



Expression of Interest (EOI) - 2025 FIM Motocross of Nations

Motorcycling New Zealand, is gauging the level of interest and suitability of riders interested in representing New Zealand at the 2025 Motocross of Nations to be held in America, at the Ironman Raceway Indiana, from the 3rd to 5th October 2025.

Your expression of interest will allow Motorcycling New Zealand will help the selectors understand who is available to participate, and who meets the selection criteria.

Selectors will make their final decision from the riders who have submitted an expression of interest.

Motorcycling New Zealand will provide financial and administrative support for the team, but applicants should be aware that there **will** be a rider contribution required in 2025. Details of rider expenses will be confirmed at a later date. The time commitment, to be away from New Zealand for this event, is approximately 7 days however further details will be provided at a later date.

Please return your completed application form to Motorcycling New Zealand, jannine@mnz.co.nz by **5:00 PM, 31st May 2025**.

- Once your application has been received, you will receive an acknowledgement within two working days. If you do not receive this acknowledgment, please contact the MNZ Office (ph. 07 8287 852) to confirm that your EOI has been received.

Personal Details

(Please use block letters)

First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Passport Number: _____

Expiry Date: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Nationality: _____

MNZ Licence Number: _____

Class(es) Entering: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Postcode: _____

Mobile Phone: _____ Email: _____

Team Name/Manager (if applicable): _____

Team Manager Contact: Phone: _____

Email: _____

FIM Motocross of Nations Rules and Regulations

The rules and regulations of the FIM Motocross of Nations may differ from MA events. It is the rider's responsibility to read and understand these rules and regulations, which can be found at:

<http://www.fim-live.com/en/sport/regulations-and-documents/motocrossof-nations/>

Declaration

I acknowledge that I have reviewed the rules and regulations governing the 2024 FIM Motocross of Nations, and I have applied for a position on the New Zealand Team in full understanding of these rules, along with the selection criteria. I confirm that my New Zealand passport is current and valid. I declare that the information I have provided is true and correct.

I agree to a phone interview with a member(s) of the selection panel. I acknowledge that I will accept the decisions made by the selection panel and accept that MNZ may decide not to select a team for the 2025 Motocross of Nations

Rider's Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

If the rider is under 18 years of age at the time of signing, the form must also be signed by a parent or guardian.

Guardian Signature (if under 18): _____

Guardian Name: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Date: _____

Rider Application Form Conditions

1. I confirm that I have been provided access to the New Zealand Selection Criteria for the 2025 Motocross of Nations, and I agree to comply with and be bound by the terms of that criteria.
2. I agree to be bound by:
 - a. The MNZ Constitution
 - b. MNZ policies, including all anti-doping rules and policies
 - c. The rules of any international competition I attend with MNZ
 - d. I will wear all team apparel provided by MNZ at all times while present at the track or

during press opportunities. This includes the race jersey, which may be supplied by MNZ or an approved brand jersey from my gear sponsors.

3. I meet the eligibility requirements outlined in the MNZ Selection Criteria for the 2025 Motocross of Nations.
4. I will notify MNZ of any changes to my contact details. I understand that failure to do so may affect the selection process and any official announcements.
5. By applying for the MXON event and if selected as a team rider, I confirm my attendance at the Battle of the Clubs event, either racing for my club or representing the club supporting the MXON event. If racing overseas, no obligation exists for this event.
6. I agree that MNZ may collect personal information about me for the purposes of consideration and selection.
7. I agree to participate in a fitness test coordinated with the team managers and agreed training clinics, prior to the event if selected. Results from events like the New Zealand Motocross Championships or other significant open events in New Zealand or International Competition will also be considered.

Performance Considerations

The following performance details will be taken into account during the selection process:

Past Experience at FIM Motocross of Nations (if applicable):

Overall Result & Class: _____

Description of Performance: _____

Results at 2025 New Zealand Motocross Championships (if applicable):

Overall Result & Class: _____

Description of Performance: _____

If you were unable to compete in the 2025 New Zealand Championships, please explain:

If you competed Internationally in 2024 and/or 2025, please outline your results

Overall Result & Class: _____

Description of Performance: _____

Provide by a sperate document, any additional information to support your application.

2025 FIM Motocross of Nations - Selection Criteria

The following selection criteria outline the key performance benchmarks and expectations for riders wishing to be considered for the 2025 New Zealand Team for the FIM Motocross of Nations (MXON). These criteria are designed to ensure that selected riders are equipped with the necessary skills, experience, and professionalism to represent New Zealand at an international level. The selection process will take into account a combination of individual results, physical fitness, mental aptitude, and commitment to the team.

