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TECHNICAL GUIDE

PanAmerican Cyclocross Championships

PanAmerican Masters Cyclocross Championships

DCCX UCI C2

November 7 - 8, 2026

Armed Forces Retirement Home

Washington, DC

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Washington, DC 20011

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Introduction

DCCX and our sponsors and partners are proud to bring you the Pan American Cyclocross Championships, Masters Pan American Cyclocross Championships, and the DCCX UCI C2 events. Held at the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Washington, DC, our venue is a unique urban enclave located near downtown Washington, DC. DCCX is historically one of the largest cyclocross races in North America. This Tech Guide is your go-to source for information regarding the race. If you have any additional questions after referencing this guide, please email us at panamcxdc@gmail.com.

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Regulations and Licensing

Governing Regulations

The **Pan American Championships** and **DCCX UCI C2** races on November 7-8 are held under 2026 UCI regulations. The UCI penalty scale will apply.

The DCCX amateur races on November 8th shall be held under USA Cycling rules.

Licensing and Participation

All riders competing in the Pan American Championships, Masters Pan American Championships, and/or UCI C2 races must possess a current UCI International license.

All riders in the DCCX amateur races must possess either a valid USAC license, a one-day USAC license or a UCI license with cyclocross coding. Non-US citizens must possess a valid UCI International license for insurance purposes. Non-US citizens from Canada can possess a Cycling Canada License.*

***If registering with a license from Canada that is <u>not</u> an international (UCI) license, then applicable riders will be required to show proof of insurance that covers them while racing in the USA <u>or</u> sign a waiver acknowledging responsibility for all medical costs they may incur. USA Cycling's insurance does NOT cover riders with only valid domestic licenses from their respective national federation. Foreign federation UCI licenses are to**

carry with them proper medical insurance, but a Foreign Permission Letter (FPL) is required for it to be in effect. If no FPL is available, the rider is responsible for obtaining travel insurance that covers them while racing in the USA, and they accept full responsibility for medical expenses they incur.

Per UCI 5.1.001 Masters racers are eligible to participate in their age-graded category at Pan American Championships with a temporary or daily licence, issued by their national federation.

One-day licenses available for purchase from USA Cycling for DCCX categories (UCI categories excluded).

Racing age, per UCI 5.1.001:
The category to which the license holder belongs on December 31st, 2027, will be used for his or her participation in events for the whole season.

SafeSport

The PanAm Championships and DCCX organizing committee support the goals of SafeSport in protecting athletes and ensuring a positive environment for athletes, supporters and fans.

Implementation of SafeSport protocols is the responsibility of the officiating crew. No person listed on the SafeSport Centralized Disciplinary Database is permitted in the pit area or team zones. Please provide the names of pit staff during check in (if different from staff you listed when registering). For non-U.S. support staff, a cycling federation license is required. Please present names of support staff and license numbers (if applicable) at registration. Specific questions about SafeSport guidelines pertaining to your support staff can be directed to the UCI or USA Cycling official in charge of pit pass allocation.

2026/2027 UCI Categories by age:

UCI Category	Race Age
Elite Men	19+
Elite Women	19+
U23 Men (PanAmOnly)	19-23
U23 Women (PanAmOnly)	19-23
Junior Men	17-18
Junior Women	17-18

- U23 and Elite Men will ride in the same event FOR UCI C2 EVENTS. NOT Pan Ams.
- U23 and Elite Women will ride in the same event FOR UCI C2 EVENTS. NOT Pan Ams.
- Junior Men 17-18 may NOT compete in the Men's Elite/U23 competition.
- Junior Women 17-18 and Women U23 who hold a UCI International license may compete in the Women's Elite C2 Competition.
- For PanAm Championships: U23 and JR (17-18) MEN, U23 and JR (17-18) WOMEN have their own events.

