



STAGE RACE AND OMNIUM

2026

2/19 | MARANA TIME TRIAL

2/20 | SAHUARITA ROAD RACE

2/21 | RIO NUEVO TUCSON CRITERIUM

2/22 | ORO VALLEY CIRCUIT RACE

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WELCOME

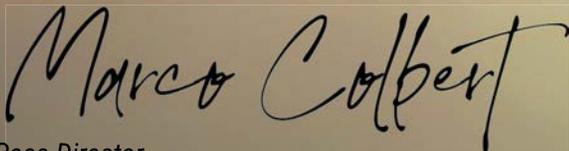
THE TUCSON BICYCLE CLASSIC p/b THE METEOR RETURNS FOR ITS 38TH SEASON!

Here is what's new in 2026:

- ▶ Four days of racing
- ▶ Rio Nuevo Tucson Criterium open to all categories
- ▶ Free Beginner Women's Crit Clinic
- ▶ Free "dry camping" in Marana on Feb. 18th and 19th
- ▶ Beer gardens(!) at packet pickup, at the crit and at the Oro Valley Circuit Race
- ▶ Come early and ride the [Project Echelon Fondo](#) on Feb. 17th
- ▶ New [TBC Oro Valley 5K](#) before the circuit race – you can run and ride!
- ▶ No mixed fields for the crit or the circuit race

Whew. Staging an event like the TBC takes a lot of work all year round. If you have a moment, please thank our wonderful Race Committee members for all their hard work, and thank the USA Cycling officials, too (oops, I mean the "commissaires").

We hope you enjoy your stay in Tucson. And be sure to visit and support our local businesses and race sponsors. Without our wonderful sponsors – the TBC could not happen.



Race Director

Tucson Bicycle Classic p/b The Meteor



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STAGE RACE NEUTRAL SUPPORT

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TIMING/RESULTS

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LOCAL INFORMATION

HOTELS AND LODGING

WESTWARD LOOK WYNDHAM GRAND RESORT & SPA

245 E Ina Rd, Tucson, AZ 85704
(520) 297-1151

MY PLACE HOTEL TUCSON NORTH/MARANA

8530 N Joplin Ln, Tucson, AZ 85742
(520) 724-0602

FAIRFIELD INN AND SUITES BY MARRIOTT

10150 N. Oracle Rd, Oro Valley, AZ 85737
(520) 202-4000

HAMPTON INN & SUITES TUCSON MARANA

6300 W Marana Center Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85742
(520) 572-1010

DOUBLETREE BY HILTON TUCSON DOWNTOWN CONVENTION CENTER

280 S Church Ave, Tucson, AZ 85701
(520) 372-7100

[SHORT-TERM RENTALS IN ORO VALLEY](#)

Google Sheet with a listing of over 40 properties

HOST HOUSING

Please visit the [Racer Info > Find a Host](#) tab on our website. Fill out and submit the form; if there is availability you will be matched with a potential host.

Pro fields have priority. Meals and transportation are not included with host housing.

Host housing is limited.

FREE DRY CAMPING

February 18-20 (2 nights only)

Marana Heritage River Park
12375 N Heritage Park Dr
Marana, AZ 85653



LOCAL INFORMATION

HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CARE

Stage

1

MARANA TIME TRIAL PROLOGUE

Northwest Emergency Center Marana - 5.5 miles away
6350 W Marana Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85742
(520) 579-6040

Northwest Medical Center - 13 miles away
6200 N La Cholla Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85741
(520) 742-7000

TRAUMA CENTER

Banner University Medical Center Tucson - 20 miles away
1625 N Campbell Ave, Tucson, AZ 85719
(520) 694-0111

Stage

2

SAHUARITA ROAD RACE

Northwest Medical Center Sahuarita - 8 miles away
16260 S Rancho Sahuarita Blvd, Sahuarita, AZ 85629
(520) 416-7100

TRAUMA CENTERS

Banner University Medical Center South - 28 miles away
2800 E Ajo Way, Tucson, AZ 85713
(520) 874-2000

Banner University Medical Center Tucson - 32 miles away
1625 N Campbell Ave, Tucson, AZ 85719
(520) 694-0111

Stage

3

RIO NUEVO TUCSON CRITERIUM

Banner University Medical Center Tucson - 3 miles away
1625 N Campbell Ave, Tucson, AZ 85719
(520) 694-0111

Stage

4

ORO VALLEY CIRCUIT RACE

Oro Valley Hospital - 3 miles away
1551 E Tangerine Rd, Oro Valley, AZ 85755
(520) 901-3500

Banner University Medical Center Tucson - 32 miles away
1625 N Campbell Ave, Tucson, AZ 85719
(520) 694-0111

REMINDER: Injured riders who wish to utilize USA Cycling's Supplemental Health Coverage must have a First Report of Occurrence form completed.

If you are injured during the race, please let a Commissaire or Staff Member at the registration location know so the First Report of Occurrence can be completed.

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

Online [registration](#) closes at midnight Mountain Time on **Monday, February 16, 2026**. If you miss online registration and you really want in, the fee is double after the close of online registration, up through the end of bib pick-up on Wednesday. Don't be late! No registrations will be accepted after the Prologue times have been posted. Category changes must be made prior to close of online registration. No exceptions.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Bib Number Pick Up/Confirmation

Timed Stage Race: 4:00 pm - 5:45 pm

Omnium Racers: 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Marana River Heritage Park
12375 N Heritage Park Dr
Marana, AZ 85653

You must present your USA Cycling license or valid international license.

Team managers may pick up numbers for their whole team with the proper racing licenses, foreign permission letters, and proof of insurance as required.

** Beer Garden and food trucks will be on-site **

Stage Race Team Manager Meeting: 6:00 pm

This meeting is mandatory to be eligible to have a car in the Stage 2 Sahuarita Road Race caravan. If a team manager is not available, teams must send a representative. Important information will be covered. Limited to 4 team cars for each Pro/1/2/(W3) Stage Race.

Caravan Drivers Meeting: 7:00 pm

Anyone driving a car in the Stage 2 Sahuarita Road Race caravan is required to attend. Team vehicle drivers must all have a current Federation license.

Team cars are not permitted on Sunday's circuit course.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Stage 1: Marana Prologue Time Trial

9:01 am Start	Women Cat 3/4/N	7.8 km
To Follow	Men Open Masters 60+	7.8 km
To Follow	Men Open Cat 4/N	7.8 km
To Follow	Men Open Masters 50+	7.8 km
To Follow	Men Open Masters 40+	7.8 km
To Follow	Men Open Cat 2/3	7.8 km
To Follow	Women Pro/1/2/3	7.8 km
To Follow	Men Open Pro/1/2	7.8 km

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Stage 2: Sahuarita Road Race

9:00 am	Men Open Cat 4/N	2 laps
9:05 am	Women Pro/1/2/3	3 laps
9:10 am	Men Open Masters 60+	3 laps
9:15 am	Women Cat 3/4/N	2 laps
9:45 am	Men Open Pro/1/2	4 laps
10:35 am	Men Open Cat 2/3	3 laps
10:39 am	Men Open Masters 40+	3 laps
10:43 am	Men Open Masters 50+	3 laps

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Stage 3: Rio Nuevo Tucson Criterium

8:30 am	Men Open Cat 4/N	30 min
9:10 am	Men Open Masters 50+	45 min
10:05 am	Men Open Masters 60+	45 min
11:00 am	Men Open Masters 40+	45 min
11:45 am	BREAK	30 min
12:15 pm	Women Cat 3/4/N	30 min
12:55 pm	Men Open Cat 2/3	45 min
1:50 pm	Women Pro/1/2/3	70 min
3:20 pm	Men Open Pro/1/2	70 min

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Stage 4: Oro Valley Circuit Race

7:15 am	TBC Oro Valley 5K run	
8:30 am	Men Open Masters 60+	45 min
9:25 am	Men Open Masters 50+	45 min
10:20 am	Men Open Masters 40+	45 min
11:15 am	Men Open Cat 4/N	30 min
11:55 am	Women Cat 3/4/N	30 min
12:35 pm	BREAK	25 min
1:10 pm	Men Open Cat 2/3	45 min
2:05 pm	Women Pro/1/2/3	75 min
3:30 pm	Men Open Pro/1/2	75 min



GENERAL REGULATIONS

ORGANIZATION

The Tucson Bicycle Classic p/b The Meteor is a four-day race under USA Cycling Sanction #15092. The USA Cycling regulations and scale of penalties apply. All races are subject to USADA [anti-doping](#) regulations.

The Tucson Bicycle Classic p/b The Meteor is a timed stage race for Men Pro/1/2 and Women Pro/1/2/3 categories. The winner of the General Classification is the rider with the best overall time.

All other categories will compete in a points-based omnium. The rider with the most points at the conclusion of Tucson Bicycle Classic p/b The Meteor will be presented as the omnium winner.

