

The licence commission may refuse the licence because of a resemblance of the name of a new UCI Women's WorldTeam, its paying agent or its principal partners which is likely to create confusion with another UCI Women's WorldTeam.

2.13.132 The nationality of the UCI Women's WorldTeam is determined, at the choice of the UCI Women's WorldTeam, by:

1. the country of the registered office of the paying agent; or
2. a country where a product or service is marketed by the or a main sponsor under the name of the UCI Women's WorldTeam or of a component of this name.

The UCI administration must be informed of this choice at the latest by 1st October before the first year of the licence. Failure to do so will result in the nationality of the UCI Women's WorldTeam being determined by the country of the registered office of the paying agent.

2.13.133 The choice of the nationality of the country of the registered office of the paying agent is valid for the entire duration of the licence and cannot be changed, subject to the approval of a new paying agent having their registered office in another country, in accordance with article 2.13.160. In the latter case, the UCI Women's WorldTeam may make another choice in accordance with article 2.13.132. The choice of the nationality of a country where a product or service is marketed by the or a main sponsor under the UCI Women's WorldTeam's name or a component of this name is valid for the entire duration of the licence and cannot be changed except if the main sponsor concerned no longer holds this status. In the latter case, the UCI Women's WorldTeam may make another choice in accordance with article 2.13.132.

The change of nationality comes into effect on 1st January following its notification to the UCI administration.

2.13.134 The members of UCI Women's WorldTeams may have no link with the members of other UCI Women's WorldTeams or with UCI women's continental teams likely to challenge or be perceived to challenge the integrity of the competition or sporting fairness. In particular, it would be considered that any common main sponsor, ownership structure, shareholding or senior managers between these teams challenges the integrity of the competition and/or sporting fairness.

2.13.135 The members of UCI Women's WorldTeams may have no link with a UCI Women's WorldTour event likely to challenge or be perceived to challenge the integrity of the competition or sporting fairness. In particular, it would be considered that any common ownership structure, shareholding or senior managers between a UCI Women's WorldTour event and a UCI Women's WorldTeam challenges the integrity of the competition and/or sporting fairness.

2.13.136 During the licence application and registration procedures it shall be the duty of the team to indicate the presence or potential existence of a link with a team or an organiser as described in the previous articles.

2.13.137 In the event that the UCI should discover the presence of such a link as referred to in articles 2.13.134 or 2.13.135, the UCI Women's WorldTeam concerned shall be subject to a fine of CHF 3,000 to 10,000. The UCI administration may either set a time limit for the situation to be rectified or refer the case to the licence commission in accordance with article 2.13.066.