



2020 RULES

Article 1: ACCEPTANCE

All entrants acknowledge that they have read these rules, and accept without reservations all of the clauses and accept the risks linked to cycling.

The Organiser can revise and update the Rules at any time. All amendments made will apply immediately after having been notified by publishing a revised version hereof on the Event's website. If there is a substantial change to the Rules, the Organiser will endeavour to inform the entrants by email at the email address indicated on the registration form.

Article 2: THE EVENT

L'Alsacienne is a timed cycling event organised on roads open to public traffic.

L'Alsacienne is held under the aegis of the French Cycling Federation (FFC). The event is organised by L'Alsacienne Événements, a local law association. Vélo Club Soultzia, a sports club affiliated to the FFC, is involved in the organisation of L'Alsacienne.

L'Alsacienne is a high-quality cycling event that takes place in the mountains on mountain roads.

- Entrants must be sufficiently prepared physically, failing which they will be stopped at the time barriers or overtaken by the broom wagon, resulting in exclusion for being too slow and having to return by their own means.
- Entrants must be prepared to ride on roads regardless of the surface condition. The mountain roads used are generally in good condition, but may be in poor condition and there may even be gravel on certain sections for various reasons, such as gritting of road surfaces which is usually carried out on small mountain roads, or due to mudslides linked to storms, or for other reasons, which may be numerous on mountain roads.
- Cyclists taking part in L'Alsacienne must be prepared to ride in all weathers and all conditions, as weather conditions can be mixed in the mountains. It can be both very cold and very hot. Extreme conditions may occur on the same day, for example during a storm.

The broom wagon which drives at the regulatory speed stipulated in the road book, indicates the end of the race. The number board and bib number will be removed from all cyclists overtaken by the broom wagon. They will be declared "Don't Finisher" and must return to the start point by their own means.

Only entrants who have mechanical difficulties that cannot be repaired with the minimum recommended tool kit (equipment to repair a flat tyre at least) can be rescued by the broom wagon.

Article 3: ENTRANTS

Entry is open to all persons over the age of 18 at the date of the event, whether or not they are licensed members of a cycling federation.

Only highly trained cyclists will be able to overcome the difficulties of this mountain event

In accordance with Articles L231-2 and L231-3 of the French Sports Code, participation in a sports competition, in particular under the aegis of the French Cycling Federation (FFC), is subject to mandatory production of:

- either a FRENCH LICENCE listed below, valid for the year of L'Alsacienne, completed with the following compulsory statements:

- FFC: CM = Oui
- FFTRI: Non contre-indication à la pratique du sport en compétition
- UFOLEP: Date certificat médical / Avec pratique compétitive / Praticquant R5
- FSGT: Certificat médical présenté = Oui / ou / Certificat médical reconduit = Oui

- or a MEDICAL CERTIFICATE, drawn up in French, German or English, which must include:

- Surname, first name and date of birth of the entrant (same information as in the registration form)
- No contra-indication to the practice of competitive cycling
- The only valid statement is "competitive cycling" (cycling, bicycle touring, and sport in general are not allowed)
- The term "competitive" is essential
- The date of issue of the medical certificate (within one year of the date of the event)
- Stamp and signature of the doctor

Foreign participants must provide a medical certificate, even if they have a competition licence issued by a federation affiliated to the UCI.

It is the responsibility of each entrant to check their registration status by consulting the section ENTRANTS LIST

- Applicants whose supporting document has "Accepted" status at the registration closing date will receive a bib number
- Applicants whose supporting document has "**Rejected**" status at the registration closing date **will not receive any services** (no bib number, welcome pack or meal)

Article 4: REGISTRATION: NUMBER OF ENTRANTS LIMITED TO 2000

It is only possible to register for the event via the online registration procedure on the website alsacienne.org. The prices are listed on the event website.

The right of withdrawal does not apply to registrations for L'Alsacienne, since it involves a distance sales contract for a leisure activity at a specific date (Articles L121-19, L121-17 and L121-21-8 of the French Consumer Code). Registration is personal, irrevocable, firm and permanent.

No registrations will be transferred to a subsequent event. The registration fees are retained by the organisation in all cases, regardless of the registration status.

Any subsequent registration for the event can only be accepted if the applicant has paid all amounts due.

Article 5: BIB NUMBERS AND CHIPS

The kit, comprising meal, coffee and bike parking area tickets, the bib number and the number board equipped with a timing chip, is given to the entrant on production of proof of identity. The kit can be collected at the reception area at the times indicated on the website for the event.

The bib number and number board allow access to the starting area. Bib numbers must be worn on the cyclist's back and must be fully visible during the event. Number boards with the microchip must be attached to the handlebars, must not be bent and must be fully visible during the event.

The timing chip must be returned at the end of the event, either immediately after crossing the finish line, or in the event village. Entrants will be charged €50.00 for any chips not returned to the organisation, after sending a reminder letter to no avail.

