



Beating the Bounds of Chailey

Saturday 9th May 2026

Team Participant Competitor Responsibility Statement & Liability Waiver

1.0 Introduction – Purpose of Agreement

Please read this document carefully. This Liability Waiver ('Agreement') is entered into between the Participating Team members 'Participant' and The Beating the Bounds of Chailey] ('Company') on 9th May 2026.

By signing below, the Participant acknowledges and agrees that participation in The Beating the Bounds of Chailey involves certain inherent risks, and that the Participant is voluntarily assuming these risks and releasing the Company from liability."

2.0 Definition and Interpretation

'Agreement'	This agreement including any attached documents
'Event'	The Beating the Bounds of Chailey. A challenge to complete the boundary of the parish by the designated Team (the 'Event')
'Company'	The Beating the Bounds of Chailey
'Organiser'	The Beating the of Chailey organising committee
'Participant'	The participating team of the Event comprising of 4 – 10 members
'Transporter'	Any person/s nominated by the Participating Team Captain to transport their Participating team members between key points around the course route
'Land Owner'	Owners of land across which the challenge passes
'Date of Event'	Saturday 9 th May 2026
'Activities'	Include Road cycling, cross country cycling, running, trail running, canoeing, and an assault or obstacle course (the "Activities")
'Event Premises'	The Five Bells, Chailey. The centre of the Event



3.0 Important notice

Please read this document carefully. By signing it you confirm you understand and accept that the Event involves risk of injury, illness, property damage and, in rare cases, death.

Nothing in this document excludes or limits the Organiser's liability for death or personal injury caused by the Organiser's negligence, or for fraud, or for any other liability that cannot lawfully be excluded or limited.

4.0 The Agreement

4.1 Challenge not a race

I understand and acknowledge that the Event is a challenge, not a race. The purpose is to complete the challenge safely. I agree that I will not treat the Event as a race, will not take risks to gain time or position, and will prioritise safety over speed.

4.2 Team participation, changeovers and non-active legs

I am participating as a member of a team. I understand the Event is team based and may include changeovers between team members.

I understand I am responsible for my own decisions and actions during changeovers, including joining or leaving the course safely, navigating transition points carefully, and being aware of other participants, spectators, road users and members of the public.

I understand that there may be periods when I am not actively completing a leg of the course. During anytime I am not on an active leg, including during waiting, rest, travel, support and changeover periods, I remain responsible for my own safety, conduct and decisions.

I understand that my team and I are responsible for organising and carrying out our own travel between checkpoints, changeover points and other Event locations. This includes travelling by vehicle, on foot, by bicycle or otherwise. I accept that the Organiser does not provide transport, does not supervise team travel, and does not act as a safety marshal for travel between locations.

I agree that I will travel and behave lawfully and safely at all times between checkpoints and changeover points, will comply with the Highway Code and all applicable laws, and will not hold the Organiser responsible for any incident, loss, injury or damage arising from my team's or my own travel arrangements, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

4.3 Fitness and ability declaration

I declare that I am physically and medically fit to take part in the Event and the Activities, that I have trained appropriately, and that I have the necessary skills and experience to participate safely.

I confirm that I have no medical condition, injury, or impairment that would make my participation unsafe for me or others. This includes being under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or medication that may affect judgement, coordination or safety.

I understand that strenuous exercise can trigger serious medical events, including heart attack, cardiac arrest, stroke, fainting, heat illness, hypothermia, seizures, and other potentially fatal conditions, including in people with no previously known medical issues. I accept and assume these risks.

I accept full responsibility for deciding whether to start and whether to continue. I will stop immediately if I feel unwell or believe conditions make it unsafe. If I have any doubts about my health, I understand it is my responsibility to seek medical advice before participating.

4.4 Event rules, briefings and removal

I agree to follow all Event rules, safety instructions, briefings, signage, and any reasonable directions given by the Organiser, marshals, volunteers, officials, venue staff, or emergency services.

I understand the Organiser may delay, change, shorten, reroute, pause, or stop any part of the Event for safety, access, weather, or operational reasons. I agree to comply with any such decision.

I understand I may be refused entry, stood down, or removed from the Event (without compensation) if my behaviour is unsafe, aggressive, reckless, abusive, threatening, discriminatory, harassing, or otherwise puts people, property, or the Event at risk.

4.5 Assumption of risk and dangerous hazards

I understand and accept that the Event and Activities are inherently hazardous and may involve dangerous conditions and obstacles. These risks cannot be eliminated without changing the nature of the Event. I voluntarily accept and assume all risks of participation, whether known or unknown, including the risk of serious injury, permanent disability and death.