Pan American Championship Eligibility

Eligibility for all Continental Championship categories:

1. The nationality as listed on a rider's license in the UCI database must be a member of the PanAmerican Confederation.
2. For Championship events *other than Masters*, riders with dual citizenship or who have changed nationality in the last year must respect **UCI 1.1.033 B**.

Masters Pan American Championship Eligibility

All riders who hold a current masters UCI license and UCI ID may ride in the Masters Pan American championships. However, the following riders are not eligible for the Masters Championship:

1. Any rider who has ridden in the UCI cyclocross World Championships (Elite), Continental Championships, or UCI cyclocross World Cup during the *current cyclocross season*.
2. Any rider, who has been a member, during the *current* cyclocross season, of a team registered with the UCI.
3. Any rider classified with at least 100 points in the UCI individual cyclocross ranking published after the first UCI cyclocross world cup event of the *current* cyclocross season.

Please note that per USA Cycling regulations, any Masters racer who "Has a racing age of 30 years or older and has competed in any elite UCI World Cups, World Championships, Pan American Championship, Pan American or Olympic Games within the current calendar year MUST enter their respective Elite category."

Registration

On-site packet pickup is located at Race Registration near the race finish within the Armed Forces Retirement Home

Riders:

- **PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY for UCI events** at www.bikereg.com/dccx.
- Day of registration available for non-UCI categories on Sunday.
- **Registration closes at 8:00PM EST on** WEDNESDAY, November 4, 2026.
- Number Pick up 3:30-5:30 pm Friday, at the Armed Forces Retirement Home race venue, also no later than 1 hour (60 minutes) before your race start on Saturday and Sunday
- Valid UCI license for all PanAm Masters, Elites and Junior UCI races.

Number Pickup/Sign-in for Pan American Championships, Masters Pan American Championships, and UCI C2 events will close 60 MINUTES PRIOR TO RACE START. Riders and support staff must pick up race numbers and credentials 60 minutes prior to race start, EACH DAY.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a course preview on Friday November 6 from 3-5:30 pm. The first hour (3-4pm) will be reserved for those racing in Pan-Am Championship categories with the remainder of the time for all categories. Saturday and Sunday the course is open for preview in-between races. On Saturday the only athletes allowed to preview the course are those racing in Pan-Am Championship categories. This restriction is in place to ensure the integrity of the course for championship racing and to allow championship races to preview the course at race pace. There will be time allotted for UCI categories on the Sunday C2 schedule.

Sign-in closes 60-minutes prior to each race - NO EXCEPTIONS. If a rider has pre-registered but has not picked up his/her bib number 60 minutes prior to race start, the organizer reserves the right to reassign the bib number to another rider. Riders must sign-in at registration for each day of racing.

Parking & Team Space

UCI Team 10’x20’ - $50

Designated area for UCI athletes competing in elite (non-age based categories) that must be reserved ahead of time. Near the start/finish. Spots will be assigned by the organizer. There will be a sign waiting for you at your spot. If you have not been assigned a spot and made a reservation, please confer with the race organization before claiming a space. To reserve book online at www.bikereg.com/DCCX

UCI Team/Privateer 10'x10' - $25

Designated area for UCI athletes competing in elite (non-age-based categories) that must be reserved ahead of time. Near the start/finish and water. There will be a sign waiting for you at your spot. To reserve book online at www.bikereg.com/DCCX

The race venue for Pan American Championships / DCCX is a residential retirement community for retired veterans and, as such, overnight RV or van camping is prohibited. This is a change from previous iterations of our event, however, new facility regulations do not allow for non-residents to remain on-site overnight.

