

L'ÉTAPE GRAND DÉPART - RULES

ARTICLE 1 – THE RACE

L'Étape du Grand Départ is a randosportive which will take place on Sunday 26th June 2016, one week before the first stage of the Tour de France. Three routes will be available: the first covers 189 km, starting at the Mont Saint Michel, the second covers 80 km starting at Lessay and the third covers 44km and starts at Montebourg. All three races will finish in Carentan, and all will go past Utah Beach.

This randosportive will not be timed and will take place on roads which are open to traffic, in line with the regulations set out in the "Code de la Route" (French Highway Code).

L'Étape du Grand Départ is organised by Amaury Sport Organisation, under the aegis of the "Fédération Française de Cyclisme" (French Cycling Federation) and with the support of the "TDF Sport" association. The race has been registered with the Île-de-France cycling committee.

ARTICLE 2 – PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS

The race is open to all cycling fans. The minimum age for taking part in L'Étape Grand Départ is:

- 10 years old for the 44-km route;
- 14 years old for the 80-km route;
- 16 years old for the 189-km route.

Participants under the age of 18 on the day of the race must provide a parental consent form when they pick up their race number (forms are available on the website of the event in question).

ARTICLE 3 - REGISTRATIONS

Registrations for the event can be made exclusively on <http://www.tourdefrance-manche.fr/> subject to availability from 24th March 2016.

The 2016 tariffs are as follows:

- For the 44-km randosportive: €15 (incl. tax);
- For the 80-km randosportive:
 - o €30 (incl. tax) for the first 500 riders registered,
 - o €35 (incl. tax) for the next 500 riders registered,
 - o €40 (incl. tax) for the last 250 riders registered.
- For the 189-km randosportive:
 - o €60 (incl. tax) for the first 1,000 riders registered,
 - o €65 (incl. tax) for the next 1,000 riders registered,
 - o €70 (incl. tax) for the last 500 riders registered.

A total of 5,000 race numbers will be on sale.

All registrations are personal, final and irrevocable, and refunds cannot be issued under any circumstances. Registrations cannot be transferred under any circumstances. Anyone who transfers

his race number to another person will be held responsible in the event that the latter is the victim of or causes an accident during the race. The organiser declines all liability in the event of an accident under such circumstances and reserves the right to ban the competitor from L'Etape du Grand Départ permanently.

A medical certificate is not required to take part in L'Etape Grand Départ. However, as a preventive measure, riders are recommended to take an annual medical examination before taking part in any sporting activity.

Shuttle buses will be available for riders registered for the various circuits, with buses leaving from the Gare de Carentan.

Carentan – Mont Saint Michel:

- Shuttle buses for riders wanting to park in Carentan on Sunday 26th June 2016 and go to the start line will leave between 5am and 6am;
- The shuttle service back to the start area after the randosportive will run from 12 noon to 6pm.

Carentan – Lessay:

- The shuttle service to Lessay will run all day from 9am to 6pm.

Carentan – Montebourg:

- The shuttle service to Montebourg will run all day from 9am to 6pm.

These shuttle buses will be fitted with trailers so that participants' bikes can also be transported. A fee will be charged for this additional service and places must be booked when registering. It will not be possible to book a place on the shuttle bus at the "Welcome Village" or on the day of the race. Additional services and products will be offered to participants when they register. The purchase of these services and products is final and irrevocable, and refunds cannot be issued under any circumstances.

ARTICLE 4 – COLLECTION OF RACE NUMBERS

Race numbers can be collected from the "Welcome Village" at Place du Valnoble in Carentan. The opening hours of the "Welcome Village" are as follows:

- Saturday 25th June 2016: from 2pm to 6pm;
- Sunday 26th June 2016: from 9am to 12 noon (for the 80-km and 44-km routes).

For the 189-km route, it is possible to pick up your race number at the start area in Mont Saint Michel on Sunday 26th June from 6am to 8.30am, by registering for this option on the ASO Challenges website.

The race bibs and frame numbers will be given to participants upon presentation of the confirmation of their registration and a proof of identity. The race number must be attached to the participant's back and the number plate must be fastened to the handlebars in such a way as it is visible.

Participants under the age of 18 must also present their parental consent form in order to pick up their race number.

