

RACE BOOK

UCI Mountain Bike Downhill World Cup Round 4

Loudenvielle-Peyragudes, France

30th August - 3rd September, 2023

Version 11 29/08/2023

SCHEDULE	Section 1 - Page 3
Schedule	V11 - Updated 29/08
EVENT NOTICES	Section 2 - Page 4
Event Updates and Rider Forum	V2 - updated 25/07
CONTACTS	Section 3 - Page 4
Series and Organiser contacts	original
Websites and Social Media	original
MAPS	Section 4 - Page 5
Location	original
Venue Map	original
DHI Course Map	V8 - published 18/08
ENTRIES	Section 5 - Page 6
Event Entry Structure Overview	original
Registration	V3 - updated 26/07
Entry Fees	V8 - updated 18/08
Cancellation Policy	original
Race Licences	original
Insurance	original
Disclaimer/ Liability Release	original
Rider Confirmation and Plate Collection	original
Team Accreditation & Season Passes	V3 - updated 26/07
RACE LOGISTICS	Section 6 - Page 8
Training	original
Uplifts	V6 - updated 03/08
Timing and GPS Trackers	original
Onboard Cameras	original
START LISTS & RESULTS	Section 7 - Page 9
Start Order	V2 - updated 25/07
Live Timing and Results	original
Awards	V2 - updated 25/07
Prize Money	original
RULES	Section 8 - Page 10
Race Rules	V5 - updated 02/08
Doping Control	original



TEAMS

Section 9 - Page 12

Team Area Access	V10 - updated273/08
Parking private cars of team members	V10 - updated273/08
Team De-rig and Prohibitions	original

VENUE LOGISTICS

Section 10 - Page 13

Travel and Transportation	original
Vehicle Hire	original
Accommodation	original
Camping	original
Parking	V9 - updated 26/08
Toilets	original
Showers	original
Water and Rubbish	original
Wifi and Network	original
Power	original
Security	V6 - Updated 03/08
Bike Shops	original
Grocery Shops	original
Bike Wash	original
Bank Machines	original
Activities for non-racing partners	original
Event Merchandise	original

MEDICAL

Section 11- Page 15

Emergency Response	original
Hospital / Clinics	original
Massage and Physiotherapy	V6 - updated 03/08
Medical and Concussion Protocol	V5 - updated 02/08



1. SCHEDULE | [return to menu](#)

Wednesday 30/08/23	12:00 - 14:00	DHI	Track Closed - TV Inspection
	14:00 - 14:45	*	Rider Confirmation - UCI Elite MTB Teams
	14:45 - 15:30	*	Rider Confirmation - UCI MTB Teams
	15:30 - 18:00	*	Rider Confirmation - All Riders
Thursday 31/08/23	08:00 - 09:00	EDR*	Rider Confirmation - All Riders
	09:00 - 11:00	DHI	Track Closed - UCI Inspection
	09:00 - 11:00	DHI	Rider Confirmation - All Riders
	09:00 - 17:00	EDR	Practice - All Riders
	10:00 - 11:00	DHI	Foot Inspection Elite Teams
	11:00 - 13:00	DHI	Foot Inspection All Riders
	14:00 - 15:00	DHI	Training - Women Junior
	15:00 - 16:00	DHI	Training - All Juniors
	16:00 - 17:00	DHI	Training - Men Junior
	17:00	*	Press Conference
19:00		Meeting w/ LOC UCI ESO	
Friday 01/09/23	08:00 - 10:00	DHI	Final Rider Confirmation - All Riders
	08:30 - 10:30	DHI	Training - Group B
	9:00	EDR	RACE START: Amateurs
	10:30 - 12:30	DHI	Training - Group A
	12:30 - 14:00		Training - Group B (Live Track)
	14:00 - 15:30		Training - Group A (Live Track)
	15:45 - 16:00	DHI	RACE: World Cup - Qualification Women Junior
	16:00 - 17:00	DHI	RACE: World Cup - Qualification Men Junior
	17:00	EDR*	RACE FINISH: Amateurs
	19:00		Meeting w/ LOC UCI ESO
Saturday 02/09/23	08:30 - 10:30	DHI	Training - Group B
	9:00	EDR*	RACE START: World Cup
	10:30 - 12:30	DHI	Training - Group A
	12:45	DHI	RACE: World Cup - Final Women Junior
	13:15	DHI	RACE: World Cup - Final Men Junior
	14:00	DHI	RACE: World Cup - Qualification Women
	14:40	DHI	RACE: World Cup - Qualification Men
	17:30	EDR*	RACE FINISH: World Cup
	19:00		Meeting w/ LOC UCI ESO
Sunday 03/09/23	08:30 - 09:30	DHI	Training - Qualified Women
	09:30 - 10:30	DHI	Training - Qualified Men
	10:45	DHI	RACE: World Cup - Semi Final Women
	11:20	DHI	RACE: World Cup - Semi Final Men
	13:00	DHI	RACE: World Cup - Final Women
	14:00	DHI	RACE: World Cup - Final Men

