

ARIZONA BICYCLE RACING ASSOCIATION
REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES FOR USA CYCLING RACER CATEGORY UPGRADE

GENERAL:

- Racer category upgrades through Category II will be handled by ABRA, through its Administrator, Paul Domingue. All applications and supporting documentation should be submitted to him online via your USA Cycling account. A response can be expected within one week. Upgrades to Category I are handled by USA Cycling.
- To apply for an upgrade:
 - Sign in to your Account page at USACycling.com
 - Open the License tab
 - Find your Racer License and in the right column click Upgrade/Downgrade
 - Make the entries for the change you are requesting
 - In the text box, state clearly which upgrade standard you are using to calculate your eligibility
 - Then write (or better yet – copy/paste) your supporting documentation/resume into the text block and click Submit

REQUIREMENTS FOR DOCUMENTATION/RESUME:

List each event separately and include ALL of the following.

- ✓ Race name
- ✓ Race date
- ✓ State
- ✓ Category ridden
- ✓ Field size
- ✓ Placing

Applications will not be considered unless all required information is supplied for EACH event.

REQUIREMENTS:

5 to 4	Road	Successful experience in 10 or more mass start races
	Track	Successful completion of approved track safety class
	Cross	Finish 5 or more cyclocross races
4 to 3	Road	20 points, <u>or</u> 25 mass start races with at least 10 top ten finishes in Cat 4 races, <u>or</u> 20 pack finishes in fields of 50 or more in Cat 4 races (30 points in a 12 month period is an automatic upgrade)
	Track	5 race days and 20 points (in Category events only)
	Cross	10 cyclocross points
3 to 2	Road	25 points (40 points in a 12 month period is an automatic upgrade)
	Track	5 race days and 20 points (in Category events only)
	Cross	15 cyclocross points
2 to 1	Road	35 points (50 points in a 12 month period is an automatic upgrade)
	Track	5 race days and 35 points in Elite races
	Cross	25 cyclocross points

QUALIFYING RACES FOR ROAD UPGRADES:

	Category	Road Race	Criterion
<i>Men</i>	5 TO 4	15 miles	10 miles
	4 TO 3	25 miles	20 miles
	3 TO 2	50 miles	20 miles
	2 to 1	USAC Standard	USAC Standard
<i>Women</i>	4 to 3	25 miles	15 miles
	3 to 2	40 miles	15 miles
	2 to 1	USAC Standard	USAC Standard

HOW POINTS ARE AWARDED:

ALL CATS		CRITERIUM					
MEN	WOMEN	1	2	3	4	5	6
30+	10+	7	5	4	3	2	1
21 TO 30	1 TO 9	5	4	3	2	1	
11 TO 20		4	3	2	1		
5 TO 10		3	2	1			

ALL CATS		ROAD RACE								
MEN	WOMEN	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
30+	10+	10	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
21 TO 30	1 TO 9	8	6	5	4	3	2	1		
11 TO 20		7	5	4	3	2	1			
5 TO 10		3	2	1						

CAT 3-2		STAGE RACE or OMNIUM GC													
MEN	WOMEN	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
50+	20+	20	18	16	14	12	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
21 TO 50	10 TO 19	10	8	6	5	4	3	2	1						
11 TO 20	1 TO 9	7	5	3	2	1									
5 TO 10		5	3	2	1										

TRACK Top 5 finish at a National Championship, National Qualifier, Category A or B track race receive 5-4-3-2-1 points
 Top 5 finish at a category C, D or E Omnium receive 5-4-3-2-1 points

FIELD SIZE FOR QUALIFYING RACES:

Category 5 and 4 Races:

Field size is determined by the entire starting field, including for combined category races

All other Categories:

Field size is determined by the number of riders in your current category or higher

FINISHING ORDER IN QUALIFYING RACES:

In all cases the overall finish results will be counted, not the “in category” results.

FINAL NOTES:

Time trials, Cyclocross, Track and MTB races DO NOT count for road upgrade points

FOR HELP:

Contact the USA Cycling Local Association Representative / ABRA Administrator

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