These risks apply during my participation and while I am on Event premises or locations, and while travelling to or from Event locations, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Risks include, but are not limited to:

- Road cycling and cyclocross: collisions with vehicles, other participants, pedestrians or animals; falls; potholes; gravel; mud; ruts; poor surfaces; reduced visibility; navigating junctions and traffic; mechanical failures; high speed descents; physical overexertion.
- Running and trail running: slips, trips and falls; uneven ground; roots; rocks; mud; hidden holes; navigation errors; getting lost; exposure; dehydration; heat or cold illness.
- Canoeing: capsizing; cold water shock; immersion; drowning; entanglement; collision with obstacles; changing water and weather conditions.
- Assault or obstacle course: falls from height; impact injuries; cuts and abrasions; sprains and strains; fractures; rope, wall and climbing hazards; confined spaces; contact injuries with structures, obstacles or other participants; mud and slippery surfaces; water obstacles including risk of drowning; fatigue and overexertion.
- General: injury caused by the actions or omissions of other participants, spectators, volunteers, members of the public or road users; adverse weather; animals; railway crossings where applicable; poor visibility; fatigue; and delays in accessing assistance.

I accept that I am responsible for my own decisions during the Event, including whether to attempt any obstacle, whether to proceed, whether to slow down, dismount, walk, portage, reroute, or stop altogether.

4.6 Optional obstacles and right to withdraw

I understand I am not required to attempt any obstacle or section that I believe is beyond my ability or unsafe in the circumstances. I agree I will not attempt an obstacle or water section if I am not confident I can do so safely.

I understand that withdrawing from an obstacle or stopping entirely is an acceptable safety decision and I will not hold the Organiser responsible for any consequence of choosing not to attempt an obstacle or section.

5.0 Public roads, shared spaces and duty of care

I understand parts of the Event may take place on public highways, rights of way, waterways and other areas open to the public.

I acknowledge I owe a duty of care to other participants, spectators, marshals, volunteers and members of the public. I will exercise all reasonable care to avoid causing injury, death, loss or damage to any person or property.

I agree that:

- I am solely responsible for acting safely, competently and lawfully at all times.
- I will obey the Highway Code and Countryside Code, navigation rules on waterways where applicable, and all instructions given by marshals or officials.
- The Organiser's staff, marshals and volunteers are not responsible for my personal safety and are not acting as personal safety supervisors.

5.1 No road closures and crossing points

I understand there are no road closures for this Event and that public roads will remain open to normal traffic at all times.

I understand marshals may be positioned at certain crossings or key points to provide guidance and visibility, but marshals may not be present at all roads, junctions, or crossings, and they are not traffic controllers.

I agree that I will only cross roads and junctions when it is safe to do so, that I will give way to traffic where required, and that I will comply with the Highway Code and any instructions given by marshals or officials. I understand that the decision to cross is mine alone and I accept full responsibility for that decision.

6.0 Route, navigation and conditions disclaimer

Any route information, maps, GPX files, cue sheets, signage, or verbal guidance are provided for guidance only. I understand that terrain, surfaces, traffic, access, weather, water conditions, and hazards can change at any time.

I understand that the presence of a route, marker, or suggested line does not mean it is safe or suitable to ride, run, cross, paddle, or attempt. I accept that I must make my own judgement and decisions at all times.

7.0 Equipment and minimum standards

I confirm that any equipment I use is suitable and in safe working order and that I know how to use it safely.

This includes, as applicable:

- a roadworthy (non-power assisted) bicycle with effective brakes, tyres in good condition, and properly secured components
- a suitable helmet that I will wear while cycling
- suitable clothing and footwear for conditions, including weather protection where needed
- for canoeing and water sections, any required buoyancy aid and safety equipment specified by the Organiser
- any lights, reflective, or high visibility items if there is any chance of reduced visibility

I accept full responsibility for the condition and adequacy of my equipment and for any consequences arising from equipment failure, misuse, or poor maintenance.

8.0 Team first aid kit and limits of support

I understand the Event is not a fully supported or professionally supervised medical service. Medical assistance may be limited and response times may vary due to terrain, access and conditions.

I confirm that my team will carry its own first aid kit during the Event and that this is intended for minor issues only. I understand that having a first aid kit does not make the Activities safe, does not remove the inherent risks, and does not guarantee immediate or effective treatment.

Within my team, the first aid kit will be carried by the changeover person and or team captain, or another team member nominated by the team. I understand that the person carrying the kit may not be medically qualified and is not providing professional medical advice.

9.0 Water safety (canoeing and any water obstacles)

I understand water-based activity carries a risk of drowning, cold water shock, immersion, and injury.

I agree to follow any water safety instructions and any required safety equipment rules. I will not take unnecessary risks such as diving into unknown water, entering fast moving water outside designated areas, or continuing if conditions appear unsafe.

I accept that buoyancy aids and other safety measures reduce risk but do not remove it.

10.0 Medical treatment, emergency contact and costs

If I am injured or become unwell, I authorise the Organiser and any medical or emergency personnel to arrange first aid, medical treatment and transport if considered necessary.

I consent to the Organiser contacting my emergency contact and sharing relevant information with emergency services or medical providers where reasonably necessary for my safety.