ARTICLE 5 – MANDATORY AND FORBIDDEN EQUIPMENT

For safety reasons and to ensure the race goes smoothly, each participant must present himself at the start of L'Etape du Grand Départ with the following mandatory equipment:

- a rigid helmet*;
- a hydration system (water bottle or hydration pack);

* the helmet's chinstrap must be fastened at all times

Several other items are also recommended:

- a chain tool;
- a mobile phone;
- easy fasteners;
- inner tubes;
- a pump.

All types of bikes are allowed on L'Etape Grand Départ.

ARTICLE 6 – RESPECTING THE ENVIRONMENT

In order to respect the environment and the natural surroundings in which the event takes place, it is strictly forbidden to leave litter (paper, plastic wrappers) on the route. Bins will be provided at all feeding zones. They must be used by the competitors and those accompanying them.

Participants must hold onto their litter and wrappers and wait until they reach the places set up by the organisation to dispose of them.

The race management reserves the right to exclude riders who deliberately dispose of their litter outside of the designated areas.

ARTICLE 7 - WITHDRAWALS AND RECOVERY ZONES

The organisation will set up recovery points along the route: the precise locations will be communicated to participants via the race's website (<http://www.tourdefrance-manche.fr/>).

Each zone will be in operation from the estimated time of passage of the first participant until the estimated time of passage of the last participant. Except in the event of injury or bike failure, all participants wishing to withdraw will be required to make their way to one of these zones in order to be transported to the race finish.

All participants who fail to set off from these zones before the cut-off times will be required to reach the finish by their own means and will no longer be offered transportation from a recovery zone. They will no longer be considered by the organisation to be participants in the race. In the event of injury or bike failure etc. making it impossible to reach the finish line, the participant can call the organisation to be picked up as soon as possible. The emergency telephone number to call will be: +33 800 00 52 12.

ARTICLE 8 - RACE SAFETY AND MEDICAL SAFETY

L'Etape du Grand Départ takes place on roads that are open to traffic, participants must comply with the rules of the "Code de la Route" (French Highway Code) and take responsibility for themselves for the full length of the route.

In the event of a breach of the “Code de la Route” (French Highway Code), the participant will be solely responsible for any accidents that he causes or of which he is a victim, either directly or indirectly. The participant recognises that cycling on roads that are open to traffic carries certain risks, requiring cycling speed to be monitored at all times and adapted depending on traffic conditions and the state of the road. The participant fully acknowledges his own vulnerability and accepts the risks involved in the race.

The organisation will provide a safety service all the way along the route, composed of signallers who will provide assistance for crossing junctions identified as major intersections. Civilian motorcyclists will also be present to provide logistical support during the race.

The medical service will be provided by an approved civil safety association which will have the authority to decide whether a competitor must withdraw from the race for medical reasons.

ARTICLE 9 - INSURANCE

Civil liability insurance: In accordance with current legislation, the organisers have taken out insurance covering the financial consequences of its civil liability, that of its officials and that of all the participants in L’Etape Grand Départ. As for the civil liability of the participants themselves, the afore-mentioned insurance policy will only cover accidents caused by participants during the sporting event.

Moreover, this cover will take effect in addition to other insurance which they might have or if they do not have any insurance at all.

A copy of the insurance policy is available to all participants upon request.

Personal accident: All L’Etape Grand Départ participants, whether or not they have licences issued by a sports federation, may take out insurance by post as of now, or at the latest, when they collect their bib. This policy will pay out a sum in the event of physical injury (death or permanent disability) as a result of an accident which has occurred on the race route. Compensation, according to the damages, will be paid if the insured person has an accident while participating in the sports event.

This insurance is optional but highly recommended. It can be taken out in addition to or instead of any similar insurance cover and, in particular, any cover provided by a sports licence.

The information notice and application form are available on the event's website.

- Material damage: The organisers will not be held responsible for damage (theft, breakage, loss, etc.) to participants’ personal belongings, not even those left in its care. Participants may not, therefore, take action against the organisers for any damage caused to their equipment. Taking out insurance against such risks is the responsibility of the participant.