REGISTRATION

Registration is online at [BikeReg](#) only and closes at 12:00 midnight MST on Monday, February 16, 2026. Fees include the daily USA Cycling surcharge. Arizona sales tax, additional optional insurance, and the BikeReg service fee are extra.

Transfer of entries to other persons is permitted for a surcharge of \$35. Entry Fees are as indicated on BikeReg. No race day registration, transfers, or race day category changes are permitted. However, entrants may modify their race category online through the close of registration, provided they are eligible to enter the category, the Team Limit is not exceeded, and any difference in entry fees are paid.

Transfers of entries to other persons at the original value paid is permitted for an additional surcharge of \$35. Races run rain or shine - no refunds; your entry is your commitment to race. There are no individual race entry fees for races in the Points Omnium.

ELIGIBILITY

All racers must have a valid USA Cycling license, or a license from a governing body that is a member of the UCI. Alternately, four \$15 one-day licenses may be purchased for Novice entry for USA-based riders without a current USA Cycling license. A standard USA Cycling event waiver must be signed by all riders. Any entrant under 18 also requires a parent's or legal guardian's signature on the waiver.

The race is "Team Limited" per USA Cycling [3H2](#):

- ▶ Pro Fields: A maximum of 10 riders per team; if 10 days before the close of registration a field of 120 is not met, the Team Limit may be extended to a maximum of 11 riders per team.
- ▶ Other Fields: A maximum of 12 riders per team

Foreign Riders: All foreign riders at the 2026 Tucson Bicycle Classic p/b The Meteor will need an international race license that is in good standing with their national Federation and a Foreign Permission Letter from their National Federation that permits the rider to race in the United States during the dates February 19-22, 2026. The letter must also specify one of the following:

- ▶ The rider is covered by medical insurance for racing in the United States, or
- ▶ The rider is not covered by medical insurance for racing in the United States and will provide proof of such coverage, or
- ▶ The rider accepts full responsibility for all medical costs they incur at the event.

If no Foreign Permission Letter is provided, the rider understands and agrees that they shall solely be responsible for any medical costs and/or claims and for purchase of any medical insurance desired that will cover them while participating in the Tucson Bicycle Classic p/b The Meteor.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

BIB NUMBERS

Racers will be provided with two bib numbers. Both bib numbers must be worn all four days, including the Marana Time Trial.

Numbers are to be worn on the right and left sides of jersey as illustrated, attached with pins. They must be clearly visible.

Riders with long hair - please braid and/or put the hair in a bun. Bib numbers that are unreadable due to poor placement may incur a 5 points penalty (Omnium racers).

Lost, cut, or damaged bib numbers must be replaced through the Technical Director. A replacement fee of \$10 will be charged. Unofficial hand-written replacements are not permitted.

Good Placement



- ▶ Bottom of number along the "side seam" and just above the pockets

Bad Placement



- ▶ Too high for camera and Commissaires to read

GENERAL REGULATIONS

SIGN-IN

Signing in is required for all stages except the Marana Prologue TT. Sign-in closes 10 minutes before race's assigned start. At the Marana Prologue TT your start is your sign-in. For the Omnium races, your sign-in ensures you will be placed and ranked each stage. Signing in guarantees eligibility to earn points for a stage.

Failure to sign in but still take the start may result in penalties according to USA Cycling [8A5\(L\)](#) and special race regulations:

1st offense - \$20 FINE

2nd offense - \$50 FINE and DSQ

FEEDING/WATER

Riders must be self-sufficient concerning water and feeding. The event does not have water for riders at the venues. COME PREPARED!

Feeders in feed zones MUST REMAIN BEHIND the white fog line of the road. Feeding outside of the established feed zone is prohibited.

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Per USA Cycling [1J6](#), Radio communications are permitted only in the Pro fields during the Stage 2 Sahuarita Road Race, and all fields during the Marana TT Prologue. Audio playback devices are prohibited in all races.

CENTER LINE REGULATIONS

Riders may encounter oncoming traffic during Stage 2 and Stage 4. The USA Cycling "Center Line Rule" [8B1\(a\)](#) is in effect the entire road race for all categories. Exceptions, if any, will be announced on the Starting Line. Penalties may include time penalties, points penalties, relegation to last place for stage, or possible disqualification and/or suspension for Center Line Rule Violations.

MIXING OF FIELDS

Racers may only work with and take pace from riders in their field. This includes riders in a break-away or riders falling off the back. Know your race numbers and the 100s number series that you start with. The severity of the penalty corresponds to the severity of the offense.

LAPPED AND OVERTAKEN RIDERS

A lapped rider or one who has fallen too far behind and considered to be out of contention may be called off the course by the PCP or their designated Commissaire. They will be given a finish time and/or place calculated by the Chief Judge.

A lapped rider must not interfere in any bonus sprint or finishing sprint.

RESPECT FOR CYCLING'S IMAGE

Littering: You are guests here! Littering will not be tolerated. Pack it in/Pack it out. If witnessed by a police officer, offenders may be ticketed in addition to fine sanctions as called for in the regulations. In egregious cases, offenders may be disqualified from the race. If a specific rider cannot be identified the team may be fined. Green zones where bottles may be deposited are in the feed zones.

Public urination is not tolerated. Portable toilets are provided. If witnessed by a police officer, offenders may be ticketed. USA Cycling [8A5\(M\)](#):

1st offense - \$50 - \$100 FINE

2nd offense - \$200 FINE and DSQ

PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOGRAPHY

This constitutes formal notice that any or all images of entrants in the race or onsite at the race venue may be used by the promoter, its agents, and sponsors for advertising, trade, and any other lawful purposes. By entering to race, each entrant gives consent for use of their name and photographic likeness to the promoter, its agents, and sponsors.

DRONES

County laws prohibit the flying of drones near or over any open roadways in Pima County jurisdiction. However, drones may be used to film the event within closed roads.

Use of drones is subject to FAA regulations and requirements. Please do not fly directly over the course at any location during racing.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

RESULTS

Provisional results for the top 10 in each field will be posted onsite after Stages 2, 3 and 4. Final field results for each Stage and General Classification will be posted [online](#). In addition, field results will be emailed to participants at the email address provided through BikeReg.

PROTESTS

Protests concerning the order of finish or timing are lodged with the Chief Judge via [email](#) or in person. Protests concerning other sporting aspects are to be lodged with the PCP via [email](#) or in person. (See list of [Commissaires](#).) Text messaging is not an acceptable form of protest.

Protests for Stage 1, Stage 2, and Stage 3 must be lodged at least one hour before the start of the next stage. Protests for the final stage must be lodged within 15 minutes of the posting of the preliminary results. Past that time the results may be reviewed but no changes to the prize list will be made.

ANTI-DOPING (DOPERS SUCK!)

Doping controls are under the jurisdiction of USADA. Athletes selected for doping control will be notified by a Chaperone as soon as possible after the finish of each stage. Noncompliance or refusing to be tested will result in the same penalties as a doping violation. Numbers of riders selected to be tested will **not be posted** for public viewing.

[See Appendix I](#) for more information on doping control regulations.



GENERAL REGULATIONS

PRIZES

The Tucson Bicycle Classic p/b The Meteor has worked hard to ensure we have equal prize lists for Men and Women. Where riders race together in a field they are racing for one overall result and prize list.

A leader jersey is awarded for first place on GC or Points for the field (combined grouping) at the end of the final stage on Sunday. "Best" subcategory awards based on GC or Points will be presented at the end of the final stage on Sunday.

CATEGORY	FIELD LIMIT	CRIT PRIMES	OVERALL PRIZES
Women Cat 3/4/N Omnium <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best Junior after Stage 4 • Best Novice after Stage 4 • Best Masters 40+ after Stage 4 • Best Masters 55+ after Stage 4 	75	\$300	\$750/5 places/Jerseys <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trophy • Trophy • Trophy • Trophy
 Men Open Masters 60+ Cat 1/2/3/4 Omnium <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best 65-69 after Stage 4 • Best 70+ after Stage 4 	100	\$400	\$600/5 places/Jerseys <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trophy • Trophy
 Men Open Masters 50+ Cat 1/2/3 Omnium	100	\$400	\$600/5 places/Jerseys
 Men Open Masters 40+ Cat 1/2/3 Omnium	100	\$400	\$600/5 places/Jerseys
Men Open Cat 4/N Omnium <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best Junior after Stage 4 • Best Masters 40+ after Stage 4 	75	\$250	\$500/5 places/Jerseys <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trophy • Trophy
Men Open Cat 2/3 Omnium	120	\$400	\$900/8 places/Jerseys
Men Open Pro/1/2 Stage Race <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best U23 after Stage 4 	120	\$1,500	\$2,000/15 places/Jerseys <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trophy
Women Pro/1/2/3 Stage Race <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best U24 after Stage 4 	100	\$1,500	\$2,000/15 places/Jerseys <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trophy

AWARDS/PODIUM

Riders are to appear for podium photos in racing attire. Street shoes are ok. Bare headed or cap. No sunglasses. Please note the penalty in the USA Cycling regulations [8A5\(k\)](#) for missing a podium presentation will be applied if necessary [\$70 fine and forfeiture of prizes].

