



OFFICIAL REGULATIONS LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL ROAD RACE – INDIVIDUAL ENDURANCE

ART. 1 – FOREWORD

LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL is an amateur cycling event which aims to allow athletes to experience the sensation of one of the world's greatest cycling competitions, the VUELTA A ESPAÑA. Desafío Brasil seeks to provide top-level sports entertainment for cyclists, their families, and fans of the sport, while also engaging the populations of the host cities by generating financial returns not only on event days but also by promoting tourism, sports, and local culture throughout the year.

This regulation serves to inform and outline the rules of participation, ensuring the highest level of safety for participants, staff, and the public present at the events, as well as harmonious coexistence among all, in an environment of equality and fellowship.

Article 2 – REGISTRATION

1. Registrations for the **LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL** must be made exclusively on the event's official website www.desafiobrasilbylavuelta.com.br
2. The registration period ends when the total of spots (according to the race description) is reached or at the discretion of the organization, without prior notice.
3. For classification purposes **in age categories**, every participant must consider the **age on December 31st of the year the race is held**.
4. Participants born in 2007 and still under 18 years of age on the day of the event, must present a written authorization with a notarized signature from parents or guardians. Except for those cases, minors will not be allowed to participate in the



event. The **age limit** for participation is **74 years old**. Athletes who **turn 75** by December 31, 2025 **will not be able to register**.

5. PwD / ELDERLY: We have implemented half price registration for athletes over 60 years of age and PwD. To qualify, the athlete must send by email a copy of their ID card with date of birth, and we will generate a 50% discount coupon to be validated at checkout when registering. For PwD athletes, please include the medical report.
6. Incorrect completion of the registration form, including registration in an incorrect age group, will result in the participant's disqualification.
7. Participation in the event **LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL** implies full and unconditional acceptance of this regulation. No further complaints will be accepted as to the content of these rules.
8. The registrations of the **LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL** are personal. Any person who releases, assigns or sells their registration to another person without the consent of the organization, within or outside the time limits established in this regulation, is assuming full civil and criminal responsibility. In the event of any accident occurring/caused as a result of this process or by this people during the event may result in banishment from participating in any other edition for an indefinite period, for both people involved.

ART. 3 – KIT COLLECTION

1. The athlete's kit must be picked up at the venue, on the days and times stipulated by the organization, as detailed in the General Description of the event.
2. The **Endurance / Road** race kit will consist of 01 timing envelope containing: athlete data, race bib and starting area, 1 bicycle number plate, 1 helmet sticker and 1 seatpost sticker, in addition to 1 cycling jersey and 1 frame sticker with the main points of the route.



3. The front plate must be placed with a nylon zip tie in front of the bicycle handlebars, in a visible place and free from any obstruction. The seatpost sticker must be attached below the bicycle seat (seatpost). In case of doubt, there will be a model bike in the kit collection area, demonstrating the correct way to attach the stickers and plate.
4. Any type of alteration, mutilation, cutting and/or folding of identification plates and stickers is **strictly prohibited**, as is the **absence of any** of these items, which are affixed to the timing chips, **under penalty of disqualification**.
5. The athlete **Endurance / Road** race kit can only be **picked up** upon presentation of the following documents:
 - a. **A hard copy of the medical certificate** that certifies the suitability to participate in a cycling event, completely filled out, with the doctor's signature and GMC number (General Medical Council), issued within a maximum period of one year before the date of the event. ([Click here](#) to download the Medical Certificate template).
 - b. **Official identification document with photo.**
 - c. Any other documents requested by the organization.
6. The kit collection by third parties is allowed provided that the grantee delivers a **notarized authorization** of the registered athlete, containing the identification data of the grantor and grantee, in addition to presenting the documents set forth in item 5 of this Article 3.

([Click here](#) to download the Power of Attorney template for collection of kits by third parties).
7. Failure to submit any of the items requested will prevent the participant from collecting the kit and participating in the race.



