

Welcome to the Tucson Bicycle Classic 2022! On behalf of the race directors, committee, and volunteers I wish you a safe, fair, and fun race!

The Tucson Bicycle Classic is conducted under USAC rules plus any and all rules specific to TBC, so please read the <u>tech guide</u>.

Race Communiques will be sent out the evening prior to each stage, so please be sure to check your email so you are alerted to any and all updates.

Please be aware, packet pickup is TODAY at The Tuxon Hotel, located at: 960 S Freeway, Tucson, AZ 85745

Time Trial Course (Friday, March 4, 2022) information:

Helpful Directions: Marsh Station Road – Driving Directions to the Start: Plan on 30 minutes from Tucson Hotel or Ramada host hotels (I-10 and Congress). From Interstate 10 East, take Exit 291, Marsh Station Road. Do NOT use I-10 Exit 281/Rt. 83.

Parking: On either side of Marsh Station road, on the shoulders only with vehicle wheels well off the pavement.

Food Trucks: We are pleased to host some incredible food trucks at each venue during this 3-day event. Friday's Food Trucks include:

- Peddler on the Path (coffee, baked goods)
- Fiesta Fiipina (Authentic Filipino cuisine)
- Haus of Brats (Need we say more?)

Reminders for Stage 1: Stonehouse Group Time Trial

- All three race numbers must be worn for all stages, including the time trial. Race numbers may not be folded, cut, or altered. In addition, race numbers may not be obscured by hair or other accessories.
- No time trial or triathlon bikes, no exceptions. All bicycles must be mass-start road race legal. No time trial bars or handlebars with extensions, added forearm supports or additional padding permitted. No disk wheels or wheel covers permitted.
- Your start times will be posted and will begin at the exact time listed. We are also attaching a start time list in this email.



- There will be 30-second start intervals with 5-10 minutes between race categories.
- Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your posted start time. Know your start time! Be there!
- All juniors including juniors racing in category are required to roll out 15 minutes before their start. There will be no roll out after the finish.
- Missed starts: Competitors missing their start time must report to the start area as soon as possible to be started by an USAC official. Finish time will be based on posted start time. Competitors that miss their start and do not report to the start line to ride the time trial will not be given a time for the stage and will be disqualified from the stage race.
- Riders who have a mechanical mishap must report the mishap to an official. Riders with recognized mishaps will be given a time of "last place in their field", plus a 10 second time penalty should they wish to continue on to the road race.
- The center line rule is in effect for the entire time trial.
- No team or individual support vehicles will be allowed to follow riders. Any vehicle that attempts to follow or assist a rider will cause the rider to be penalized.
- Marsh Station road is wonderful, but there is no space safe to conduct a warm up. We are strongly recommending each rider bring a trainer or rollers to warm up.
- Podiums: There will be NO PODIUMS until Sunday, March 6. Winners of each stage and the General Classification winners will be announced then, 15 minutes after the top 3 on GC finish the race. Those not present for podiums forfeit their prizes earned.

Thank you so much for your participation!

Rubber Side Down,

Marc Colbert
TBC Race Director