USA MASTERS CUP

Tucson Bicycle Classic p/b The Meteor is the series opener for the 7th edition of the [USA Masters Cup](#). Welcome riders!



GENERAL REGULATIONS

PRIZE LIST DISTRIBUTION

The breakdown per place is detailed below based on the total prize list, with categories racing in a field receiving a single prize list and General Classification. Including primes, the total prize purse is \$13,100.

Payout will be available at the race venue tent 15 minutes after the results of the Final General Classification have been posted and made final. Prizes not claimed within 90 days of the end of the 2026 Tucson Bicycle Classic p/b The Meteor will be voided and forfeited to the race organizer. No exceptions. Riders in contention for prizes or awards who cannot be present for the final awards ceremony must inform the race organizer in advance to receive permission. Failure to attend official awards ceremonies is subject to forfeiture of prizes.

Tax forms: Riders winning > \$600 must complete the appropriate IRS form before receiving their prize payment. The form will be available at pay-out, or you may bring a completed form with you. US Citizens: [IRS Form W-9](#). Foreigners: [Form W-8BEN](#).

Nonresident aliens receiving cash prizes must submit Form W-8BEN and may be subject to 30% US federal tax withholding.

Prize List Distribution by Category

	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Women Cat 3/4/N	\$750	\$250	\$160	\$130	\$110	\$100										
Men Open Cat 4/N	\$500	\$210	\$110	\$70	\$60	\$50										
Men Open Cat 2/3	\$900	\$250	\$150	\$120	\$100	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55							
Men Open Masters 60+	\$600	\$230	\$130	\$90	\$80	\$70										
Men Open Masters 50+	\$600	\$230	\$130	\$90	\$80	\$70										
Men Open Masters 40+	\$600	\$230	\$130	\$90	\$80	\$70										
Women Pro/1/2/3	\$2,000	\$500	\$325	\$230	\$180	\$140	\$110	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$65	\$50	\$40	\$35	\$30	\$25
Men Open Pro/1/2	\$2,000	\$500	\$325	\$230	\$180	\$140	\$110	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$65	\$50	\$40	\$35	\$30	\$25

LEADER JERSEY

Verge Sport is the *Official Custom Cycling Apparel Sponsor* of the 2026 Tucson Bicycle Classic p/b The Meteor.

Leader jerseys will be provided to each of the overall race leaders on GC after each stage. This jersey must be worn in the next stage. A location for the team placard is reserved on these jerseys.



OMNIUM SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

OMNIUM POINTS SCORING

These regulations apply to the following fields:

- ▶ Women Cat 3/4/N
- ▶ Men Open Masters 60+
- ▶ Men Open Cat 4/N
- ▶ Men Open Masters 50+
- ▶ Men Open Cat 2/3
- ▶ Men Open Masters 40+

Riders compete for points in each event and final placings are determined by total points in all events. Racers do not need to start or finish each stage. DNS and DNF receive 0 points.

The following points schedule will be awarded per stage. "Best" sub-groups do not receive separate points or scoring. See Stage Details for Bonus Points info.

The Commissaires may assess disciplinary measures that include points penalties. Riders who abandon an event will be listed as a DNF and will earn 0 points for that stage.

Omnium Tiebreaker Rules: If tied on points, the following order will be used until the tie is broken:

1. Most stage wins (including TT Prologue)
2. Most 2nd place finishes
3. Most 3rd place finishes
4. Highest placing in the last stage

Omnium Points Schedule

Place	Marana TT Prologue	Sahuarita Road Race*	Tucson Criterium*	Oro Valley Circuit Race*	*Bonus Points
1	20	40	30	45	3
2	18	38	28	42	2
3	16	36	26	39	1
4	14	34	24	36	
5	12	32	22	33	
6	10	30	20	30	
7	9	28	18	28	
8	8	26	16	26	
9	7	24	14	24	
10	6	22	12	22	
11	5	20	10	20	
12	4	18	9	18	
13	3	16	8	16	
14	2	14	7	14	
15	1	12	6	12	
16	1	10	5	10	
17	1	9	4	9	
18	1	8	3	8	
19	1	7	2	7	
20	1	6	1	6	
21	1	5	1	5	
22	1	4	1	4	
23	1	3	1	3	
24	1	2	1	2	
25	1	1	1	1	
26 +	1	1	1	1	

OMNIUM SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

TECHNICAL SUPPORT - OMNIUM FIELDS

Stationary mechanical support is offered through local bike shops at the start area of each race and in the pit locations (where applicable). See Stage Details for location.

A sweep vehicle will provide transportation to the finish line but will not provide mechanical assistance. Drafting of support vehicles is prohibited and is subject to time penalties, relegation, points penalties, and/or disqualification (depending on the severity).

Stage 2 Sahuarita Road Race - Omnium Fields

Due to the number of races on the course simultaneously, wheel support for the Omnium fields is limited to a single SAG vehicle.

There are no wheel vehicles for these races. Do not bring wheels for the SAG vehicle.

Personal support vehicles are not allowed on the course.

Riders who carry tools and equipment to change their own flat tire may continue to race on the course.

Riders needing a ride back to the Start can request a ride from the SAG vehicle by flagging them down. Please note that it may be up to a 20-30 minute wait. Our goal is to provide a means to get everyone back to the Start area so they can start the next race. Riders traveling in the SAG vehicle will be listed in the results as "DNF" (Did Not Finish) but are allowed to start the next race.



STAGE RACE SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

STAGE RACE SCORING

These regulations apply to the following fields:

- ▶ Women Pro/1/2/3
- ▶ Men Open Pro/1/2

Timing follows USA Cycling regulations [3H4\(b\)](#), using electronic timing. A new time is assigned when there is a difference of one second or more between the back of the rear wheel of the last rider in a group and the front of the front wheel of the first rider of the following group.

General Classification is determined by the sum of the times (discarding fractions of a second) in all stages including the Marana Time Trial Prologue, subtracting time bonuses, and adding time penalties.

Ties in General Classification shall be broken in the following order until the tie is broken:

1. Adding in the fractions of a second from the time trials
2. The sum of the placings in Stages 2 and 3
3. Highest place in the last stage ridden

Time bonuses will be awarded as follows:

- ▶ Intermediate: 3" – 2" – 1"
- ▶ Finishes: 10" – 6" – 4"

Hillclimb Finishes: Stage 4 Oro Valley Circuit Race ends in a hill climb finish for purposes of USA Cycling [3H6\(c\)\(ii\)](#) and the 3K rule will not apply. The Race Commission shall determine the applicability of this rule to particular circumstances.

Time Limits: Riders not finishing by the time the sweep vehicle arrives at the finish line will be deemed to have abandoned (DNF) the race and may not continue in the next stage.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT - STAGE RACE

Neutral support is provided by Elite Racing Service either in the pit or by vehicle. Neutral service technicians will be clearly identifiable by the words ELITE on their uniforms and vehicles (automobiles and/or motorcycles) both before and in-race. Questions or unique equipment concerns are to be addressed with Elite Racing Service before their event. mike@eliteracingservice.com.

Technicians will have limited access to 12- and 11-speed Shimano/SRAM/Campagnolo compatible wheels (rim-brake wheels and disc brake wheels with 140/160 rotors available) in the event of flat tires or wheel failure.

STAGE 2 SAHUARITA ROAD RACE - TEAM VEHICLES

A maximum of four team vehicles for each Pro/1/2/(W3) Stage Race will be allowed on the Stage 2 Sahuarita Road Race to provide **mechanical assistance only**. **Feeding from cars is prohibited**.

Eligibility: The teams entering the most registered riders will be permitted to have a team vehicle, to the maximum of four team vehicles on course. In case of an equal number of riders, the team with the highest ranked rider in the Race Predictor will have priority. A team representative who will be in the team vehicle must be present at the Wednesday Team Manager and Caravan Driver Meetings. Mandatory "Team" car banners will be distributed at this time. Eligible team cars will be numbered according to the best rider on the team in General Classification after the Time Trial.

Staging: See maps on page 23. Caravan team vehicles must be properly staged near the LEFT shoulder no later than:

- ▶ Women P/1/2/3: Staged by 8:30 am, positions 1-4
- ▶ Men P/1/2: Staged by 8:50 am behind the Women's Team vehicles, positions 5-8

Vehicles must be clearly identified with the team's name, equipped with a radio, light, caravan number, and properly marked with official race "TEAM" banners. **Rear mounted bike racks and tinted or wrapped windows are prohibited.**

Car numbers and radios are to be picked up by the team manager at rider sign-on before staging. Numbers are to be placed on the windows: front – passenger side and rear – driver side. In addition, the "TEAM" banner must be taped near the top of the front and rear windows.

Vehicles exceeding 1.66 meters in height will be at the back of the caravan, according to height.