Article 6: COMPULSORY AND PROHIBITED EQUIPMENT

L'Alsacienne is held under the aegis of the French Cycling Federation (FFC). Entrants must comply with the current rules of that federation. In particular, cyclists must wear a rigid safety helmet throughout the event.

All entrants must have a bike in good working order and the minimum recommended emergency equipment on their arrival at the starting area. The organiser reserves the right not to allow entrants to start if their bike is not in good enough condition, and if using it could be considered dangerous (bald tyres, brake pads worn etc.).

To ensure entrants' safety, it is strictly forbidden to take part in L'Alsacienne with:

- a bike equipped with any form of extension whatsoever,
- an electric bicycle or electrically assisted pedal cycle,
- a recumbent bicycle (whether lying forwards or backwards),
- a tandem

Article 7: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The event takes place in the Ballons des Vosges Regional Nature Reserve. It is strictly forbidden to drop litter (paper, packaging, plastic etc.) on the course.

The organisation reserves the right to disqualify competitors who deliberately leave litter outside the designated areas or waste bins.

Article 8: CYCLOSPORTIVE SAFETY

Following vehicles, except those of the organisation, are strictly forbidden on the course during the cyclo sportive. The organisation reserves the right to disqualify any cyclists who have a following vehicle.

The organisation deploys a certain number of visual aids to ensure the safety of the event. The presence of marshals does not on any account mean that the road is closed and reserved for the event.

Entrants must comply with the safety regulations, and obey the orders of the FFC stewards and the police.

The cyclo sportive safety plan ends with the passage of the broom wagon and at the finish line. Entrants return to the reception site in Cernay along the marked route, without racing, on a road that is open to traffic and under their own responsibility.

Article 9: ASSISTANCE DURING THE CYCLOSPORTIVE

Entrants must provide their own mechanical support. If they are unable to continue for technical reasons, the broom wagon may take them to the reception site and they will be declared "Don't Finisher".

Medical assistance is provided by doctors and first-aid workers at fixed and mobile posts, in collaboration with the cyclo sportive HQ and the ambulance and emergency service. The ambulance and emergency service will determine the means of intervention or evacuation required.

Article 10: DEADLINES AND CONTROLS

The time limits enable any suitably-trained cyclists to reach the finish point within the time allowed under FFC rules.

FFC officials ensure the time limits are respected. The number board and bib number will be removed from cyclists who are out of time. They will no longer be covered by the organisation's safety procedures.

The time limits are indicated in the section “Time limits” of the website alsacienne.org

The organisation reserves the right to change the time limits according to weather conditions and the needs of the event in cases of force majeure. Any changes will immediately be announced

To ensure that the speed limit is respected from the entry to Soultzmatt to the end of Westhalten, two wine-producing villages, a minimum time check is carried out in this neutralised section. The organisation does not provide safety measures and the time taken to cover the 3.87 km is not recorded. A 15-minute penalty will be added to the total time of any cyclists who take less than 6min00s to complete the 3.87 km neutralised section.

Any entrants overtaken by the broom wagon will be declared “Don't Finisher” and will ride under their own responsibility without being covered by the organisation’s safety service. The times of the broom wagon are shown in the road book for each course, available on alsacienne.org

Article 11: CHOICE OF COURSES

Participants in L'Indomptable and L'Intrépide start at the same time.

It is possible to change course at the Markstein at 27 km to switch to L'Audacieuse (after the lead vehicle for that course has gone by)

It is possible to change course at the Markstein at 113 km for participants in L'Indomptable who wish to switch to L'Intrépide.

Article 12: TIMING AND RESULTS

Timing is carried out using an electronic detection system, making it possible to check that the cyclosportive is carried out properly, and validate the course followed.

The electronic detection system has been selected according to strict reliability criteria. In spite of the tests carried out by the manufacturers, there is still a very small percentage of non-detection. The lack of data resulting from non-detection means that the organiser will be unable to show the competitor’s official time in the results. The organiser cannot be held liable for this.

The entrants’ age group shown in the results is based on the date of birth entered during registration.

| Female | | Male | |
|--------|---------------|------|---------------|
| W1 | from 18 to 39 | A | from 18 to 29 |
| W2 | from 40 to 49 | B | from 30 to 39 |
| W3 | 50 and over | C | from 40 to 49 |
| HW | Disabled | D | from 50 to 59 |
| | | E | from 60 to 64 |
| | | F | 65 and other |
| | | HH | Disabled |

The results of the event are published live on www.datasport.com

Any objections must be made to the panel of judges within 30 minutes of finishing.