I understand medical support may be limited and delayed due to location and conditions. I am responsible for my own medical and related costs, including ambulance, hospital and treatment costs, unless the law says otherwise.

Unreported conditions: If I require medical attention during the Event, I understand that any first aiders or medical personnel cannot be responsible for the treatment of any pre-existing condition or information I have not disclosed that increases the risk of a medical emergency.

11.0 Behaviour, alcohol and drugs

I will not participate while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or while using medication in a way that impairs judgement or coordination.

I will behave responsibly and respectfully. I agree to obey all applicable laws at all times while participating in or attending the Event. I understand aggressive, reckless, abusive, threatening, discriminatory, or harassing behaviour may result in immediate removal from the Event and may be reported to the police.

12.0 Insurance

I understand the Organiser does not provide personal accident or health insurance for participants unless the Organiser explicitly states otherwise in writing. I am responsible for arranging my own insurance if I want cover for injury, loss, damage, cancellation, or liability to others.

I understand that parts of the Event involve cycling on public highways and shared spaces. I confirm that I have, or will obtain before the Event, third party liability insurance suitable for cycling at minimum to cover injury to other people and damage to their property arising from my actions.

The Organiser recommends participants consider cycling insurance that includes third party liability cover, for example through British Cycling membership, or equivalent cover from another provider. This is a recommendation only and does not create any duty or responsibility on the Organiser to verify or provide insurance.

13.0 Release and waiver

To the fullest extent permitted by law, I hereby waive, release, and covenant not to sue, and forever discharge the Organiser and the other Released Parties from any and all claims, liabilities, demands, actions, or damages arising out of or in any way connected with my participation in the Event, except to the extent caused by the negligence of a Released Party or other matters that cannot lawfully be excluded.

For the purposes of this waiver, "Released Parties" includes the Organiser, event officials, marshals, volunteers, contractors, landowners, venue operators, relevant authorities involved in providing access, and sponsors if any.

14.0 Indemnity

To the fullest extent permitted by law, I agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Released Parties from and against claims, liabilities, losses, damages, costs and expenses, including reasonable legal costs, arising out of or in connection with my participation, where caused by my negligent or reckless acts or omissions, including injury or loss I cause to other participants, spectators, volunteers, officials or members of the public.

15.0 Personal property and damage to third party property

I am responsible for my own property. The Released Parties are not responsible for loss, theft or damage to personal belongings.

I agree I am responsible for any damage I cause to venues, land, gates, fences, equipment, vehicles, or any other third-party property, to the extent such damage arises from my negligent or reckless acts or omissions.

16.0 Photography and media

I understand the Event takes place in public spaces where photos and video may be taken by the Organiser, participants and members of the public.

I grant the Organiser permission to use photos, video and audio recordings that include me, taken in connection with the Event, for Event administration and for publicity and marketing, including website and social media, without payment.

17.0 Data protection

I understand the Organiser will use my personal data to administer the Event, including safety and emergency contact purposes, and may share it with relevant service providers involved in Event delivery. The Organiser will handle personal data in accordance with applicable UK data protection law and the Organiser's privacy notice: **XX**.



18.0 Challenge environment, supervision and no rescue promise

I understand the Event is a challenge and not a fully controlled race environment. I understand that supervision is limited and that marshals and volunteers are positioned only at selected points.

I understand the Organiser does not guarantee supervision, rescue, or immediate assistance at any point. I accept that delays in support and emergency response may occur due to terrain, access, weather, location, and competing demands.

19.0 Force majeure and event changes or cancellation

I understand the Organiser may modify, delay, reroute, shorten, suspend, or cancel the Event (or any part of it) for safety reasons or due to circumstances beyond the Organiser's reasonable control, including severe weather, flooding, fire, public safety issues, access restrictions, or instructions from authorities.

Refunds and transfers, if any, are governed by the Event terms and conditions.

20.0 Severability and entire agreement

If any part of this waiver is found unlawful or unenforceable, the remaining parts remain in full force and effect.

This document forms the entire agreement between me and the Organiser regarding participation in the Event. No variation is valid unless made in writing by the Organiser.

21.0 Governing law

This document is governed by the laws of England and Wales and the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction.

22.0 Reliance statement

I acknowledge that the Organiser has relied on this waiver and my declarations (in full) in accepting my entry and permitting my participation. If I was unable or unwilling to agree to these terms, I understand I would not be permitted to take part.

Event	Beating the Bounds of Chailey
Date	9 th May 2026
Team Name	
Team Captain	
Competitor Name	
Competitor Discipline	



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Signatures

Participant full name: _____

Date of birth: _____ Age on event day: _____

Address: _____

Team name: _____

Team captain name): _____

Emergency contact name: _____

Emergency contact phone: _____

Participant declaration: I confirm I have read and understood this document and agree to be bound by it.

Participant signature: _____ Date: _____