



Tour O The Borders 2022 Terms and Conditions

- Registration is only available through the system on this website
- Some places may be available the day before the event
- Over 16s only
- No rider may use another's rider's event number. If the registered starter cannot attend the event, they have no right to reclaim the registration fee – see Refund Policy section for refund info.

Important notice for all Challenge 88 route riders (short course)

- This event has timed road closures throughout the course, and great care has been taken in planning for a safe and smooth-running event. All short course riders will start in the last start waves in Peebles, meaning even the fastest '88' riders will arrive at the Gordon Arms route split after the fastest long course riders have passed this point. Short course riders are not permitted onto the road before the lead vehicles and the leading long course riders have passed the Gordon Arms. This is very important for safety reasons and ensuring no riders can be on the road before closures are in place. In the case of an incident or delay on the long course, short course riders will be held at the Gordon Arms accordingly. If for any reason a short course rider arrives at the Gordon Arms before the long course riders, and wishes to carry on without waiting for lead vehicles and long course riders, they will have number boards removed and will be made aware that they are riding at their own risk, on open roads.

Number boards

- Every rider will get a number board. Number boards must be fixed on the handlebars and must be readable throughout the event. Cable ties will be provided to do so. Please fill in the information on the back of your board.

Feed stations

- Feed and water stations will be available along the course, but all riders are responsible to supply sufficient food to complete the ride.

Bikes, safety, courtesy, common sense

- This is NOT a race. You must ride in a safe and courteous manner, which will not cause danger to other riders or yourself. You must ride in control at all times and at safe speeds, including on all descents.
- Riders need to complete the course at a minimum average speed of 18kmph. Otherwise the sweeper vehicle will offer you the chance to retire and take both yourself and your bike back to the event village. Alternatively, you are free to continue on the route on OPEN roads entirely at your own risk/discretion, though please be aware course marking may have been removed.
- Signage will be in place along the entire course, but riders are always responsible for their own safety.
- Please CYCLE ON THE LEFT. Be aware of other cyclists around you and enable faster cyclists to pass you.
- Every rider is responsible for their bike and equipment. The condition, quality and construction should be suitable to ensure the safety of riders or other persons.
- Helmets are compulsory and must be done up properly at all times when cycling. They must be in good condition.
- No unconventional handlebars allowed, including triathlon bars, aero bars, clipons, prayer bars, Spinaci bars and cow bars.
- Bar end plugs must be fitted.
- All competitors must sign on and pick up their event number and timing chip on the Saturday, the day before the event, or opt to have their rider pack sent to them when entering online.
- If you retire for any reason please inform an event official.
- All instructions given by event officials must be observed.
- Use of a mobile phone while cycling is not permitted, you must pull to the roadside and stop if you wish to make/receive a phone call.
- Use of a music player or other similar device with headphones is not permitted for safety reasons. The Borders are beautiful, these roads are a haven for cyclists - and other nature. Don't drop any litter!
- Vehicular access is maintained for emergency services, if you hear a siren - pull over and get off the course immediately, wait until the vehicle has passed before continuing your ride
- Toilets are available along the route and marked on the course map. Please use them and respect local residents and the area. The organisers will endeavor to give all entrants a time derived from the electronic timing chip system provided. However, they are not responsible in the unlikely event of fault in the electronic timing system.
- In areas where one way access is maintained for vehicular access stay within the coned area and ride with care

- Pot holes and rough road surfaces will be marked where possible but please always stay aware especially on fast descents
- Please watch your speed! Steep descents will be marked with CAUTION signs
- If you have any health concerns seek the advice of a health professional prior to the event
- Any personal medication such as asthma inhalers and insulin. Please list these on your number board
- Bring sunblock and sufficient layers of clothes with you
- Be aware of the potential of animals on the road and note cattle grids which may require care.
- Take care when overtaking other cyclists, and look over your shoulder before pulling out. Please allow other cyclists to overtake you safely.
- Take care when pulling out from feed stations, if you are missing the feed station please slow down to ensure the safety of riders leaving the stops. Food stops will be marked well beforehand.
- As the event will be on a Sunday there will be church services occurring along the route. Please be aware of pedestrians on the route

Refund Policy

If for any reason you are unable to attend the event refunds will be available on request as follows:

- 2 months prior to event date | 75% refund
- 2 months prior to event date | 50% refund
- Less than 1 month prior to event date | No refund

Deferral of entries is not possible.