**Schedule times are subject to change*



2. EVENT NOTICES | [return to menu](#)

EVENT COMMUNICATIONS / WHATSAPP

We will email out any major updates to all UCI Elite Teams, UCI Teams and National Federations electronically.

Athlete Whatsapp groups will be available to join and athletes can subscribe to the email distribution list [HERE](#).

3. CONTACTS | [return to menu](#)

SERIES and LOCAL ORGANISER CONTACTS

Race Director: Ludovic Henry ludovic.henry@sivalouron.fr

Race Manager: David Allouard david.allouard@hotmail.com

Accommodation: TBC

Registration and Teams/Racers: Kerry and Beth sportsservices@eso-sports.com

Team Contacts / Account Manager: Bex Reilly teams@eso-sports.com

Media Inquiries / Accreditation: Kate Ball kate.ball@wbd.com

Paddocks & Expo: Jasmines MERABET MARMONIER jasmines@pyreneesbikfestival.com

WEBSITES and SOCIALS

Website: www.ucimtbworldseries.com / www.pyreneesbikfestival.com

Instagram: [@uci_mtbworldseries](https://www.instagram.com/uci_mtbworldseries)

Twitter: [@MTBworldseries](https://twitter.com/MTBworldseries)

Facebook: [UCI Mountain Bike World Series](https://www.facebook.com/UCI Mountain Bike World Series)

Youtube: [@uci_mtbworldseries](https://www.youtube.com/@uci_mtbworldseries)



4. MAPS | [return to menu](#)

LOCATION



Loudenvielle-Peyragudes, France ([Google Map](#))

