

BIKETRIAL FEDERATION UK

Elite Seeding Policy

The National Elite riders are expected to be the best in the UK. The title affords them esteem with fellow riders, and offers a title that may be utilised in discussions with the media, and with potential sponsors.

Elite sections are, by their nature, extremely difficult. The severity may make them impassable for inexperienced riders, and as a result may represent a higher level of risk to those riders.

It is essential to maintain a high level of status and difficulty in the Elite route. It is therefore necessary to limit access to the entry to the Elite category.

Riders cannot therefore self-select into the Elite Class and will be selected on their performance in the Expert Class at previous events, or from performance at World events.

The selection process

There are two ways in which a rider may be selected to ride in the Biketrial Federation's Elite Class in national events:-

- 1) To have finished in the top 20 at a UCI World Cup event in the previous 12 months.

or

- 2) In the Biketrial Federation British Cup series to have won an Expert Class round:-
 - on at least two occasions in the last year;
 - competing against a minimum of 5 in the class.

De-selection process

Currently (in 2010) there are insufficient regular entries from the UK's Elite riders to competitions for us to consider deselection. If this situation should change, then a deselection process will be put in place with a view of 25 riders maximum in the Elite Class.

Riders who have previously competed at Elite level in the Biketrial Federation British Trial Cup can therefore continue to do so, until such a time as we have to implement this deselection process. Anyone wishing to move up to Elite class must first have met one of the above requirements.