



RULES

ENGLISH VERSION

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ARTICLE 1: GENERAL

1.1. To participate at Sud Raid Adventure Race 2021, competitors must scrupulously and without failure to complete their respective registration forms and pay the participation fee for the event.

1.2. If these rules are translated into another language, and if there is a conflict of rules, the French version of these rules will take precedence.

ARTICLE 2: BEFORE RACE

Teams must comply with all registration procedures, equipment and proficiency checks and attend all pre-race meetings scheduled by the race organization.

2.1. Proficiency checks must be carried out within a reasonable time on Sunday, August 22, 2021 and/or Monday, August 23, 2021. Failure to do so will result in reduced participation in the event (exclusion of certain sections) or the team will not be allowed to start the race.

2.2. Equipment checks must be carried out on Sunday, August 22, 2021 and/or Monday, August 23, 2021. Failure to present the required equipment will result in the team being prohibited from starting.

2.3. A mandatory prologue will be held on Sunday, August 22nd afternoon. The latter will be timed and will define the starting order of the race the next day.

ARTICLE 2: EQUIPMENT

Teams and athletes must have the mandatory equipment as described in the list of mandatory equipment, as well as each equipment requested by the race organization.

3.1. Any scheduled or surprise inspection of equipment undertaken by the referents or race officials shall be accepted.

3.2. The mandatory equipment must be stored as specified in the Mandatory equipment list.

3.3. Any mandatory equipment lost or broken during the course of the race must be reported to the organization at the next CP or AT. Teams must remain at this location until such equipment can be loaned by another team or delivered by the organization.

3.4. Any perishable mandatory equipment used during a section (e.g. first aid equipment) must be replaced at the end of that section. If the teams do not have the necessary elements to replace in their mandatory equipment they must remain on site until this replacement can be done thanks to the loan of another team or issued by the organization.

3.5. Within reason, the organization may provide a team with mandatory replacement equipment to allow them to continue the race. The organization must not prioritize the search for and delivery of this equipment over the general safety of officials and other teams in the race. Teams receiving mandatory replacement equipment will not receive credit for the time taken by the organization to deliver it.

3.6. Prohibited items that cannot be used are specified in the list of mandatory equipment. Race referees are authorized to search an athlete's or team's equipment if they suspect them of carrying contraband. The specific prohibited items are:

3.6.1. Any device, radio or other communication device that can connect to the internet (other than those provided by the event).

3.6.2. A GPS device that can display maps, routes, distances or other location information that could help a team in their travels. However, teams are allowed to keep these devices ONLY if they are registered with the organization before departure, gps functions are not used to help steer and are stored at all times in a sealed, opaque and unalterable bag that will be checked at the start, during the race and finish.

3.6.3. Distance measuring devices. This includes stride sensors, pedometers, etc. Bicycle counters are excluded.

3.6.4. Apparatus or equipment providing artificial propulsion energy (non-human) (engines are included in bicycles and boats) (for navigation rules, see 3.10).

3.7. Tracking devices should function properly and be stored in the location specified by the organization. Turning off the device or voluntarily reducing its effectiveness is prohibited.

3.8. Once the official cards are issued no other can be tracked or taken away.

3.8.1. This excludes public maps found along the route, such as trail signs and billboards.

3.9. Bibs must be worn as the most visible garment for the duration of the race (including above personal flotation devices). Modification of the bib is not allowed. Obstruction of prints on the bib is not allowed. Only a backpack is allowed to hide the back of the bib. A thin sternum strap between the straps on the front of an athlete is allowed. Front bag-type jackets that obstruct the print on the front of the bib are prohibited. A reflective chasuble will have to be attached to the backpack when conditions require it.

3.10. Modification of kayaks and paddles provided by the organization is prohibited.

3.10.1. Sails and kites are not allowed.

3.10.2. Removable seat upholstery and removable footrests are allowed if they do not damage or modify the kayaks of the race.

3.11. Any other rules about equipment coming from the organization must be respected.

3.11.1. The dimensions and weight of bike boxes and supply boxes must not be exceeded even after a replenishment during the race.

