

**REGULATIONS: CHANGES PROPOSALS
TITLE 7 – TRIALS**

(in bold, the modified parts to be approved)

Age and competition categories

7.1.001 Trials officially recognizes the following types of individual events as described in the present trials rule book.

-20" (~~trials bike~~);

-26" (~~mountainbike~~).

-Open (free choice of wheel size, between 18" and 26"

Categories within these events depend on age. The age class a rider is eligible to ride is determined by his age which shall be calculated by deducting the year of birth from the current year.

(article modified on 01.02.11)

Explanation :

A part for the juniors & elite where the wheels size plays a slight role, the distinction was confusing. Harmonisation and simplification were welcomed, so as to group together the bunch of categories.

7.1.002

Poussins:	9 and 10 years old:	white course;	20" only Open
Benjamins:	11 and 12 years old:	blue course;	20"/26" combined Open
Minimes:	13-14 years old:	green course;	20"/26" combined Open
Cadets:	15 and 16 years old:	black course;	20"/26" combined Open
Girls	9 to 15 years old	Pink course ;	Open
Juniors:	16-18 years old:	red course;	20" & 26"
Elite:	19 years old and up:	yellow course;	20" & 26"
Women:	15 years and over	Pink course.	20"/26" combined Open

The arrows in the section must be numbered for easier understanding.

Girls under 15 years, according to age, shall be accepted in the next age category down. **(if the category has less than 8 riders)**

(article modified on 01.02.11)

Explanation :

A part for the juniors & elite where the wheels size plays a slight role, the distinction was confusing. Harmonisation and simplification were welcomed, so as to group together the bunch of categories.

7.1.015 The minimum number of sections for each competition is:

Elite:	46 12 sections;
Juniors:	46 12 sections;
Women:	44 12 sections;
Cadets:	44 12 sections;
Minimes:	44 12 sections;
Benjamins:	44 12 sections;
Poussins:	44 12 sections;
Girls:	12 sections

~~In each category a maximum of two artificial sections is allowed (exclusive of indoor competitions). A section is considered to be artificial if all materials used are artificial. Sections with both artificial and natural elements are not considered to be artificial sections.~~

(article modified on 01.02.11)

Explanation :

Most of the sections are artificial anyway. The distinction between artificial and natural doesn't make sense any more.

7.1.017 The following section dimensions are proposed:

Length ~~20" & 26"~~; 60 metres;
Width: at least one metre (at handlebar height).

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Explanation :

See explanation article 7.1.001

7.1.025 In choosing sections, it is recommended not to exceed following maximum jump heights:

20" :	white:	0.60 metre maximum;
20" & 26" :	blue:	0.80 metre maximum;
	green:	1.00 metre maximum;
	black:	1.20 metre maximum;
	red:	1.40 metre maximum;
	yellow:	1.80 metre maximum;
Girls:	pink:	0.80 metre maximum;
Women:	pink:	1.00 1.40 metre maximum;

Under special circumstances the panel may accept other maximum jump heights.

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Explanation:

Adaptations to be in line with the changes done in article 7.1.001 & 7.1.002. For women, the maximum jump height has been adapted to the actual level of women who did progress a lot. In doing so, this simplifies the section builders job as they can use the junior men sections also for men.

Wheels and tires

- 7.1.73 ~~29" 18" to 23" nominal (overall) wheel size shall be permitted in 20" Trials-bike class.~~
~~26" 24" to 26" nominal (overall) wheel size shall be permitted in 26" mountain-bike class.~~
Tyres may not be fitted with chains, ropes or other devices.

(article modified on 01.02.11)

Explanation:

For a matter of classification.

Cranks, pedals

- 7.1.075 Pedals must be securely attached to the crank arms and adjusted so as to eliminate lateral motion of the pedal body along the pedal axle. Pedal axles must be of sufficient strength to withstand the rigors of competition. The teeth on pedal cages must be sufficiently pointed and prominent to offer effective grip on a rider's shoes without being so sharp as to pose a safety hazard. In addition no pedal hooks or toe-straps shall be allowed.
For 26" class Bikes; only one rock-ring chain guard shall be authorized on the transmission side. No additional, lower chain guard may be fitted.

(article modified on 01.02.11)

Explanation:

For a matter of classification.

