

BIG RING RUMPOUS



NECS #3

EVENT CONSIDERATIONS

- ⌘ Check to make sure you are registered for the correct ability category and age class. Race age is as of 12/31/2011.
- ⌘ Mandatory racer meeting will be held near the registration tent 20 minutes before start time.
- ⌘ Please read, respect, and adhere to posted land use requirements of the landowner, Manchester Water Works.
- ⌘ This is NOT a closed course. There may be other recreational users of the properties. Race participants are responsible for interacting with any other users in a safe and courteous manner.
- ⌘ Remember that results must be checked at the venue during protest period. Timer will be posting preliminary results for your review prior to awards.
- ⌘ Once racers are competing on course, pre-riding the course by other participants is discouraged. If you do enter course, you must not interfere in any fashion with the currently competing participants. **Absolutely no pre-riders should enter the lap point/finish line chute area during an official competition time. Violations may result in disqualification.**
- ⌘ Participants are responsible for tracking their own laps completed. Timing officials are used for confirmation purposes.
- ⌘ Start line is on the Rockingham Recreational Trail. Finish line is in the Board Yard field.
- ⌘ Do not leave rubbish on the course. Excess items, such as gu wrappers, empty water cups, flatted tubes, et cetera may be disposed of on each lap near the water station.
- ⌘ Net proceeds of this event will benefit Easter Seals of New Hampshire-Youth Residential Services. Thank you for your support.
- ⌘ Enjoy the ride!!!

This event has received generous support from the following:

- ◆ **Manchester Water Works, by allowing us to use their wonderful properties**
- ◆ **Dave's Septic and Pinard Waste, who each donated vital business services**
- ◆ **Auburn Fire Department, providing critical volunteer services**

This support allows us to not only have fun on a bike this day, but also to raise additional funds for Easter Seals of New Hampshire-Youth Residential Services. We deeply appreciate all of their support.

EFTA RULES OF RACING

(extracts from membership handbook)

5.0 Equipment Requirements

- 5.1 Every rider, while on bicycle at each event, shall wear a protective, securely fastened helmet meeting the standards of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).
- 5.2 Footgear shall be fully enclosed.
- 5.3 All bicycles shall have at least two brakes that are in good working order.
- 5.4 Bar ends and handlebar extensions shall be plugged and shall not have any sharp or jagged edges.
- 5.5 Eye protection is strongly recommended.

6.0 Racing Regulations

- 6.1 Racers shall complete the entire event, and complete it on the same bicycle upon which the event was begun.
- 6.2 All repairs during the event shall be performed by the individual racer and/or fellow competitors only. No other outside help or assistance is permitted.
- 6.3 All spare parts and tools shall be carried by the participants, while on course. Cannibalizing other bikes or obtaining spare parts from a pit area or the like is not permitted.
- 6.4 Water shall be available to anyone from anyone at any point along the course as long as rider safety is not threatened. The event will provide a neutral water zone for any race exceeding 60 minutes in length. Official water zones must be accessible and publicized before each race.
- 6.5 Racers riding bikes have the right of way over racers walking bikes. When practical, racers walking bikes should stay on the least rideable section of the course when being passed. A racer walking or carrying his/her bike can overtake a racer riding as long as they do not interfere with the other racer's progress.
- 6.6 Lapped riders must yield to leaders. Leaders should verbalize the command "track" when overtaking another. It is the responsibility of the challenging rider to overtake safely. You must yield to the passing rider on the first command.
- 6.7 In the event two racers are vying for position, the leading racer does not have to yield his/her position to the challenger. However, a racer may not bodily interfere, with the intent to impede another racer's progress. Traditional rules of racing apply: the leading racer owns the track.
- 6.8 Shortcutting and/or cutting trail switchbacks shall result in disqualification.
- 6.9 Unsportsmanlike behavior and/or the use of profane language are grounds for warning, relegation, disqualification or recommended membership suspension. The penalty imposed shall be determined by the race official or race director.
- 6.10 All local laws, rules and ordinances shall be observed during the participation in any event.
- 6.11 A racer may be suspended from EFTA for up to two years for damaging or destroying public and/or private property.
- 6.12 Practicing racers may not interfere in any way with racers competing in the event.
- 6.13 The use of electronic music players, radio communication devices, cell phones, and similar items is prohibited for mounted riders at any EFTA sanctioned event. Devices may be used while rider is dismounted and off the direct travel path of fellow competitors. (The preceding prohibition does not apply to usage of routine bicycle computers or GPS systems.)

7.0 Protests

- 7.1 Protests can be made by any registered race participant or EFTA member. The participant shall file the protest in writing with the race official, or the race director in the absence of a race official. The protest period is immediately following the race and up to 15 minutes following the posting of the complete results for his/her class.
- 7.2 An EFTA official (or race director in the absence of an official) will be permitted to make the final decision regarding an occurrence at an event not addressed in the EFTA Handbook. If the race official can not make a suitable decision for a given protest, the Competition Committee will be called to session and their decision will be final.
- 7.3 All result inquires, including placement and class considerations, must be made at the venue during the protest period. Once the protest period is over, results become final.