## RULES OF THE TOUR METROPOLE NICE COTE D'AZUR ARTICLE 1: DEFINITION

The Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur 2018 is a cycling trial which will take place 17-23 June, 2018 and will mainly use the roads of the Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur, of neighbouring Italy and the Alps of Haute Provence. The Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur is organised by the Nice Côte d'Azur Association, Sports Section Cyclisme, in partnership with the Region Provence-Alpes- Côte d'Azur, the City of Nice and the Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur.

The trial complies with the regulations for cycle trials in France. ARTICLE 2: CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

The Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur is open to racing cyclists, cyclotourists and cycle sports people of all nationalities, licenced or not, of a minimum of 18 years on the 1st day of the trial. For those with licences and in accordance with article L.231-3 of Sport Law of 5 April, 2006 (law relating to the protection of the health of sports people and the fight against doping), participation in the Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur is conditional on presentation of a sports licence (FFC, FFTri, FSGT, FSCF and UFOLEP), certifying the existence of a medical certificate stating that there is nothing to prevent competition cycling. Racers who hold a competition licence from the French Federations FFC, FFTri, FSGT, FSCF and UFOLEP, should send a photocopy of their licence to validate their registration (licence 2018 clearly stating "cycling" or "cyclosport"). All other participants (licenced by the FFCT or any federation not previously mentioned, licenced by a foreign federation, not licenced) must send an original medical certificate stating & guot; shows no contra-indication to prevent cycling.&guot; dated a maximum of a year before 17 June, 2018. Each participant must also fill in and send to the organisers a medical card

containing all information necessary in case of an emergency during the race. Each participant recognises that this trial requires a minimum of training and that they must be medically fit to take part. By accepting the registration conditions, each participant assumes entire and complete responsibility in the event of accident on the way to or from this event or during the event itself. Each participant also assumes the risks inherent in such a trial such as, for example, accidents with other participants, bad weather, road traffic conditions.

## **ARTICLE 3: CHALLENGE**

The Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur is a cycle trial in stages. The climbs on the two passes per day will be timed. The times will only be of indicative value. Ranking by age and gender category will take place each evening at the debriefing.

Prizes will be awarded on each occasion.

ARTICLE 4: COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT

To participate in the Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur, a helmet with a rigid shell must be worn and each participant undertakes to wear it throughout the 7 stages.

**ARTICLE 5: REGISTRATIONS** 

Applications can be filled in online either on the internet at the following address: www.metropolenicecotedazursports.com, or by returning the

application form in the programme brochure for the Tour, along with the totality of the entry fees (1 - 3 cheques) to the following postal address: Association Nice Côte d'Azur Sports, 28 rue Tonduti de l'Escarène, 06000 Nice.

Participants will receive, an e-mail confirmation of registration, an entry number and, if necessary, a payment schedule.

To be in order, the registration form must be fully completed, including its appendices and the payment of fees completed.

No confirmation of registration will be sent as long as the racer's application is incomplete.

Participants must retrieve their entry numbers in person at the Tour Village.

ARTICLE 6: ENTRY FEES

The amount of the entry fee 2018 is allocated according to three deals: Pack ECO:  $\textcircled{\sc eq}990$ 

The pack includes: \*

- . A travel bag (120 litres);
- . A cycle shirt in the colours of the TMNCA;
- . A finisher tee-shirt and a medal, where appropriate;

. A bib;

. A frame plate with an integral electronic chip;

. Transport of your official travel bag, from the start to finish of each stage;

. Technical assistance\*\* on the race and in the village;

- . Medical assistance round the clock;
- . Signallers at the sides of the route;

. Safety vehicles with the pack (including a broom wagon at the back of the pack);

. A timing system for the pass climbs on each stage;

. A daily ranking by age and gender for the mountain timed climbs;

. Organisation of a daily prize-giving ceremony;

. Food stations (solids, liquids, energy products) on each stage;

. A female-only area at each food station;

. A snack at the finish of each stage and a convivial aperitif after the safety briefing;

. A safety briefing at the end of every afternoon looking at next day's route;

. Access to the secure cycle park at the finish of each stage;

. Access to hot showers at the finish of each stage;

. A detailed road book of the race and its 7 stages (digital version);

. An opportunity to consult daily videos (during the safety briefing);

. A medal and/or a souvenir prize for every participant who crosses the last finishing line at the summit of the col de Vence;

. A celebratory aperitif from the Town of Vence in the town centre at the end of the stage on 23 June, 2018;

. A downloadable personalised certificate;

. Participation in the grand closure event, on the Promenade des Anglais;

. Full board accommodation in hotels selected by the organisers (6 nights in shared rooms);

\* supplementary services and options at extra cost (on request and by booking)

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\*\*materials and parts at your expense Pack ESSENTIAL: €1,390

. The pack ECO, plus:

. One cryotherapy session;

. One pair of cycle shorts;

. Two massage session;

. Full board accommodation in hotels selected by the organisers (7 nights in double rooms, minimum 2 stars)

. Pack PREMIUM: €1,990

. The pack ECO, plus:

. Cryotherapy sessions on request;

. Massage sessions on request;

. Cycle checks on request;

. Pick-up from the airport or S.N.C.F. railway station, by a T.M.N.C.A.

vehicle;

. A shirt, two pairs of cycle shorts, two pairs of socks;

. A laundry service;

. Each evening, a personalised analysis of that day's stage by our ambassadors;

. Full board accommodation in hotels selected by the organisers (8 nights in a double room, minimum 3 stars)

Participants can be accompanied if they wish. This option is only available with the Essential and Premium packs.

