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**2011 Mid-Atlantic Cyclocross Series  
Technical Guide**

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## Part 1 – Overview

### 1.0 Introduction

This Technical Guide encompasses the guidelines, rules, and regulations for the Mid-Atlantic Cyclocross Series (the MAC Series). It may be made available in whole or in part to cyclocross organizers nationwide to assist in the continued growth and promotion of cyclocross in the Mid-Atlantic region and across the U.S. For MAC Series organizers (the Organizer), the information and regulations contained herein are requirements for inclusion in the MAC Series; for non-Series organizers they are suggestions for organizing a successful event.

### 2.0 MAC Series Contacts

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### 3.0 MAC Series Goal

The goal of the MAC Series is to further develop cyclocross in the Mid-Atlantic region through the organization of national caliber races with grassroots involvement.

## **Part 2 – MAC Series Organizer Requirements & Guidelines**

### **1.0 MAC Series Fee and Benefits**

The Race Promoters fee for inclusion in the 2011 MAC Series is \$300 per race (double weekend = 2 x \$300). The fee includes, but is not limited to, promotional efforts by MAC support staff and is used for marketing, organizational, infrastructure purchases and maintenance of the MAC equipment. MAC Series Fee is payable to: Monkey Hill Cycle Sports, 801 Manchester Drive, Maple Glen, PA 19002. Note: Individual organizers are responsible for the logistics and transportation of the MAC equipment (if equipment is required).

The benefits of being a MAC Series event are:

- 1.1 Usage of UCI Compliant Course Equipment such as course stakes, wooden barriers, course crossings, Start/Finish Banners, Series Sponsor Banners
- 1.2 Weekly Press Releases
- 1.3 Advertising Opportunities
- 1.4 Web Site Construction and Hosting
- 1.5 Increased Rider Turnout (300+ riders)
- 1.6 Increased Rider Quality and Profile
- 1.7 Increased Event Cachet - Being part of the Series will increase your ability to sell your individual race to local sponsors.
- 1.8 Increased Event Coverage through Local, Regional, National and International Media
- 1.9 Overall Individual and Team Series Standings and Awards
- 1.10 Promotional Support/Assistance/Ideas from the Community of Experienced Series Organizers

### **2.0 Responsibilities of the MAC Series**

The MAC Series is responsible for providing the following to the MAC Series Organizers and individual racers:

- 2.1 Provide awards to MAC Series overall winners
- 2.2 Provide overall MAC Series rankings
- 2.3 Provide Start/Finish area setup, including banners, announcer and PA system with music.
- 2.4 Provide MAC Series standings prior to each weekends events
- 2.5 Administer the placing of MAC Series ads in targeted media

- 2.6 Attempt to secure MAC Series sponsorship
- 2.7 Create and maintain a MAC Series web site including schedule, rankings, links, and content
- 2.8 Provide media coordination and assistance
- 2.9 Provide technical coordination and assistance
- 2.10 Provide registration coordination and assistance
- 2.11 Provide results coordination and assistance
- 2.12 Post same-day results on the MABSBS List Server

### **3.0 Responsibilities of the MAC Series Organizers**

- 3.1 Obtain and complete a USAC permit by the appropriate deadline.
- 3.2 Secure a venue. Every effort should be made to include indoor facilities for registration, bathrooms, showers, changing rooms and a water source.
- 3.3 The venue must have sufficient parking. Parking areas must be clearly identified.
- 3.4 Secure event sponsorship (if needed).
- 3.5 Provide prize list per required “Individual Prize Minimums”. See Part 3, section 2.0.
- 3.6 Provide the following to the MAC Series Media Director no later than 4 weeks prior to the first series event:
  - 3.6.2 Name(s) of local DAILY newspapers
  - 3.6.3 Name(s) of any local WEEKLY publication
  - 3.6.4 Addresses of any local General-Interest, Community or Government Websites
  - 3.6.5 Channel and location of local Broadcast TV stations
  - 3.6.6 Call letters from any local AM or FM radio stations
- 3.7 Place an event advertisement in cycling and local media referencing the MAC Series.
- 3.8 Provide or contract with a service that provides quick, complete results with finish times on-site.
- 3.9 Provide results electronically, in the proper format, to the MAC Series Media Director, the MAC Series Results Coordinator, USAC and the UCI (if necessary) immediately after finalizing results.
- 3.10 If necessary, coordinate the logistics, including transportation, of the MAC equipment with other MAC Series organizers.
- 3.11 The Organizer must provide sufficient sanitary facilities. Effort should be made to place portable facilities in locations accessible to racers (i.e. near the Start/Finish area) and spectators (i.e. near, or in, the parking area).
- 3.12 The Organizer must comply with all “Course and Pit Area Guidelines”. See Part 2, Section 8.0. If compliance with any of the guidelines is not achievable, the Organizer is required to consult the MAC Series Technical Director for possible remedy or solutions. Only the MAC Series Technical Director can approve non-compliance issues.