There are several nearby RV campgrounds:
Cherry Hill Park (College Park, MD)
Greenbelt Park (Greenbelt, MD)

Race Schedule & Fees
**Schedule Subject to Modification Prior to Race Weekend*

Pan-American Championships

Time	Event	Length	Price
Friday	**November 6**		
3:00 PM	**Course Preview**	**90 minutes**	
3:00-5:30PM	**UCI Packet Pickup (For ALL Saturday races & Sunday UCI categories)**	**2.5 hrs**	
Saturday	**November 7**		
6:15 AM	**Packet Pick up closes 60 minutes before each race start**		
7:15 AM	**PanAm Master Men 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80+**	**45 minutes**	**$75**
8:05 AM	**PanAm Master Men 45-49, 50-54, 55-59**	**45 minutes**	**$75**
9:05 AM	**PanAm Master Men 35-39, 40-44**	**45 minutes**	**$75**
10:00 AM	**PanAm Master Women 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80+**	**45 minutes**	**$75**
10:45 AM	**Course Open Pre Ride - Masters Podiums**		
11:15 AM	**Junior Men PanAm Championship**	**40 minutes**	**$75**

12:05 PM	Junior Women PanAm Championship	40 minutes	$75
12:45 PM	Course Open Pre Ride—Junior Podiums		
1:05 PM	U23 Women PanAm Championship	45 minutes	$75
2:10 PM	U23 Men PanAm Championship	50 minutes	$75
3:05 PM	Elite Women PanAm Championship	50 minutes	$75
4:10 PM	Elite Men PanAm Championship	60 minutes	$75
	All Elite Podiums @ Conclusion of Elite Men		

Sunday DCCX and UCI C2

Time	Event	Length	Price
Sunday	November 8		
7:15 AM	Beginner Men/Open (4/5)	40 minutes	$55
8:15 AM	Junior Boys/Open (13-14)	30 minutes	$25
8:16 AM	Junior Girls (13-14)	30 minutes	$25
8:17 AM	Junior Boys/Open (11-12)	2 laps	$25
8:18 AM	Junior Girls (11-12)	2 laps	$25
8:19 AM	Junior Boys/Open (9-10)	2 laps	$25
8:20 AM	Junior Girls (9-10)	2 laps	$25
9:00 AM	Category 2/3/4 Men/Open	40 minutes	$55
9:55 AM	Masters Men/Open 40+ (3/4/5)	40 minutes	$55
9:55 AM	Masters Men/Open 60+/70+ (1/2/3/4)	40 minutes	$55
10:45 AM	Masters Men/Open 50+ (1/2/3/4)	40 minutes	$55
11:25 AM	Course Preview		
11:40 AM	Masters Women 40+ (1/2/3/4)	40 minutes	$55
11:40 AM	Masters Women 50+ (1/2/3/4)	40 minutes	$55
11:40 AM	Masters Women 60+ (1/2/3/4)	40 minutes	$55
11:40 AM	Non-Binary (1/2/3/4/5)	40 minutes	$55
11:40 AM	Beginner Women (4/5/Novice)	40 minutes	$55
NOON	Kid's Race		$0
1:10 PM	UCI Junior Men	40 minutes	$60
1:10 PM	Masters Men/Open 40+ (1/2/3/4)	40 minutes	$55
1:10 PM	Singlespeed Men/Open (1/2/3/4/5)	40 minutes	$55

2:00 PM	**UCI Junior Women**	**40 minutes**	**$60**
2:01 PM	**Category 2/3/4 Women**	**40 minutes**	**$55**
2:02 PM	**Singlespeed Non-Binary**	**40 minutes**	**$55**
2:02 PM	**Singlespeed Women (1/2/3/4/5)**	**40 minutes**	**$55**
2:55 PM	**UCI Elite Women**	**50-60 minutes**	**$60**
4:05 PM	**UCI Elite Men**	**60 minutes**	**$60**

Directions and Host Hotel Information

The race venue location is
DCCX, 322 Rock Creek Church Rd NW,
Washington, DC 20011

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Host Hotel Information & Room Blocks

The following hotels have room blocks reserved.