ARTICLE 10. IMAGE RIGHTS

By participating in L’Etape Grand Départ, the participant gives his express permission for the organisers, its delegates and its successors to use and reproduce, in any medium and by any means, now and in the future, with no compensation of any kind, his name, voice, image, and, more

generally, his sporting performance in L'Etape Grand Départ, in any form, in any existing or future medium, in any format, for public communication throughout the world, for any use including advertising and/or commercial purposes, and for the entire duration of the protection granted by current copyright laws and regulations, judicial and/or arbitral decisions issued in any country, and existing or future international conventions, including those that may result in the extension of this duration.

Participants grant their full and irrevocable permission, to the organisers, their delegates, and their successors, for the purposes of conducting advertising, promotional or sales campaigns to:

1. Make any changes, additions or deletions which it judges necessary to use his or her image under the conditions defined below;
2. Include or combine his or her image with any signatures, hooks, slogans, legends, brands, distinctive signs, legal information, visuals and, generally speaking, anything of any kind which the organiser uses, particularly to illustrate communication material in which they are used.

The participant guarantees that he is not bound by an exclusive contract relating to the use of his image and/or name and/or voice.

The organisers, their delegates and their successors are expressly forbidden from using a participant's name, voice or image in any format of a pornographic, racist or xenophobic nature, and more generally are forbidden from any use that is detrimental to the participant's dignity.

ARTICLE 11 – DATA PROTECTION

A.S.O. will respect the confidentiality of personal information and data provided by the race's participants and will handle them in accordance with the French Data Protection Act of 6th January 1978 for the protection of personal privacy in relation to the processing of personal data. .

Information collated from participants will be recorded and used by ASO to ensure their participation in the event is processed correctly, to personalise communication with them, to send them information and/or offers from A.S.O. and, for those who have given their agreement when they created their account, to send information and/or offers from partners of A.S.O. to them.

ASO may have to securely transfer certain data, including personal data, to third parties in order to carry out tasks relevant to taking part in the race, organising the delivery of goods and the provision of services, (such as delivering "photo packs" or videos ordered before or after the race from the service provider chosen by A.S.O.), to prevent fraud and, more generally, any other criminal activity, and for certain after-sales activities.

Moreover, A.S.O. may be required to share this data in response to an injunction by the legal or regulatory authorities.

In accordance with the provisions laid out by French law no.78-17 of 6th January 1978, modified by law no. 2004-801 of 6th August 2004, on information technology, databases and civil liberties, each a participant has the right to access, rectify and delete data concerning himself, free of charge. The participant can submit a request to exercise this right at any time by sending an email to the address letapegranddepart@aso.fr or by writing to:

ASO

Etape Grand Départ

253, Quai de la Bataille de Stalingrad,

92137 Issy les Moulineaux, France

In doing so, the participant can demand that any information concerning him which is incorrect, incomplete, ambiguous, or no longer valid, or whose collection, use, communication or storage is forbidden, be rectified, completed, clarified, updated or deleted.

The Internet user's data is stored either by A.S.O. or by the subcontractor(s) it selects specifically for the fulfilment of its obligations. Data is stored in accordance with the afore-mentioned "Data Protection Act" and "Privacy Act" for a duration determined by the purpose of the data processing in question.

The processing of the data collected has been declared to the CNIL (French Data Protection Authority).

ARTICLE 12 - DISPUTES

All complaints must be made in writing, in French or in English, mentioning the competitor's last name, first name and his race number and sent to the headquarters of the organising company, within 30 days of the results being announced.

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No claims will be accepted beyond this time.

No reply will be given to any request by telephone or in writing concerning the interpretation or application of the present rules. ASO reserves the right, if need be, to shorten or cancel L'Etape du Grand Départ. They cannot be held responsible for this.

The present rules have been drawn up in French which is considered as the official language. They are subject to French law. Any dispute arising from their interpretation or application will be submitted to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts within the competence of the Court of Appeal of Versailles.

ARTICLE 13 – ACCEPTANCE OF THE RULES

Participation in L'Etape du Grand Départ implies each competitor's express and unreserved acceptance of the present rules.

ARTICLE 14 - NEWSLETTERS

By registering for L'Etape du Grand Départ, the participant is automatically subscribed to the event's newsletters and must remain so until L'Etape du Grand Départ takes place.