Competition format

- 7.3.008 In the women's category, each trials world cup is one single event.

In the men's categories, each trials world cup race shall include a quarterfinal event, a semifinal and a final round. The best ten riders from the quarterfinal and the ten highest ranked riders on the UCI ranking will be eligible to compete in the semifinal (see Chapter VII for the UCI trials ranking)

Best eight riders in the semifinal will be eligible to compete in the final.

Quarterfinal

The trial world cup event will commence with a quarterfinal event. The world cup quarterfinal events are open to all non-qualified riders. The quarterfinal event shall consist of ~~three~~ **two** rounds of six sections. ~~The competition time shall be four hours.~~ **The commissaires panel will set the competition time** ~~may adjust the time~~ according to the number of entered riders.

Minimum number of riders per category: eight

Semifinal

At least the first ten riders from the quarterfinal in each category qualify for the semifinal. More riders can qualify if the number of directly qualified (from the UCI ranking) is less than ten riders

The semifinal shall consist of two rounds of six sections. ~~The competition time shall be four hours.~~ The commissaires panel **will set the competition time** ~~may adjust the time if necessary.~~

Finals

The best eight riders in the semifinal will be eligible to compete in the final. The scores gained in the qualification do not count in the final. Each finalist starts with zero points.

The competition time for the finals **will be set by the commissaires panel.** ~~shall be 20 minutes per lap (two laps).~~

Riders will start in a specific order and in a specific section order (Section 1 to 6)

Start time in final

1st Round

Rider in 8th position (1/2 final) starts first.

Rider in 7th position (1/2 final) starts + 3 min delay

Rider in 6th position (1/2 final) starts + 6 min delay

Rider in 5th position (1/2 final) starts + 9 min delay

Rider in 4th position (1/2 final) starts +12 min delay

Rider in 3rd position (1/2 final) starts + 15 min delay

Rider in 2nd position (1/2 final) starts + 18 min delay

Rider in 1st position (1/2 final) starts + 21 min delay

~~2nd Round~~

~~Rider in 8th position (1/2 final) doesn't start until rider 1st ends first round.~~

~~Rider in 7th position (1/2 final) starts + 3 min delay~~

~~Rider in 6th position (1/2 final) starts + 6 min delay~~

~~Rider in 5th position (1/2 final) starts + 9 min delay~~

~~Rider in 4th position (1/2 final) starts + 12 min delay~~

~~Rider in 3rd position (1/2 final) starts + 15 min delay~~

~~Rider in 2nd position (1/2 final) starts + 18 min delay~~

~~Rider in 1st position (1/2 final) starts + 21 min delay~~

Earliest Start time in final (2nd round)

Rider in 8th position (1/2 final) starts + 24 min.

Rider in 7th position (1/2 final) starts + 27 min.

Rider in 6th position (1/2 final) starts + 30 min.

Rider in 5th position (1/2 final) starts + 33 min.

Rider in 4th position (1/2 final) starts + 36 min.

Rider in 3rd position (1/2 final) starts + 39 min.

Rider in 2nd position (1/2 final) starts + 42 min.

Rider in 1st position (1/2 final) starts + 45 min.

In case of a tie, the points from the semifinal will act as a tiebreaker.

(article modified on 01.02.11)

Explanation:

It was often not realistic to respect the four hours competition times or 20' per lap. The decision is given to the commissaires panel so as to be adapted to the specific situations. An "earliest start time in final (2nd round)" had to be proposed.

Number of sections and rounds

7.3.009 The number of sections and rounds are as indicated below:

Type of competition	Number of sections	Number of rounds
Quarterfinal 20"	6	3 2
Quarterfinal 26"	6	3 2

Women 20"/26" open	6	3
Semifinal 20"	6	2
Semifinal 26"	6	2
Final 20"	6	2
Final 26"	6	2

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Registration of competitors

7.4.005 Riders wishing and eligible to compete in a UCI Trials world youth games competition may register only under the auspices and through the agency of the national federation. All competition entry dates must be adhered to. All race fees must be forwarded to the UCI.

Pre-registration for the UCI world trials youth games is subject to the following restrictions:

In total, each national federation shall be permitted to register up to ~~20 competitors~~ **5 riders in each category**. The host federation may register a greater number of riders, with a maximum of ~~30 competitors~~ **6 riders in each category**.

