

Éire Óg Cycling Club Motion for 2020 Cycling Ireland AGM

Motion Proposed: Youth riders of 15 and over may be allowed to ride club league events providing it is allowed within the specific club rules. Riders are still restricted to youth gear roll out limits and distance limits.

"Youth riders of 15 years and older may be allowed to ride Club League events providing it is allowed within the specific league rules and provided that such Club League events are run on a handicap basis. Riders will be restricted to youth Gear rollout and distance limits at any such event."

At the moment the CI rules say that youth riders are not allowed to compete in adult races without the permission of the national development coach but some leagues are allowing it to happen as an unwritten rule. If the motion is passed it will bring this in line with CI regulations and clarify where and when youth riders can compete with senior riders.

The reasoning behind the specific age of 15 rather than using the U16 age bracket is that this could potentially lead to very young riders riding against adults which we feel is not appropriate but will allow the stronger U16 riders to develop as they are heading towards the Junior category.