## 4.0 Race Registration

- 4.1 Organizers are required to utilize online registration through [www.bikereg.com](http://www.bikereg.com) and provide pre-completed release forms for on-line registrants on race day. Events must be posted on [www.bikereg.com](http://www.bikereg.com) no later than August 15 of the current year.
- 4.2 Race-day Registration must be available to racers by no later than 8:00 am.
- 4.3 If possible, Registration should be in an enclosed facility with available electricity.
- 4.4 Registration must have sufficient and competent personnel on hand to expedite racer registration.
- 4.5 Organizers are required to advertise and collect a \$10 same-day registration fee.
- 4.6 Organizers are required to advertise that same-day registration and number pick-up closes 45 minutes prior to each USAC sanctioned event and 1 hour prior to each UCI event.
- 4.7 Refunds of registration fees (pre-registration or same-day) are at the discretion of the Organizer.

## 5.0 Series Schedule

Race #1	Nittany Cross	Saturday, September 10
Race #2	Nittany Cross	Sunday, September 11
Race #3	Charm City Cross	Saturday, September 17
Race #4	Charm City Cross	Sunday, September 18
Race #5	Whirlybird Cross	Sunday, September 25
Race #6	Granogue Cross	Saturday, October 15
Race #7	Granogue Cross	Saturday, October 16
Race #8	Beacon Cross	Saturday, October 29
Race #9	Highland Park Cross	Sunday, October 30
Race #10	Fair Hill Cross	Saturday, November 12
Race #11	Super Cross Cup	Saturday, November 19
Race #12	Super Cross Cup	Saturday, November 20
Race #13	Geler Votre Cul Cross	Saturday, December 10
Race #14	Limestone Cross at the Kiln	Sunday, December 11

**Note: The Elite Men and Elite Women MAC Series Championship will be decided by the following races.**

Race #1	Whirlybird Cross	Sunday, September 25
Race #2	Fair Hill Cross	Saturday, November 12
Race #3	Super Cross Cup	Saturday, November 19
Race #4	Super Cross Cup	Saturday, November 20
Race #5	Geler Votre Cul Cross	Saturday, December 10
Race #6	Limestone Cross at the Kiln	Sunday, December 11

## 6.0 Race Start Times

Start Time	Category	Duration
9:00 am	Cat 4 Men	40 mins
10:00 am	Cat 1/2/3/4 Masters Men 45+/ Men 55+/Men 60+	45 mins
11:00 am	Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Women 45+, Cat 3/4 Women, Amateur U19 Men, Amateur U19 Women (staggered start for all groups)	40 mins
12:00 pm	Cat 1/2/3/4 35+ Men, Elite U19 Men (5 Minute Delay)	45 mins
1:15 pm	Elite Women, Master Women 35+	40 mins
2:30 pm	Elite Men	60 mins
3:45 pm	Cat 2/3/4 Men	45 mins

## 7.0 Entry Fees

Category	Entry Fee
U19 Junior Men - Amateur U19 Junior Women – Amateur	\$10
Elite U19 Men	\$20
Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 35+ Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 45+ Cat 2/3/4 Men Cat 4 Men Cat 3/4 Women Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Women 45+ Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 55+ Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 60+	\$30
Elite Men Elite Women Master Women 35+	\$35

## 8.0 Course and Pit Area Guidelines

The course and pit guidelines are per the most recent Part 5 of the UCI Cycling Regulations as published on the UCI website.

