involved in the event. Additionally, by registering, participants declare they are in good physical condition and capable of handling the required effort.

8.5 ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

UCI rules shall apply to all matters not covered in this regulation.

9. DATA PROTECTION

9.1 USE OF IMAGE

Participants also consent to use their images or data in compliance with Italian privacy law n. 675 of December 31, 1996. Additionally, they grant permission for the organisation to use any photos or video footage taken during the event for promotional and marketing purposes.

9.2 DATA PROTECTION

By submitting the online registration form, participants declare that they have carefully read and fully accepted the 2026 HERO UCI Cross-country Marathon World Cup regulations published on the website www.heroucimarathonworldcup.com.

Following Article 13 of EU Regulation no. 679/2016, participants confirm they have reviewed the information on the website and agree to process their personal data as described in Article 2. Failure to provide consent for data processing will make registration impossible.

By consenting to data processing, participants authorise the company to share their data with third parties for purposes related to the organisation, such as delivering purchased items, timing services, compiling and publishing rankings, and capturing photographs or video recordings during the event.

10. VARIATION

The rules may be subject to change upon indication of the UCI.

11. CONTACT INFORMATION

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