



ADRIA BIKE®

RAB ISLAND HERO MTB MARATHON 2024

Terms And Rules of Participation in Race

1. General rules

- By applying for the recreational mountain bike race **Rab Island Hero MTB Marathon** (in further mentioning: „race“) the participant confirms that he/she is familiar with and fully agrees with the following provisions of the Terms of Use and the Rules of Participation in Race.
- By applying for the recreational mountain bike race **Rab Island Hero MTB Marathon**, race participants are entitled to participate in the **Rab Island Hero MTB Marathon**, a recreational mountain bike race which will be held on **May 4th, 2024** in Rab, Rab Island.
- The race Organiser is BK MAG - RAB (in further mentioning: Organiser) and the Promoter of the race is the company HD NAVIGATIO d.o.o. (in further mentioning: Promoter).
- The race is recreational and all persons **above 16 years old** have the right to apply and participate. Competitors under the age of 18 can participate only under the consent of a parent or legally responsible person and, when collecting the starting number, they **must present the signed consent of the parent or legally responsible person**. If the parent or legally responsible person is not present when collecting the starting number, the minor participant together with signed consent also must present a copy of the parent's or legally responsible person's identity card, and the starting number can be collected in the presence of another adult who accompanied minor to the race.
- Competitors under the age of 18 may only choose the shortest course only.
- The application is personal and cannot be transferred to other people without the permission of the Organiser and changes made before the race in the official race & participants tracking system.
- Number of participants is limited and only competitors who have applied for the race via the website and paid the entry fee no later than by the defined deadline for closing applications (or earlier, if all entry fees are sold out before the stated deadline) and completed official registration at the destination & received their starting number for the race from the Organiser, at the designated registration location and in the scheduled times defined by the Organiser and publicly announced on the website, can participate in the race.
- The Organiser reserves the right to deny the race start to all competitors who have purchased an entry fee but did not register at the time specified for registration, without the obligation to refund the paid entry fee.

2. Personal Data Protection

- Personal data shall be considered as all personal data as established by Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and at the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, as well as the exclusion of Directive 95/46 / EC (General Data Protection Regulation), such as, but not limited to: name, last name, address, year of birth, gender, contact number and e-mail of the participant. The statistical data collected by the Organiser when visiting their website, and which cannot be directly linked to the participant as an individual, are not considered as a personal data.
- By signing up for the race, the participants give a voluntary and explicit consent, by which they are giving their informed and unambiguous approval for the processing of their personal data in purpose of conducting the race and further informing the public about the course and results of the race. By submitting the application, the participant explicitly agrees to the publication of photos and / or any video material from the race with the indication of their personal data (including photos and / or video), on any media, including any reproduction, without territorial, time and / or the language limitation of the announcement, all for the needs of both Organiser and promoters of races, promotion and advertising of the race and sponsorship, as well as informing the public of the course and the results of the race. Participants are also expressly forbidden to exercise any rights on the grounds of publication of the said photo and / or video

material. By submitting a contest application, the participant expressly states that the treatment described with their personal data will not be considered as a breach of personal data.

- The Personal Data Processing Manager is the Organiser. The personal data of the applicant will be stored for 5 years from the filing date and will be destroyed after the expiry of this deadline, except for the award winners. These data are collected and processed in accordance with all applicable rules on personal data protection, solely for the purposes of running the race and marketing activities of the Organiser and the Promoter, as well as for the purpose of respecting the legal obligations of the Organiser and the Promoter. The Organiser reserves the right to transfer personal data to the Promoter and / or third parties who are contractually linked to the Organiser or Promoter of the race, such as, but not limited to, sponsors, exhibitors, tourist boards, hotel houses.
- The Participant may request from the Organiser, as the Processing Manager, access to personal data and correction or deletion of personal data or limitation of the treatment pertaining to the respondent or to object to processing of this data. The participant has the right to withdraw this consent.
- The race can be monitored by journalists, photographers and cameramen of electronic and print media. The race is held in public space.