Washington Marriott Capitol Hill
175 L St NE, Washington, DC 20002
3.7 miles from venue
Parking available at hotel and less than a quarter mile (.2 mile) walk/bike to NoMA/Gallaudet Red Line Metro station and Metropolitan Branch Trail
Reservation Link: Book your group rate for Pan American Cyclocross Championship
CUT-OFF DATE: Monday, October 19, 2026
Group Name: Pan American Cyclocross Championship
Start Date: Tuesday, November 3, 2026
End Date: Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Group Rate: $199 + tax (King and 2 Queen rooms available)

Event History and Course Description

Event History

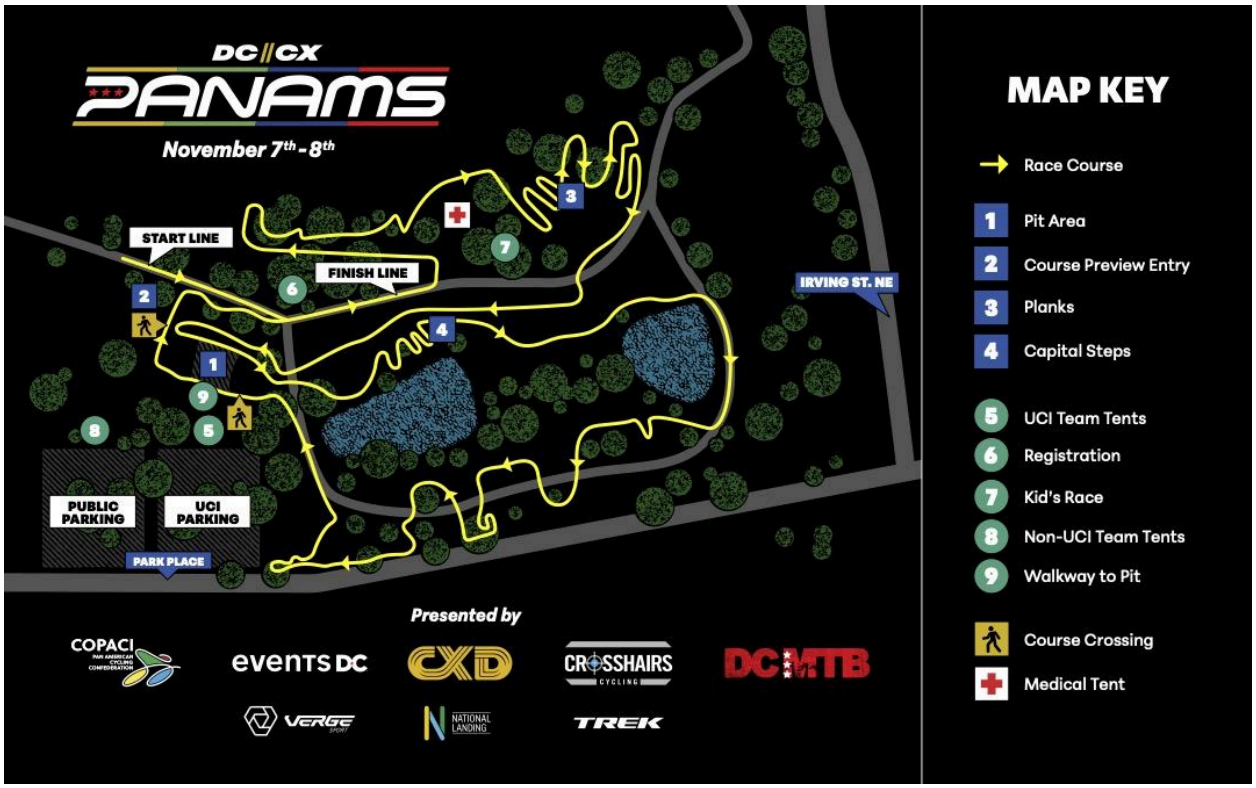
2026 marks the 19th DCCX and the sixth year with UCI Elite races. This is the second year that Continental Championships are held in Washington DC. DCCX is held on the historic grounds of the Armed Forces Retirement Home, the site of President Lincoln's Summer Cottage and a residential community for United States veterans since 1851.

