Entry Terms and Conditions and Regulations for PUNCHEUR 2024

**Entry Terms and Conditions**
• I accept that I participate completely at my own risk and that the organisers will not be held responsible for any damage, injury or loss however caused by me outside of the third party insurance in place for the duration of the event.
• I agree to wear a safety approved cycling helmet complying with latest ANSI Z90/4 OR SNELL standards for the duration of the event.
• **Refund policy**: If you wish to withdraw from the event and you inform us **by 1st March, 2024**, we will refund your fee, minus £3 admin charge. After that date, entry fee(s) are non refundable and non transferable.

* I understand that the event will go ahead regardless of the weather, unless it is such that it poses a health and safety risk to riders and event team members, as determined by the event organiser. If the event does need to be cancelled due to weather ahead of the date itself, a rearranged date will be offered at no extra charge.
* I understand and agree that the published route may be changed at any point in the lead-up or on the day if needed due to roadworks, road closures, or other matters that mean the safety and enjoyment of the riders would be affected.

• I declare myself medically fit and able to participate in the challenge. By entering the challenge, I waive any liability on the part of the organiser due to medical grounds.

• Cyclosportives are designed as events for serious cyclists who have the strength, endurance and stamina to successfully complete the challenge. Please ensure you have done the right level of training to go for the total distance.

• If I am under 18, I have the written consent by parent or guardian to ride.

* I accept that the complementary hot drinks and food at the end are not guaranteed. While every effort is made to calculate quantities and avoid power outages, I accept the organiser is not bound to produce complementary food and drink.

Upon entering Puncheur, participants are assumed to have read and agreed with the event and Terms and Conditions above and Regulations below. They agree to abide by the regulations below and accept the entry Terms and Conditions above as stated by the organiser.

 **Regulations**

We the organisers have a responsibility and duty of care towards our participants. The following regulations are to be followed for the duration of the event.

• You must be over 18 years of age on the day of the event to participate BUT younger riders may ride with written parental consent. Please email soigneur@puncheur.co.uk for more details.
• Riders will be responsible for the road worthiness of their own cycle.
• Only road bikes will be accepted (not tandems or recumbents etc).
• Tri-bars are acceptable, however they are not to be used in group riding.
• Riders will be set off in groups of 20 or less at intervals of no less than 2 mins but start times are flexible.
• All riders are covered by third party insurance for the duration of the event. The cost of this is included in your entry fee. The organisation is covered for civil party liability.
• You must obey all traffic laws and abide by the Highway Code. You are requested to ride in single file where appropriate and no more than 2 abreast at any time. Please be aware of your fellow cyclists and any other traffic. Please always indicate your intention to stop or change direction. All cyclists must adhere to and obey the Highway Code and laws of England, Scotland, Wales and N. Ireland where applicable and extend all reasonable courtesy to other road users.
• You may not deviate from the official route. From start to finish there will be signage marking the route. Direction will be indicated by signs placed clearly at or before junctions. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILTY OF ALL RIDERS TO TAKE THE CORRECT ROUTE.
• It is mandatory THAT ALL riders wear a safety-approved cycling helmet complying with latest ANSI Z90/4 OR SNELL standards. Any rider not wearing a helmet will not be covered by the event insurance and will be disqualified from the event and could be liable for damages if involved in an accident on that basis. The rider must accept this as a condition of entry.
• Please do not use your mobile phone when riding and if taking or making calls please do it safely at the side of the road.
• The organisation reserves the right to terminate an individual’s ride on health and safety grounds. • The ride will take place regardless of bad weather and will only be cancelled, rerouted or stopped for reasons of safety. Entry fees, however, are not refundable.
• The organisers will endeavour to provide fluid and food at the designated feed zone, however, we cannot guarantee supplies will be available at all times and urge riders to only take what they need and be mindful of the needs of those following behind.
• No rider may take food or drink from anyone whilst on the move; if you need food or drink you must stop to receive it.
• Individual support cars are strictly forbidden; any participants seen to use one will be taken out of the event, disqualified and not covered by third party insurance.
• All riders must carry a form of identification showing their name, address and/or contact details of a person to be advised in the eventuality of an accident. It is also advised that all participants carry 2 drinks bottles, energy bars, tools, replacement inner tubes and a working pump, suitable wet weather gear, money, mobile phone.