Basic Race Policies

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Rule #1

- Everybody gets to race
  - No capping total fields, pre-registration, etc
  - If fields cannot be added to split categories as necessary, within reason and with some adjustments to other fields, then the race is not suitable for the ECCC
    - Talk with Conference Director, look at statistics sheet for past years to estimate field sizes

Rule #2

- In the ECCC, we do not cancel races
  - Any team that causes a race to be canceled through negligence is not welcome in the ECCC

Emergency Services

- Road season races must have an ambulance present; larger races should consider more
  - Transport delays add up very quickly in time, cost

Facilities

- Portajohns or other restroom facilities must be available near start/finish and/or parking area

  - Should be at both if split by some distance

  - Rough rule of thumb: At least 1 port-a-john per 100 racers

  - Extra TP! More than whatever amount you think!

Timeline

- Critical deadlines for every race:

  12 weeks out: Course & venue permits secured

  Scan against checklist first for basic oversights

  8 weeks out: USAC permits filed

  Easiest on usacycling.org; docked $25 by USAC after this

  4 weeks out: All essential services secured

  Police, Ambulance/Medical, Port-a-Johns, etc….

Pre-Registration

- Run by ECCC; current use BikeReg.com as our online registration provider.

- Larger teams and teams that cannot do online registration may use spreadsheet, honor-system based pre-registration

  - Registering teams are responsible for all listed rider entries; promoters may or may not allow exchanges

Registration Fees

- Road & MTB race maximum fees:

    - MTB mass start: $15

    - Road Race: $30

    - Criterium: $5

    - Individual start: $10

    - Team Time Trial/Team Relay: $25/squad

- MTB gravity races requiring shuttle or lift access may require an additional lift ticket fee

- MTB Team Relay should charge less

    - Particularly as it is literally 0 cost

Flyers

- Remember: Flyers may not be posted anywhere except ECCC website

  - May link to flyer there

- Checklist of flyer requirements is available

  - Registration, permit, category language; schedules, course maps; water availability; directions to/from area, between races; promoter phone numbers; etc.

Intro Clinics

- Every Road event must include Beginner's Clinics on the flyer

  - Part of the standard criterium schedule; not required for road races but can be implemented if schedule permits.

  - Discussion or skills exercise oriented formats depending on venue

  - All collegiate riders and USAC Cat 5 Men/Women are welcome to participate.

  - Clinic participants may choose to race in Men's D or Women's D events.

  - Helps makes travel more worthwhile for participants, boosts skills

Fixed Schedules

- Crit, TTT, STXC/TR, Gravity race schedules have fixed category orders

  - Ensures consistent, uniform order across season; ensure road Intro races in feasible and best positions (not first); set distances/durations; standard wording for Women's Intro

  - STXC listed on "To Follow" basis

  - For specific logistics requirements warranting otherwise, talk to Conference Director

Reminder: Pre-Event Fees

- Typical pre-event fees:

  - USAC Permits: $75 (late charge after 8 wks before)

  - New course inspection: $50 + mileage

  - USAC Auto Insurance (recommended; request 2 weeks before for sufficient processing time)

  - Venue & service fees (permits, police, etc)

  - Officials (set in USAC rulebook): Base fees ($70-$100) + $20/hr long day (if nec) + lodging (if nec) + mileage ($0.58/mile)

Reminder: Post-Event Fees

Promoters are reminded of the following common post-event charges and fees:

Results: $2.50/unique rider/day + $1.50/second start/day + $85/hourly USAC

Per diem will vary based on distance to venue

$3/team for TTT

Conference surcharge ($3/mass or gravity start)

USAC Insurance surcharge ($4/unique rider/day)

Venue & service fees (ambulances, etc)

Have a written agreement beforehand!!!

Documentation, Questions

- ECCC Promoter's Guide, data from previous years, other resources on ECCC website

- Ask questions early!!!

  - Better to address something quick & early rather than let it linger on and get worse

  - We get a ton of email, don't worry about it, just send your questions on...

    - You may not get a reply right away if it's not time critical, but we'll get to it ASAP

End

- Questions/comments:

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