Course Description

DCCX races are on a traditional cyclocross course with pavement, brick, grass, hills, gravel, a man-made barrier, stairs, and one double pit area.

The DCCX course layout is approximately 3.3km long, plus an additional starting straight of approximately 100m. The total length of the start is approximately 200m and at least 6m wide, using all or part of a paved road. Note: Course details are subject to change

Site/Course Map



Timing, Scoring, and Results

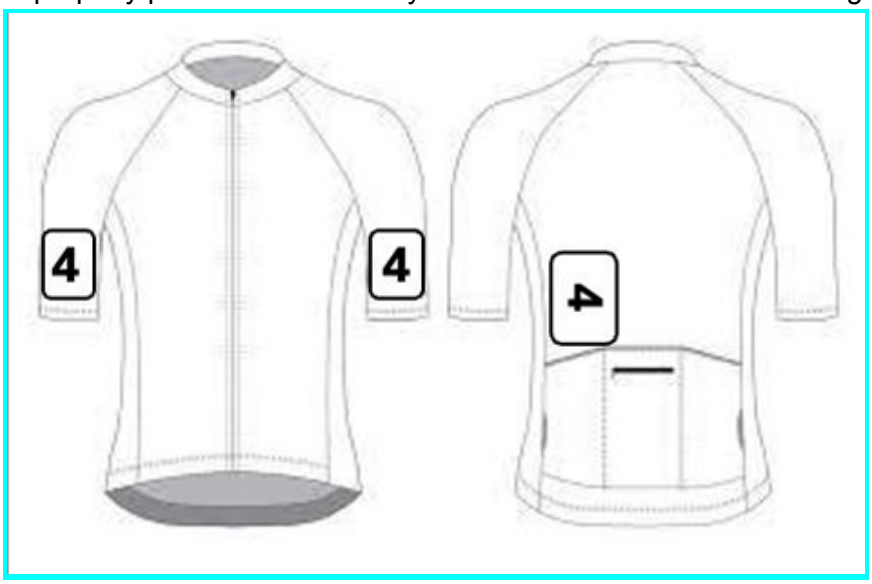
Timing and scoring will be done by MainSport. The timing equipment and staff will be located adjacent to the finish line.

- Results will be available at https://my.raceresult.com/groups/6942/
- Results will also be posted on the results board following each race.

Race Numbers and Equipment Requirements

Race Numbers

Proper number placement is crucial for correct scoring and accurate results. Bib numbers must be clearly displayed and accurately placed. Riders will be provided with an example of the correct bib number placement at registration. Do not fold or cut bib numbers. Riders with improperly pinned numbers may be sent to the back of the starting grid unless corrected.



*__UCI 1.3.070__ Defending PanAm Champions may NOT wear the PanAm Championship jersey during the event.

UCI Homologated Equipment:

Technical Inspections and Conformity

Saturday racers for the PanAmerican Championship events in the Junior 17-18, U-23 and Elite categories **must** have their bikes (start bikes and spare bike(s)) checked by the UCI Technical Delegate prior to their race. There will be one (1) window for bike inspections. Inspections will occur between 9:00AM-12 Noon.