8. When picking up the kit, the participant or their representative must check the registration data, number and starting area, chips and size of the cycling jersey, as well as other items that have been purchased separately. **No further complaints will be accepted.**
9. Using another athlete's chip is prohibited and will result in the immediate disqualification of both the transferor and the athlete who used the chip improperly.
10. The athlete who transfers their Athlete Kit to another cyclist will be suspended, along with the athlete who received it, for two years, and may be prohibited to take part in any other edition of **LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL**.
11. In cases of **failure to attend the event**, the items of the **kit can be sent** to an address of the athlete's choice, **upon payment of the shipping cost plus the administrative fee of R\$ 65.**
 - a. The request must be made via email after the event takes place.
contato@desafiobrasilbylavuelta.com.br
 - b. The athlete **must provide the full address to calculate shipping costs.** and forward proof of registration.
 - c. The deadline for requesting the sending of the athlete kit is **30 days after the race date.**
 - d. The athlete kit will be **shipped** within 15 business days **after receipt of proof of payment** for shipping.

ART. 4 – GUIDELINES FOR THE START



1. For the safety and good progress of the event, participants will be distributed in pelotons, starting in intervals.
2. The athlete will be informed about their start area upon kit collection.
3. The athlete who starts in an area ahead of the one designated by the organization will be **AUTOMATICALLY** disqualified by the timing system, and their time will not show in the final classification.
4. **Starting behind the designated area is allowed, and will not result in disqualification** of the athlete.
5. The criteria used to classify the starting groups of athletes is subjective, but the following criteria will be taken into account: 1 - times from the individual time trial held on Saturday, 2 - performance ranking and results from the L'Étape Brasil events, and 3 - answers provided on the registration form.

ART. 5 – MANDATORY GEAR

1. For the safety and good progress of the event, participants in the race must start with the following gear:
 - a. **Bicycles: road cycling, mountain bike, tandem, hybrid or touring, in perfect conservation and maintenance**, exclusively human-powered.
 - b. **Electric bicycles are permitted solely** for participation in the **short course (50 km)**, under the following conditions: they **cannot** compete against each other or with other bicycles, be classified in any category, have their times recorded or be included in timing rankings, and most importantly, they cannot interfere with the performance of other athletes, whether aerodynamically (drafting) or mechanically (pushing or pulling).



- c. During all times when the participant is on their bicycle, the use of a **hard and buckled helmet is compulsory**, and the equipment must be approved by Brazilian bodies or foreign security certifiers.
 - d. The **maximum allowed length** of bicycles is 2.10 meters. The maximum width is 0.75 meters. A standard competition bike fits within these measurements.
 - e. Riders will be allowed to use only **one bicycle throughout event**. The participant may replace a bicycle only in case of proven inability to proceed safely (any cracked or broken part). To do so, they may resort to another participant or spectator, however, their number and chip must be attached to the new bike.
- 2. The organization reserves the right to prohibit the participation of riders who present any unknown or unconventional mandatory equipment.
 - 3. The participant must submit any equipment that may be considered inappropriate under this regulation, for assessment at least one month in advance.

ART. 6 – FORBIDDEN EQUIPMENT

- 1. **Assisted bikes, engines or other mechanical propulsion means will not be allowed.** Recumbent bicycles are also prohibited.
- 2. The use of **extensions of any kind** on the bicycle handlebar **will not be permitted.** Triathlon clip ons or bar ends are prohibited.
- 3. Lenticular (closed) aerodynamic wheels with composite spokes and covers are not allowed. Weights will not be allowed on lenticular wheels.

ART. 7 – ROUTE SAFETY

- 1. The organization will implement a series of measures aimed at the safety of participants and the audience on the course, such as cones for signaling and lane delimitation, signs indicating turns and commissaires with flags and whistles.



Nevertheless, **it is the responsibility of each participant to ensure their safety and that of the other participants**, riding defensively and cautiously.