3. Participant's package

- Participant's package for each participant includes:
 - the right to start at the race
 - electronic timing of race
 - start number
 - live results during the race at www.adriabike.hr
 - water bottle provided in the race start package
 - T-shirt for race participants
 - finisher sticker
 - sponsors gift package
 - marked routes and trails
 - crew members at the crossroads
 - drinks and snacks in the refreshment / feed zones along the route of the race
 - feed zone at the finish point
 - mountain rescue support during the whole race
 - emergency medical assistance in case of accident at the race
 - map of the routes with elevation profiles
 - choosing the route during the race
 - official results after the race
 - meal voucher after the race

4. Minimum age

- All participants must be at least 16 years old on the day of the race

5. Medical state

- All participants must ensure to be physically and medically fit to participate in the race, and they need to contact their doctor in order to check their medical condition and receive doctor's permission to endure the race. The Organiser may request doctor's permission during registration if the competitor is showing signs of weak state.

- In the event of the adoption of the announced legal amendments (Regulations on health examinations of athletes), according to which participation in all types of sports events and activities will be conditioned with presenting the official form of Medical certificate for athletes, issued by a competent doctor, all participants will be required to present the above to the Organiser (valid official form certified by a competent doctor). In this case, the Organiser will not be able to accept other forms of health certificates, except those in accordance with the currently valid laws and regulations. If the participant will not possess a valid official health certificate, it will be considered that he/she has given up from the participation in the event, without the right on entry fee refund or any other compensations.

6. Technical regularity of bicycles

- Participants must use only human-powered bicycles suitable for mountain biking, except in the category E-BIKE.
- All participants must ensure that their bicycles are technically correct, especially in terms of safety (brakes), and the Organiser reserves the right to disqualify contestants with defective or inadequate bikes.
- The Organiser has the right to check the factory settings / the maximum speed set on the E-BIKE.
- It is forbidden to use the following:
 - saddlebags and bicycle trailers
 - drink bottles that are not of flexible materials (glass, metal...)
 - bicycles with electric drive, except in the category E-BIKE
 - tandem bicycles

7. Personal clothing and equipment of competitors

- All participants must wear protective racing helmets during the race.
- All participants must wear clothing and footwear appropriate to the weather conditions during the race.
- Participants need to provide themselves with beverage bottles.
- It is desirable that participants take with them basic equipment and tools for bike fixing.

8. Route selection

- The race is categorized as a XCM marathon. The final length and altitude of the the trails will be published on the Organiser's website no later than 7 days before the race.
- Competitors can choose the route at the race itself.
- The possibility of choosing a longer route will be time limited in such a way that racers will have to reach the control gate by a certain time.
- Routes will be marked in instructions for participants and all along the routes of the race.
- Routes will be defined in the race program which will be published on the race website and delivered to the participants before the race, and at the latest when registering at the race site.
- The Organiser reserves the right to change the route of the race before the start of the race without special reason and explanation, and participants in this case waive any claims for damages that could arise from such a decision of the Organiser.

9. Categories of contestants

- Participants take part in the race individually, and will be divided in categories depending on age and gender.
- In the men's competition, participants are divided into the following categories:
 - Men: 16 - 39 years old (born between 05.05.1984. - 04.05.2008.)
 - Men Masters: 40 - 49 years old (born between 05.05.1974. - 04.05.1984.)
 - Men Grand Masters - over 50 years old (born up to 04.05.1974.)