**Masters (Age-Graded) racers will have their bikes checked prior to being placed in the starting grid.

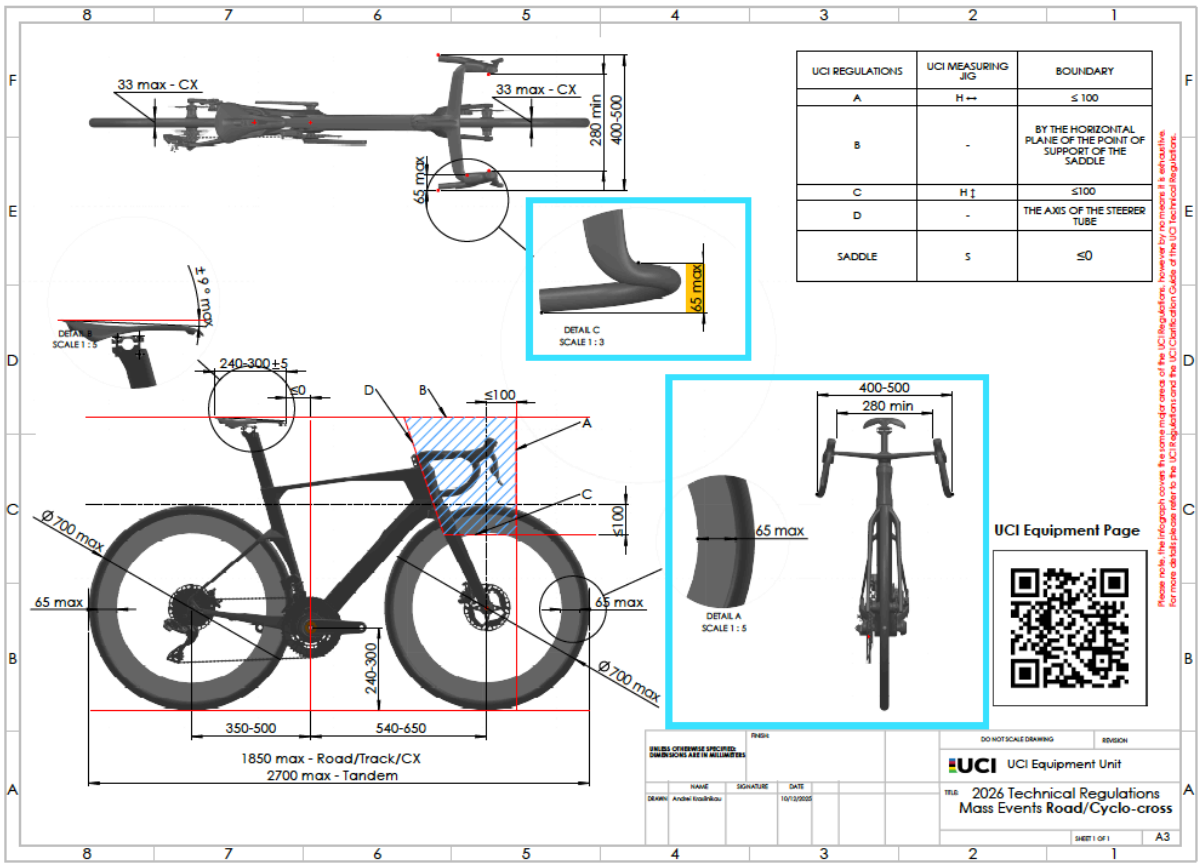
Sunday racers in the UCI Junior and UCI Elite categories also must have their bikes checked. Those bike checks will occur between 10AM-12 Noon.

Inspections will take place adjacent to the registration tent.

Notes on equipment conformity:
For Masters (Age-Graded) Racers: Your bikes will be inspected ONLY for compliance with the UCI tire width requirement (at the starting grid) as the other equipment regulations, including UCI frame sticker, are not applicable at the 2026 PanAmerican Cyclocross Championships per COPACI and UCI guidance. (Saturday Championship races **only**).

For UCI Juniors, U-23s and Elites: Your bikes will be inspected for compliance with all of the UCI equipment regulations pertaining to cyclocross bikes. (Both days of racing).

A diagram of these requirements is shown on the following page:



For the 2026-27 season UCI frame stickers will be required at ALL UCI-sanctioned events per Article 1.3.001bis of the UCI regulations. UCI frameset stickers **will** be mandatory for the 2026 Pan American Championships for racers in the Junior 17-18, U23 and Elite categories **only**.

A list of UCI-compliant framesets can be found here: UCI List of Approved Models of Framesets

Tire Width:

In accordance with Article 1.3.018, the width of the tire, measured between the widest parts, must not exceed 33 mm, and it may not incorporate any form of spike or stud. Non-compliance will result in disqualification or the rider being unable to start the race.