STAGE 1 DETAILS

MARANA TIME TRIAL PROLOGUE Thursday, February 19, 2026

Course: A short, flat 7.8 km one-way time trial

Sign-In: Your start is your sign in for the Marana TT Prologue

Schedule: The first start is estimated at 9:00 am. Actual start times depend on the number of registered riders in each category. Refer to your actual assigned start time posted after the close of registration. Starts are under the control of the Commissaires according to USA Cycling regulations.

Starts: The order of starts is set by the race organizer. The defending Champion (Pros) may be started last in their group. Starts will be on 30-second start intervals with 5-10 minutes between race categories.

Riders are to be in the ready area 15 minutes before their appointed start. Riders will not be hailed to the start.

Know your start time.

Marana Time Trial Starting Order

9:01 am Start	Women Cat 3/4/N
To Follow	Men Open Masters 60+
To Follow	Men Open Cat 4/N
To Follow	Men Open Masters 50+
To Follow	Men Open Masters 40+
To Follow	Men Open Cat 2/3
To Follow	Women Pro/1/2/3
To Follow	Men Open Pro/1/2

Marana Time Trial Prologue: Stage 1 is run as a Prologue. The results are used to determine the Individual General Classification. Any rider who suffers a mishap during the Prologue and is unable to complete the distance **must inform a USA Cycling Commissaire** and shall be permitted to race the following day, shall be placed last of all starters, and will be given the time of the last rider completing the course in their field.

Start Location: Marana Heritage River Park, 12375 N. Heritage Park Dr., Marana, AZ 85653

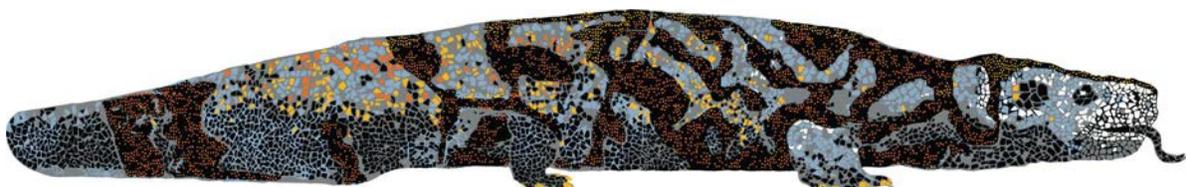
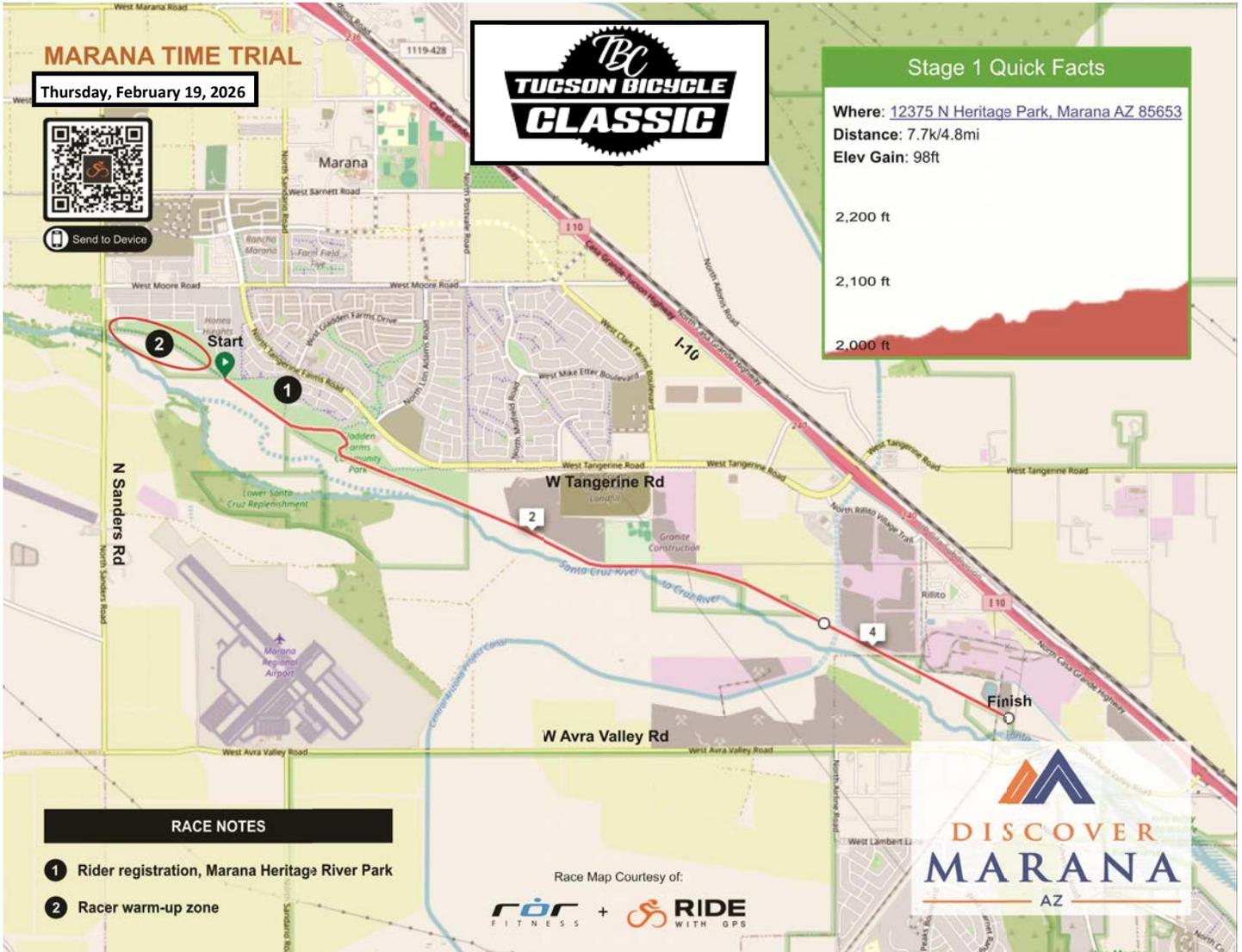
Podium: None. GC /Omnium leaders pick up their jersey at sign-in for the Stage 2 Sahuarita Road Race.

SPECIAL REGULATIONS

- ▶ **No Time Trial bikes allowed.** Only bicycles conforming to USA Cycling massed-start road race bicycles may be used. Aero equipment is limited to helmets. No tri-spokes, disc wheels or wheel covers are permitted. Time trial bars or handlebar extensions are not permitted.
- ▶ Per USA Cycling Rule [111\(k\)](#), the use of forearms ("puppy paws") as a point of support on the handlebar is strictly forbidden.
- ▶ The course is one way; however, **the return is partially on the course.**
- ▶ **Racing riders must always keep to the right of the path.** Using the left side of the path while racing may result in a time or points penalty as determined by the race jury.
- ▶ The left side of the course is reserved for returning riders. When returning stay to the far right in single file, exercising vigilance and care while getting back to the parking lot. Please observe signage. Interfering with a race in progress can also result in time or points penalties.

STAGE 1 DETAILS

MARANA TIME TRIAL PROLOGUE Course Map



STAGE 2 DETAILS

SAHUARITA ROAD RACE Friday, February 20, 2026

LEADER PROJECTED FINISH PER LAP

CATEGORY	START	E S T I M A T E D END OF LAP 1	END OF LAP 2	END OF LAP 3	END OF LAP 4	BONUS LAPS	TOTAL LAPS	DISTANCE (MILES)
Men Open Cat 4/N	9:00 am	9:50 am	10:41 am			1	2	41
Women Pro/1/2/3	9:05 am	9:56 am	10:48 am	11:40 am		1, Finish	3	61.5
Men Open 60+	9:10 am	10:01 am	10:53 am	11:45 am		1	3	61.5
Women Cat 3/4/N	9:15 am	10:11 am	11:08 am			1	2	41
Men Open Pro/1/2	9:45 am	10:29 am	11:13 am	11:57 am	12:42 pm	1, 3, Finish	4	82
Men Open Cat 2/3	10:35 am	11:19 am	12:04 pm	12:49 pm		1	3	61.5
Men Open 40+	10:39 am	11:25 am	12:12 pm	12:59 pm		1	3	61.5
Men Open 50+	10:43 am	11:29 am	12:16 pm	1:03 pm		1	3	61.5

Course: A challenging 20.5-mile loop with approx. 1,000' of climbing, including a solid, sustained climb, rollers, flats and a rapid descent. Three of the four roads are lightly traveled. Most of the vehicular traffic will be on La Cañada Dr and at the beginning of Duval Mine Rd. The RR track crossing at Duval Mine Rd and Mission Rd intersection has been rebuilt, take care, nonetheless. The Start/Finish is uphill and straight, excellent for spectating. It is a short walk from the intersection of Duval Mine Rd and Continental Rd. No parking at the finish line.

Sign-In: At the Start – see Course Map. Open one hour before and closes 10 minutes before assigned Start time. Leader jerseys from TT may be picked up at Sign-In.

