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### **Master Team Upgrades for Road**

The OCA Upgrade/Downgrade Committee has reviewed the policy regarding road upgrades and has made an amendment to include the addition of Master Team Upgrade Requests.

Under this new amendment, teams with individuals currently racing in the category below that of the rest of the members of the team, may have their team manager/coach make a request on their behalf to upgrade for the purpose of riding with the rest of the team. This would apply for riders racing M3 currently who would like to race on an M2 team or M2 riders wanting to race on an M1 team.

As part of the upgrade process, the Committee has requested that ALL requests that have to do with "Team Upgrades" must be submitted by the team Manager or Coach (simultaneously) and must clearly exhibit that the team is sufficiently organized and that each individual has demonstrated adequate experience. Note that each request will still be judged individually but a formal group submission will assist the committee in understanding the focus and makeup of the team as a whole.

The Committee will not be considering upgrades from M3-M1 unless the individual can show previous cycling experience at an Elite 1/2 Level.

For all other individual requests, the committee will continue to take requests using the Upgrade/Downgrade request form found on the OCA website. Requests will go out every second Tuesday starting March 01 so be sure to make your request well in advance of your desired race.