Note for non-UCI fields: USA Cycling allows for use of tires up to 38mm in width.

Start Order and Start Procedures

Saturday

Pan American Continental Championships (except Masters)

The starting line staging area is located **OFF COURSE** before the start grid. Rider call-ups will begin approximately 10 minutes before the race starts. Riders not present for their call-up will lose their start grid position.

Rider call-ups/start grid position will be determined as follows:

1. Per the latest published individual UCI Cyclocross Classification
2. Unclassified riders by random draw established by the commissaires

Confirm your ranking with the Race Secretary when you pick up your race number. Upon entering the call-up area, race officials will be checking the placement of your numbers and the width of your tires (33mm maximum).

The number of laps will be calculated and announced at the end of the **second lap**.

Masters Pan American Championships

The starting line staging area is located **OFF COURSE** before the finish straight. Riders are advised to be in the vicinity of the start staging area at least **10 minutes prior to race start time**.

Rider call-ups/start grid position will be determined as follows:

Row 1:

1. Current masters world champion in their age category
2. Existing PanAm Champion (within the current age group only)*
3. Current masters national champion in their age category
4. The rest of the first row: Top ranked riders from last year's PanAm Results: Maximum of 8th place will be considered where those who did not change age brackets are considered "tied" with those who have aged up a bracket, with the tie-breaker going to the former.

Row 2, 3, 4:

5. Crossresults.com rankings

SUBSEQUENT ROWS will not be conducted with a call-up procedure.

Note: Age-graded races will use staggered starts per age group as determined by the PCP.

Sunday

UCI C2

The starting line staging area is located **OFF COURSE** before the start grid. Rider call-ups will begin approximately 10 minutes before the race starts. Riders not present for their call-up will lose their start grid position.

Rider call-ups/start grid position will be determined as follows:

1. Per the latest published individual UCI Cyclocross Classification
2. Unclassified riders by random draw established by the commissaires

Confirm your ranking with the Race Secretary when you pick up your race number. Upon entering the call-up area, race officials will be checking the placement of your numbers and the width of your tires (33mm maximum).

The number of laps will be calculated and announced at the end of the **second lap**.

If riders are not present within 10 minutes of the start and miss their call-up, they will lose their start grid position. **Concerns about start order position should be addressed with the Commissaire no less than <u>30 minutes</u> before the start of the respective event.**

USA Cycling Amateur races

The starting line staging area is located **OFF COURSE** before the start grid. Riders are advised to be in the vicinity of the start staging area at least 10 minutes before race start time.

Rider call-ups/start grid position will be determined as follows:

1. Cross Results rankings for all racers
2. The 3rd row of the grid will be reserved for international racers with no Cross Results ranking points.

If riders are not present with 10 minutes to start and miss their call-up, they will lose their start grid position. Concerns about start order position should be addressed with the commissaire no less than 30 minutes before the start of the respective event. Day-of entries will be staged after pre-registered riders.

Pit, Neutral Support, Feeding, and Lapped Riders

Pit Requirements and Neutral Support

UCI racers will be issued 2 pit passes with registration materials. No other personnel shall be allowed in the pits.

Race staff will provide pit pass badges after packet pick-up at registration. All credentials MUST be picked up 1 hour prior to the start of the race. Officials will check for credentials in the pit and any individual found without proper credentials will be asked to leave the pit area.

Pressure washers will be available on site in the pit area. Per UCI regulations, personal high-pressure power washers are forbidden in the pit area for Continental Championship races.

Please note that a rider may only take the pit lane to change their bicycle or for other mechanical assistance. Equipment changes must be carried out within the confines of the pit lane and at the same point (box area).

