



RACE REGULATIONS

1. Event

The Stabio Crit is a road cycling criterium held on a closed circuit in the industrial area of Stabio, Switzerland.

The event consists of two qualifying heats followed by an A Final contested as a points race.

The event is organised by Velo Club Mendrisio.

2. Schedule

Time	Activity
09:00 - 12:00	Kids Tour Races
12:14	Women's Crit: Open + Frauen B – 30km (18laps)
13:30	1st Qualifying Heat - 15 km (9 laps)
14:00	2nd Qualifying Heat - 15 km (9 laps)
15:15	A Final - 50 km (30 laps)
17:00	Prize Ceremony

The organiser reserves the right to modify the schedule if required for organisational or safety reasons.

3. Eligibility

The main race is open to riders from their 17th year of age onwards, with or without a racing licence.

Both licensed and non-licensed riders are eligible to participate.

All participants must be in suitable physical condition to take part in a high-intensity cycling competition.

By registering for the event, each rider confirms that they have read, understood and accepted these regulations.

4. Maximum Number of Participants

The Stabio Crit is limited to a maximum of 50 participants.

For safety reasons, a maximum of 25 riders may be on the circuit at the same time.

The registered riders will therefore be divided into two qualifying heats, with a maximum of 25 riders per heat.

5. Qualifying Heats

Two qualifying heats will be held. Each qualifying heat consists of 15 km (9 laps).

- The top 12 riders in each qualifying heat automatically qualify for the A Final.
- One additional rider will qualify: the 13th-placed rider from the fastest qualifying heat.
- A total of 25 riders will therefore advance to the A Final.

The fastest qualifying heat is determined by the finishing time of the winner of each heat.

The organiser and race jury reserve the right to modify the composition of the qualifying heats if necessary for safety or organisational reasons.

6. A Final - Points Race

The A Final consists of 50 km (30 laps).

A maximum of 25 riders will start the final.

The final is contested as a points race, meaning that the winner is determined by the total number of points accumulated throughout the race.

7. Lap Points

On every lap that is not an intermediate sprint lap, points are awarded to the first two riders crossing the finish line:

- 1st - 2 points
- 2nd - 1 point

Points are awarded according to the order in which the riders cross the finish line.

8. Intermediate Sprints

An intermediate sprint takes place every 10 laps. Sprint points will therefore be awarded on Lap 10, Lap 20 and Lap 30.

The bell will be rung one lap before each points sprint to inform the riders.

At each sprint, points are awarded to the first five riders across the finish line:

- 1st - 10 points
- 2nd - 8 points
- 3rd - 6 points
- 4th - 4 points
- 5th - 2 points

On sprint laps, these points replace the standard 2-1 lap points.

9. Gaining or Losing a Lap

A rider who gains one full lap on the main field will receive +20 points.

A rider who loses one full lap to the main field will receive -20 points.

A lap is considered gained or lost only when officially confirmed by the race jury.

If a rider gains or loses more than one lap, the corresponding points will be awarded or deducted for each full lap gained or lost.

10. Final Classification

The rider with the highest total number of points at the end of the 30 laps is declared the winner of the Stabio Crit.

The final classification will be determined according to the total number of points accumulated from:

- standard lap points;
- intermediate sprint points;
- points gained by lapping the main field;
- points deducted for being lapped by the main field.

In the event of a tie on points, the finishing order in the final sprint on Lap 30 will determine the final classification between the tied riders.

The race jury's classification is final.

11. Women's Crit

The Women's Crit is open to Frauen B and Open categories.

The race will be held over 18 laps, covering approximately 30 km, with a maximum of 25 riders.

Unlike the men's race, there will be no qualifying heats: all riders will start together and race under the same Stabio Crit points format.

Every lap count, with points awarded throughout the race to determine the final classification.

12. Race Numbers and Timing

Race numbers must be collected during the official race number collection period indicated in the event schedule.

Each rider must display the race number provided by the organiser in the position indicated during registration or at the pre-race briefing.

Race numbers must remain clearly visible throughout the competition.

It is forbidden to modify, fold or intentionally obscure the race number or its sponsors.

Riders whose race number or timing equipment is incorrectly positioned may be refused access to the starting grid.