If you're due to take part in an event but have been diagnosed with COVID-19, have symptoms or have been asked to self isolate, you can submit a medical certificate and request a refund or transfer to another event for free (minus booking fee). Our normal terms and conditions apply for cancellations.

If the event has to be cancelled for reasons related to COVID-19, we'll automatically transfer your entry to the new date or you can apply for a full refund (minus the booking fee).

Cancellation policy

- If the safety of riders and staff becomes an issue we may have to cancel an event, or if we have to cancel the event for reasons outwith our control, this will be announced on our website as soon as possible before the event, and riders will receive a refund minus an admin fee.

- If an event is cancelled due to adverse or dangerous conditions any time after 17.00 on the Thursday before the event we will refund a percentage of the entry fee taking in account any outlaid costs.
- The organisers reserve the right to amend the route and any other aspect of this event, if a refund is due in this regard all entrants will be notified via the website and by email.

Responsibilities

- Riders attend the event on their own account and at their own risk. The rider is responsible to ride in a safe and courteous manner, which will not cause danger to other riders or themselves.
- The rider will ride at safe speeds including on all descents, and accepts that this is not a race, but a friendly mass-participation event.
- The rider is responsible for the safety of his bike and clothes. The organisation is not responsible and cannot be held responsible for any injuries and/or damages as results of any action during the event.
- The organisers reserve the right to disqualify any rider in breach of any of these regulations.
If an official car park is offered during the event usage of this will be at your own risk, the organisation is not responsible and cannot be held responsible for any loss, theft and/or damage as a result of this.
- This agreement starts with the entry. The organisation reserves the right to make any necessary changes or even to cancel the whole event according to safety problems at any time, official orders, government laws or other unforeseen events.

Protest

- Protests against the result or disqualifications should be addressed to the Event Organisers.

Waiver of liability

- Every rider understands and admits that their participation in the event is voluntary. They assume full responsibility for any injuries or damages from their participation in the event. They recognise and understand that the activities may be hazardous, that their participation is solely at their own risk and that they assume full responsibility for any resulting injuries and damages that may occur.
- Every rider affirms, that they are in good health. They declare that they are physically fit and capable to participate in the event.
- Every rider has to acknowledge that they have read and understood this entire waiver of liability and agrees to be legally bound by it.

Photography & Video

- All riders accept that photography and video for publicity purposes may be recorded at the event. Riders accept that this material may include them and that they give permission for its print or online publication.

Withdrawal

- The event officials hold the right to withdraw starters if they feel there is a danger for the starter or any other person.

Data Protection Act 1998

- By submitting an application to take part in an event, the participants also allow the event organisers to use personal data for campaigns and activities connected to the events. The organisers shall have unlimited rights to publish pictures and videos of the participants; to forward these photos and videos to press representatives and to use them for marketing activities.

Registration Terms

- By using the system to register your details, or enter an event you consent to the conditions described below:
- You must be at least 16 years old to use this entry system. You may only use the system for registering your own details and for those of other friends, family and club mates who have granted their permission.
- When entering an event, we ask for each person's name, date of birth, gender and for any other details required by the event. When entering events on behalf of other people you must obtain their permission to provide this data before entering them.

Receiving Emails

- To register for this event you must provide a valid email address so we can send you confirmation of your registration and of any entries you make. The email address supplied (and any email addresses given when registering other people) may be used by the Event Organiser to send out information about the events you enter. It may also be used by them for up to twelve months after the event ends to send follow-up information about the event / membership and any future events / memberships they may organise.

Closed Roads

- Closed road status for this event is subject to approval and permission from Scottish Borders Council and the Safety Advisory Group. Should closed road permission not be granted, we will offer an alternative event arrangement or a full refund.

Currency of Purchase

- All transactions will be conducted in Pounds Sterling. An invoice will not be supplied with the confirmation of your entry, although a confirmation email will be sent to the registered email address.

The organisers retain the right to change rules, terms and conditions as required.