(article modified on 01.02.11)

Explanation:

Adaptations to be in line with the changes done in articles 7.1.001 & 7.1.002.

Competition type and categories

7.4.006 ~~The disciplines and their relative categories to be run are indicated in the table hereafter:~~

Types of events	Cadets	Minimes	Benjamins	Poussins
Trials open to 20" and 26"	x	x	x	x
20" Trials		x		

~~Competition categories are further described in article 7.1.002 of the present rule book.~~

For the UCI trials world youth games events, the competition type is open (free choice of wheel size between 18" and 26") and their categories are poussins, benjamins, minimes, cadets and girls, as described in article 7.1.002 of the present rule book.

(article modified on 01.02.11)

Explanation:

Adaptations in line with the changes done in articles 7.1.001 & 7.1.002.

Competition format

7.4.008 The trials world youth games shall include **one semifinal and final** ~~only one single competition over five sections and three rounds.~~

If the category has more than 16 riders, the best 12 riders from the semifinal will be eligible to compete in the final.

If the category has between 11 and 16 riders, the best 8 riders from the semifinal will be eligible to compete in the final.

If the category has less than 11 riders there will be no semifinal run.

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Competition format

- 9.2.059 In the women's category, the trials world championships is one single event. The women trials should be determined by ~~two~~ **three** rounds of ~~eight~~ **six** sections: ~~four of the 20" sections and four of the 26" sections~~. The competition time for women ~~shall be minimum three hours~~. **will be set by the commissaires panel.**

In the men's categories, the world championships shall include a semi-final and a final round. The best eight riders in the semi-final will be eligible to compete in the final.

Semi-final

The semi-final shall consist of ~~two~~ **three** rounds of ~~eight~~ **six** sections. The competition time ~~shall be minimum three hours~~. **will be set by the commissaires panel.**

Junior finals

The best 8 riders from the semifinal will be eligible to compete in the final. The scores gained in the qualification do no count in the final. Each finalist starts with zero points. All riders will start at the same time.

Finals

The best eight riders in the semi-final will be eligible to compete in the final. The scores gained in the qualification do not count in the final. Each finalist starts with zero points.

The competition time for the finals ~~shall be 20 minutes per lap (two laps)~~. **will be set by the commissaires panel.**

Riders will start in a specific order and in a specific section order (Section 1 to 6).

Start time in final

1st round

Rider in 8th position (1/2 final) starts first.
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Rider in 2nd position (1/2 final) starts + 18 min
Rider in 1st position (1/2 final) starts + 21 min

2nd round

~~Rider in 8th position (1/2 final) doesn't start until the first rider ends the first round.~~
~~Rider in 7th position (1/2 final) starts + 3 min~~
~~Rider in 6th position (1/2 final) starts + 6 min delay~~
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Rider in 1st position (1/2 final) starts + 45 min.

In case of a tie, the points from the semi-final will act as a tiebreaker.

Competitors taking part in the finals may have two bikes at their disposal. The spare second bike shall remain in the trials office for the duration of the competition and may be retrieved as a replacement for the first bike.

A rider qualified for the final who chooses not to compete in the final shall get 9th placed in the final classification and shall (in the finals) be replaced by the 9th placed rider from the semifinal. Two qualified riders choosing not to compete in the final shall get 9th and 10th placed in the final classification and shall be replaced by the 9th and 10th placed riders from the semifinal (in the finals), etc.

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Explanation:

At the worlds, there are no quarter finals as at a world cup. A 3^d round was then added in order for the participants to go through a kind of qualification round. Nevertheless, the junior finals had to be simplified. Same comment than 7.3.008 regarding the duration of the competitions, decision given to commissaries' panel.

Number of sections and rounds

9.2.060 The number of sections and rounds are as indicated below:

Type of competition	Number of sections	Number of rounds
women 20"/26" Open	6 8	3 2
junior men 20" semi-final	6 8	3 2
junior men 26" semi-final	6 8	3 2
elite men 20" semi-final	6 8	3 2
elite men 26" semi-final	6 8	3 2
junior men 20" final	6	2
junior men 26" final	6	2
elite men 20" final	6	2
elite men 26" final	6	2

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