ARTICLE 4: ROUTE

The teams must carry out the route of the race as requested in the road book and on the maps, from the starting line, through the beacons / checkpoints(CP),the Waypoint (WP) and the transition areas (ATor TA),practicing the specified disciplines of the race, to the finish line.

4.1. Once the course is unveiled, athletes, media, supporters, etc. are not allowed to go on any part of the course before the start.

4.2. Athletes are not allowed to leave the race route, as the areas are covered by the race maps, at any stage between start and finish, unless authorized by the race director.

4.2.1. If a team finds itself off the race map, it must return to the point where it left the map and start the race again from that point.

4.3. The course must be carried out as specified in the road book and race maps. The sections of the course must be completed, the PC's, WP collected and the TA's, in order unless otherwise indicated.

4.3.1. Only equipment for the discipline in question should be taken on this section unless otherwise stated in the road book.

4.3.2. During the ATV, Kayak sections, if the CP is inaccessible with their ATVs or boats, teams are usually allowed to leave their ATVs or kayaks, go to the CP on a trek, then return to their ATVs or kayaks . Teams must have the mandatory equipment necessary for the trek if the distance to be covered is more than 100 meters.

4.4. Beacon points: Teams will go through beacon points that record the proof of their passage thanks to the chosen method. Otherwise, it will be considered that the team missed the tag. Going through the tag without recording the proof of its passage is considered if the team had not passed through it at all.

4.4.1. If a team goes to the location of a CP indicated on their map but this point is not found (it may have been stolen or misplaced), the team can prove that it has gone to the right place indicated on the map by taking a photo (with flash if necessary) to show it to the race director at the next AT or at the finish. The race director can also refer to any tracking device carried by the team to approve that the team was in the right place.

4.4.2. If a crossing point is missed, a team may not be allowed to return to point that point.

4.4.3. If a team loses proof that it has passed through a checkpoint (control card, electronic chip, bracelet, etc.), it must take pictures and follow all the procedures indicated by the race organization (perforation of the card, etc.).

4.4.4. Where a team needs to take a photo as proof of its passage to a tag point, the photos should include as much detail of the surroundings as necessary in order to satisfy the race director. Flash may be required. If possible, photos should include team members. Photos that do not clearly show the place for any reason (water on the lens, too dark, bad framing, darkened lens, etc.) are not valid. A breakdown of the equipment (no more battery, camera not working, etc.) is not considered a valid excuse.

4.5. CP/WP/AT: Teams must point to beacons, PCs and TAs with the electronic finger and/or perforation of the card if necessary and pass through the WP.

4.6. Going outside the demarcated areas is prohibited.

4.6.1. Apart from a special permission from the race organizers, entering private property is still considered out of area, even if a team asks permission from the owner.

4.6.2. If a team finds itself outside the zone or in a forbidden space (navigation error) it must return to the point where it entered this zone and resume the race from that place.

4.7. Mandatory routes must be followed if they are designated by the race organizers.

4.8. Teams must comply with civil laws at all times.

4.9. All official instructions given by race officials, whether verbal or written, must be followed. This shall not apply to general advice and guidance given by an official in the performance of his or her duties. If there is confusion or conflict between the instructions of the race officials, the road book and the race cards will prevail.

4.9.1. Only an official directive from the race director can change a deposit printed on the road book and maps. This directive must be in writing, approved by the race director or an official and signed by the teams to acknowledge that they have read it. A directive from an official can be verbal only in an extraordinary situation.

4.10. The race time does not stop and the time spent on the TOs is counted in the total time of the team.

4.11. Race organizers may include untimed sections, or mandatory stops, for safety or other reasons.

4.11.1. In case of mandatory downtime or untimed sections, teams must remain in the race and are always subject to the rules. This is especially relevant for the rules on external support and assistance.