- The number of categories in the women's competition depends on the number of registered participants:
 - Women: 16 - 39 years old (born between 05.05.1984. - 04.05.2008.)
 - Women Masters: over 40 years old (born up to 04.05.1984.)*

**The condition for awarding medals on a particular course in the Women Masters category is that a minimum of 3 participants have finished the race in the specified category. Otherwise, all participants on the same course, regardless of age group, will be ranked in the sole category Women.*

10. E-Bike Marathon

- E-Bike Marathon participants can start exclusively on the E-Bike "Pedalec" type with a limited speed up to 25km/h. The construction of the engine and the the bicycle drive must be such that the engine is switching off the moment the rider stops turning the pedals.
- The power of the electric motor on the bicycle can be a maximum of 250 W.
- The E-Bike Marathon participants start from a special start block. The start time will be communicated on the Organiser's website.
- Only one battery is allowed during a race.
- When entering the start block the battery will be marked by the Organiser, all participants returning to the finish line without a battery tag will be disqualified.
- The Organiser will check if the bicycle matches the rules from this point by random selection before the start of the race and after entering the finish line. If a competitor's bike does not meet the prescribed standards from this section, the competitor will be disqualified.
- The E-Bike marathon participants are allowed to only ride the race course marked as E-bike course (will be defined at least two weeks prior to the race). Participants in the E-Bike race compete in two categories: E-Bike Men & E-Bike Women
- The natural inequalities of physical capability among competitors (arising from age) in E-Bike Men category are corrected by the chronological anticipation of the start time of some competitors in each stage, through the so-called handicap:
 - Men from 46-50 years old: - 2%
 - Men from 51-55 years old: - 4%
 - Men from 56-60 years old: - 6%
 - Men from 61-65 years old: - 8%
 - Men from 66-69 years old: - 12%
 - Men over the age of 70: - 14%

11. Start number and chip sensor for race timing

- During registrations each participant will get a starting number which they need to attach to bike handlebars by laces, in a way that number and sign are visible from the front at all times during the race.
- Starting numbers must be displayed on the bike during the whole race.
- Chip sensor for measurement of time is attached to a start number.
- Race timing begins with a signal horn or shoot from a start gun.

12. Race start

- Location and time of the race will be published in the race program which will be delivered to participants during registration at latest.
- Start positions will be open 15 minutes before the start of the race, and participants must arrive no later than 10 minutes before the race starts.
- Participants will be able to approach to start position if they meet all the rules.
- Organiser reserves the right to delegate start positions to participants.
- Race timing of each participant starts by passing through the starting line.
- Participants who fail to arrive at the starting position 10 minutes before the start, will be positioned at the back.

- Participants that arrive to starting positions within 15 minutes after the race starts will be allowed to start, and if they arrive after 15 minutes after the race starts, will not be allowed to start and will be listed in results as DNS (did not start).

13. FAST LINE

- FAST LINE is a starting block that will be ahead of all other competitors and the number of competitors in the FAST LINE starting block is limited.
- FAST LINE is a starting block for chosen participants according to previous results in Husqvarna Adria Bike Series races or with a special invitation of Organiser.
- FAST LINE will be filled 10 minutes before the start and it will have separate entrance only for the participants with FAST LINE mark on starting number.

14. Routes at the race

- Participants need to keep themselves in default race routes at all times during the race. Routes are described in the instructions and marked along the race routes.
- During the race it is strictly prohibited to discard containers for beverages and other waste.
- Depending on the chosen route, each participant will need to pass one or more control points whose locations will not be previously published.

15. Race routes on public roads

- In several places, the race route will be passing on or by public roads which will not be closed for traffic.
- During the ride along those public roads participants need to comply with the traffic regulations of the Republic of Croatia and not interfere with other road vehicles.
- In cooperation with the police, Organiser will try to adjust the traffic regulation to the race as much as possible, by closing down some parts of the road and by warning the participants of the race of approaching vehicles.
- **During the race, race participants are also traffic participants, so they must comply with applicable traffic regulations of the Republic of Croatia.**

16. Refreshment zones

- Depending on the selection of the route, there will be one or more refreshment zones where the participants will be able to refill the race bottles with isotonic drinks and water and use energy bars and fruit.
- The participant is obliged to take care of fluid and food intake during the race. The Organiser shall ensure that there is enough food and liquid refreshment on zones, but is not responsible if there will not be enough refreshments for all of the participants.
- If a participant throws away any waste outside of the refreshment zones, he/she will be fined with 20 minutes onto his time.