## Part 3 – MAC Series Rules and Regulations

### 1.0 Individual Competition

1.1 The following individual categories will be scored and ranked in the MAC Series, although there may not be a separate race (or payout) for each category:

- Elite Men
- Elite Women
- Master Women 35+ (race with Elite Women)

- Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 35+
  - Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 45+ (race with Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 55+ and Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 60+)
  - Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 55+ (race with Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 45+ and Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 60+)
  - Cat 1/2/3/4 60+ Mast Men (race with the Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 45+ and Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 55+)
  - Cat 2/3/4 Men
  - Cat 4 Men
  - Cat 3/4 Women
  - Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Women 45+ (race with Cat 3/4 Women)
  - Elite U19 Men (race with Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 35+)
  - Amateur U19 Men (race with Cat 3/4 Women)
  - Amateur U19 Women (race with Cat 3/4 Women)
- 1.2 Free race entry for the current season will be given to the previous year's MAC Series champions of the Elite Men, Elite Women and the Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 35+ categories provided they continue to race in their respective category.
- 1.3 Current leaders of the Elite Men, Elite Women and the Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 35+ categories must wear Leader's Jersey provided by the MAC Series. Failure to do so will result in a \$200 fine and/or loss of overall series prize eligibility and/or a deduction of 50 series points. All penalties will be determined by the MAC Series staff on a case-by-case basis as appropriate.**
- 1.4 The overall winner of the Cat 2/3/4 Men's category is not eligible to score points in the Cat 2/3/4 Men's category for the following year.
- 1.5 If a rider qualifies for two categories within one race, that rider can receive individual points in each category. Only the higher point total for that rider will count towards the team scoring. As an example, a rider could score in two categories in the same race: Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 45+ and Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 55+. **Exception: the Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Women 45+ racing with the Cat 3/4 Women do not qualify for Cat 3/4 Women's points. Women aged 45+ must choose which category they want to race as they will only be scored in one category.**
- 1.6 The Cyclocross racing age for all age-graded categories will be based upon the rider's age on December 31st of the following calendar year. For example: if you are 29 in the year 2011, your Cyclocross racing age is 30.
- 1.7 Individual MAC rankings are based upon the race results from each race. Race results are posted at each race and are subject to a 15-minute protest period. **It is the rider's responsibility to have any errors corrected by the race officials during the protest period.**
- 1.8 Final MAC Series Rankings will be based on a rider's top 14 results for not elite, and top 6 for Elite Men and Women's Classes.**

## 2.0 Individual Prize Minimums Per MAC Race

The following Prizes will be awarded as a minimum at each race, although each Organizer reserves the right to increase the prizes and places awarded:

Category	Event Status	Places	Prizes
Elite Men	MAC	25 Places	\$2,068
Elite Women	MAC	15 Places	\$1,648
Master Women 35+	(Points Only)		
Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 35+	MAC	10 Places	\$500
Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 45+	MAC	10 Places	\$500
Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 55+	MAC	3 Places	Medals or Merch
Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 60+	(Points Only)		
Cat 2/3/4 Men	MAC	10 Places	Merchandise
Cat 4 Men	MAC	3 Places	Medals or Merch
Cat 3/4 Women	MAC	3 Places	Medals or Merch
Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Women 45+	MAC	3 Places	Medals or Merch
Elite U19 Men	MAC	3 Places	\$150
Amateur U19 Men	MAC	3 Places	Medals or Merch
Amateur U19 Women	MAC	3 Places	Medals or Merch

### MINIMUM PAYOUT FOR ELITE MEN AND WOMEN

Place	Men	Women
1	\$ 457	\$ 457
2	\$ 234	\$ 234
3	\$ 154	\$ 154
4	\$ 123	\$ 107
5	\$ 112	\$ 93
6	\$ 107	\$ 80
7	\$ 99	\$ 80
8	\$ 91	\$ 80
9	\$ 88	\$ 80
10	\$ 84	\$ 80
11	\$ 78	\$ 40
12	\$ 63	\$ 40
13	\$ 59	\$ 40
14	\$ 50	\$ 40
15	\$ 34	\$ 40
16	\$ 29	
17	\$ 29	
18	\$ 29	
19	\$ 29	
20	\$ 29	

21	\$ 18	
22	\$ 18	
23	\$ 18	
24	\$ 18	
25	\$ 18	

### 3.0 Cyclocross Categories

As of 2006, USAC has introduced ability and experience based Cyclocross Categories. The new categories range from Category 1 (most ability and experience) through Category 4 (least ability or experience). Racers must race in the category as dictated by their USAC Cyclocross License. See [www.usacycling.org](http://www.usacycling.org) for upgrade requirements.

### 4.0 Call-up Protocol

Call-ups for Elite Men and Elite Women will be based on the latest MAC Series rankings as posted on the MAC Series website, followed by order of pre-registration.

