

The Community Chest BOCHK Cycling Challenge

Open Races

Important Notice and Rules

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1. The Organiser will provide Public Liability Insurance only for the event. Participants are reminded to arrange their own Personal Accident Insurance if necessary.
2. The Organiser reserves the right to limit and refuse any application.
3. The Organiser reserves the right to contact participants for handling their application.
4. All donations and rental fees for bikes and helmets are not refundable. If the participants provide incorrect information, fail to settle donation or follow correct application procedure, the Organiser reserves the right to refuse their application.
5. Any person who is pregnant or suffering from chronic diseases such as heart disease or high blood pressure should not join the event. The Organiser reserves the right to disqualify any participant known or suspected to be unfit to participate in the event. All donations and rental fees of the disqualified person will not be refunded.
6. On the event day, participants are required to arrive at Route 8 Toll Plaza **45 minutes before the race starts**.
7. Bag drop service will be provided on the event day, but participants should not leave valuable items in the bag and any loss will be at their own risk.
8. All participants are **required to wear bike helmets** during the event. The Organiser reserves the right to refuse any participant who does not wear or uses the helmet improperly.
9. The Organiser reserves the right of final decision of the event. Any changes or contingency measures for the event will be posted on the Organiser's web page and this shall prevail.
10. Participants must ensure that they are physically fit to participate in the event. They must comply with, observe and accept the requirements and related terms as set for the participants.
11. Participants should check their own bikes and accessories for safety purposes before the race.
12. Participants must be aged between 18 to 60 years old. With basic cycling skills and proper knowledge of road safety is a must.
13. All races are not allowed to use aero bar, disc wheel and time trial race helmet.
14. All participants are required to count their own laps, and to ensure the timing chip, number bib and frame number are attached properly at designated positions. If any problems arise from participants' mistakes, finish time recorded by the timing chips shall be final and not disputable.
15. The bikes provided by the Organiser are two-wheeled, single-seated bikes. They are allocated by the Organiser and participants are not allowed to request for replacement.

16. Rental fees of bike and helmet are HK\$50 and HK\$20 respectively. Participants are required to settle the rental fees when enrolling through Cityline. NO on-the-spot rental service is available.
17. Participants of Open and Corporate Team Time Trial races may bring their own bikes with wheels size from 20 to 29 inches. However, they have to observe the provisions and regulations concerning cycling safety stipulated by the Transport Department and related regulations. They also have to follow the arrangements and instructions made by the Organiser and pass the bike inspection in order to participate in the event.
18. Due to safety concern, the Organiser will not provide or allow to use other types of bikes such as three-wheel bikes, four-wheel bikes (with training wheels), two-seated bikes and family bikes etc.
19. For any discrepancies, final decision will be based on the Chinese version.

Special weather and emergency arrangements

1. The event will be cancelled if typhoon signal No.3 or above, red or black rainstorm warning is hoisted by the Hong Kong Observatory. All donations and rental fees will not be refunded.
2. In case of inclement weather, announcement on the latest arrangements for the event will be made on 8 March 2014 (Saturday) by 6 pm through the electronic media. The event may be postponed or cancelled as deemed necessary.
3. The event will be temporarily stopped, delayed or cancelled if a bike accident occurs (such as crash, or knocking down animals leading to injury occurs, etc). The Organiser will first ensure personal safety and provide support and rescue immediately. Participants must follow the instructions given by the commissaire and marshals.

Rules and Regulations

Open Male & Female

1. Participant must wear bike helmet during the race.
2. Participants may bring their own bikes with wheels size from 20 to 29 inches. However, they have to observe the provisions and regulations concerning cycling safety stipulated by the Transport Department and related regulations. They also have to follow the arrangements and instructions made by the Organiser and pass the bike inspection in order to participate in the event.
3. Participants must be aged 18 to 60.
4. Open Male and Female races will start together. Participant is required to finish 2 laps (around 10km) within 30 minutes. When reaching the time limit, those participants who have not finished the race must follow the instructions given by the commissaire and marshals to leave the course and NO result will be provided.

5. Ranking will be according to the finish time of participants' timing chips. Champion to 2nd runner-up of Open Male and Female races will be presented with awards respectively.
6. No substitution is allowed. If participant is substituted, he/she will be disqualified.
7. If participant cannot start at the designated time (late for start) or suffers from any mechanical problems (eg. broken tire) or accidents during the race, no re-race will be arranged.
8. No neutral zone at the race. If participant suffers from any mechanical problems, no maintenance or parts replacement services will be provided. If participant cannot maintain the bike and cause safety issue, the commissaire shall force the participant to leave the race.
9. Any participant who drops behind and is lapped by the lead participant shall be eliminated and must leave the race.
10. Participant is not allowed to use aero bar, disc wheel and time trial race helmet.
11. If participant cannot finish the race, withdraw from the race or cannot pass the finish point, NO result will be provided.