

# EVENT MANUAL



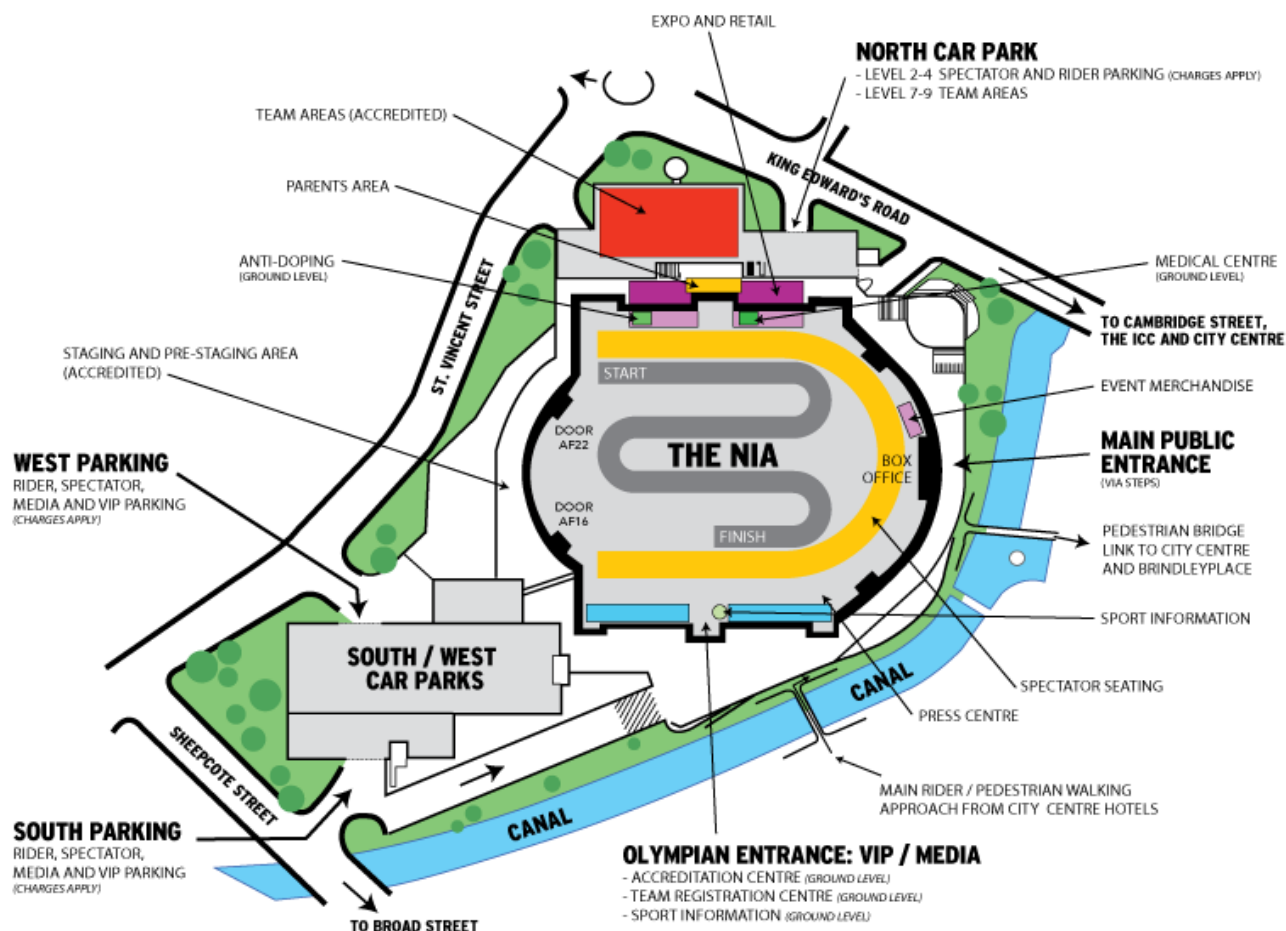
## Welcome

Welcome to the 2012 UCI BMX World Championships. Birmingham City Council, UK Sport and British Cycling aim to stage a World Championships that provides a fantastic experience for everyone. The NIA is one of the country's foremost venues with a great history of hosting spectacular sports events and concerts whilst Birmingham is a wonderful city with plenty to offer everyone, we hope you enjoy your stay.

