



## **Regional Colours Policy**

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## **1. DEFINITION OF COLOURS**

1.1. Gauteng North Cycling's (GNC) regional colours shall be that registered by the Tshwane Sports Council

1.2. GNC colours shall be a token and/or a pocket badge worn on a navy blazer

1.3. Colours will be awarded in the following disciplines:

### 1.3.1 Road

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1.3.1.2 Time Trial

### 1.3.2 Track

### 1.3.3 Mountain Bike (MTB)

1.3.3.1 Cross Country Marathon (XCM)

1.3.3.2 Cross Country Olympic (XCO)

1.3.3.3 Down-hill Racing (DHI)

1.3.3.4 BMX

1.4. For these disciplines, the following shield colours will be awarded:

1.4.1 Elite – white shield

1.4.2 All other age categories – light blue shield

## **2. NOMINATIONS FOR COLOURS**

- 2.1. Clubs may nominate and motivate either cyclists or administrators to the relevant Commissioner whom will present the nomination and motivation to the GNC Executive Committee for consideration of awarding Regional Colours. Each nomination will be evaluated on merit by the GNC Executive Committee.
- 2.2. Commissioners may nominate and motivate either cyclists or administrators to the GNC Executive Committee for consideration of awarding Regional Colours. Each nomination will be evaluated on merit by the GNC Executive Committee.
- 2.3. The GNC Executive committee may nominate riders who have met the prescribed criteria to the Tshwane Sports Council for awarding of Regional Colours.
- 2.4. Regional Colours will only be awarded from the U/17 or Youth category upwards. Any rider younger than U/17 or Youth will be eligible for Merit awards.
- 2.5. A cyclist will be awarded a Regional shield colour on meeting the prescribed criteria.
- 2.6. Subsequent meeting of prescribed criteria will be recognised but the same shield colour shall not be awarded again.
- 2.7. Regional Colours may be presented annually at a suitable event.
- 2.8. Only Cycling SA sanctioned events will be considered as part of this criteria.

### **3. ELIGIBILITY FOR COLOURS**

3.1. To be eligible for Regional Colours - **administrators** must:

3.1.1. have rendered at least five (5) years continuous meritorious and active service to GNC in an administrative or official capacity

3.2. To be eligible for Regional Colours **cyclists** must:

3.2.1. be in possession of a CSA membership license and reside within Gauteng North;

3.2.2. have competed in the discipline's national and/or provincial championships. For XCO, cyclists must have completed at least 3 events of a year's National Cup Series and/or 3 events of the Provincial/Regional Series (**a maximum of 3 races in each series will count towards points**);

3.2.3. separate points will be allocated for the Provincial/Regional Champs (if it exists); and

3.2.4. be in good standing with Cycling South Africa and GNC and always display good sportsmanship and good conduct both on and off the bicycle.

3.2.5. Points can only be accrued once per CSA sanctioned event.

3.3. Only events where 3 or more cyclists compete in the cyclist's category will be considered for point allocation and points can only be accrued in one age category per annum.

3.4. If less than 3 Gauteng North participants in a category, then the overall Gauteng results will be considered, receiving points for actual position on race day.

3.5. If still less than 3 participants, then age categories can be combined as per the discretion of the GNC Executive Committee.

3.6. If the event combines age categories, then points can only be allocated for that combined age group on the day.

## **4. CRITERIA FOR COLOURS**

4.1. Cyclists must meet one of the following criteria:

4.1.1. Be awarded South African National Colours.

4.1.2. Win a medal at the National Championships in individual events.

4.1.3. Win a medal at any higher order cycling event.

4.2. Alternatively, a cyclist will qualify for Regional Colours per calendar year by:

### **4.2.1. Road**

Earn **5 points per annum** in the following manner:

