

CTT Newsletter – December 2021

Please don't forget to reaffiliate your club for 2022

See below which rules and regulations were amended at the recent National Council AGM. Plus, some handy tips for organisers and how to order a handbook for 2022.

National Council

Delegates from all 22 CTT districts met on Sunday, 5 December at Hellidon Lakes for this year's National Council Annual General Meeting.

Chair

Sue Bowler (Central) was elected as chair of CTT for a term of three years.

Election of directors

Martyn Heritage-Owen (South Wales) was re-elected as director for a further term of three years, and David Barry (Midland) for a further term of one year.

Keith Dorling (London East), Andrea Parish (South Wales) and Becky Warnes (South West) were elected on to the board, each for a term of three years.

Appeals Panel

Mick Phillips (Yorkshire), Mark Philipson (Yorkshire), Don Saunders (East), Colin Wakeman (Centra) and David Whitehead (Manchester) were re-elected with Sheila Hardy (Midland) elected, all to serve on the appeals panel until 2025. John Golder (London East) was elected to serve on the appeals panel until 2024, and Tim Smith (Manchester) until 2023.

Changes to the Rules and Regulations

These are listed below although by far the most relevant to competitors and event promotors (both open and club events) are:

The use of a working white front light is now compulsory in <u>all</u> CTT events, and also it is now compulsory for all competitors irrespective of age to wear a helmet whilst competing.

The changes:

The Board's Authority

Amend the Articles throughout so the wording of the Articles is gender neutral.

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The regulations generally

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Regulation 14(j) - Competitor's Machine

No competitor shall be permitted to start either a Type A or Type B event unless such competitor has affixed to the front of their machine a working front white light, either flashing or constant, that is illuminated and in a position that is clearly visible to other road users.

Regulation 15 – Protective Helmets

In the first line, delete the words "under the age of 18 years and/or juniors" and in the last line of this paragraph delete "(or parent or guardian if the rider is under 18 years of age).



Regulation 26 – Limitation of Entries

Number the existing regulation (d) as (d)(i) and add a new subparagraph (ii) as follows:

- (ii) In all mixed events which DO have special conditions, sub-paragraph
- (i) above shall apply to the extent that (a) for those entrants who satisfy the special condition, 25% of all places and 25% of reserve places must be reserved for women; and (b) should there be any places available for entrants who do not satisfy the special condition, 25% of all places and 25% of reserve places must be reserved for women, irrespective of how many places have been allocated to women entrants in accordance with (a) above. In both cases (a) and (b), where there are more women entrants than the allocated spaces, selection shall be on fastest performance. Where there are fewer women than this, men may fill the spaces.

Regulation 27(c) – Event Officials

Appoint a competent person to act as the "Start Line Official" who will "manage" the start line and assist the start timekeeper.

Regulation 42 – Units of Timing and Distance

Add a new second paragraph as follows:

Notwithstanding the above, in events that use an approved means of electronic chip timing, timing shall be recorded to 1/100th of a second.

Frequently asked questions

Two FAQ documents have been uploaded to the home page of the website with some hints and tips for both riders and organisers. It is intended that the documents will be added to further in the future.

Signing on/off sheet

It has come to our attention that some organisers are unaware that a completed signing on/off sheet is available on the website. To access it, go to Step 4 Start Sheet and then click on the Download button, click on Signing On Sheet and it will download a pdf with all the names filled in.



Emergency contact details

A recent update to the website included the ability for users to add a second emergency contact to their profiles. Details can be added by going to Settings, My Contact Info. Also, can riders of tandems and in team events please make sure they don't use their race partners as their emergency contact, this could have dire consequences if both were involved in an incident.

Contacting riders

A new system for organisers to contact riders has been added to the website, and is quite useful for notifying prize winners, etc. To access it go to Step 3 Entries and then click on Contact Entrants. A list of all the riders will then appear and all that is needed is a tick beside the rider's name and then the message box will become active. If messaging all the riders, just tick the box at the very top and the system will tick all the others below.



2022 handbook

Production of the 2022 handbook is now under way and handbooks will be sent out in mid-January 2020. The price is the £15 (including p&p). You can order handbooks online from the CTT shop (link below). All organisers of Open events in 2022 and district officials will be sent a free copy.

https://www.cyclingtimetrials.org.uk/shop

Club re-affiliation

Clubs are reminded they have until 31 December to reaffiliate, after which a late re-joining fee of £20 will be enforced. If club secretaries and treasurers wish to pay online, please click on your name (top left when logged on) and see if you have Club Panel as the first option, if so, click on that and from there you can pay using credit or debit cards. If not, please email support@cyclingtimetrials.org.uk

Finally – The Board would like to take this chance to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year!