There have been some changes from previous World Championships, the ticketing and the location in the heart of one of UK's largest most vibrant cities is new to everyone so please read the information you are given and check the website [www.bmxworldchamps.com](http://www.bmxworldchamps.com).

The Local Organising Committee extends its best wishes to everyone attending the 2012 UCI BMX World Championships in Birmingham.

## Venue Map



## **Sport Information**

Sport information is located at the Olympian Suite / Waterfront cafe entrance. Team Mangers and riders can get information here about the competition, ask questions about local services and get other general information.

## **Accreditation**

Accreditation Centre Location - Waterfront cafe

Accreditation centre is open 10:00 - 18:00 on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> and then as per the schedule.

Accreditation must be have applied for in advance via the online system and accepted by the UCI. The UCI have the right to reject or remove accreditation at any time.

## **Registration**

Registration Centre Location - Waterfront cafe

The Registration Centre will be open for confirmation of the riders, collection of number boards and rider wrist bands from 12:00 to 17:00 at the NIA on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May (09:00 – 17:00 Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> and 09:00 – 11:00 Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>)

The Team Manager must show their accreditation to be able to collect race packs therefore should go to accreditation first.

Team manager must collect all info on behalf of their Country team. There will be a separate registration for Championship and Challenge Classes.

Race Licences must be shown and hotel details must be confirmed for all Championship entries

Payment for riders must have been received before riders wrist bands and number boards will be released.

This will be a very busy area ensure Team Managers must plan time to go through accreditation and registration processes for your team.

## **Team Area**

Location - North car park – levels 7-9

Only accessible through the WINGS checkpoint

Country Team areas are pre allocated

ONLY people with appropriate accreditation and riders wearing a rider wristband will be allowed in the Team Area. Parents will not be allowed to enter with riders.

Riders must wear their wrist band at all times (replacement wrist bands will be charged)

Team Areas are only accessible to riders riding that day.

NO Smoking in the team areas. The Team Areas are undercover in a parking lot and as such smoking in this area is illegal in England.

## **Bike Security**

### **NO bikes will be allowed in the parents area or arena concourse**

Birmingham is one of the safest major cities in the UK, however it is a major city with a population of over 1 million people and therefore the usual security precautions should be taken when visiting any major city.

All riders should never leave bikes unlocked outside the Team Area. Even where bike parking is supplied riders are expected to lock their bike in the area provided. **All riders leave their bikes unattended at their own risk**

## **Parents Area**

Located on the concourse between the pit and pre-staging areas to allow parents to see their children on the way to pre-staging before they race.

There will be no access to the Team Area's or Pre staging for parents, only people with the appropriate accreditation will be able to access these areas.

Riders should use this entrance to access the arena seating on all days EXCEPT Friday and Saturday Evening.

There is no access to the parents area from the concourse, it is only accessible from inside the arena.

### **Pre Staging**

Pre staging is on the concourse level

It is only accessible to riders and team managers and assistants with the appropriate accreditation.

ONLY Team Managers and coaches are able access the balcony area.

Riders should only go to pre-staging when their race group is displayed / called.

### **Track Practice**

See the schedule for practice allocation.

During practice riders are able to use the alternative route up to pre-staging from the finish – this route is only available during practice.

It is the responsibility of Team Managers from different countries to organise the practice session and to agree the time dedicated to open practice and gate practice

### **Team Managers areas**

There are two areas reserved for Team Managers

- 1) Arena balcony – this gives a clear view of the finish line – team managers and coaches will be able to challenge results in this area if required. Team managers should not need to access the finish area on the Arena Floor
- 2) Block 1 – This gives a clear view of the start ramp.

Both these areas are only available to Team Managers (no assistants) and Coaches

### **Videographers/ Analysts Area**

A small area at the back of the stands in block 3 has been provided to allow official Country team videographers / analysts an area to take race footage. Only this area is available. Only one videographers / analyst from each country should use this area. The usage of tripods is not permitted.

## **Tickets**

Tickets are available via the link in the official website [www.bmxworldchamps.com](http://www.bmxworldchamps.com). The ticket box office will be open from 9-5 on official practice days. Tickets are not guaranteed and if you are travelling a long way to the World Championships we strongly recommend you purchase tickets before you arrive at the venue.