4.12. A team has officially finished and its final time is recorded when all team members have crossed the finish line.

4.12. The race and its course may be modified at any time by the Race Direction.

4.13. Night progression is authorized unless the organization so agrees.

4.14. The route is not marked (except in certain exposed or mandatory passages).

4.15. Two card games will be given to the teams one hour before the start of the race. The teams will be autonomous in the management of the cards

4.16. Any runner who wishes to cross a private property must do so while respecting the facilities (fences, barriers, ...). The gates remain open if they were open and closed if they were closed. In the case of a summer herd, any runner will have to minimize as much as possible his intrusion into the space used by stopping or making a pose in order to give the animals time to integrate his presence. Special attention will be required during herds protected by Shepherd Dogs of the Patou type.

ARTICLE 5: TEAMS

The teams must move and carry out the course together, without substitute, with the members close enough to see each other and communicate with each other at all times.

5.1. Each team must have appointed a team captain, who will be the official representative of the team before, during and after the event.

5.2. Team names with offensive words or insinuations are not permitted.

5.3. All athletes must be at least 18 years old at the time of the race.

5.4. The teams must move and carry out the course together, with the members close enough to see each other and communicate with each other at all times. In most situations, there should be no more than 100 meters of distance between the first and last team member.

Team members must not accidentally or deliberately separate. Certain exceptions to this rule may be applied:

5.4.1. Places where the organizers specially allow team members to separate for part of the race.

5.4.2. Once the team has pointed to the arrival of an AT until it leaves that AT.

5.4.3. In the event of an emergency situation (two team members who leave to seek help while another remains with the injured crew member).

5.5. All team members must travel within 5 meters of each CP and beacon point at the time of pointing, unless otherwise specified.

5.6. Teams must start and finish the race with the specified number of riders. All team members must complete all sections. No team member substitution allowed.

5.7. In case of withdrawal of a rider or a team, the racing PC must be notified by the fastest possible means.

5.8. If one or more members of a team decide, or if the race director orders them to withdraw from the race, the entire team must escort that member (or members) to the nearest AT or rescue/medical team. Permission must be obtained from the race director if the remaining rider(s) wishes to continue the race. There is no automatic right to continue the race on the event and the race director's decision will be based on, among other things, the weather, support and care of the retired members, the maintenance of the well-being of the team members, etc.

5.8.1. Teams must not abandon a member on the course.

5.8.2. Once a member of a team is removed from the race, he cannot join the race at another stage (whether with his team or another).

5.8.3. Once a team is out of the rankings, they can never return to the leaderboard (even if they find a substitute team member to race with them, thus reducing their number to what is required).

5.8.4. If an athlete is part of a team that has been put out of the race (due to the withdrawal of members from his team and not his own), he may be allowed by the organization to join another team out of the ranking (provided that this team accepts it).

ARTICLE 6: ASSISTANCE

Teams must not receive unauthorized assistance related to the race, during the race. They will be given their own boxes with dimensions and specific weight in the T's.

6.1. No information on the course or on the route should be sought from the authorities, land managers or similar sources before and during the race. This specifically includes information from the police, government, guards, land owners, etc. who may know the route due to the authorization procedures undertaken by the organization. This is exclusive to the search for the location of the race and refers to the current route.

6.2. No equipment, food, provisions or any other element may be deposited or hidden on the course before the race, by the team or any other person (except the organization of the race).

6.3. During the race, if the track requires the teams to go back to the same place later in the race, the teams cannot leave elements (food, water, clothes) out of the crates specific to this.

6.4. Media and/or supporters: Assistance from a media or supporters in connection with or in affiliation with the race or athletes of the race, is governed by the following conditions:

6.4.1. Once the route is given to the teams, the media and supporters are not allowed to help them in the preparation of their race, to give them advice, to touch or move the equipment of the team or to provide any assistance to the team in their preparation for the race.

6.4.2. Media and supporters can see teams on AT's and at venues throughout the race designated by the race organizers.

6.4.3. The media and supporters are not allowed to transport runners or their equipment in any way throughout the race (athletes who get into a vehicle or boat, who have their team equipment transported or moved, who paddle in the waves of a boat, who take the suction behind a vehicle, etc.).

6.4.4. Fans and non-accredited media are not allowed to move, guide, pace or closely follow teams throughout the race. Accredited media may have more flexibility to travel with teams over short periods approved by the organization.