Pit boxes will be assigned by the race officials by the procedures set out in 5.1.036

Feeding

The act of handing out food or drinks is not allowed during cyclocross races. Nevertheless, a rider may keep and use food or drinks which they carry on their bikes or in their outfits. UCI 5.1.062

The riders undertake to respect nature and the environment throughout the course and not to pollute the site. The littering zone will be the pit area along its entire length. Waste must be deposited on the side of the course. It is strictly forbidden to throw waste directly onto the course or outside the designated area. UCI 5.1.063

Lapped Riders

For the UCI events, the 80% rule will be applied. The President of the Commissaire Panel will pull lapped riders if necessary.

Medical, Policing, Security, and Anti-Doping

Event Medical Staff

Medical staff will be on-site, located near registration, as well as at several designated points around the race venue/track. An ambulance will be on-site both days for the duration of racing.

Hospital

Washington Hospital Center is adjacent to the venue.

Course Crossings

There will be course crossings operated by marshals throughout the event. Please only cross the course at marked crosswalks. Be respectful of racers on the course.

Anti-Doping

The Pan American Championships and DCCX are subject to anti-doping examination under the control of USADA & ITA in accordance with UCI regulations. All competitors and team personnel must abide by these regulations.

If USADA is present, anti-doping control will be located near the finish line. There will be no list of riders posted. Chaperones will find riders after the finish and bring them to anti-doping control.

Podium

The podium area is located on the hill just past the finish line. The top three finishers must report to the podium for awards, podium pictures, and potential interviews with the race announcer.

It is the rider's responsibility to be present for the awards presentation (see protocol, below). All podium finishers must wear their race/team kit for podium pictures and the applicable Championship jersey (for CC categories). Riders absent from podium ceremonies subject to CHF 500 fine per UCI 5.6.004.

Shower facilities will be located on-site near the podium presentation area. (See event map)

Awards and Ceremony Protocol

The riders who must report to the podium are the race winner, second place, and third place. Riders absent from podium ceremonies for Pan American Championship and UCI C2 races subject to CHF 500 fine per UCI 5.6.004.

Prize Procedure

Individual event prizes/prize money for all races will be paid on-site at registration. In case of extenuating circumstances, checks may be mailed to riders who do not collect their prize money. You may be required to present your race license plus another form of identification to confirm your identity before prizes are handed out.

Prize List

All UCI/COPACI event prize purses meet the requirements for USAC/UCI C2 events.
Prize purses and UCI points for Men and Women in the respective UCI race categories are as follows:

PanAm payout (no payout for age-based categories) and DCCX UCI C2 payout per below:

Rank	Elite PanAm Champs & C2 USD	U23 PanAm Champs ONLY USD	Junior PanAm Champs & C2 USD
1	$411	$206	$177
2	$212	$141	$118
3	$141	$106	$83
4	$106	$83	$71
5	$100	$71	$59
6	$94	$59	$59
7	$89	$59	$59
8	$83	$59	$47
9	$77	$59	$47
10	$71	$59	$47
11	$65	$36	$36
12	$59	$32	$36
13	$53	$36	$36
14	$47	$36	$36
15	$42	$36	$36
16	$30	$24	

17	$30	$24	
18	$30	$24	
19	$30	$24	
20	$30	$24	

Note: The rider's contribution to the Cycling Anti-Doping Foundation (CADF) of 2% is included in the prize schedule above. It will be deducted from the money paid out to each rider.

UCI Points Table

Continental Championships (CC) and C2 Event

	Pan American Continental Championships			DCCX C2	
Rank	**Elite**	**U23**	**Junior**	**Elite**	**Junior**
1	100	60	60	40	30
2	60	40	40	30	20
3	40	30	30	20	15
4	30	25	25	15	12
5	25	20	20	10	10
6	20	17	17	8	8
7	17	15	15	6	6
8	15	12	12	4	4
9	12	10	10	2	2
10	10	8	8	1	1
11	8	6	6	x	x
12	6	4	4		
13	4	2	2		
14	2	1	1		
15	1	x	x		
16	x				
17					
18					
19					

20					

Age-based PanAm Championships Categories

Jerseys awarded for PanAm Championships winners.