

BIKETRIAL FEDERATION RULES 2014

Time

- 2 minutes 30 seconds for each section.
- The observer should call time remaining at 30 second intervals, then “15, 10, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1”
- The time is completed at the first sound of the time clock completing the 2½ minutes.
- The duration of the event will be stated at the pre-trial briefing, based on the number of sections, the distance covered, and the number of riders.
- Sections will close at the given time unless alternative instructions are given to observers, and riders, by the Clerk of Course.

General

- The bike is considered to be “in the section” when the front wheel spindle crosses the start line.
- The bike is considered to be “out of the section” when the front wheel spindle crosses the finish line.
- Neither front spindle nor rear spindle may cross any boundary or dividing tape, whether under or over the tape.
- A rider and bike may pass OVER a taped area designated as a “No Touch Zone” (crisscrossed tape) but the rider or bike must not make contact with the ground or any objects within this area as it would be deemed as “out of section”.

Clothing

Riders are responsible for choosing their own riding clothing. Safety should be a priority and riders should take the following points into consideration:-

- Helmets must be worn at all times when riding your bike.
- Shoes with ankle protection are recommended.
- Long trousers and / or shin protection are recommended.
- Long sleeves are recommended.
- Gloves are recommended.

Minders

- One minder per rider
- **Riders aged 14 and under:-** Minders may assist their rider in advice, encouragement and safety capacities.
- **Riders aged 15 and over:-** The minder may enter the section at the request of the rider in circumstances where the rider may feel unsafe, to give physical reassurance, not verbal advice or encouragement.
- **Riders aged 15 and over** are allowed no external advice or assistance

Observers

- The observer will indicate the score to the riders by hand signals.
- Where an incorrect score has been punched, the observer will punch out all scores except the correct score.
- Where a “6” is to be given when the section is not attempted, punch out both the “5” and the section number.
- Where a “10” is to be given, punch out all numbers and the section number.
- In the case of a dispute between the observer and the rider, the observer will note it on the back of the penalisation card. Any final decision will be made by the Clerk of Course.

Penalty points all routes

Performing a clean section	0
1 dab	1
2 alternate dabs	2
2 dabs at the same time	5
3 alternate dabs	3
4 alternate dabs	4
5 or more dabs	5
After one dab, sliding the foot on the ground to gain advantage (pivoting on the toes without gaining distance is allowed)	3
Leaning with only the toes or heels on any surface (<i>resting or touching the pedal is allowed except for Expert and World Elite routes – see additional penalty points at the bottom of page</i>)	1
Leaning one's hand on any part of the section, eg the ground, tree, wall etc.	5
Leaning any part of the body on the ground, except feet	5
Brushing the handlebar on any part of the section, eg the ground, tree or wall etc.	0
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Re-crossing the start line, or passing the vertical line of the tape with any part of the bike after entering the section (above or below tape)	5
The bike or rider touches the ground or an object within an area designated as a "No Touch Zone" (Crisscrossed tape)	5
When in the section the entire bike must pass between the route colour markers (gates), the ribbon and the stakes. (ie, both the front and rear wheel axles and the bottom bracket)	5
Where coloured adhesive tape is used instead of coloured markers to mark the gates, the rider must ride within the adhesive tape and not touch or cross it	5
Knocking down colour signs	0
Breaking a ribbon, pulling up or knocking down a stake	5
With foot down, touching any part of bike with hand except handlebar	5
One dab on the ground and the other foot crossing the centre line of the bike frame	5
One foot on the pedal and the other foot crossing the centre line of the bike frame	0
Overpassing the time limit	5
Section not attempted	6
The sections cannot be modified by either the rider or any other person	10
Missed section when card handed to control	10
Any use of bad language directed at or about the observer or other event officials, the penalisation will be set through the Clerk of Course	0-50
Altering the scorecard in any way	Disqualified

Additional Penalty points for all "UCI" Classes (Expert & World Elite)

Touching of any part of the bike on the section (ie: bashguard, pedal, crankarm, handlebar, rim, frame etc.)	1 each part
Note: Foot on the ground BEFORE a bike part touches (A point should be given for the foot touching, then 0 points for each bike part thereafter until the foot is lifted.)	1 point for foot