6.4.5. Media and supporters are not allowed to drop off or hide equipment, food or anything on the course or on the AT.

6.4.6. Media and supporters are not allowed to provide food, medical supplies, racing equipment and any other form of unspecified assistance.

6.4.7. The media and supporters are not allowed to give information related to the race to an athlete (the position of other teams, their pace, time differences, sleep, choice of route, strategies, etc.).

6.4.8. The media are not allowed to position themselves on the route at places providing teams with navigation assistance (beacon point, road junction, etc.).

6.5. General audience: The assistance of the general public, i.e. all persons who have no connection or affiliation with the race or an athlete in the race, whether reasonably accessible by all athletes in an equal manner (taking into account the time in the day, location factors), this assistance is governed by the following elements:

6.5.1. Once the route is given to the teams, they are formally prohibited from seeking help from a third expert or "local person", particularly in relation to the route, information on the map, estimates of times, etc.

6.5.2. The public is not allowed to move teams or their equipment, by any means, throughout the race (taxi, hitch, use of farm animals, athletes moving in a vehicle or boat, having equipment worn or moved, paddling in the wake of a boat, taking the suction behind a vehicle, etc.).

6.5.3. Teams may solicit food/drinks/accommodation/medical equipment throughout the race in shops and from the public if this is done in a respectful manner and does not discredit the race, sport or teams.

6.5.4. Teams can interact with the audience to request general information, pause on photos, answer questions, etc.

6.6. Race officials: Assistance from the organization including staff, officials and volunteers is governed by the following:

6.6. 1. For equipment replacement rules, see 3.5.

6.7. Other teams / Athletes: Assistance from participating teams and athletes the race is governed by the following:

6.7.1. Teams running the full race, a shortened race or out of the standings can provide or receive assistance from others including loaning equipment, sharing food, providing navigation tips, etc. Athletes removed from the race can offer their equipment or food to other teams, only on the Transition Areas, but without assisting them in any other way.

6.7.2. Any assistance without explicit permission from the owner is prohibited. (For example, if a team needs part of a bike on an A T, they can't take it without the assurance that the team would lend them. The owner of this equipment should be contacted directly, if possible with assistance from the organization, and be asked to give permission.)

6.7.3. For this to be fair, any team providing assistance must be willing to assist any other team or athlete. (For example, it is considered unfair if a team assists only a specific team and this is contrary to the desire for camaraderie between all teams.)

6.8. Supporters' teams: If the organization allows supporters' groups, organizers may issue additional rules relating to these supporters' groups.

6.9. The teams are autonomous for their need for food and water during the event.

ARTICLE 7: EMERGENCIES, MEDICAL & COMMUNICATION

Any team encountering a medical emergency whether within their team or in another team, or external to the event, must stop and provide assistance.

7.1. Any team encountering a medical emergency, in its own team, another team, or external to the event, must stop to provide assistance. The organizers will try to re-credit the delay time where possible. Failure to provide assistance will be penalized.

7.2. If an athlete needs specific treatment throughout the race, he will have to keep this treatment with him during the race, to be taken as prescribed by a doctor.

7.3. The medical staff of the event has the ability, upon confirmation of the race director, to remove an athlete from the race, as participation in the event could result in a serious or permanent injury, disability or death of the athlete and/or his teammates. The organization's decision to remove a person from the race for medical or safety reasons is final.

7.4. If the event's medical staff needs to administer fluids intravenously, the athlete will not be able to participate in the race any longer.

7.5. The SOS/911 function of a device's emergency communication can only be used in a situation where a team requires immediate assistance for a serious or potentially fatal emergency.

7.6. In the event that the organization provides teams with an emergency communication device that has functions other than this type of communication, or if the teams bring another form of communication such as a cell phone or radio, teams can only communicate in the following circumstances:

7.6.1. To inform the organization of a situation on the course that may be dangerous for their team or for other teams of which it cannot be aware if it is not notified.