VENUE MAP

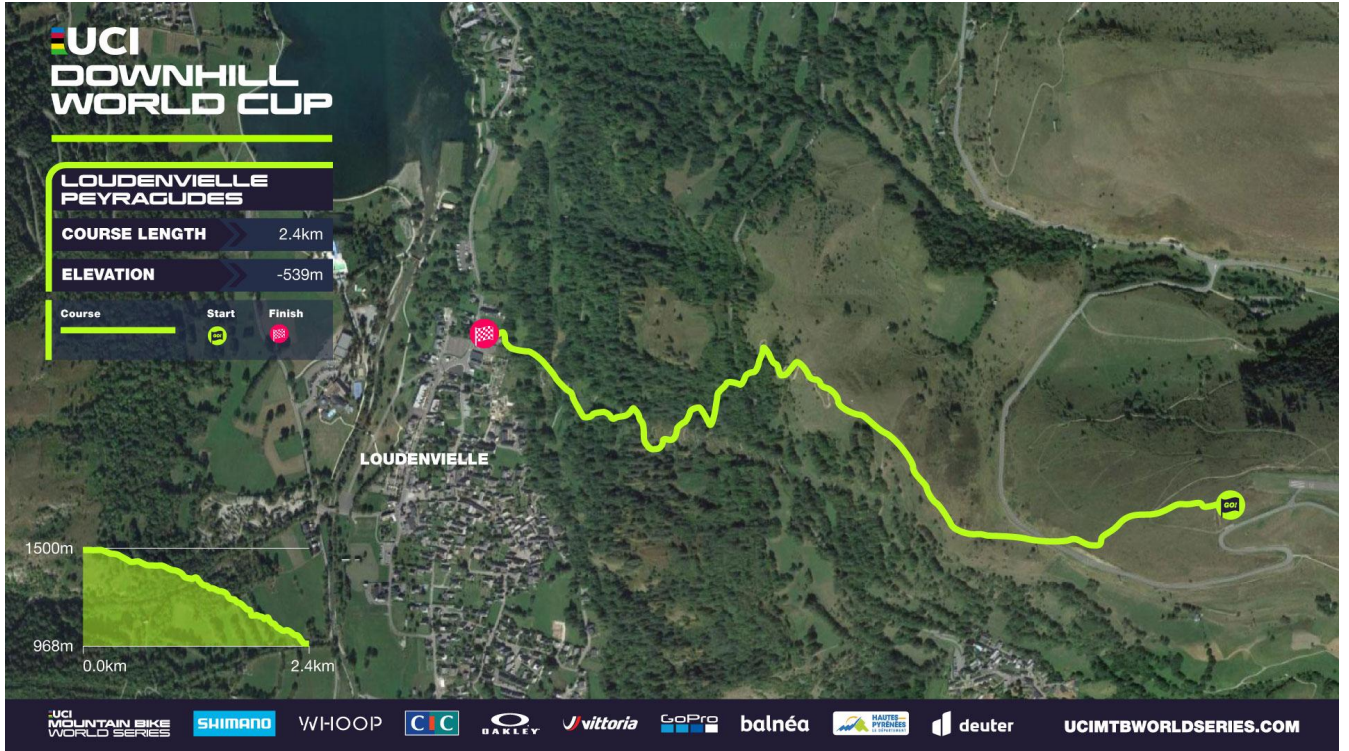


SPECTATOR MAP

www.pyreneesbikefestival.com



COURSE MAP - UCI DOWNHILL WORLD CUP (DHI)



Course Overview

Length: 2.6km
Start: Peyragudes Airport (Bottom)
Finish: Loudenvielle, Start of Skyvall Gondola
Descent: 540m

Cable Car: Skyvall Gondola

WARM UP: Start of DHI, white tent provided with flooring



5. ENTRIES | [return to menu](#)

EVENT ENTRY STRUCTURE OVERVIEW

	
RACE CATEGORIES	<p>Women Elite Men Elite</p> <p>Junior Women Junior Men</p>

RIDER REGISTRATION

All registrations for UCI Downhill World Cup categories can only be made by a UCI Elite MTB Team, UCI MTB Team or a National Federation with the UCI via Reg Online. .

UCI Registration Dates - 12:00 CET 17/08/2023 - 12:00 CET 28/08/2023

Qualification criteria can be found [here](#).

Team managers or Individual Riders must register their account on www.ucimtbworldseries.com to process payments (payments not required for UCI Elite Teams)

More information on How to Enter can be found [HERE](#).

RACE LICENSES

All riders must hold a valid UCI licence issued by their National Federation.

INSURANCE

Personal insurance coverage is not provided by the WBDS/Organisers.

Racers are responsible for securing their own accident, rescue, health, travel, property and liability insurance.

Racers should have the following insurance coverage:

- Bodily injury (in and out-patient hospital expenses and medical care, emergency rescue and medical transport costs, permanent disablement, death) and material damages (loss of earnings) in case of accident in the course of the Event or during training
- Third-party liability insurance for material damage or bodily injury caused to others in the course of the Event or during training.



DISCLAIMER / LIABILITY RELEASE

Racers voluntarily assume full and complete responsibility for all risks associated with participating in the Event and for any injury, accident or damage that may occur during their participation in the Event, including by way of example and not limitation: (a) travelling to and from the Event; (b) falls; (c) mechanical failures of equipment; (d) collisions with other participants, spectators and fixed or moving objects; (e) the effects of weather, including temperature extremes; (f) use of chairlifts, gondola or shuttle vehicles; (g) traffic accidents; (h) trail and road conditions; and (i) the negligence of themselves and/or others.

ENTRY FEES

UCI Elite Downhill World Cup: €150

UCI Junior Downhill World Cup: €80

Entries include all taxes and processing fees.

Entries will be processed through the centralised UCI MTB World Series entry system in EUROS (€) and to be paid prior to rider confirmation. (Excluding UCI Elite Teams). Therefore every rider must register their rider account on ucimtbworldseries.com and ensure their entry is processed directly with UCI via National Federations or UCI teams using Reg Online.

UCI Teams and National Federations can request to be invoiced by completing this form [HERE](#).