**Important – All unaccredited personnel (including riders) must have a ticket to take a seat in the arena on Friday evening and Saturday evening show sessions. More information / explanation of ticketing is available at [www.bmxworldchamps.com/Rider](http://www.bmxworldchamps.com/Rider)**

All Riders participating at the World Championships in Birmingham will receive a WINGS accreditation wristband that will grant access to the required areas of the arena, including spectator seating, for all sessions EXCEPT the Friday and Saturday evening.

Riders who wish to watch the racing from the spectator seating on these evenings will be required to purchase a special 'Rider Ticket' offering a 15% discount off standard prices.

Riders do not require a ticket for all Thursday, Friday day, Saturday day and all Sunday racing.

Moto passes only allow access to all Thursday, Friday day, Saturday day and all Sunday racing.

## **Arena Clearing**

On Friday and Saturday the arena will be completely cleared in between sessions. This means that everyone will need to leave the arena seating and concourse whilst they are prepared for the evening shows. Team areas will remain open at this time.

## **VIP**

VIP access is through the Olympian Suite entrance.

VIP Passes must be collected on arrival and worn at all times to access the VIP suites. Seats are reserved for VIPs in block 10

## **Parking**

Chargeable parking for all vehicles under 2.1m high is available in the South and West car parks at the arena. Costs are: up to £8 / day and are not controlled by the event.

It is suggested that vehicles over 2.1m high look to off street parking Clement Street, Edward Street, Scotland Street which are all pay and display. There is also a couple of open air car parks off Broad Street. Costs for these vary and are not controlled by the event.

Other parking is available close by the Arena at different rates.

Country Support Team Vehicle parking is parking is above the Team Area (For entrance follow 'Arena Services' signs). Space is only available to country support vehicles and by application only (one per nation). This is accessed via the alternative entrance on St Vincent's Street – please leave time to get to your position as you will need to display the pass and be escorted in to place.

Teams must collect accreditation first **before** access will be granted to this parking in this area.

### **Opening Ceremony**

The opening Ceremony will take place in the NIA on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May starting after practice at 18:00. The ceremony is free to watch, make sure you attend to represent and support your Country.

One rider will have the honour of representing their country in the opening ceremony. They must be able to carry the flag and be responsible. Team Managers should supply this name at Registration.

### **Medical**

There is a full medical team in attendance at the world championships. The arena floor is not accessible direct from the arena seating. All injured riders requiring treatment will be taken to the medical room for assessment.

Parents of injured riders should go to the Olympian suite entrance to be accompanied to the Medical room.

Spectator Medical facilities are available on the concourse during open periods.

### **Anti doping**

The anti-doping suite is located as per the map on the arena floor level. It is the riders responsibility to ensure they report to the testing room within the allocated time.

A list of riders required for testing will be posted at the entrance to the Team Area and Anti-Doping station.

### **Media / photographers**

All press must pre register through the UCI online accreditation system. The UCI must accept accreditation requests before admittance will be allowed. Media accreditation must be collected at the accreditation centre before proceeding to the press room.

The press room is located on the arena floor level and is sign posted from the accreditation centre. An area of seats is reserved in block 10 for people with media accreditation to watch the action.

There will be a meeting with all media to ensure a fluid organisation for all media.

### **Winners Ceremonies**

Elite, Junior and Masters finalists positions 1,2,3 and All Challenge finalists 1- 8 and will go straight to the ceremonies waiting area following completion of their race. This is to allow for smooth preparation of the prize giving ceremonies.

The ceremonies area is accredited therefore only riders and Team Managers can access this area. Family members should stay in their seats until the ceremony has finished.

### **Camping**

There is a World Championships Official campsite at Perry Park (5.5 mile/ 8km from the NIA) with access (at extra charge) to Perry Park BMX track for training.

Check the website for information and how to book

[www.bmxworldchamps.com/Rider/Article/596/1](http://www.bmxworldchamps.com/Rider/Article/596/1) .

There is a bus shuttle service available from the official campsite to the NIA. Please note that should you wish to park vehicles at the NIA all parking will be in public car parks and you will be charged the standard tariffs.