Starts: Riders stage in order by groups on **Continental Road** south of W Duval Mine Road. Lead and follow vehicles will be staged in the lot next to Sign-in and will take their place prior to the start of each field. Team vehicles may NOT have rear mounted bike racks. The start is neutral until all riders have safely turned onto W Duval Mine Rd. The course runs clockwise.

Bonuses: Intermediate bonuses are 3-2-1 points (Omnium) or 3"-2"-1" (Stage Race). Stage Race finish bonuses are 10"- 6"- 4".

STAGE 2 DETAILS

SAHUARITA ROAD RACE Friday, February 20, 2026

Course Directions: From the Start on W Duval Mine Rd > Mission Rd > Helmet Peak Rd/Sahuarita Rd > La Cañada Rd > W Duval Mine. Approximate distance 21 miles.

NOTE: Use only the right-hand lane on La Cañada Dr.

Driving Directions: From Interstate 19 take **Exit 63**, W. Continental Road and head west approximately 6 km (3 to 3.5 miles) to parking area. **Avoid the Sahuarita and Duval Mine exits** as these will put you on the course!

Parking: Continental Road only (see map). **NO OVERNIGHT PARKING whatsoever in the Start/Sign-In area on Thursday night.** Non-staff vehicles and/or campers may be fined and towed. Access to the course from Continental Rd only. Continental Rd may be open to two-way traffic. Park on the north side of Continental Rd only because the opposite lane must remain open for emergency vehicles. Please do not block the road.

Feed Zone: Feeding from the Feed Zone is allowed on all but the first lap of each race. The Feed Zone is on W Duval Mine Rd between Continental Rd and Mission Rd. See the Course Map. Feeders must walk to the Feed Zone from rider parking on Continental and may not drive vehicles in the Feed Zone. No vehicle parking in the Feed Zone or across the street for safety reasons.

Feeders MUST REMAIN BEHIND the white fog line of the road. Feeding outside of the established feed zone is prohibited.

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Finish: Riders will have the full width of the road for the final 500m of the race. "Jumping" across the centerline before the designated flagged location are subject to penalties which may range from relegation to last on the stage and a points penalty or 2:00 time penalty, up to Disqualification and recommendation for suspension (for especially dangerous moves, as determined by the Race Jury).

Technical Support Omnium Fields: [For details see page 16.](#)

Technical Support Stage Race Fields: [For details see page 17.](#)

Doping Control: Notified by chaperones at the Finish Line.

Medical: At the Finish tent.

Podium/Awards: Located in the Start area. See Locator Map. Top 3 riders in each field are required to report to the podium area at least 10 minutes before the following times. Awards are to begin no sooner than:

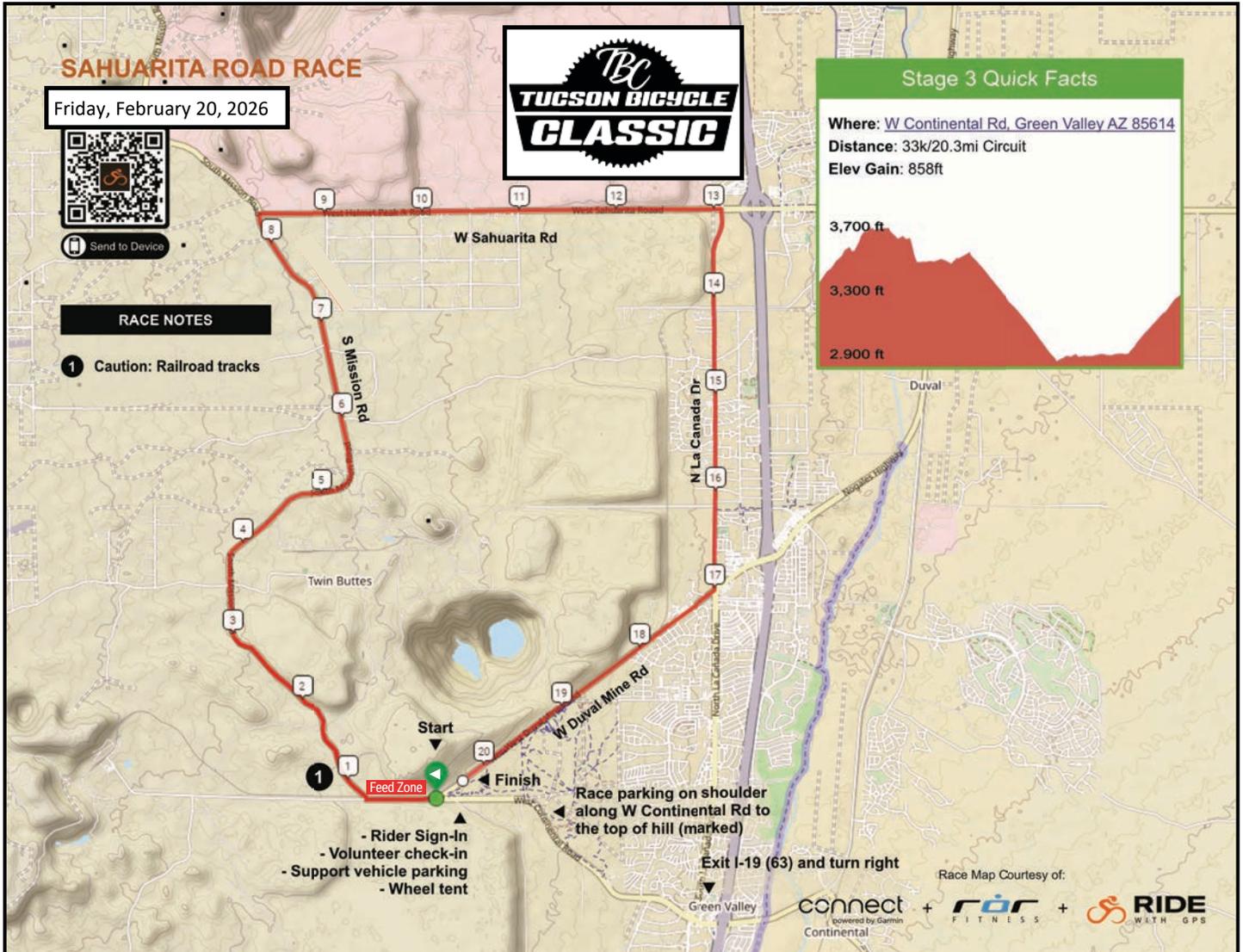
- ▶ 11:05 am: Men Open 4/N
- ▶ 11:30 am: Women 3/4/N
- ▶ 12:00 pm: Women P/1/2/3
- ▶ 12:05 pm: Men Open 60+
- ▶ 1:05 pm: Men Open P/1/2
- ▶ 1:10 pm: Men Open Cat 2/3
- ▶ 1:20 pm: Men Open 40+
- ▶ 1:25 pm: Men Open 50+