13. Equipment

The Stabio Crit is a road cycling race held on a closed paved circuit.

Each rider is responsible for ensuring that their bicycle is in safe and fully functional condition before entering the circuit.

The use of an approved cycling helmet is mandatory at all times while riding on the circuit.

Riders without a properly fastened helmet will not be allowed to start or continue the race.

Any equipment considered dangerous by the race jury or organiser may result in the rider being prevented from starting.

14. Rider Conduct and Safety

All participants must ride responsibly and respect the safety of other competitors.

- follow the instructions of the race jury, marshals and event staff;
- respect the designated race direction and circuit boundaries;
- avoid dangerous or intentionally aggressive manoeuvres;
- maintain control of their bicycle at all times;
- immediately clear the racing line whenever possible in the event of a mechanical problem or crash.

Any rider displaying dangerous, unsporting or inappropriate behaviour may be penalised or disqualified.

Cutting the course, deliberately obstructing another rider or receiving unauthorised assistance may result in immediate disqualification.

15. Mechanical Problems and Incidents

In the event of a mechanical problem, puncture or crash, the rider must move away from the racing line as quickly and safely as possible.

Any assistance must be provided only in areas authorised by the organiser or race jury.

Riders re-entering the circuit must do so safely and without interfering with the race.

The race jury will determine the appropriate sporting decision in exceptional circumstances.

16. Neutralisation or Interruption of the Race

The organiser and race director reserve the right to neutralise, interrupt, shorten or cancel the race if conditions present a risk to riders, staff or spectators.

- severe weather;
- accidents requiring emergency intervention;
- unsafe circuit conditions;
- obstacles on the course;
- other circumstances affecting the safety or proper running of the event.

In the event of a neutralisation, all riders must immediately follow the instructions of the race officials.

If the race cannot be restarted, the race jury will determine the final classification based on the sporting situation at the moment of interruption.

17. Medical Assistance

Medical and first-aid services will be available during the event.

In the event of a serious accident, riders must immediately alert the nearest marshal or race official.

Riders must not place themselves or other competitors at risk while attempting to assist at an accident scene.

18. Responsibility and Insurance

Participation in the Stabio Crit is at the rider's own risk.

Each participant is responsible for having adequate accident and liability insurance covering participation in cycling competitions in Switzerland.

International participants are responsible for ensuring that their insurance coverage is valid in Switzerland.

The organiser declines responsibility, within the limits permitted by applicable law, for loss, theft or damage to bicycles, equipment or personal belongings before, during or after the event.

19. Race Jury

The race jury is responsible for:

- supervising the sporting conduct of the event;
- confirming qualifying results;
- awarding and recording points;
- determining gained and lost laps;
- issuing warnings, penalties or disqualifications;
- validating the final classification;
- deciding on sporting situations not explicitly covered by these regulations.

All riders must comply with the decisions and instructions of the race jury.

20. Unsporting Behaviour

Any behaviour considered dangerous, fraudulent or unsporting may result in a warning, points penalty, relegation or disqualification.

- intentionally shortening the course;
- deliberately obstructing another rider;
- dangerous riding;
- ignoring instructions from race officials;
- intentionally interfering with another competitor;
- receiving unauthorised assistance;
- participating under another rider's race number.

Serious infringements may result in immediate exclusion from the event.

21. Changes to the Regulations

The organiser reserves the right to modify these regulations, the race format, schedule or circuit whenever necessary for safety, organisational or sporting reasons.

Any important changes will be communicated to participants before the start of the race.

Final instructions and safety information may also be communicated during the pre-race briefing.

22. Applicable Regulations

For any matter not specifically covered by these regulations, reference will be made, where applicable, to the regulations and principles of Swiss Cycling and the UCI.

The decisions of the race jury and organiser regarding the interpretation and application of these event regulations shall apply during the event.

23. Acceptance of the Regulations

By submitting the registration form, each participant confirms that they:

- have read and accepted the Stabio Crit regulations;
- meet the participation requirements;
- are physically fit to participate;
- have appropriate insurance coverage;
- agree to follow the instructions of the organiser, race jury and safety staff.

Failure to comply with these regulations may result in penalties or disqualification.

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