

# Regulations Orbea Wild Ride 2025

## 1. General

(1) The Orbea Wild Ride at BIKE Festival (the "**Event**") is an event organized by Delius Klasing Verlag GmbH (the "**Organizer**").

(2) These rules govern the terms of participation of every participant in the Event ("**Participants**") and are binding on them. A precondition of participation is full acceptance of these rules.

(3) The Organizer has complete discretion in respect of the Event and is entitled at any time to make decisions relating to the event, particularly to change the route, to extend or shorten to a reasonable extent the distance of the route for objective reasons (e.g. damage to roads) - even shortly before the route in question.

(4) Instructions from Event staff and uniformed forces (police, fire service, THW - technical assistance organization) must be complied with immediately and in full. In the event of non-compliance the Organizer is entitled to penalize the Participant in question. "Event Staff" and those acting on behalf of the Organizer means all those persons identified as such (e.g. marshals).

## 2. Registration/entry

(1) Every rider has to use the registration form on the website. For registration, please include the date of birth.

(2) The transfer/delivery of a starting place, to third parties is always prohibited.

## 3. Registration deadline

(1) The entry and payment deadline is on Thursday 23:59 one week before the races. If the registered starter cannot attend the race, they have no right to reclaim the registration fee.

(2) If the registration quota is reached, the organizers reserve the right to close registration prematurely. There is no claim for a late registration on site.

## 4. Eligibility - health

(1) The Orbea Wild Ride Race is open to amateurs and professionals aged 19 and over.

(2) By signing the registration form or submitting the online form, each participant declares that he/she recognises the conditions of the event announcement regarding the execution of the competition and other event-specific stipulations as well as the above stipulations regarding responsibility and waiver of liability (see **23. Waiver of liability**) and that he/she is adequately insured against accidents and participates at his/her own risk.

Each participant expressly confirms that the information entered on the entry form is correct in its entirety.

(3) Persons banned are ineligible to participate.

## 5. Equipment

(1) All participants must wear a helmet and back protector (or rucksack incl. protector) during the entire race. Helmets must always be fastened with the chin strap. A full-face helmet, back and knee protectors, closed gloves and a short or long-sleeved jersey must be worn during the special stages.

(2) Full-face helmets must be certified to the following standards:

- MTB Downhill helmet certified to EN1078 and ASTM F1952
- Motocross helmet certified to ECE 22-05 „P“, „NP“, „J“ or SNELL M 2010 or SNELL M 2015

(3) The organizer is responsible for enforcing compliance with gear regulations. Failure to comply with gear regulations will result in disqualification.

(4) It is highly recommended to bring your mobile phone with you so that communication in case of emergency is possible.

(5) Each participant shall ensure that his equipment (bicycle with accessories and other devices fitted, headgear, clothing et.) does not, by virtue of its quality, materials or design, constitute any danger to himself or to others. Equipment used must meet applicable official quality and safety standards.

(6) Only one frame, fork, shock, and wheelset per rider are allowed.

## **6. Authorized sports equipment**

(1) Only pedelecs with a maximum assistance of up to 25 km/h and a maximum rated continuous power of 250 watts are permitted to compete. The maximum power must not exceed 750 watts. All e-bikes used must comply with the European standard EN 15194.

(2) The battery must be attached and connected to the bike during the entire race in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Changing the battery during the race is not permitted.

(3) Before and after the race, all e-bikes used in the race may be subject to a technical inspection.

## **7. Starting fee**

(1) The registration fee for each race is 69€ until closing date. A late-registration is possible at the event with a fee of 89€.

## **8. Start**

(1) Each rider starts individually.

(2) The starting interval is at least 30 seconds.

(3) The race commission determines the starting time for each stage. The starting list will be published at least 1 hour before the race begins. If a rider missed his start, he gets a penalty.

## **9. Important rules of conduct during the Event**

(1) The Participants must follow the rules of the road of the Italian country every time.

- (2) Any competitor receiving outside assistance from a non-racer will be disqualified. This includes using team staff/outside help to carry equipment around the course or perform repairs during the race.
- (3) Participants must conduct themselves in a way that does not harm or endanger others or obstruct or disturb them more than is unavoidable in the circumstances.
- (4) The disposal of food packaging, bottles or cups on the trail is strictly prohibited.
- (5) Any defects must generally be repaired off track, so that others riders are not disturbed.
- (6) Carrying along glass bottles during the race is prohibited.
- (7) The rider may cross the finish line by foot, provided that he has his bicycle with him.
- (8) If a rider exits the course for any reason, he must return to the course at the same point from which he exited.