STAGE 2 DETAILS

SAHUARITA ROAD RACE Friday, February 20, 2026

COURSE MAP



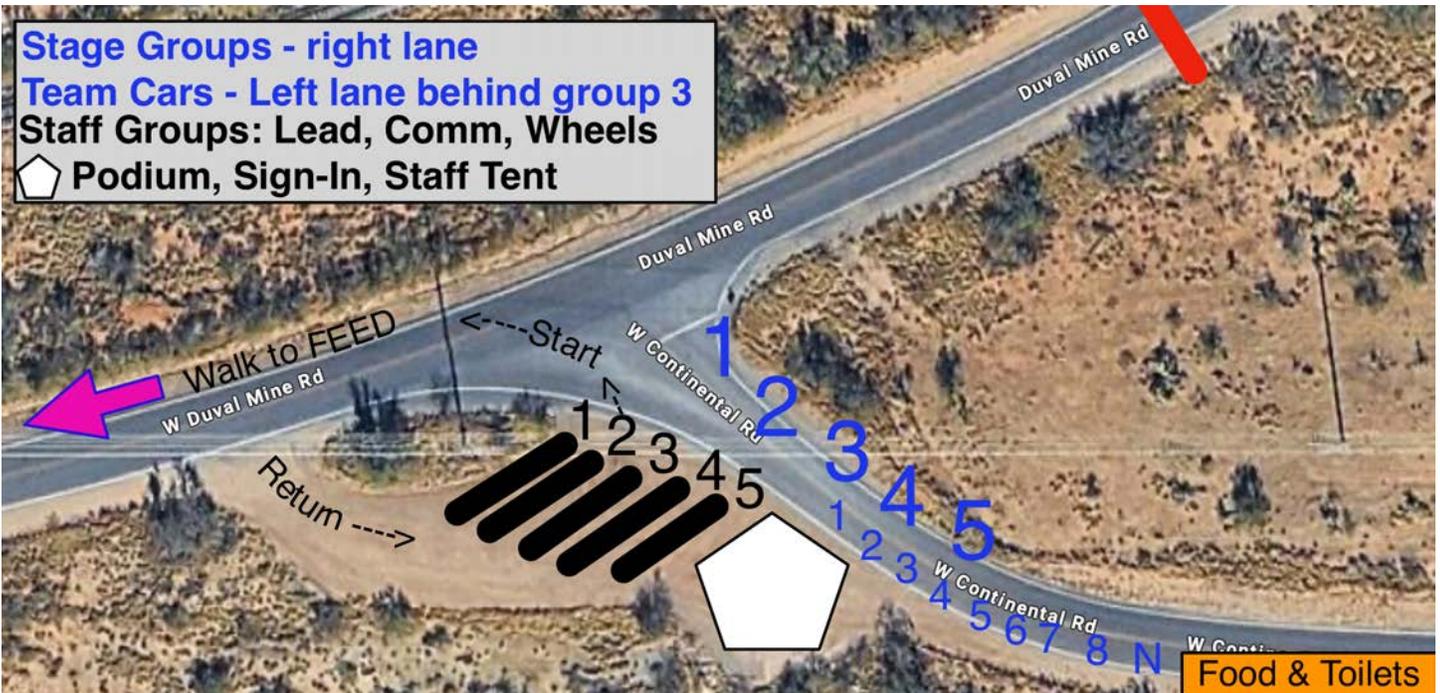
STAGE 2 DETAILS

SAHUARITA ROAD RACE Friday, February 20, 2026

STAGING OVERVIEW MAP



STAGING DETAIL MAP



STAGE 3 DETAILS

RIO NUEVO TUCSON CRITERIUM Saturday, February 21, 2026

CATEGORY	START	LENGTH	BONUS LAPS	PRIMES
Men Open Cat 4/N	8:30 am	30 min	-	\$250
Men Open 50+	9:10 am	45 min	mid-race	\$400
Men Open 60+	10:05 am	45 min	mid-race	\$400
Men Open 40+	11:00 am	45 min	mid-race	\$400
BREAK	11: 45 am	30 min		
Women Cat 3/4/N	12:15 pm	30 min	-	\$300
Men Open Cat 2/3	12:55 pm	45 min	mid-race	\$400
Women Pro/1/2/3	1:50 pm	70 min	20', 50', Finish	\$1,500
Men Open Pro/1/2	3:20 pm	70 min	20', 50', Finish	\$1,500

Course: Four corners and one U-turn. 1.2km per lap.

Sign-In: Behind the announcers stage. Open one hour before and closes 10 minutes before assigned Start time.

Pits: Location to be determined. Watch for the Communiqué before the stage. Free laps end when the cards show 7 laps to go.

Bonuses: Intermediate bonuses are 3-2-1 points (Omnium) or 3"-2"-1" (Stage Race). Stage Race Finish bonuses are 10"-6"-4".

Start Location: The Start line is at South Church St and W Cushing St.

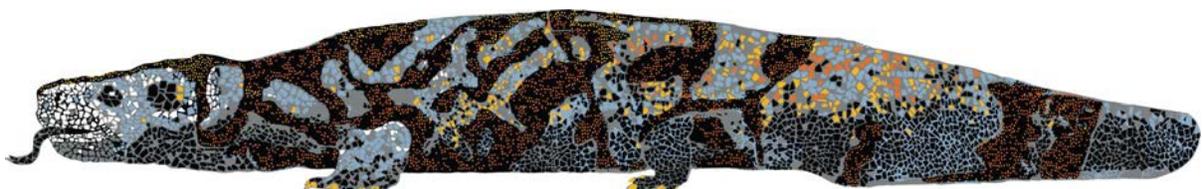
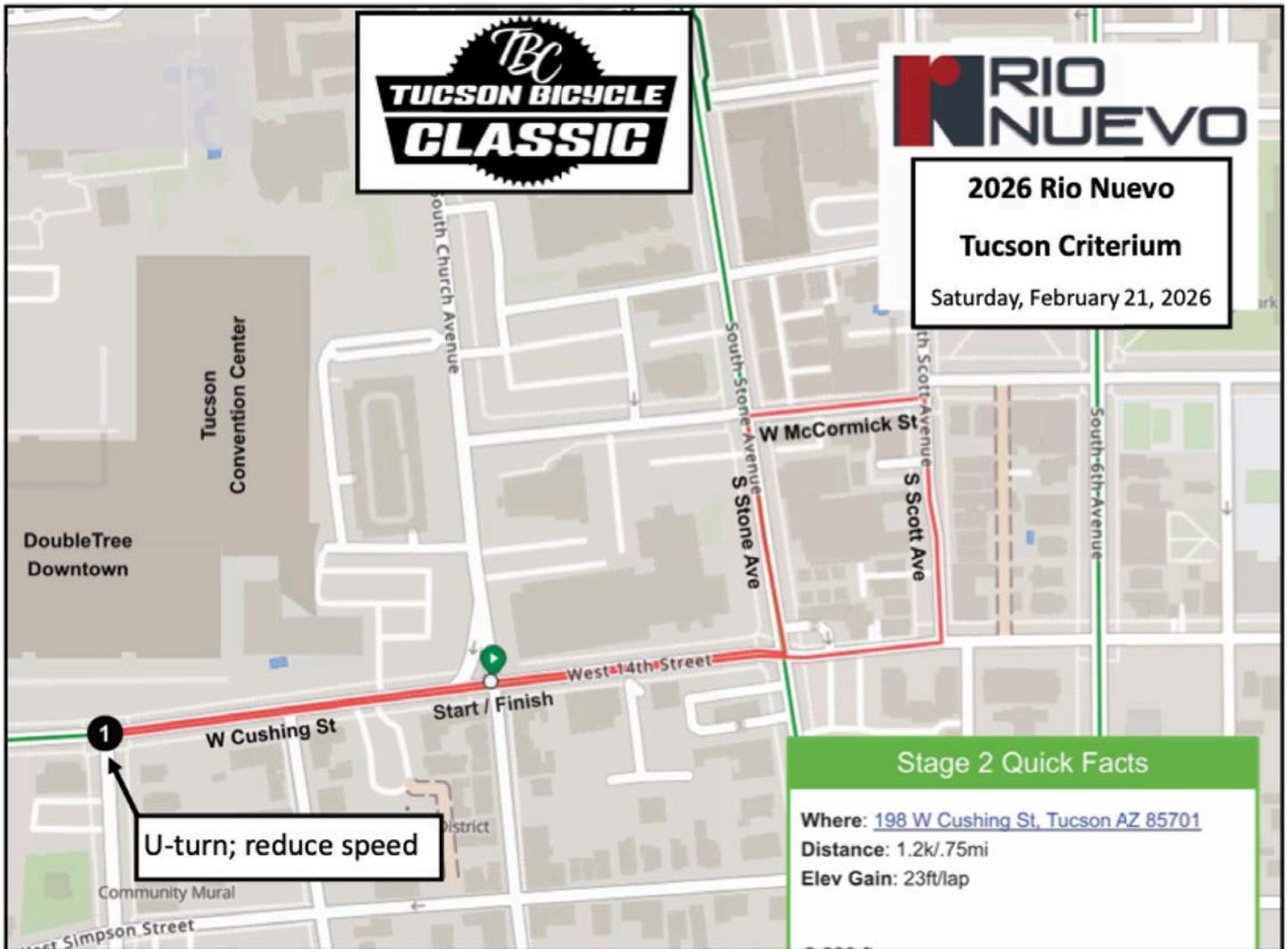
Parking: There is ample parking at the Tucson Convention Center, but there is a charge. Additional information will be published in a pre-race communiqué'.

Podium: After each race at the Finish Line area.

STAGE 3 DETAILS

RIO NUEVO TUCSON CRITERIUM Saturday, February 21, 2026

COURSE MAP



STAGE 4 DETAILS

ORO VALLEY CIRCUIT RACE Sunday, February 22, 2026

CATEGORY	START	LENGTH	BONUS LAPS
 TBC Oro Valley 5K run	7:15 am	5K	-
Men Open 60+ Cat 1/2/3/4	8:30 am	45 min	4
Men Open 50+ Cat 1/2/3	9:25 am	45 min	4
Men Open 40+ Cat 1/2/3	10:20 am	45 min	4
Men Open Cat 4/N	11:15 am	30 min	-
Women Cat 3/4/N	11:55 am	30 min	-
Men Open Cat 2/3	1:10 pm	45 min	4
Women Pro/1/2/3	2:05 pm	75 min	4, 8, Finish
Men Pro/1/2	3:30 pm	75 min	4, 8, Finish

Sign-In: Pump Track parking lot.

Warm-Up: Please refer to the **Warm-Up Zone Map** on the next page. Warming up on city streets is prohibited.

Staging: In Naranja Park on Musette Dr. Use the bike path only (not the road) to get to the Staging area. See map Exercise caution for pedestrians on the bike path.

Coned Areas: Riders must always race within the coned racecourse enclosure. Riding outside of the cones is equivalent to a centerline violation.

Omnium Bonuses: Intermediate bonuses are 3-2-1 at the finish of Lap 4.