RIDER CONFIRMATION AND PLATE COLLECTION

LOCATION - Race Office, in-front of main stage (See Map-Purple Square)

Managers/coaches/parents can collect packages on behalf of racers, providing;

- The riders license is presented
- Parental Authorisation (If applicable)

World Cup DHI Individual riders not competing for a UCI Team or National Federation will be able to pay for their entry prior to rider confirmation on their UCI MTB World Series rider account, please bring with you your proof of payment to access the priority lane.

HOURS *(subject to change)*

Wednesday 30th August

14:00 - 14:45 - UCI Elite MTB Teams rider confirmation

14:45 - 15:30 - UCI MTB Teams rider confirmation

15:30 - 18:00 - All riders confirmation

Thursday 31st August

09:00 - 11:00 - All riders confirmation

Friday 1st September

08:00 - 10:00 - Final Rider Confirmation

Check in Deadline: Riders who have not collected plate / checked in by 10h00 Friday will not be included on the Start List. Altering, cutting, or placing of unauthorized stickers or sponsor logos on race plate is not permitted.

TEAM ACCREDITATION & SEASON PASSES

Season passes have now been distributed for the season.

No further accreditation provided, please bring your season passes. Lift passes will be provided at rider confirmation.



6. RACE LOGISTICS | [return to menu](#)

TRAINING

Training on the course must be made in the stipulated time slots within the [schedule](#).

No bikes are allowed on the course during the on foot downhill course inspection, the foot inspections will take place on Thursday 31st August at the following times.

10:00 - 11:00 - UCI Elite Teams foot inspection

11:00 - 13:00 - All riders foot inspection

All riders must display their handlebar number during training sessions and wear the required equipment protection of **FULL FACE HELMET, BACK and KNEE PROTECTION and GLOVES** are compulsory.

Riders must complete at least **two** training runs or they will be disqualified from the race.

The course will be closed for TV inspection on Wednesday 30th August 12:00 - 14:00.

The course will be closed for UCI inspection on Wednesday 30th August 14:00 - 16:00.

UPLIFTS

Skyvall Gondola from Loudenvielle to Peyragudes.

For Track walk, all staff must use their season passes to access the Gondola.

One 4 day lift pass will be provided per rider.

UCI Elite Teams will receive x2 4 day lift passes.

Standard Elite Teams will receive x1 4 day lift pass.

Additional lift passes are available to purchase at €26 per day Gondola only or €32 per day Gondola and Chairlift.

TIMING

Timing system: [Chronorace](#)

During the qualifying round, all transponders are collected at the finish. Racers must carry their Timing Chips on their bike.

New transponders will be distributed for Semi Finals & Finals.

All riders are responsible for the return of their transponder in the finish area. Any non-returned transponder will be invoiced 100 euros.



7. START LISTS & RESULTS | [return to menu](#)

START ORDER

The start order will be in accordance with Chapter XI of the [UCI MTB Rules](#).

Competition

The top 25 men juniors and top 10 women juniors from the qualifying round qualify for the final.

The top 60 men elite and top 15 women elite from the qualifying round qualify for the semi-final.

The top 30 men elite and top 10 women elite from the semi-finals qualify for the final. If the final cannot take place due to unforeseen circumstances, the last qualifying round to take place, including semi-final as the case may be, determines the final result.

The start area is drawn up according article 4.3.009 and a covered warm-up area must be provided close to the start area for the riders. Details on the start area and the start rails are indicated in the world cup organizers guide

LIVE TIMING and RESULTS

Race Feed and Live Timing: www.ucimtbworldseries.com & [Chronorace](#)

Official Results: www.ucimtbworldseries.com/results & [Chronorace](#)

AWARDS

The official ceremony takes place immediately after each race involved, unless specified otherwise.

Riders arriving later than 5 minutes after they finished their race are fined.

The following riders must attend:

- the first five riders in the elite events;
- the leader of the elite UCI World Cup standings after the event in question.
- the first three riders in the juniors events;
- the leader of the juniors UCI World Cup standings after the event in question;
- the team leading the team standings after the event in question (specified in article
- the team of the day.

Bicycles cannot be taken onto the podium. However, an area is provided in front of the podium to display the bicycle of the winner during the official ceremony

The winner and leader of the World Cup standing will be presented with the leaders jersey, the leaders jersey is compulsory to be worn by the World Cup leader at all remaining rounds, unless the World Champion is the leading rider, the World Champion jersey takes precedence.



