

# Merida Bike Vyso ina 2010

## Event regulations for elimination races in MTB Sprint at Merida Bike Vyso ina.

### 1. Basic regulations

1.1 Elimination races in MTB sprint include four riders on mountain bikes competing head to head on the same course, which consists of manmade or natural obstacles. Start and finish are at the same place. The maximum length of one heat shall not be longer than two minutes.

Final heats of eliminations races in MTB sprint are based on the results of qualification. Final results in each heat are based on the placement of riders in the finish.

1.2 The competition regulations are based on the UCI Supercross rules and have been adapted to the needs of the elimination Sprint races in MTB organized on the territory of the Czech Republic. The UCI regulations shall be valid for deciding such situations, which are not covered by this document.

1.3 The training on the course is allowed only in the given times. The course may be entered in other times too, but the riders shall respect all the instructions given by the organizer. Rider who won't respect the regulations will be disqualified.

1.4 The training may be done only by riders registered for the race. All riders shall be riding on the course with the start number visible.

1.5 Any rider who crosses the line of another rider in the first 50 metres after the start, and thus limits other riders, shall be penalized by disqualification.

1.6 All riders have to go through the course with both their front and rear wheels. Provided a rider ends up riding outside the course, he/she shall return on the course in the nearest possible place without limiting other riders. Any shortcuts on the course shall be penalised with disqualification.

1.7 A rider reaches finish when the tire of his front wheel crosses the finish line.

A rider shall cross the finish line only when in contact with his/her bike.

1.8 The placing in the finish is given by the times. In case of disputed finishes the result is decided by the technical delegate with the help of the photo finish camera.

### 2 Penalization

2.1 Elimination MTB sprint event consists of 4 riders competing head to head on the same course. There may be unintended contact between the riders on the

course. Such contacts shall be tolerated, until these are evaluated as fair play and in accordance with the sporting spirit towards other riders. Any rider who intentionally crosses the line of another rider in order to limit him/her, may be disqualified, depending on the evaluation of the situation by the head referee.

2.2 The origin of the contacts shall be evaluated by the course referees. Especially when a rider attacks another rider with his/her hand or knee or if a riders tries to knock down another rider with his/her bike. In case of disqualification, the rider is given a placement based on his result in the last completed heat before the one in which he/she was disqualified. Decisions by the course referees may not be a subject of questioning from the side of the riders.

2.3 Penalization of riders is decided by the main referee and is final.

2.4 If a rider does not get to the start area within one minute after being called by the organizer, he/she will be disqualified.

2.5 Disqualification from heat+means that a rider may not continue in the racing and is counted as the last in the heat from which he/she was disqualified.

### **3 Compulsory equipment**

3.1 The bikes shall have no other extra power supply that would help the riders.

3.2 The bikes shall be equipped with two independent brakes, on front and rear wheel.

3.3 The bikes shall be in perfect technical condition.

3.4 Technical condition of the bikes may be evaluated by the technical delegate on any time of the event.

3.5 Protector helmet.

3.6 All riders shall use the appropriate equipment during training, Qualification and Finals.

3.7 All referees shall inspect that the riders obey the rules. Possible overriding of the rules will be punished with warning. If repeated, the riders will be disqualified.

### **4 Competition**

4.1 All riders have to start in the Qualification. Riders, who do not complete the Qualification, may not start in the Finals, unless they are given a wild card by the Organizer.

4.2 The Qualification is held as TT for one loop. Riders start in given start intervals according to the sequence of the start numbers. The results in the Qualification are given by the times achieved. Riders with best times qualify for the Final elimination races.

- 4.3 Seeding for the finals is given by the result in the Qualification. Riders with best Qualification result have the advantage of being the first to choose their position on the start line.
- 4.4 30 best man and 6 best women qualify for the final. The organizer reserves the right to give two wild cards as to complete the numbers of 32 men and 8 women in the final races.
- 4.5 The final races are held as heats by 4 riders in elimination format.
- 4.6 The event is held as K.O. format: Riders placed in each heat in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> make it into the next round. There are no correction heats.
- 4.7 Riders placed in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place are eliminated and do not go into the next round.
- 4.8 Basic guidelines for seeding the riders into the first heat of the final races.
- 4.8.1 32 rider final - seeding (1/8 final):  
1-16-17-32  
8-9-24-25  
4-13-20-29  
5-12-21-28  
2-15-18-31  
7-10-23-26  
3-14-19-30  
6-11-22-27
- 4.9.2. 8-rider final - seeding (1/2 final):  
1-8-4-5  
2-7-3-6
- 4.9 Placement of riders who do not make it into the finals shall be decided by the results of the Qualification.
- 4.10 Placement of riders who make it into the final, but do not place in top 8 shall be decided by the results in the Qualification.
- 4.11 The organizer has to arrange a meeting with riders, where the chief technical referee and the event director are present. This meeting shall take place no later than 15 minutes before the start of the qualification and shall take place near the track. The time of the meeting shall be stated in the general schedule given to all the competitors. All riders shall be present at the meeting.
- 4.12 In case the final heats get cancelled before the final heats are over, the results of the last complete heat are taken as the final results.
- 4.13 The Qualification is an inherent part of the race and its results may be, in exceptional cases, taken as final results of the race.

## **5 Start procedure**

5.1 Every heat is started with a start pistol shot.

5.2 Every rider has to start with one foot touching the ground. Not obeying these rules will result in disqualification.

5.3 30 second before the start of every heat the following order will be given by the start director: 30 seconds to the start. After the next 20 second the order: Riders, get ready! will be given by the start director. The heat will be then started with a shot from the start pistol within the next 10 seconds.

5.4 Cases when the front wheel of rider's bike crosses the start line before the start shot will be solved as follows: first such disobey of rules.