Stage Race Bonuses: Intermediate bonuses are at the finish of Laps 4 and 8 for 3"-2"-1". Finishing bonuses are 10"-6"-4".

Stage Race finish is a hill climb finish.

Doping Control: Notified by chaperones at the Finish Line.

Medical: Near the Finish line.

Feed Zone: There will be no Feed Zone unless announced in advance by the PCP. The provisional feed zone is located about 200 m west of the entrance into Naranja Park on the uphill. Provisionally allowed feeding is prohibited on the first 4 laps and last lap.

Directions to the Start: From Copper Creek Elementary School, proceed north on Copper Spring Trail to Tangerine Road, then right to the north entrance of Naranja Park.

Racer Parking: Copper Creek Elementary School lot, 11620 N Copper Spring Trail, Oro Valley, AZ 85737. More information will follow in Rider Communiques. **There is NO racer parking inside of Naranja Park.**

STAGE 4 DETAILS

ORO VALLEY CIRCUIT RACE Sunday, February 22, 2026

Wheels & Support: Elite Racing Service will provide support in the pits. Teams and riders may leave wheels and offer support in the pits. Feeding is not permitted.

Controls: The local police have the ultimate jurisdiction over all civilians, including racers and team managers. You are a guest here. Instructions given by a police officer must be adhered to (unless you like jail). Please respect the local authorities.

Podium/Awards: Final awards are presented after each race at the podium in the large tent at the Finish Line area. The following riders (top 3) are required to report to the podium area immediately after the finish of their race:

- ▶ Men Open Masters 60+ Cat 1/2/3/4 and
 - ▶ Best Masters 65-69
 - ▶ Best Masters 70+
- ▶ Men Open Masters 50+ Cat 1/2/3
- ▶ Men Open Masters 40+ Cat 1/2/3
- ▶ Men Open Cat 4/N and
 - ▶ Best JR 13-14, 15-16, 17-18
 - ▶ Best Masters 40+
- ▶ Women Cat 3/4/N and
 - ▶ Best JR 13-14, 15-16, 17-18
 - ▶ Best Novice
 - ▶ Best Masters 40+
 - ▶ Best Masters 55+
- ▶ Men Open Cat 2/3
- ▶ Women P/1/2/3 and
 - ▶ Best U24
- ▶ Men P/1/2 and
 - ▶ Best U23

RIDER WARM-UP ZONE



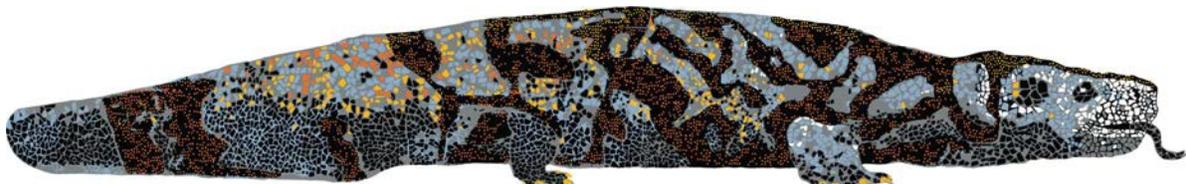
Attention riders: A safe corridor has been established for riders to warm up and cool down as indicated above, which is close to rider parking and to the north entrance of Naranja Park. All riders must enter and exit Naranja Park only through the north entrance, because the south entrance is reserved for spectators. No vehicle parking allowed inside of Naranja Park. Riders are expected to use the warm-up zone and especially not to cross the median on the north side of the warm-up zone into active traffic (duh). Any rider observed crossing the median on the north side of the warm-up zone into the vehicle lane may be severely penalized up to DQ.

Riders—please use the warm-up zone—we made it for you.

STAGE 4 DETAILS

ORO VALLEY CIRCUIT RACE Sunday, February 22, 2026

COURSE MAP



FREE BEGINNER WOMEN'S CRIT CLINIC

Crit racing can be intimidating! Join us for a quick Q+A session and Pre-Ride Clinic before the Women's Cat 3/4/Novice race. We'll spend a little time going over any questions, and then we'll head out to roll the course a few times together. Getting to know the course and corners can help take out some of the pre-race uncertainty and set you up for confidence in-race.

RSVP AND QUESTIONS

Cara O'Neill, tucsoncara@gmail.com, (520) 628-0895

WHERE TO MEET

Saturday, February 21st, 11:00 AM behind the race stage on Church Ave. just north of Cushing St.

CLINIC SCHEDULE

- ▶ 11:00 meet dressed and ready to race
- ▶ 20 min Q+A, whiteboard session
- ▶ 10 min get ready to roll
- ▶ 11:30 watch the men's race on course
- ▶ 11:45 open pre-ride session
- ▶ 12:05 staging
- ▶ 12:15 Women 3/4/Novice race start

YOUR INSTRUCTORS

Cara O'Neill

I have raced overseas, professionally, with the US National Team, and most recently for the Team S&M road squad. I'm a crit enthusiast and passionate about helping others build confidence and comfort racing and riding.

Ava Hachmann

Boulder based, Durango raised. Currently riding for Analog Racing out of Vancouver, Canada. This will be my 10th season racing and 3rd time with the TBC new racer program, excited to share my expertise and support with you all!



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APPENDIX I. DRUG TESTING

INFORMATION REGARDING DRUG TESTING

SELECTION OF RIDERS FOR DOPING CONTROL

By registering to compete at this event you have consented to be subject to drug testing and adhere to the penalties associated with an anti-doping rules violation. All registered competitors are subject to testing and, if chosen for drug testing, are required to comply with the applicable rules. Noncompliance or refusing to be tested will result in the same penalties as a doping violation.

NOTIFICATION OF ATHLETES

When the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency (“USADA”) is conducting testing at your race the cyclists selected for doping control will be notified and escorted by a chaperone to the Doping Control Station. USADA plans to have chaperones available to locate and escort all cyclists selected for testing.

APPLICABLE RULES

USADA will conduct testing in accordance with its Protocol. A copy of and additional information concerning the USADA Protocols are available online at <https://www.usada.org/athletes/testing>. “Refusing, or failing without compelling justification, to submit to sample collection after notification as authorized in applicable anti-doping rules or otherwise evading sample collection” is an anti-doping rule violation.

UNITED STATES ANTI-DOPING AGENCY

The United States Anti-Doping Agency is the independent anti-doping agency for the Olympic Movement in the United States. USADA is dedicated to eliminating the practice of doping in sport, preserving the well-being of sport and ensuring the health of athletes through drug testing, research initiatives and educational programs.

PROHIBITED CLASSES FOR EVENT TESTING

USADA will test for the classes of substances and methods prohibited by the World Anti-Doping Code. For in-competition testing urine samples are tested for the following categories of substances: anabolic agents, hormones, beta-2 agonists, anti-estrogenic substances, diuretics, stimulants, narcotics, cannabinoids (i.e. marijuana), glucocorticosteroids, alcohol and beta-blockers; additionally, the following methods such as blood doping, gene doping and pharmacological, chemical and physical manipulation are also prohibited.

For more detailed information or a non-exclusive list of substances within each category listed above, visit the USADA web site at <https://www.usada.org/wp-content/uploads/wallet-card.pdf> for the USADA Wallet Card.

Further information about the drug testing, the protection of your rights and the status of specific medications on the 2024 WADA Prohibited List is available from the USADA Drug Reference On-Line at <http://www.usantidoping.org/dro> When in doubt athletes should check with these resources.

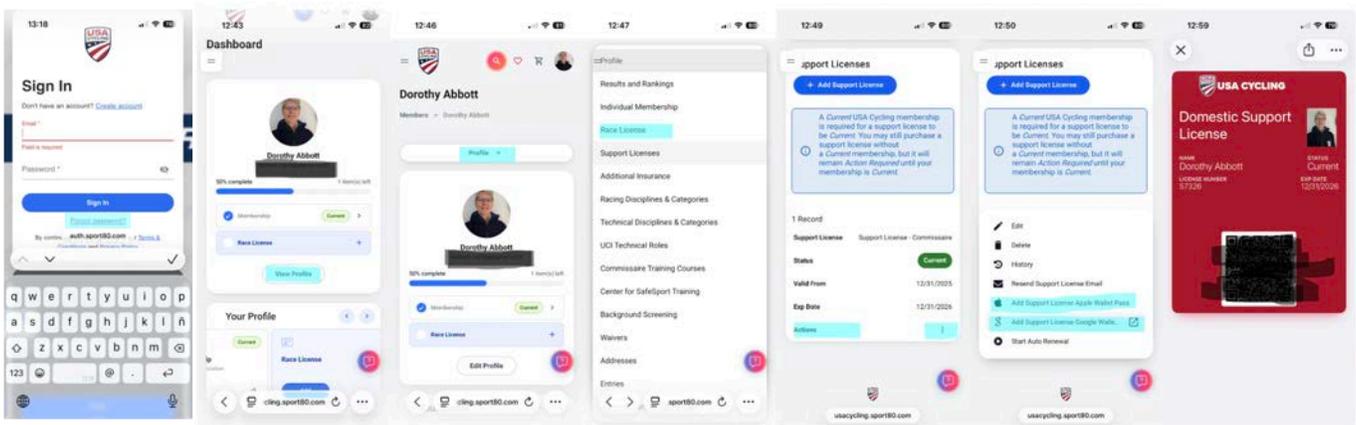
Please remember that even over the counter or prescription medications can contain a banned substance that could cause a positive test result and a doping offense. Dietary/nutritional supplements including vitamins, minerals and amino acids are completely at the athlete’s risk, even if the supplements are labeled ‘approved’ or ‘verified.’ If you take dietary/nutritional supplements you may test positive for a prohibited substance which is not disclosed on the product label. This would result in a doping violation and sanction. Always check with your team doctor or the USADA Drug Reference Line before taking any medication.