Disqualified entrants are listed at the end of the results and marked: DSQ

Disqualified entrants are those who break the rules, and in particular any entrants who:

- Are given a bib number illegally by an entrant
- Have a following vehicle, other than those of the organisation
- Receive assistance outside the Markstein zone
- Are seen deliberately leaving litter behind
- Disobey the orders of FFC officials or the police

- Behave inappropriately or disrespectfully towards the volunteers or any person involved in the smooth running of the event
- Urinate at the feed zones without using any facilities provided for that purpose
- Are seen breaking the highway code
- Have been disqualified by an FFC official

Entrants who fail to finish are listed at the end of the results and marked: DNF

Entrants are deemed to be "Don't Finisher" if they:

- Are transported by the organisation's vehicles
- Fail to arrive at the time barriers within the time limit
- Fail to cross the finish line

These entrants are asked to identify themselves to the organisation.

During the prize-giving ceremony, prizes will be awarded for each course to:

- The first three men/women in the scratch race
- The first three men/women in each group according to the table shown above
- The club with the most entrants, all courses taken together
- The Alsatian club with the most entrants, all courses taken together

Article 13: ANTI DOPING FIGHT

L'Alsacienne Cyclo sportive is a race organized under the FFC. As such, anti-doping controls may occur during the race. Competitors commit themselves to strictly observe the doping ban as well as the arrangements about anti-doping controls resulting from the laws and regulations in force, especially articles L.230-1 and following ones from the Sport Code.

Any participant asked to go through an anti-doping control must immediately submit to it.

Article 14: INSURANCE

Civil liability: In accordance with the laws in force, the organizers have subscribed an insurance covering their civil liability as well as the participants', against material or corporal damages they might accidentally cause to others or to themselves. This contract is only valid along the official itinerary and for the duration of the race, for the participants who are officially registered and controlled at the starting line and as far as the finishing line (certified by timing).

Corporal damages, individual accident insurance: In accordance with the Sport Code's article L321-4 arrangements, the organizers insist on the importance of subscribing an individual insurance covering the corporal damages to which the participation in this event may expose them. It falls to the participants to insure themselves against this type of damages. Those who have a membership card must check with their federation whether they are sufficiently protected against corporal damages incurred by the participation in this type of event. If it is not the case, it is their interest, as well as the interest of those who haven't got a membership card, to subscribe an individual accident insurance with the insurance company of their choice.

Liability and material damages : Neither the organizers nor their insurance company will cover the damages that the participants' equipment might be subject to, particularly in case of fall or theft. It falls to all participants to insure themselves against this type of risk with the insurance company of their choice. Participants acknowledge the organizers' non-liability for the supervision of personal belonging in case of theft or loss. Objects, fittings or bikes that would be handed over to someone else (member of the organization or not) will be under the complete responsibility of the participant (handing over).

Article 15: RIGHT TO IMAGE

Each participant to L'Alsacienne Cyclo sportive expressly allows the organizers as well as their beneficiaries or executors such as partners and medias to use the results, pictures or films, on which he or she might appear on the occasion of the event, on any format including promoting or advertising material, all over the world and for the longest duration stipulated by law, rules or treaties.

Any disagreement must be drawn to the organizers' attention by mail before the event.

The organizers, their beneficiaries and their executors expressly ban the use of the participants' names, voices or images in pornographic, racist or xenophobic documents and, more generally, ban any using that might be harmful to the participants' dignity.

Article 16: ICO (Information Commissioner's Office)

The organizers commit themselves to respect the privacy of the personal data that have been communicated by the participants to the event and to treat them in respect of the law "Informatique et Libertés" of January 6th 1978.

The information given by the participants is recorded and used by the organizers to ensure a perfect treatment of their participation in the event and to personalize the communication.

Article 17: RESPONSIBILITY

In case of an offense, the offending participant will be the one and only responsible person at his/her own risk, moreover he/she will be the one and only liable person for accidents he/she would cause or be the victim of, directly or indirectly.

Any entrants who give their bib number to a third person will be deemed liable in the event of an accident suffered or caused by that person during the event. In this case, the organisation disclaims all responsibility in the event of an accident.

The participant gives up the idea of suing the organizers in order to obtain compensation for any material or corporal damage he/she could have been the cause or victim of, within the framework of the event.

Article 18: MODIFICATION OF THE COURSES - CANCELLATION OF THE EVENT

The routes may be changed by the organizers for security reasons or for any other reasons that would be prescribed by the authorities.

The organisation reserves the right to partly or totally cancel the event in cases of force majeure or any other circumstances, without the competitors being entitled to claim any repayment or compensation. Therefore, the competitors hereby waive all claims of any kind whatsoever.

No starting places will be transferred to a subsequent event. The organisation is released from all claims by the entrants.

Article 19: MISCELLANEOUS CLAUSES

These rules were drawn up in French which is deemed to be the official language. They are subject to French law. For all cases not provided for above, the general rules of the French Cycling Federation (FFC) in force at the time of the event shall apply.