PRIZE MONEY

Prize money will be paid in cash for the Top 10 Elite and Junior Riders.

Riders or Team Staff must attend to the race office between 30 minutes and 90 minutes after the results to collect the prize money.

If the money is not picked up after 90 minutes, it remains with the LOC.

8. RULES | [return to menu](#)

RACE RULES

All UCI MTB DHI World Cups will follow the **UCI Rules and Regulations**.

Race Director - Ludovic Henry

President of the Commissaires Panel - Erica Marin

For all trainings and races a **FULL FACE HELMET, BACK and KNEE PROTECTION and GLOVES** are compulsory.

FILMING RIGHTS AND REGULATIONS

Only official UCI Teams and partners will be allowed to film at Tier 1 events (subject to the terms of the WBDS Broadcast Rights Agreement).

Further rider camera waiver information can be found in the rider rights agreement available on your ride dashboard.

DOPING CONTROL

All riders entered into the event must comply with all Anti-Doping regulations and procedures if asked to do so. Failure to do so will result in disqualification from that event and further penalisation as deemed appropriate by WBDS. **Testing will be performed in accordance with the UCI regulations.**

WBDS will follow all ITA rules, protocols and procedures. It is the responsibility of all riders, teams, coaches to read and follow all advice and documents provided by ITA.

Anti-Doping location: Valgora Building Media Centre (See Venue Map) - Ground Floor



9. TEAMS | [return to menu](#)

TEAM AREA ACCESS

Contact onsite - Jasmines MERABET MARMONIER jasmines@pyreneesbikefestival.com / +33787668167

Arrival Times - DHI ARRIVAL TIME ZONES

- DHI paddocks have been set up in zones, based on the arrival times put in by teams on their booking forms.
- Please see attached in email the arrival sheet for what zone you are allocated.
- For those who are running ahead of time, there is no space in Loudenvielle for overnight parking outside of the paddocks.
- **Please do not arrive in town before your allotted time.**
- The LOC recommend the following locations to park overnight before arriving onsite for your

Location 1: Largest area is Aire du Comminges ([LOCATION LINK HERE](#))

Location 2: 10kms further which is smaller: the Aire du Pic du Midi ([LOCATION LINK HERE](#))

Both are the last rest areas on the highway before the exit and going on the smaller road.

Arrival zones - Please see sheet for detail:

Zone 1, monday 8-9am

Zone 2, monday 9-11am

Zone 3, monday 1-3pm

Zone 4, monday 3-5pm

- Location of the entrance of the main DH paddock: [Repère sur le plan](#)
- Location of the entrance of the secondary DH paddock: [Repère sur le plan](#)

Please note, there is no water supplied to paddocks and all bikes must be washed in the designated bike wash zones.

PARKING FOR PRIVATE CARS OF TEAM MEMBERS AND RIDERS

Parking available next to DHI paddock is free of charge, please note the number of parking passes here are restricted. 2 vehicles for Elite Teams, 1 vehicle for standard teams.

Car park stickers available to collect at the race office, please ensure the sticker is visible in your vehicle.

TEAM DE-RIG

Please be mindful not to derig your paddock the allocated time

DH Paddock : no departure before Sunday 4:00 PM

Those seeing doing so will receive €1000. Failure to pay will result in your entry to future events being denied.



10. VENUE LOGISTICS | [return to menu](#)

TRAVEL / TRANSPORTATION

BY PLANE

Tarbes-Lourdes. Airport shuttles available (FARRUS Voyage, +33(0)608775746 or +33(0)561790678

Further international airports are in Toulouse, France (162km away), Biarritz Airport (227km away). Andorra Airport (184km away).

VEHICLE HIRE

Car hire is available at most international airports with a variety of providers. For your information the following links will be of use.

www.booking.com / www.expedia.com

ACCOMMODATION

For accommodation in the local area the following links will be of use.

www.booking.com

www.airbnb.com

Loudenvielle Tourism Office - +33562999535 / info@vallee-du-louron.com

CAMPING

Campers allowed on DHI paddock B area.

Further camping available for bookings at www.loudenvielle.wellness-sport-camping.com

PARKING

There will be a free of charge car park available to all racers (Open and UCI World Cup) in Balnea, [HERE](#)

There is further public parking available in town which is signposted.



TOILETS

In venue

SHOWERS

Non available

WATER & RUBBISH

Water taps on site and at the bike wash stations.
Please respect selective waste sorting.