17. Rules of conduct during the race

- All participants must adhere to fair play rules of behavior during the race and show due consideration to other participants, other people and the environment.
- Participants are obliged to ride carefully, in accordance with their skills and abilities, especially when lowering down hills.
- Slower participants need to let the faster ones pass by at the earliest possible place along the route.
- In the case of the final sprint toward the finish, participants are not allowed to change the line of movement.

- Participants are obliged to report to the closest responsible person if they notice any accident, defect or violation during the race.
- In case of an accident participants are required to provide emergency medical assistance to other race participants.

18. Assistance by other persons

- Other persons assistance such as towing, pushing or creating leeward by using vehicles is not allowed.
- It is allowed to pass food, drinks, clothing or spare parts by the person standing at the edge of the route of the race, as well as to provide medical care by the Organiser.

19. Dropping out of the race

- Participants who are not able to finish the race are required to report to the Organiser and to return the GPS sensor if they took it from the Organiser.
- In case a participant does not make it to the finish, the Organiser will initiate the seeking action at the expense of a missing participant.
- In case of quitting the race due to health problems, the participant can report to any staff member of the Organisation.
- In case of a bike failure or participant's injury it is necessary, if possible, to move to the edge of the trail to allow the passage to other participants of the race.

20. Race finish

- Race finish line will be located in the same place as the start of the race unless the Organiser announces the change of location before the race.
- Participants finish the race by passing through the finish line where the system for chip timing is positioned.

21. Finishing the race

- Participants will be acknowledged as a contestant in the race if he/she has reached the finish line and did not violate any of these race rules.

22. Results and prizes

- The award ceremony will be held on the day of the race, at the race finish, with the exact time schedule announced at the official web page of the race.
- The winners will receive medals and prizes (champagne) for the three best racers in all categories, during the winner announcement ceremony.
- If medal winners do not show up at the award ceremony, the Organiser is not obliged to give the medal to the winner.
- All results will be published on site after the race finishes, as well as on the race website.
- The certified race metrology service is responsible for the accuracy of the timing of the race participants.

23. Penalties and sanctions

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| • Start with bike that is not in accordance to rules | suspension |
| • Starting number is attached but not visible | warning |
| • Starting from wrong starting block | warning & time penalty |
| • Dangerous/violent ride | disqualification |
| • Riding without a helmet/taking off the helmet while riding | disqualification |
| • Deliberate obstruction of other participants | warning & time penalty |
| • Threats and insults | disqualification |

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| • Not finishing the race | disqualification |
| • Holding onto a motorised vehicle | disqualification |
| • Doping | disqualification |
| • Not obeying traffic regulations | disqualification |
| • Not obeying race regulations (route, start, controls, etc.) | disqualification |
| • Disposal of garbage behind during the race | warning & time penalty |
| • Riding under a different identity | disqualification |
| • Driving under the influence of alcoholic drinks | disqualification |

24. Liability

- Each participant is responsible for its own safety during the race.
- Race Organiser is not responsible for any possible injuries or damage caused by or to a participant.
- During registrations, race participants are obliged to sign a document stating their consent with taking the potential risks associated with participation in the race, and the waiver of claims against the Organiser regarding such potential risks, as well as consent to the use of personal data. This Statement and consent is considered an integral part of these Rules and is, from the moment of signing, binding on the Organiser and participants. Failure to sign this Statement and / or consent constitutes an obstacle to participating in the race.
- Organiser reserves the right to ban the right to compete to participants who do not abide by these conditions of use and rules. Participants waive the right of possible damage claims from the Organiser.
- Participants are aware of and agree that the **Rab Island Hero MTB Marathon** is an endurance race, an extreme sport, and that there is a risk of serious injury, illness, death and / or damage to participants, sports and other equipment.
- Participants are aware of and understand that for **Rab Island Hero MTB Marathon** it is necessary to have the skills required by the mountain cycling sport, that the race will be ridden along the cobbled, narrow and steep trails, dirt roads, roads, whose difficulty can be further affect by weather conditions such as rain and wind. The Organiser is not responsible for damage to equipment, participant or any third party.
- Participants are required to have valid insurance for medical care in the Republic of Croatia. The Organiser does not bear the costs of medical care and treatment.