## **10. Start number**

- (1) Number plates must be fixed in front of the handlebar and should be readable throughout the competition. It is strictly prohibited to alter the number boards in any manner.
- (2) The back number must be legibly attached to the back or rucksack for the race.
- (3) The placing of additional advertisements on the number boards is strictly prohibited.

## **11. Timing**

- (1) For the Enduro format, a special timing system will be used. Every rider will carry a transponder. At the beginning and end of the special stages, the time data will be transmitted. When passing the timing station, both an acoustic and visual signal will indicate this transmission.
- (2) The transponder must be fastened to the wrist.
- (3) The transponders will be collected and sorted right after crossing the finish line. In the event of losing the transponder, the participant cannot be classified and has to pay 50 €.
- (4) The several times of the special stages will be added. The transfer stages will not be part of the final result. To be included in the ranking, it is necessary to complete all stages, reach the finish line within the time limit, and cover the whole distance on one's own.
- (5) In case of a tie, the result of the last special stage decides.
- (6) At the start of the race, a time limit regarding the latest possible arrival will be announced. In case of a later arrival, the rider will not be included in the rankings.

## **12. Training**

- (1) The race is completely without training. This means that the participants will ride the special stages on sight during the race.

### **13. Food and Drink**

- (1) Every Participant is responsible for his own food and drink.
- (2) The Participants undertake not to leave behind any waste so as not to adversely affect the environment.

### **14. Classification**

- (1) The riders from the Orbea Wild Ride are starting individually.
- (2) The riders will be classified in:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Year</b>
Elite Men	from 2006
Elite Women	from 2006
Open Men	1991 – 2006
Open Women	from 2006
Open Masters	1990 – older

### **15. Prematurely ending the Orbea Wild Ride**

- (1) If a participant determines the race prematurely, he has to check out at the race commission office immediately. For participants, who have not checked out at the office, the organizers have to start a search operation. The participant will be charged for that.

### **16. Awards ceremony**

- (1) The first three riders in each category will be honored with a ceremony 30 minutes after the race. The subsequent awarding of trophies or prizes is not permitted. While attending the podiums, all riders must wear their race kit or a copy of it (jersey and trousers/pants).

### **17. Course map**

- (1) The course will be officially announced at the rider's confirmation. Barrier tape and arrows will distinguish the course. Arrows distinguish the transfers from one special stage to another. When a rider leaves the marked course at the special stage, he has to return at this exact point before continuing the race.
- (2) The participants have to complete the whole stated course without interruption. Leaving the course is not allowed at both the special stages and the transfers. Paths and roads that are not included in the official course may not be used, except in cases of emergencies. If a rider is assisted after an accident, he can repeat this special stage.
- (3) Cutting the course to gain advantage leads to disqualification immediately.
- (4) The course must only be ridden by the riders during the event.
- (5) All classes: 6 Stages

## 18. Medical Service

- (1) The organizer must set up an adequate medical service.
- (2) Riders that has provided first aid and / or where disturbed during their race-run through an accident, have to report this incident to the race director in the finish area. The race-commission will take this into account and may correct the times in a suitable way.
- (3) In order to give the rescue team the chance to reach the injured rider, the timed stage may be interrupted or even taken out of the competition.

## 19. Jury and protest

- (1) The Organizer shall create a jury ("**Jury**") for every Event. The Jury consists of four (3) members chosen at the Organizer's discretion (generally race manager, head of the organizing committee, head of timekeeping)
- (2) Any decision concerning the race process, breaches of the rules or disqualification will be made from this Jury.
- (2) The Jury decides on breaches of rules and protests notified to it (e.g. by marshals). "**Protests**" are breaches of the rules notified by Participants from other Teams or complaints by Participants against the actions (e.g. sanctions) of Event staff. Protests must be submitted no later than one (1) hour after the finish time in the race office and set out in writing, if necessary, with reference to documentary evidence (e.g. witnesses) The fee for lodging a Protest is €50 and must be paid with the submission of the Protest. The Protest fee remains with the Organizer if the Protest is rejected, otherwise it is returned immediately.