7.6.2. For a request that is not a medical emergency for the withdrawal of an athlete or team.

7.6.3. To inform the organization if the team undertakes a deliberate and reliable route not planned in the race, which could cause the organization to initiate an unnecessary emergency response.

7.6.4. Any other communication such as a request for direction, if you believe that a CP is absent, or other unspecified communication will be penalized.

7.7. If a team needs the race organizer, another team in the competition or civil emergency services to rescue one or all members of an eminently or currently dangerous situation, that team will have a penalty.

ARTICLE 8: ENVIRONMENT

Teams must treat the environment and landscape of the race with respect and leave the minimum trace of their passage.

8.1. All garbage/bins must be taken along the course and placed in a suitable place (such as a garbage can).

8.2. All of a team's garbage/bins on a T.A. must be placed in a designated bin if there is one provided by the organizer, or stored with the teams' equipment for a future drop-off in a suitable location.

8.3. Any rules relating to lighting lights during the race shall be specified by the race organizer.

8.4. Respect all wildlife and agricultural crops and cause minimal disturbance.

8.5. Any defecation should be done in a toilet, but if this is not possible, it should be done away from water sources such as coves and buried under the surface of the ground.

8.6. No excessive or unreasonable impacts on vegetation and the environment.

8.7. By committing to the race, all members of the team and any accompanying persons undertake to respect the ethical charter of the event.

8.8. It is forbidden to make a fire on the course of the test except for a hazard warning light.

ARTICLE 9: CONDUCT

Athletes must conduct themselves in a respectful manner at all times, without cheating, abusive behavior, language or violence.

9.1. Athletes must not at any time remove, alter or adjust the organization's equipment. For example, equipment such as CP beacons, punches, signs or racing signage.

9.2. Athletes must not mislead race organizers/or race officials with altered or incomplete information.

9.3. Athletes must not bring themselves, running, or sport into disrepute and must conduct themselves with integrity and show respect for others. Here are some examples of actions that are considered unacceptable:

9.3.1. Stop in a house and wake up the occupants in the middle of the night to ask for his way (non-urgent situation).

9.3.2. Speak loudly and have vulgar language in a public place.

9.4. The nudity of athletes in public, to change to an AT for example or for swimming in rivers, can be offensive in some cultures and places. Teams must make every effort to avoid offending.

9.5. Abusive behaviour, offensive or threatening language towards other athletes, race officials, the media or the public is prohibited.

ARTICLE 10: PENALTIES

Any team that does not participate in accordance with the competition rules may be awarded a time penalty, unranked status (UR), not completed status (DNF) or disqualification (DF).

11.1. Cheating occurs if a team or athlete breaks a rule, knowingly and deliberately, to gain the advantage, whether that advantage is large or small. In any case, the cheating will result in the disqualification of this team or the athlete as well as their immediate withdrawal from the race.

11.1.1. If a specific athlete is disqualified, and not the entire team, other team members may be allowed to continue the race subject to the opinion of the race director.

11. 2. The competition rules define an official warning and 3 penalty levels (similar to penalty cards in other sports), in an order of increasing severity. [Blue]/[Yellow]/[Red] Disqualification enses.

11.3. It is the responsibility of the race referent to determine the level of severity in relation to this specific case.

11.4. Penalties may be remitted to the course at a specific time and place, or added to the team's final time, at the discretion of the race organizer.

11.4.1. In most cases, a time penalty awarded to a team that may be able to cross the finish line in first, second, third, fourth or fifth position will be given to the last possible AT or CP in priority before the finish line. In the case of an AT, the time penalty will begin once the AT has left. They will not have more access to their equipment on

theAT. Any equipment or items caught in the penalty area must be kept on you until the finish line. Teams can use a shelter if the race organizer provides it. The penalty area must be separated from theT-A.

ARTICLE 12: JUDGMENT

The judgment of these rules and the allocation of penalties is the responsibility of the race referent. In case of absence of the race referent, this is the responsibility of the race director.

12.1. Race officials or the race director can report to race referents if they witness a violation of the rules and can use videos, photos and other evidence to support their explanations.