ESSENTIAL Companion: €549

Breakfast

Packed lunch (mid-day)

Evening meal

Accommodation PREMIUM Companion: €749

Breakfast

Packed lunch (mid-day)

Evening meal

Accommodation

Transport of companions and their luggage are not the responsibility of the organisers.

ARTICLE 7: CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION

In the event of complete cancellation of the registration on the part of the participant, repayment terms are as follows:

Before 1 April, 2018, refund of 80 % of entry fee

Before 1 May, 2018, refund of 50 % of entry fee

Before 1 June, 2018, refund of 30 % of entry fee

By 1 June, 2018, registration is final and not refundable.

In the event of complete cancellation of the registration on the part of the organiser, AMNCAS will inform the purchaser and refund all monies paid. ARTICLE 8: RETRIEVAL OF RACE NUMBER

Race numbers will be issued at the TMNCA Village on Saturday 16 June, 2018, on presentation of the confirmation of registration and proof of identity. Numbers will not be sent by mail. Participants will be required to retrieve their numbers in person. A number, frame plate, bag for personal belongings and road book will be issued.

ARTICLE 9: RACE SAFETY

The route of the Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur is not private.

However, cyclists will benefit from the supervision put in place by the organisers. Tricky crossroads will have safety measures, signalling will be in place on the whole route, signallers will be in place at tricky locations. On some stages the Tour will enjoy the support of local police to keep the pack safe. Some stages will start in safety convoy up to the real start. Any companions of racers should in no circumstances take up position in the pack.

ARTICLE 10: MEDICAL SAFETY

A medical car will be present all along the stages ready to respond to any emergency, if required. It will be staffed by two 2 first-responders and first-aid equipment.

ARTICLE 11: WITHDRAWAL BY PARTICIPANTS

Withdrawal during a stage: If a racer is unable to continue during a stage, the broom wagon can be used to reach the finishing line. Such racers may be permitted to take part in the next stage if they wish.

Non-arrival at the starting area: If a participant does not wish to start a stage for a medical or mechanical reason but nonetheless wishes to

continue the race on a subsequent day or days, they must find their own way to the next starting area.

Total Withdrawal: In the event of total withdrawal, participants must make their own arrangements for transport to their chosen destination.

Organisers will help them find the best option for their situation.

## ARTICLE 12: LUGGAGE TRANSPORT

When race numbers are issued in Nice, organisers will give participants their official TMNCA bag. Each bag will be marked with the name and race number of the cyclist. This official bag will be transported by the organisers from the start town to the finish town on each stage. No other luggage will be looked after by the organisers. In so far as organisers cannot check the contents of each participant's official bag, no claims can be made. Under no circumstances can the organisers be held responsible. Racers remain responsible for the contents of their bags, including during stages.

ARTICLE 13: BRIEFINGS

A briefing will be arranged every day by the organisers to present the next day's stage.

Participants must attend this briefing.

ARTICLE 14: ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS

By registering for the Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur, participants undertake to respect the environment and natural areas they cross. It is strictly forbidden to leave any litter (papers, plastic packaging...) on the route, under threat of firm and final disqualification. Bins are available at every feeding station and must be used. Spot-checks will be carried out on the route.

## **ARTICLE 15: INSURANCE**

Civil Liability: In accordance with current legislation, the organisers have taken out insurance to cover the financial consequences of its civil liability, that of the organising team and that of all participants in the Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur. As regards the civil liability of the participants, this insurance of the latter is limited to accidents which they may cause during the race, at the starting line and the finishing line. This guarantee will supplement or replace any other insurance policies which participants may otherwise have available.

Individual Accidents: All participants in the Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur, licenced or not by a sports federation, can take out personal insurance guaranteeing the payment of a sum in case of physical injury (death or permanent invalidity) due to an accident occasioned during a stage of the Tour Métropole Nice Côte d'Azur.

Cancellation Insurance:

All participants can insure themselves against personal cancellation if they so wish.

Material Damage:

Organisers take no responsibility in the event of theft, breakage or loss of participants' personal belongings. The insurance policy of the organisers does not cover s damage to the cycle and/or equipment of any participant in the event of a fall or theft. Taking out an insurance policy insuring cover of