2. Since cyclists will ride both ways, riding on the opposite lane is strictly prohibited, even for brief moments. There will be commissaires along the route, and violators will be **DISQUALIFIED**. Cyclists must always ride on the far right of the lane, and **perform overtaking only on the left**.
3. All places considered dangerous along the course will be signaled with DANGER [PERIGO] signs. In addition, there will be staff people with flags signaling the dangerous zones.
4. Participants must observe and **respect the traffic signs and safety instructions** provided by the organization through this regulation throughout the course.
5. Participants must be present at the starting point in advance and to respect the schedules set out in the **Official Guide**, which will be sent to the registered athlete **by email with all the final guidelines**.

ART. 8 – TIME LIMITS AND PENALTIES

1. In order to ensure the participants' safety and to allow the re-opening of roads to cars, **it is essential that participants do not exceed the time limits for each section of the course**, according to the document **Timetable**.
2. If a participant wishes to withdraw or is disqualified from the event by a commissaire, they must go to one of the feeding zones or cut points, notify the organization, and wait to be transported back to the village on our rescue bus.
3. If a participant fails to reach specific points along the course within the time limits established in the **Timetable**, they will be automatically disqualified and prohibited from continuing on the course, in order to allow the reopening of public roads.
4. Any athlete who fails to comply with the **Timetable** and is thus disqualified must follow the instructions of race staff and officials, who may provide guidance to:



- a. Remain at their cutoff points until rescued by the race bus.
 - b. Get on the race bus, even if they'e still on the highway, since the bus is the last resort for athletes to withdraw before reopening the public roads.
5. Every participant who stop taking part in the event voluntarily or involuntarily, remain on the track outside the **Timetable**, do not accept and/or disobey the guidance of the race staff to remain in the appointed place or enter the race rescue bus, will no longer be covered by the contracted insurance of the event and subject to suspension of the events of LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL.

Article 9 – TIMING, RESULTS AND AWARDS

1. The stages of LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL are timed using a modern, electronic chip system, which must be attached to the bike according to the instructions described in the Art. 3, item 3, making sure that the participant completes the route in its entirety and checking the time taken.
2. **Prizes** will be awarded to **the top three overall** (men and women) of the **Long and Short** courses.
3. The **overall** classification of the race will be tallied per **order of finish**.
4. **Awards will also be given to the top three finishers in age group categories, exclusively for the long course.** The categories are:
 - a. **Men: 18 to 34 years old**; 35 to 39 years; 40 to 44 years; 45 to 49 years; 50 to 54 years; 55 to 59 years; 60 to 64 years; 65 to 69 years; 70 to 74 years old.
 - b. **Women: 18 to 34 years old**; 35 to 39 years; 40 to 44 years; 45 to 49 years; 50 to 54 years; 55 to 59 years; 60 to 74 years old.



5. For the purpose of classification into categories by age group, **the participant's age on December 31st of the same year in which the race is held will be considered.**
6. The **age limit** for participation is **74 years old**. Athletes who **turn 75** by December 31, 2025 **will not be able to register.**
7. The best male and female athlete (shortest net time) in the mountain stage will also be awarded.
8. The athlete who qualifies for the general classification of the race does not qualify for the classification by age group.
9. **The King and Queen of the Mountain will also be awarded**, this classification being exclusive to athletes registered in **long route** of the race.
10. These particular challenges will consider **the best time (men and women) covered in specific segments of the long course**. In the event of a tie, the lowest **total race time** will be used as a tiebreaker by the technical committee.
11. **The participant who does not agree** with the results published at the event by the organization, **will have 30 minutes** – from the time of publication – **to open a dispute in the Cyclist Service of the event**, as per **item 1, Article 17** of this regulation.
12. The overall results will be released within 72 hours after the end of the event, on the website of the **LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL**.

ART. 12 – GENERAL PROVISIONS AND PENALTIES

1. Every participant must be independent. No external support or motorized assistance will be allowed, other than that offered by the organization staff.