12.1. 1. An athlete or team may report to a race official or race referent a violation of the rules suspected by another team or athlete. The race referent can choose whether or not to inspect the suspected infringement. It is not the responsibility of an athlete or team to observe other athletes and teams for violations of the rules.

12.1. 2. The media, supporters and the public are not allowed to report a suspected violation of the rules to race referents.

12.2. Challenges: Challenges can be filed by an athlete, team, race official or race director (where they do not act as race referents) when they believe that a penalty has been misaedd or is itself unfair. Challenges are not accepted if no penalty has been awarded.

12.2.1. Team captains (or the race director when they are not acting as race referents) may make a formal protest to the race referent in writing or electronically no later than 3 hours before the scheduled time of the award ceremony.

12.2. 2. The media, supporters and the public are not allowed to challenge.

12.3. Panel of judges: Composed of an odd number, the minimum being 3 and the constitution will be decided by race referent.

12.3. 1. Listen to challenges in a closed session.

12.3. 2. Interview the teams/persons involved and other witnesses or experts, as necessary.

12.3. 3. If no unanimous decision is made, a vote between the panel of judges will decide the verdict.

12.3. 4. With all due respect, the decision of the panel of judges is final and without appeal. There is no obligation of public procedure.

12.4. In the event of uncertainty as to the outcome of positions resulting from an official protest, the award ceremony should be delayed until a verdict has been rendered.

12.5. The positions announced at the award ceremony are subject to the results of the tests of prohibited substances.

ARTICLE 13: CLASSIFICATION

13.1. The winning team of Sud Raid Adventure Race 2021 will be the team that has validated all the passing controls (CP) and Waypoint (WP) in order, from the start and faster than the other teams.

13.1.1. If no team validates all the PNs, then the winning team will be the one that has validated the most PNs consecutively, in order, from the start.

Practical case:

- Team XX validates the first 70 PCs consecutively.
- The YY team validates the first 71 PCs consecutively.

The YY team will be declared the winner if it crosses the finish line on time.

13.1.2. If no team is full race, the team that validates the last CP first will be declared the winner

13.1.3 In the event of an unvalidated CP, a time penalty will be awarded allowing the team to continue the race. However, it cannot be ranked in front of a team that has managed to validate all the PCs.

13.2. The general classification will be counted only on the mixed classification.

13.3. The first team of the general classification (mixed only) will be awarded a financial reward of € 5000.

The second team of the general classification (mixed only) will be awarded a financial reward of € 2000.

13.4. A "women's" ranking and a "men's" ranking will also be counted and rewarded, but 100% female or male teams will not be able to claim the general classification and the prizes of the latter.

ARTICLE 14: MISCELLANEOUS

14.1. The organization takes out organizing liability insurance in accordance with the legislation in force. This policy guarantees the civil liability of the organizers for damage caused to third parties, in the context of the application of these rules, its annexes, and all race directives.

This insurance does not cover in any case the repatriation of riders, supporters, sick or injured reporters. Nor is it an individual accident insurance for the benefit of runners, supporters and reporters; the organisation of the race provides a strong incentive for competitors to take out individual accident and repatriation insurance and a civil liability insurance policy. Individual accident and repatriation insurance is mandatory for foreign teams.

14.2. The runners, the reporters or any accredited person, engage in the event in full knowledge of the risks they take. They are committed under their full responsibility. They release the organization in advance from any criminal and / or civil liability in the event of a personal injury or material accident that may occur on the occasion of the event.

14.3. The teams are fully responsible for their vehicles, personal objects and materials. In the event of loss, theft or damage to such materials and effects, the organization cannot be held liable.

14.4. Anti-doping controls may be organised, at any time, by the Directorate of Youth and Sports and the organisation. The list of prohibited products is published by the World Anti-doping Agency (WADA).

14.5. Having regard to Article 18-1 of Law No. 84-610 of 16 July 1984 on the organization and promotion of physical and sports activities, in its wording applicable to the case; the organizer of a sporting event has priority over the rights to exploit the image of that event, in particular by broadcasting photographic photographs or making videos made on that occasion.