WI-FI & NETWORK

Free wifi at the race office and beer tent.
Orange is the best phone network.

POWER

Available by request only with paddock booking by the relevant deadline.

SECURITY

Paddock Security will be in place 20:00 - 07:00 Monday 28th August - Monday 4th September.. Days to be confirmed.

Please do not leave bikes or equipment unattended at any time. Although surveillance will be in place individuals are responsible for their personal property at all times.

BIKE SHOPS

Intersport - Loudenvielle
Ski Set Sport Mountain - Loudenvielle
Papy Bikes - Peyragudes

GROCERY SHOPS

Carrefour Montagne - Loudenvielle
Intermarche - Luchon
Intermarche - Ancizan

BIKE WASH

There are multiple bike washes available. Bike Wash areas must be used, there is to be no bike washing within the paddocks.
Please see the Event Map.

BANK MACHINES

Credit Agricole - Loudenvielle

OTHER RIDING OPTIONS

www.louronbikeandtrail.com - Magic Line, Candy, Privilege, Black Sheep

ACTIVITIES FOR NON-RACING PARTNERS and PLACES OF INTEREST

Spa at www.balnea.com , hiking and climbing, zip-line and sled at Peyragudes, Loudenvielle lake for water sports.

EVENT MERCHANDISE

Available in front of main stage.



11. MEDICAL | [return to menu](#)

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Telephone number for emergency dispatch:

Ambulance Services: 112

Police Services: 17

Fire Services: 18

Medical Point will be located near the DHI Paddock, provided by Mountain Medic Events.

NEAREST CLINIC / HOSPITAL

The nearest Hospital is in Lannemezan, France, 43km away.

644 Rte de Toulouse, 65300 Lannemezan, France

<http://www.ch-lannemezan.fr/>

MASSAGE and PHYSIOTHERAPY

Maison de Santé Loudenvielle - Fabienne Gourbeyre +33(0) 686731855

Monday, Friday and Saturday Morning 08:00 - 11:00

Wednesday - Thursday Morning 08:00 - 10:00

Thursday - Saturday Evening 18:00 - 20:00

Location available [HERE](#).

MEDICAL AND CONCUSSION PROTOCOL

WBD & the UCI are committed to improving rider safety & ensuring that athletes taking part in our events receive the highest standard of medical care possible. One area where we want to ensure consistency across all MTB disciplines at our events is the identification of potential rider head injury / concussion events & the subsequent assessment & medical diagnosis of concussions where necessary.

The UCI have a [concussion protocol](#) & we will, in conjunction with the LOC appointed medical team, be applying this protocol across all disciplines during training & races.

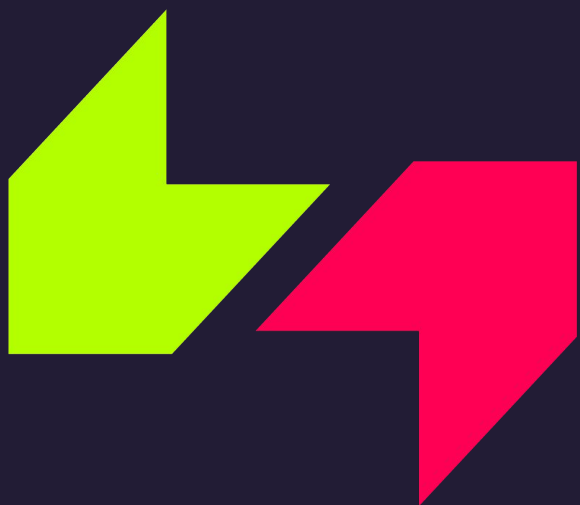
Any rider who has an incident which could result in a head injury / concussion & is then asked to undergo a concussion assessment by a member of the event medic team must comply with this request. Likewise, any rider or team manager who suspects a concussion should refer themselves or their athlete to the event medical team as soon as possible. A positive diagnosis of concussion by a medical professional may result in that athlete being withdrawn from competition.

For full details of the UCI concussion protocol, the assessment process & the return to play process please follow this [link](#).



UCI
MOUNTAIN BIKE
WORLD SERIES

UCI
DOWNHILL
WORLD CUP



SEE YOU AT THE RACES!

For any queries please contact us at
sportsservices@eso-sports.com