The call-up protocol for the first MAC Series race of the season for the for all categories (minus the Cat 4 Men) will be based on the previous year’s final rankings as posted on the MAC Series website, followed by order of pre-registration. The call-up protocol for the remaining MAC Series (with exception of the Cat 4 Men) races will be based on the latest MAC Series rankings as posted on the MAC Series website, followed by order of pre-registration.

Call-up protocol for the Cat 4 Men will be based on order of registration.

*Note: If you are ranked, but do not pre-register, you forfeit your call-up placement and will be placed on the start grid behind the last pre-registered riders.*

<b><i>Call-up’s for each class will go in this order for all pre-registered racers.</i></b>			
<b><u>Race Start Time</u></b>	<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Anyone with MAC Points</u></b>	<b><u>Order of Registration</u></b>
<b>9am Race</b>	<b>Cat 4 Men</b>	N/A	All by order of registration
<b>10am Race</b>	<b>Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 45+/55+/60+</b>	First	Second
<b>11am Race (staggered starts for all classes)</b>	<b>Cat 1/2/3/4 45+</b>	First	Second
	<b>Women</b>	First	Second
	<b>Cat 3/4 Women</b>	First	Second

	<b>Amateur U19 Men</b>	First	Second
	<b>Amateur U19 Women</b>		
<b>12pm (U19 have 5 min delay on start)</b>	<b>Cat 1/2/3/4 35+ Men</b>	First	Second
	<b>Elite U19 Men</b>	First	Second
<b>1:15pm</b>	<b>Elite Women, Master</b>	First	Second
	<b>35+ Women</b>		
<b>2:30pm</b>	<b>Elite Men</b>	First	Second
<b>3:45pm</b>	<b>Cat 2/3/4 Men</b>	First	Second

## 5.0 Lapped Riders

Lapped riders will finish on the same lap as the leaders. Riders in danger of being lapped must yield to oncoming racers and are not to interfere with their progress or trail behind them.

## 6.0 Overall MAC Series Awards

To Be Determined

## 7.0 Team Competition

7.1 For each team, the top ten scoring places of its members at each MAC race will be counted towards a team total for that race. At each MAC race, the top ten teams in individual points will score team points as below. The team that accumulates the most team points throughout the season shall be the winner of the MAC Cup.

Place	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	12
2 <sup>nd</sup>	9
3 <sup>rd</sup>	8
4 <sup>th</sup>	7
5 <sup>th</sup>	6

6 <sup>th</sup>	5
7 <sup>th</sup>	4
8 <sup>th</sup>	3
9 <sup>th</sup>	2
10th	1

- 7.2 Team affiliations will be based on the registration lists/results.
- 7.3 Riders must register under their full team name.
- 7.4 Riders must race in the appropriate team jersey.
- 7.5 A rider may only score points for one team during each MAC season. A rider changing teams during the MAC season will not receive any points towards the team scoring for the second team.
- 7.6 A rider who scores points for two categories in the same race will only be counted once for team scoring purposes. The higher point value will be used for team scoring purposes.

## 8.0 Individual Category Points Schedule

2011 MAC Points Schedule		
Place	*Elite Men <b>Elite U19 Men</b> *Elite Women Master Women 35+/45+ Cat 2/3/4 Men Cat 3/4 Women, Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 45+ Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 55+ Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 60+ Amateur U19 Men Amateur U19 Women Cat 4 Men	Cat 1/2/3/4 Master Men 35+
1	120	120
2	90	90

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3	80	80
4	75	75
5	70	70
6	65	65
7	62	62
8	60	60
9	58	58
10	56	56
11	54	54
12	52	52
13	50	50
14	48	48
15	46	46
16	44	44
17	43	43
18	42	42
19	41	41
20	40	40
21	39	39
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26		34
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37		23
38		22
39		21
40		20
41		19
42		18
43		17
44		16
45		15
46		14
47		13
48		12
49		11
50		10

**\*Any official finisher beyond 25<sup>th</sup> place in the Elite Men's or Elite Women's category will be awarded the same point value as 25th place.**

## 9.0 Licensing Requirements

A domestic USCF or NORBA license is acceptable, and required, for all categories. One-Day Licenses, and Annual licenses, will be available at the registration booth. Consult USA Cycling for licensing costs at [www.usacycling.org](http://www.usacycling.org).