## 20. Liability of the Organizer and the Participant

- (1) The liability of the Organizer is limited as follows:
  - a. The liability of the Organizer for loss or damage resulting from fatal or personal injuries caused by negligent or deliberate breach of duty by the Organizer or a legally authorized representative or agent is not limited in terms of either its merits or the sum involved.
  - b. For other loss or damage resulting from deliberate or grossly negligent breach of duty by the Organizer or a legally authorized representative or agent, the liability of the Organizer is likewise not limited in terms of either its merits or the sum involved.
  - c. The Organizer is not liable for loss or damage resulting from negligent breach of duty by the Organizer or a legally authorized representative or agent unless the damages result from a breach of a material contractual duty. Liability for damages for breach of a material contractual duty is however limited to compensation for foreseeable, typical loss at the time the contract was entered into. "**Material contractual duties**" are those the fulfilment of which enables the proper execution of the contract in the first place and compliance with which is regularly relied upon.
- (2) The Participant is therefore expressly notified that the Organizer and its legally authorized representatives and agents are not liable for loss or damage for which they are not responsible. This applies for example to loss or damage caused by improper conduct/riding errors by other riders or the fact that Participants are prevented from participating in full or in part due to statutory provisions and/or official orders.

(3) This limitation of liability also applies expressly to lost or missing items, articles of clothing and items of equipment and damage to bikes occasioned during transportation.

(4) The Participant is once more expressly reminded that he or she is liable for damage to the Organizer or third parties (e.g. other riders) to an unlimited extent if the Participant is responsible for same, e.g. the Participant is charged with acting deliberately or negligently. **The Organizer recommends that Participants obtain a policy of public liability insurance for events such as these.**

(5) The Participant hereby undertakes to indemnify the Organizer and/or third parties engaged by the Organizer ("**Indemnified Parties**") in full in respect of all third party claims as soon as so requested and to pay the costs claimed as against the Indemnified Parties in respect of the loss or damage caused by the Participant and all costs incurred in this regard (including legal defence).

## **21. Image rights**

(1) The Organizer is entitled to take photographs and video of the Participants or have them taken as part of the Event and to use, and especially to publish and/or edit these - subject to subsection (2) - without limitation as to time, location or content on TV, the internet, in printed materials, on any known or future medium, including for advertising purposes, without any time limits and free of charge, i.e. no payment or damages is required to be paid in respect of same. This includes in particular the right to grant third parties (e.g. sponsors of the Event) the right of use.

(2) Expressly not included is the use of individual Participants (or a group) in such a way that the focus is on the Participant(s) in question rather than the Event or participation in the Event. Such use requires prior approval by the Participants in question.

(3) The Participant agrees that the personal data obtained may be passed on to third parties for the purposes of timekeeping, drawing up the lists of results and putting these lists on the internet.

(4) The Participant agrees to the publication of his or her surname, forename, year of birth, residence, Team name, start number and result (placing and times) in all media relevant to the Event (list of Participants, list of results etc.).

(5) The Participant may object to the disclosure and publication of his or her personal details by contacting the Organizer in writing, by phone or e-mail.

## **22. Liability of the participant and indemnification**

(1) The participant is hereby expressly informed once again that he/she is fully liable for any damage caused by the organiser or third parties (e.g. other drivers) to the respective injured party, insofar as the participant is responsible for such damage, i.e. the participant is guilty of intent or negligence. The organiser recommends taking out personal liability insurance for this type of event.

(2) The participant hereby undertakes to indemnify the organiser and/or the third parties commissioned by the organiser ("authorised indemnifiers") in full and on first demand from all claims of third parties which these assert against the respective authorised indemnifiers in connection with the damage caused by the participant and to bear all costs incurred in this connection (including legal defence).

## **23. Waiver of liability**

As a participant of the BIKE Festival Willingen 2025, I understand and acknowledge that the Delius Klasing Verlag GmbH as well as all other parties concerned with this event - such as government offices, organizers, sponsors or other official partners - do not claim liability for any personal or material damages or loss of property.

I expressly declare myself responsible for my own safety and consent to being responsible for any risks or hazards arising from participating in the event. I am fully liable for accidents caused by me and any damages to the organizer or a third party resulting from such accidents, except in cases of possible negligence by the organizer.

I agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the organizer from any claims, demands, liability and damages made by any third party arising out of or related to accidents caused by me and I will bear all associated costs. I agree not to make claims against any person, institution or company that is concerned with this event. Further, I agree to the publication of any picture or film material from the event. I acknowledge my obligation to contact the organizer immediately when I drop out of the race. If I fail to do so, a search operation will be initiated at my expense.

I have read and understood the conditions, rules, and regulations and fully acknowledge them.