DOPERS SUCK!

APPENDIX II. USA CYCLING MEMBER PORTAL

How to add your USA Cycling Race or Support license to your phone wallet:

1. **Delete** the old USA Cycling app on your phone if you still have it. There currently is not a USA Cycling app and the old apps will never work again.
2. If you have previously added your license to your wallet in 2025, **remove your license from your wallet**. (A bug prevented new licenses from updating in your wallet.)
3. In your phone browser, go **to USACycling.org** and **LogIn** to your account.
4. If you have not yet logged in to the new system, **"Forgot password"**. The new system also removed your old login/ password. It is connected to your email address. Follow the instructions. Otherwise LogIn as normal.
5. On your **dashboard**, click on **"View Profile"** then Click on the drop-down **"Profile"**, then select **"Race License"**.
6. If you see a box that says further action is needed (e.g., you need a Membership as well as a Race License) be sure **to complete the required action**. Then return to this screen.
7. Click **the 3 dots to the right** of "Actions".
8. Select the type of **wallet** you'd like to add your license to (**Apple** or **Google**)
9. On the next screen, click the **"Add"** button in the upper right.
10. If you have additional licenses that you need to present (support licenses) you can add those as well. Each type of license has a different colored background in your wallet.
11. When you go to pick up your bib number, be prepared to show the license in your wallet to the Registrars.



USA Cycling Licensing Portal – FAQs

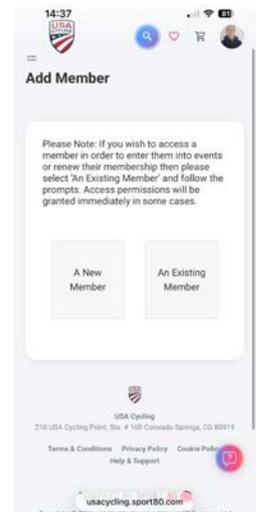
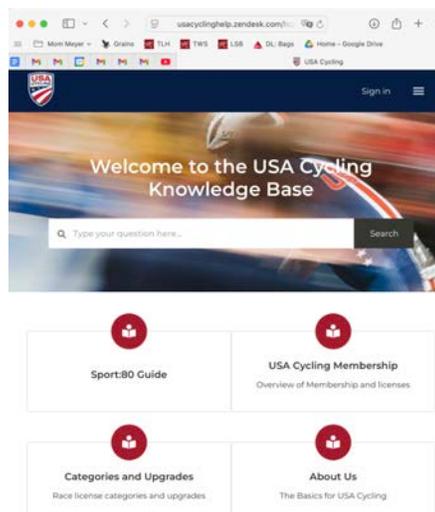
Refer to the [USA Cycling Sport 80 FAQ page](#) for the above and additional licensing issues. (Search Sport80)

Parents and Team Managers:

You can add additional Members to your login page. On the Dashboard page, scroll down to "My Members" and "Add new member".

Follow the directions on the screen.

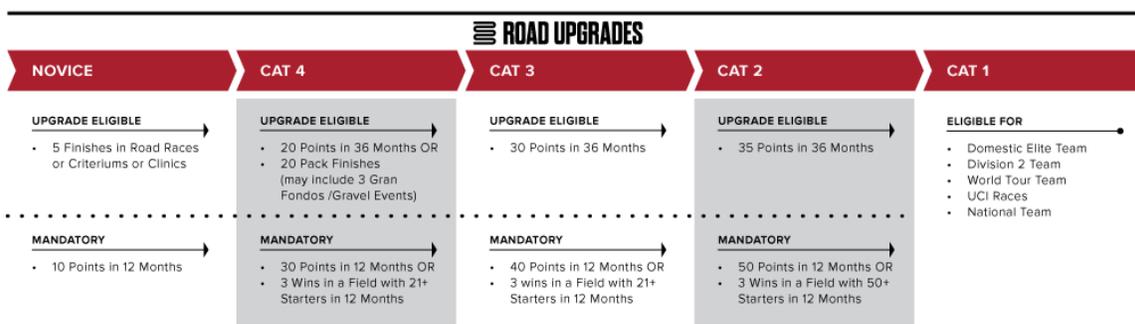
The addition of the new members may take some time to confirm your access to these licensees. Please plan ahead!



USA CYCLING POLICY VIII - UPGRADES

General Upgrade Policies

- Only races permitted by USA Cycling, another UCI affiliated National Federation, or another organization upon written agreement by USA Cycling will be recognized.
- Races for upgrades will be recognized that date back 36 months from the upgrade request.
- Upgrade points are based on the overall placing in the entire field, not broken out by category within the field.
- Riders who have upgraded will start with a zero race points balance in their new category. Where indicated in the policies, clinic points may be carried over (road and track 4>3).
- Junior and Youth riders are exempt from mandatory upgrades for points earned in junior and youth races.
- Juniors and Youth who earn points in Elite or U23 races in Road, Track and CX are subject to mandatory upgrades with those points only up to Category 3.
- Series: Riders who are more than halfway through a series of ten races or less may request a one-time waiver of mandatory upgrade with approval from the series director and USA Cycling.
- Professional: A Professional is a member of a UCI registered team in that discipline (note: "Pro" is an ability level in MTB, and a Professional would race in the Pro MTB category).
- A rider who feels like they have advanced too quickly may request a downgrade through their USA Cycling account, with the request subject to review. Riders may not downgrade to the Novice category in any discipline.
- A rider may be downgraded by USA Cycling for the following reasons: unsafe riding, lack of ability to compete in current category, or lack of placing within current category.
- If you are Pro or Cat 1 for Road, you are eligible to request an upgrade to Cat 2 for other disciplines (MTB, CX, or Track); these requests require approval from the upgrade coordinator before being granted.
- Road Discipline: Points awarded for Stage Race G.C. (Cat 3>2, and Cat 2>1).



UPGRADE POINTS FOR MASS START RACES

PLACE	5-10 STARTERS	11-20 STARTERS	21-49 STARTERS	50-69 STARTERS	70+ STARTERS
1	3 pts	7 pts	8 pts	10 pts	11 pts
2	2 pts	5 pts	6 pts	8 pts	10 pts
3	1 pts	4 pts	5 pts	7 pts	9 pts
4		3 pts	4 pts	6 pts	8 pts
5		2 pts	3 pts	5 pts	7 pts
6		1 pts	2 pts	4 pts	6 pts
7			1 pts	3 pts	5 pts
8				2 pts	4 pts
9				1 pts	3 pts
10					2 pts
11					1 pts

SAFESPORT

We are excited to have you participating with us and we would like to remind you that athlete safety is of the utmost importance to USA Cycling.

To help create and foster a safe environment that is free from misconduct and abuse at all USA Cycling events, please review USA Cycling's Safe Sport Program Policies, including reporting requirements and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP). All Participants at USA Cycling sanctioned events must abide by these policies.

PROHIBITED CONDUCT

All Participants at this event are expected to refrain from engaging in Prohibited Conduct as defined by the US Center for SafeSport Code. Prohibited Conduct includes but is not limited to the following: sexual misconduct, emotional misconduct, physical misconduct, bullying, harassment, hazing, and violations of the MAAPP.

MAAPP

These policies have been adopted by USA Cycling to establish clear boundaries between participants in cycling and to reduce isolated one-on-one interactions between minors and adults in cycling and apply during all USA Cycling events, including before, during and returning from the event. Please familiarize yourself with USA Cycling's MAAPP.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Adult Participants are required to report violations of USA Cycling's Safe Sport Program, including violations of the MAAPP. The mandatory reporting requirements apply to Adult Participants, but USA Cycling encourages anyone who becomes aware of, or experiences misconduct or abuse, to report those allegations. While USA Cycling is committed to providing a safe environment for all participants, the organization can't address behaviors or problems it is unaware of, so your engagement in reporting is instrumental in ensuring safety for all.

Report suspected or known incidents of sexual misconduct directly to the US Center for SafeSport:

<https://uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern/>

Report other forms of misconduct, including physical misconduct, emotional misconduct, and MAAPP violations, to USA Cycling: <https://usacycling.org/safesport/report-other-misconduct>