Regulations – Cyclotour du Léman 2026

« no race, just pace »

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1. Purpose and Applicability

Participation in the Cyclotour du Léman 2026 (referred to the "Event") requires the explicit acceptance of these regulations.

All registered persons (individually the "Participant", collectively the "Participants"), regardless of the chosen route (Lausanne–Lausanne, Évian–Lausanne, Lausanne–Évian), are subject to these terms of participation.

2. Organisation

The Cyclotour du Léman is a cycling tour for cycling enthusiasts aged 16 and over, organised by the Association Cyclotour du Léman (referred to the "Organisation").

This is not a race: there is no timing and no ranking.

The following are considered part of the Organisation: all volunteers, referees, road captains, motorcyclists, and event officials.

The 23rd edition will take place on Sunday, 18 October 2026.

3. Conditions of Participation, General Conduct and Sanctions

Participants undertake, for the entire duration of the Event, to:

- comply with all provisions of these regulations;
- comply with all laws and regulations in force in Switzerland and France, in particular criminal law and traffic rules (SVG in Switzerland, Code de la route in France);
- observe the Event's specific signage as well as the course marshals;
- use cycle paths whenever possible;
- ride in single file;
- adapt their speed to traffic conditions and the condition of the infrastructure;
- where safety conditions allow, not exceed the maximum permitted speed of 30 km/h within towns and 35 km/h outside towns;
- behave in a sporting and fair manner;
- always pay attention to their own safety and that of other road users (cyclists, pedestrians, motorists, etc.);
- refrain from any offensive or disrespectful remarks.

Possible sanctions:

- Automatic exclusion: Any violation of these regulations, traffic rules, or instructions from the authorities or the Organisation leads immediately to disqualification and a ban on participating in the following edition.
- The application of sanctions is at the sole discretion of the Organisation.
- Transmission of participants' data to the authorities in the event of a violation of a regulation imposed by the authorities.

4. Registration and Cancellations

4.1 Conditions of Participation

Any person aged 16 or over may participate, regardless of whether they hold a sports licence.

All participants must be sufficiently trained and physically fit to take part. A medical examination is recommended.

4.2 Registration Procedure

- Registration is carried out exclusively online at www.cyclotour.ch, subject to availability.
- Minors under the age of 18 must send a written parental consent form by email to info@cyclotour.ch.
- Participants residing in France must also submit a valid medical certificate by email.
- The order of registrations is determined by the date payment is received.
- The maximum number of participants is limited to 4,000 people.

4.3 Changes to Registration

- Changes are possible by email until 30 September 2026.
- Changes only take effect once the corresponding fees have been paid.
- The original registration fees and any reserved options will not be refunded.
- In the event of a category change, the benefits of the starter package are automatically adjusted. In the event of a reduction in benefits, there is no entitlement to a refund
- Transferring a registration to another person is not permitted and will result in permanent exclusion from the Event.

4.4 Cancellations

In principle, all registrations are binding and final.

No refund will be given in the following cases:

- illness or accident;
- pre-existing health problems at the time of registration;
- non-participation for personal reasons;
- booking errors.

However, participants may choose the cancellation option during the registration process (see the corresponding external terms).

External terms: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xwcAxRnvqy1kJwkkXVfINLAUQNbl2rmK/view

5. Collection and Wearing of the Bib Number

- Each participant will receive a bib number in advance.
- Collection is only possible upon presentation of an official ID and the registration confirmation.
- The bib number must be worn clearly visible and must not be folded.
- The bib number plate must be attached to the bicycle and, where applicable, the sticker to the helmet.
- Participation is not possible without a bib number.

6. Safety, Signage and Traffic Rules

The route remains open to normal road traffic.

Participants undertake to:

- always stay on the official route;
- follow the official signage;
- find out about the route in advance;
- appear at the start with a front light and a rear light.

