



USAC/ACA

2012 Track Categorization Guidelines



Track Requirement by Category

- 5 → 4: Complete a Velodrome Class or 4 race days.
- 4 → 3: 5 race days and 20 points
- 3 → 2: 5 race days and 25 points
- 2 → 1: 5 race days and 30 points

Track Points

Event	Points
National Championships	7-5-4-3-2-1 (each event)
Category A, B, C Track Races	7-5-4-3-2-1 (each event)
Category D, E Track Races	5-3-2-1 (based on an omnium of the event's races)
USAC Rider Education Clinics (must be at least ½ day)	5 → 4 : counts as 3 qualifying races
	4 → 3: 4 upgrade points
	3 → 2: 3 upgrade points

Additional Considerations

1. Ten person field minimum for category 3-5, 20-person field minimum for upgrade to category 1.
2. Fifty percent of upgrading points and number times raced will be carried over to the next year.
3. When upgrading to Cat. 1, points earned need to be from more than one velodrome
4. A race day is defined as a one full day of racing. A race day can include a number of events such as a kilometer, sprints or time trial, but it only counts as one race day.
5. Women and Juniors earn one point for every five race days when upgrading from Cat. 4 through Cat. 2.
6. Races exempt from upgrading are Youth races and races of more than two categories (i.e.: "A" and "B" races).
7. Riders who are Pro or category 1 on the road may be upgraded to category 2 on the track and riders who are category 2 on the road may be upgraded to category 3 on the track without first having to begin at category 5.

Track Downgrades

A rider may be downgraded for the following reasons: unsafe riding; lack of ability to compete in current category; or lack of placing within current category.