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2. Accompanying, pacing or following any participant is forbidden, since the course will be closed to the traffic of vehicles (except those used by the organization). Only organization vehicles enter the race route. "Pacing" means escort or protection vehicles for the athlete.
3. The organization will provide plenty of hydration and feed zones, as well as mechanical and medical assistance and rescue. However, it is up to the participant to care for their hydration and feeding, as well as to ensure their safety.
4. If the participant leaves the course, for any reason, they must return to the exact point where they left, and then return to the course. The use of shortcuts, for any reason, will result in disqualification.
5. A participant that prevents and / or interferes with the progression of another participant can be disqualified.
6. The participant may not receive any kind of push, pull, or tow, by another participant or vehicle of any kind. This infringement is subject to disqualification.
7. Drafting behind motorized vehicles is forbidden. Drafting is defined by intentionally or unintentionally remaining less than 10 meters behind and less than 2 meters beside a motorized vehicle, for more than 5 seconds.
8. Every participant must be visible to the film and photography teams throughout the event, however, enjoying intentional drafting behind or beside a press vehicle is prohibited, and subject to disqualification.
9. The use of **headphones** for radios, music players, telephones or others, **even if only in one ear**, is **forbidden**, under penalty of disqualification.
10. Participants are allowed, at any time, to walk on the course provided they are taking their bicycle (carrying, pushing or dragging) in a safe way, and always as far to the right of the lane as possible. Proceeding without the bicycle will result in disqualification of the participant.



11. It is **forbidden** for all participants to **shout, curse, verbally or physically assault, defame or otherwise offend** another participant, anyone connected with the organization or even the audience. These will be considered unsportsmanlike attitudes and may result in disqualification.
12. The technical director and commissaires of **LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL** have the authority to warn or even disqualify any participant.
13. It is a race director's decision, whether an infraction or act described in this regulation should be punished with a warning or disqualification.
14. It is the organization's responsibility to advise the participant of the warning or disqualification.
15. Violations considered serious and/or very serious, especially those that endanger the safety of participants, staff and/or audience, will be punished with the disqualification and exclusion of the participant. The excluded participant is forbidden to remain in the event, in any way, even under their own risk.
16. Contingencies such as accidents, traffic jams, storms, winds or other actions of nature, detours, constructions, road works and any other similar event will be analyzed on a case-by-case basis by the organizing committee and after the decisions are made, they will be informed to the participants.
17. The contracted medical service will have the autonomy to suggest that, due to security reasons, the participant withdraws from the event. In this case, their bicycle number will be removed, and the participant will be transported back to the race Village. Any eliminated participant who insists on continuing to ride, is doing so at his or her own risk, exempting the Organization, A.S.O. and sponsors from any liabilities.
18. As the situations in an event of this size are countless, the race management can meet in an extraordinary case, and reserves the right to create or change the



rules and penalties described here, if necessary, before, during or after the race, always and only under extreme necessity, where the situation in question has not been foreseen in this regulation.

19. For security reasons, the Organization reserves the right to shorten the routes or cancel the race free of charge.

ART. 11 – ENVIRONMENT

1. Littering is strictly forbidden on the course (paper, plastic wrappers etc.). Trash bins will be available in the feed zones, and participants will be required to use these designated areas for waste disposal. Participants must hold onto their wrappers and wait until they reach the waste bins.
2. The technical direction of **LA VUELTA CHALLENGE BRAZIL** reserves the right to impose penalties on athletes who dispose of their waste outside of designated areas.

ART. 12 – DOPING CONTROL

1. The stages organized by **LA VUELTA DESAFÍO BRASIL** are in accordance with the regulatory criteria of the Paulista Federation and the Brazilian Cycling Confederation (www.cbc.esp.br/stjd/index.html), therefore, will be subject to anti-doping control.
2. www.wada-ama.org/en/what-we-do/prohibited-list).
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6. contato@desafiobrasilbylavuelta.com.br with the following information: evidence, date, time, location of the accident and proof of registration.

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