### **Extra Training**

Extra unofficial training is available at Perry Park BMX track run by the local Birmingham BMX Club. It is one of the country's best outdoor BMX tracks with a 5 metre start ramp.

The fee for taking part in a two hour training session at Perry Park is £5 per rider if you book in advance and £7 per rider for bookings on the day. Please note that a maximum of 100 riders will be allocated per two hour session.

(All fees for training goes to support Birmingham BMX Club)

A car park specifically for riders using the Perry Park training track will be available at a cost of £4 per day OR riders can choose to buy into the transport package at a cost of £25 for the week.

### **Team Managers Meetings**

Team Managers meetings will take place in the Olympian Suite.

- 17:15 Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May
- 18:50 Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May
- 18:00 Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Please check Sport Information for any time changes. Other meetings may be arranged if required.



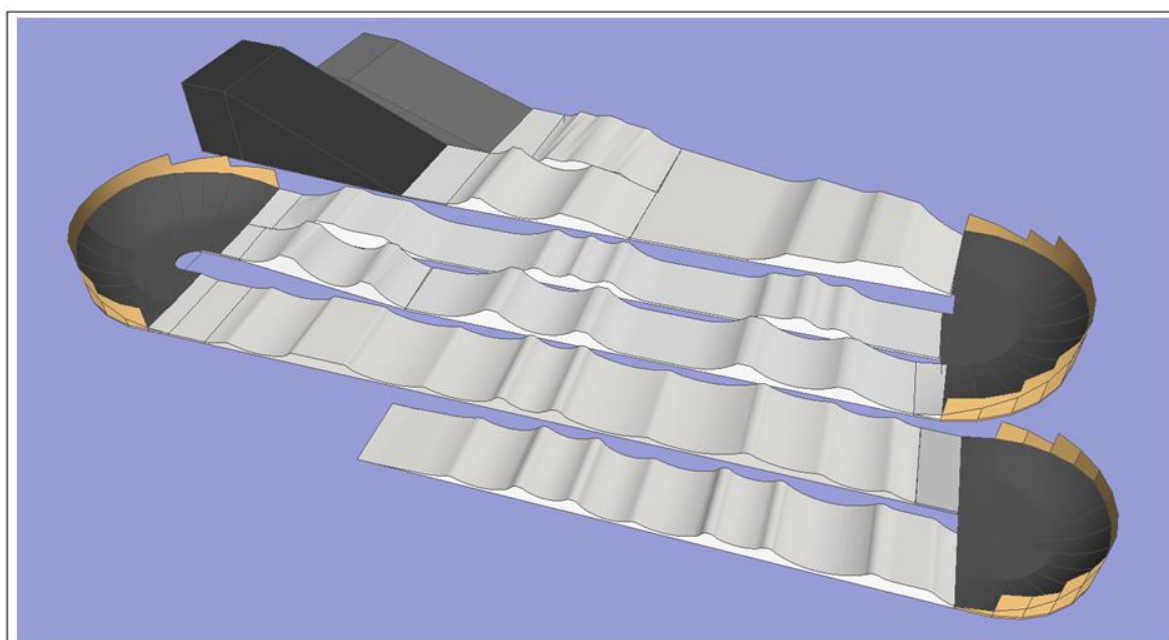
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### UCI BMX Convention

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May: 18:00-21:00 Olympian Suite

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### Track Plan



The track is available to view on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May from the stands from 1pm – 4pm only

### Official Event Merchandise

Official Event Merchandise partner to the BMX world Championships is Faithwear, they are located on the concourse by the box office entrance.

### **Expo and Retail**

Chain Reaction Cycles the official retail partner to the BMX World Championships and other brands are exhibiting and retailing on the concourse and in the parents zone, be sure to check them out the latest gear and all the spares you need.

### **Official After-party**

The official after party is organised in one of the most famous clubs in the UK, Gatecrasher. Located on Birmingham famous Broad Street experience some of the legendary nightlife that Birmingham has to offer. It takes place on Saturday night after the Elite racing. People must be over 18 to attend due to UK licensing Laws.

### **Updates and Information**

All updates that have been distributed previously and information is available on the official event website [www.bmxworldchamps.com](http://www.bmxworldchamps.com)

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