4.2.1.1 Participate at the National Championships and finish within 10% of winning time in his/her category – 2 points

4.2.1.2 Participate at the Cycling South Africa affiliated Junior Tour and/or Cycling South Africa affiliated Youth Festivals and finish within 10% of winning time in his/her category – 1 point (a maximum of 1 Festival and/or tour will count towards points, this should also be the biggest if there is more than one, e.g. Gariiep/Bloemfontein)

4.2.1.3 Points for placing at Provincial Championship: (separately for Road and Time Trial):

1<sup>st</sup> – 3 points

2<sup>nd</sup> – 2 points

3<sup>rd</sup> – 1 point

## 4.2.2 Track

Earn **12 points per annum** in the following manner:

- 4.2.2.1 Participation at the National Track Championships - 1 point
- 4.2.2.2 Win a medal in the team pursuit or team sprint at National Championships – 2 points
- 4.2.2.3 Break a South African track record – 12 points
- 4.2.2.4 Break a provincial track record – 3 points
- 4.2.2.5 Represent Gauteng North at Inter Provincial – 1 point per Inter Provincial
- 4.2.2.6 Placing at the Provincial Championships, if there are more than 5 riders in bunch events or if the time ridden is a SA Championship qualifying time for timed events, earns the following points (separately for each event):
  - 1<sup>st</sup> – 3 points
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> – 2 points
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> – 1 point

### **4.2.3 Mountain Bike - XCO**

Earn **11 points per annum** in the following manner:

- 4.2.3.1 Participate at the National Championships and finish within 10% of the winning time for his/her category – 1 point
- 4.2.3.2 Participate at the National Cup Series and finish in the top three positions:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> – 3 points
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> – 2 points
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> – 1 point
- 4.2.3.3 Participate at the Provincial/Regional Cup Series and finish in the top three positions:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> – 3 points
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> – 2 points
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> – 1 point
- 4.2.3.4 Participate at the Provincial/Regional Championships and finish in the top three positions:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> – 3 points
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> – 2 points
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> – 1 point

#### **4.2.4 Mountain Bike – XCM**

Earn **10 points per annum** in the following manner:

- 4.2.4.1 Participate at the National Championships and finish within 10% of the winning time for his/her category – 1 point
- 4.2.4.2 Participate at the Provincial/Regional Championships and finish in the top three positions:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> – 3 points
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> – 2 points
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> – 1 point
- 4.2.4.3 For Cross Country Marathon (XCM) – the following distances and categories will be considered:
  - 4.2.4.3.1 Ultra Marathon: Elite Men
  - 4.2.4.3.2 Marathon: U23 Men; Elite Men; Elite Women; Sub Vet Men; Sub Vet Women; Veteran Men; Veteran Women; Master Men
  - 4.2.4.3.3 Half Marathon (Long): Youth Boys; Youth Girls; Junior Men; Junior Women; Master Women; Grand Master Men; Grand Master Women
  - 4.2.4.3.4 Half Marathon (Short): Nipper Boys; Nipper Girls; Sprog Boys; Sprog Girls; Sub Junior Boys; Sub Junior Girls



4.2.4.4 If an event has both an Ultra Marathon and a Marathon distance, then the Elite Men category will be considered for points on the Ultra Marathon and not the Marathon.

The following races will be used to accumulate points for XCM. ***More races might be added later in the year as per the discretion of the GNC Executive Committee – this will be communicated to all Clubs:***

4.2.4.4.1 Nissan Trailseeker # 1 – Buffelsdrift (5 May 2018)

4.2.4.4.2 Nissan Trailseeker # 2 – Legends (23 June 2018)

4.2.4.4.3 Nissan Trailseeker # 5 – Mabalingwe (15 Sep 2018)

4.2.4.4.4 Nissan Trailseeker # 6 – Cullinan (3 Nov 2018)

4.2.4.4.5 GNC XCM Champs - Voortrekker Monument (4 Aug 2018)

1<sup>st</sup> – 3 points

2<sup>nd</sup> – 2 points

3<sup>rd</sup> – 1 point

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