25. Race cancellation

- Organiser reserves the right to cancel or stop the race at any time in case of higher cause, unpredictable situations or security threats to race participants or other persons.
- In case of cancellation of the race due to the above conditions, race participants are not entitled to compensation.
- In case of cancellation of the race due to force majeure within 14 days before the race, participants waive the right to entry fees refund.
- In case of unforeseeable health circumstances (epidemic / pandemic), which the Organiser is unable to influence, the Organiser and the participants are obligated to act in accordance with all instructions and provisions of the competent authorities. If due to the mentioned conditions it will not be possible to held the event at the scheduled date, the participants will be offered to participate in the event at an alternative date or will receive the vouchers that they will be able to use for any event organised by Adria Bike after the unforeseen circumstances end.

26. Entry refunds

- Registered participants, in accordance with the applicable conditions, have the right to receive a partial refund of the paid entry fees within the defined deadlines:
 - up to 60 days before the race (until 05.03.2024.): 75% of entry fee price
 - up to 45 days before the race (until 20.03.2024.): 50% of entry fee price

- up to 30 days before the race (until 04.04.2024.): 20% of entry fee price
- less than 30 days before the race (until 04.04.2024.): no refund
- Participants who chose Surcharge for the possibility of last-minute cancellation with their entry fee, have the right to a refund of 100% of the entry fee price no later than 48 hours before the start of the race (until May 2nd, 2024 at 10:00 AM). For cancellations after the specified deadline, refunds of entry fees are not possible under any circumstances. No exceptions.
- The defined refund conditions refer exclusively to the paid entry fees and are not applicable to additional services, as well as to the administrative fees of the registration system. System administrative fees are not refundable under any circumstances. Additional services are non-refundable, unless different special conditions are specified for each service.
- In case of withdrawal outside the defined deadlines, illness, inability to come due to traffic, injury, disqualification, as well as in case of non-participation in the race due to late registration and/or late arrival to starting position, the competitor **is not entitled to a refund** of purchased entry fee.
- The registered participant can ask for the participant's data to be changed under the following condition:
 - The Change fee for changing the application data and transferring the application itself to another person is **5,00 EUR** per change until the closing of online applications / **10,00 EUR** per change for all change requests received after the closing of online applications or at the destination..
 - To change the data or transfer the entry fee it is necessary to send the request with the entry fee code and new data (name, surname, e-mail, date of birth, t-shirt size, country, gender, course, contact phone number) to the e-mail address **office@adriabike.hr**

27. Race routes are subjected to change

- Organiser reserves the right to change courses even right before the start of the race. It can cause the routes to be longer or shorter than scheduled. In the described case of a route change, the participants waive the right to claim damages and claim any other compensation on any grounds.

28. Change of rules

- The Organiser has the right without notice at any time to change these rules or part of the rules to which participants have no right to complain or the right to a refund of paid entry fees.

29. Waste disposal

- It is strictly forbidden to throw water bottles, gel packs, bars and other in nature / along the race routes.
- Waste must be disposed of in trash cans that will be provided on feed zones and in finish zone.
- Competitors who intentionally pollute the environment while participating in the race will be time suspended.

30. Final provisions

- In case of a dispute between the Participants and the Organiser related to the maintenance of the race, the Parties undertake to try to resolve the dispute by mediation. In the impossibility of resolving the dispute by mediation, the actual competent court in Zagreb will be in charge.

In Rab, January 16th 2024

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