Each benchmark is weighted relative to its importance in ensuring the success of the team, and results are considered individually with attention to the rider's specific context, including riders on a New Zealand passport but not currently based in New Zealand.

Selection Criteria & Breakdown

1. **Expected Speed**

The anticipated speed of the rider relative to the competition at the FIM Motocross of Nations. This is based on prior performance at national and international events, and the ability to compete against top-tier riders globally.

Riders will be assessed based on their historical performance and projected potential on the international stage.

2. **Expected Fitness**

The rider's overall fitness and conditioning level, ensuring they are prepared for the physical demands of the MXON.

Riders must demonstrate peak physical fitness with the ability to sustain high performance across multiple motos.

3. **Mental Aptitude & Reliability**

A rider's ability to maintain focus, manage pressure, and perform consistently under high-stress situations. This also includes their ability to contribute positively to the team atmosphere.

The rider's mental strength, consistency, and reliability in achieving results in both national and international competitions will be considered.

4. **Current Speed**

The rider's present race performance in national and international events.

This refers to the rider's current ability and competitive edge, assessed through recent race results and consistency in performance in the last 12 months.

5. **Current Fitness**

Rider's current level of fitness as it pertains to race performance and endurance.

Fitness will be judged based on observable performance improvements, personal fitness achievements, and other fitness markers. We reserve the right to include fitness testing.

6. **24-Month Results**

The rider's performance results over the last two years, including results at significant domestic and international events.

Consistent podium finishes, top placements, and improvements over the last 24 months will weigh heavily in the selection process.

7. **International Campaign**

Rider's experience in international racing, including performance in overseas events.

Results and experience from past international campaigns, including the FIM Motocross

World Championship, Motocross of Nations, or other significant competitions. Performance will be evaluated in the context of the level of competition.

8. **Consistency**

Consistent results at national and international events.

Riders must demonstrate consistency in performance across multiple events, indicating that they can reliably perform at a high level.

9. **Current Injuries / Health**

The rider's current health status, including any injuries or health issues that could affect their performance or availability.

Consideration will be given to any injuries, recovery status, and the rider's ability to race without medical restrictions.

10. **Gate Drops (current racing)**

Frequency and quality of gate drops in current competitions.

Riders should be actively competing in races to demonstrate readiness and race craft. The volume and quality of races entered will be considered, with an emphasis on participation in national and international competitions.

11. **National Campaign**

Performance in the New Zealand Motocross Championship or other significant national events.

Results in New Zealand's premier motocross events will be taken into consideration for selection.

12. **Experience in Racing at Ironman Raceway USA**

Description: Familiarity with racing at Ironman Raceway (host of the MXON).

Experience racing at the Ironman Raceway circuit is highly valued.

13. **MXON Experience**

Previous participation or experience in the FIM Motocross of Nations.

Prior experience at the MXON is a significant advantage. The ability to perform on the world stage in this prestigious event is an asset.

14. **Bike Availability**

The rider's access to competitive, well-maintained bikes that meet the specifications for the MXON.

The ability to access top-tier equipment and maintain the necessary technical standards for international competition will be considered.

15. **Team Infrastructure**

The support network available to the rider, including team structure, mechanics, and logistical support.

The backing of strong team infrastructure is preferred, as often they are more likely to perform well in high-pressure situations.

16. **Motivation**

The rider's drive, dedication, and passion for representing New Zealand at the MXON.

A rider's motivation to be part of the New Zealand team is key to their selection. A strong desire to represent the country and contribute to the team's success will be considered.

17. **Team Player**

The rider's ability to work well with teammates, contribute to team dynamics, and follow team directives.

The rider must demonstrate to be able to follow team directives. As well as having effective communication, mutual respect, and a supportive attitude towards teammates and management, contributing to a positive and collaborative team environment.

18. **Professionalism**

The rider's behaviour, commitment to the sport, and adherence to professional standards both on and off the track.

Professionalism includes conduct at events, respect for sponsors, the media, and all stakeholders, as well as a demonstrated commitment to the sport and team values.

Additional Considerations:

- **Riders on a New Zealand Passport but Not Based in New Zealand:**
While New Zealand passport holders are eligible for selection, their residency status (not based in New Zealand) will be considered in the context of their competitive environment, training base, and international racing schedule. This will ensure that the selection process remains fair and consistent.
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Final Selection Process:

Riders will be assessed based on the total accumulated scores derived from the criteria outlined above. A final selection panel will consider all individual scores, ensuring the best possible riders are chosen based on their overall performance, commitment, and readiness to represent New Zealand at the 2025 FIM Motocross of Nations.