6.1 Compliance with Traffic Rules

Participants undertake in particular to:

- use the designated cycle paths;
- ride on the right-hand side of the road;
- navigate roundabouts correctly;
- observe all traffic signs and signals;
- ride in single file;
- adapt their speed to traffic conditions and the condition of the infrastructure;
- Speed must be adapted at all times to traffic, road, and visibility conditions. The maximum permitted speed is 30 km/h within towns and 35 km/h outside towns.

6.2 Further Safety Requirements

- Wearing a helmet is mandatory.
- The emergency information on the back of the bib number must be filled in completely.
- Each participant must carry a valid ID with them.
- Time-trial bicycles, fully faired recumbent bicycles, and aerodynamic handlebar extensions are prohibited.
- Fast e-bikes (45 km/h) are not permitted.
- Escort or support vehicles are not permitted.
- Participants are themselves responsible for the condition of their equipment.

7. Time Limits

Lausanne – Lausanne route

- Évian checkpoint: after 10:50 a.m. → exclusion.
- Pregny-Chambésy checkpoint: after 1:58 p.m. → exclusion.

Évian – Lausanne route

- Pregny-Chambésy checkpoint: after 11:15 a.m. → exclusion.

Lausanne – Évian route

- Arrival in Évian, including refreshments: before 11:00 a.m.

Closing of the finish line in Lausanne:

- 4:30 p.m.

After this time, responsibility lies entirely with the participant. Participants who continue on the route beyond the time limits are no longer considered part of the cycling tour.

8. Refreshment Stations, Slow Zones and Mandatory Stops

Along the route there are:

- refreshment stations (optional);
- slow zones (reduced speed);
- safety stops (STOP): dismount from the bicycle and come to a complete stop.

The locations will be announced before the Event. Failure to comply with these instructions will result in sanctions in accordance with Section 3.

9. Transport

- Travel to the start location is the responsibility of the participant.
- For the Évian–Lausanne and Lausanne–Évian routes, the Organisation provides a free boat ticket valid on the day of the Event.
- Participants on the Lausanne–Lausanne route who voluntarily decide to stop in Évian and return must purchase their own ticket.

10. Image Rights

Participants authorise the Organisation to use photos and videos in which they appear for promotional purposes without financial compensation. An objection may be submitted in writing no later than 10 days before the Event.

11. Photo Service Provider: Sportograf

Sportograf Digital Solutions GmbH is the official photo partner of the Event.

Photos and videos may be taken during the Event and matched to participants using their bib number or an image recognition algorithm.

No personal data will be transmitted to third parties.

Details are available at www.sportograf.com/privacy.

12. Data Protection and Data Transmission

Participants must be passive members of the Association Cyclotour du Léman.

The data required for this may be used for organisational and commercial purposes and transmitted to partners (e.g. Sportograf, sponsors) in accordance with the Swiss Data Protection Act (DPA).

Withdrawal is possible at any time but must be submitted in writing at least 10 days before the Event.

13. Changes, Interruption and Cancellation of the Event

The Organisation reserves the right to make changes at any time in the following areas:

- the rules;
- the fees;
- the routes;
- the duration;
- logistical aspects.

These changes do not give rise to any entitlement to a refund.

Force majeure: in the event of occurrences such as natural disasters, war, epidemics/pandemics, decisions by the authorities, etc., the Event may be cancelled or interrupted in whole or in part.

No refund of registration fees is provided.

14. Liability and Insurance

Accident Insurance

It is recommended to have personal accident insurance.

The Organisation is not liable for accidents or physical or health damage.

Property Damage

The Organisation accepts no liability for:

- theft;
- loss;
- damage;

to participants' personal equipment.

15. Amendment of the Regulations

The Organisation may amend these regulations at any time without prior notice.

16. Applicable Law and Jurisdiction

Swiss law applies.

The place of jurisdiction is the registered office of the Organisation.

17. Acceptance of the Regulations

By registering, each participant declares that they fully and bindingly accept these regulations.