TRAIL DES BALCONS D’AZUR 2027
RACE RULES — ENGLISH TRANSLATION

10–11 April 2027 · CG Sport Event

1. Acceptance of the Rules

By ticking the relevant box during registration, every competitor acknowledges having read these rules and accepting all their provisions without reservation. This event is governed solely by these rules, which alone are valid and may not be replaced by any other rules.

2. The Event

CG Sport Event association is organising the 19th Trail des Balcons d’Azur on 10 and 11 April 2027. The event comprises four races over varied terrain: Capitou TBA 14 km (420 m elevation gain), P’tit TBA 23 km (1,000 m), TBA 47 km (2,200 m) and UTBA 68 km (3,300 m). The 23 km P’tit TBA and 47 km TBA host the XTERRA European Championships.

3. Registration Requirements

Capitou TBA 14 km: over 18 and under 75 years of age; Junior to Master 7 categories (born between 1952 and 2009).
P’tit TBA 23 km: over 20 and under 75; Espoir to Master 7 (born between 1952 and 2007).
TBA 47 km: over 20 and under 75; Espoir to Master 7 (born between 1952 and 2007).
UTBA 68 km: over 20 and under 70; Espoir to Master 6 (born between 1957 and 2007).

Under the Sports Act of 2 March 2022, the French Athletics Federation (FFA) introduced the Health Prevention Programme (Parcours Prévention Santé, PPS), which now replaces the medical certificate of fitness for competitive running for adults without an eligible licence.

Participation is subject to prior submission or presentation of either an Athlé Compétition, Athlé Entreprise or Athlé Running licence issued by the FFA, or a “Pass’ J’aime Courir” issued by the FFA and completed by a doctor, valid on the event date; or a certificate (paper, electronic or QR code) confirming completion of the PPS on the FFA’s dedicated platform. The PPS must have been completed no more than three months before 11 April 2027.
PPS website as stated in the original: https://pps.athle.

Entry limits: 14 km: 500 bibs; 23 km: 500; 47 km: 400; 68 km: 300. No on-site registration.

4. Entry and Cancellation Option

Every entry is personal, firm and final and is not refundable for any reason.

Special conditions — event cancellation due to COVID-19: If the event is cancelled for reasons connected with the COVID-19 pandemic, only runners who purchased the cancellation option (see below) may obtain a refund of their entry fee (excluding bank charges) or defer their entry to the 2028 Trail des Balcons d’Azur.

Cancellation option: Participants may purchase a “TBA cancellation” option when registering. This option must be selected on the registration form before confirming the order. Subject to conditions set by the Organiser, it allows the entry fee (excluding bank charges) to be refunded in the event of cancellation.

Purpose: To guarantee participants, in the event of cancellation for any reason, a refund of their entry fee (excluding bank charges) or deferral of their entry to the 2027 Trail des Balcons d'Azur.

Refund conditions: Any refund or deferral request must reach CG Sport Event association no later than within the 15 days preceding the event, namely by 31 March 2027. After this date, no refund request will be accepted.

Exception — COVID-19 cancellation: In this case, refund or deferral requests will be accepted until 15 May 2027.

Option price: €3 for Capitou TBA 14 km, €5 for P'tit TBA, €9 for TBA and €12 for UTBA.

5. Bib Collection

Robinson Family Park, Avenue de la Mer, 06210 Mandelieu-la-Napoule.

Saturday: Capitou TBA 14 km: 8:00–10:30 a.m.; P'tit TBA: 8:30–11:15 a.m.; TBA and UTBA: 11:45 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Sunday: TBA: 5:30–6:30 a.m. No bib collection on Sunday for the 68 km UTBA.

IMPORTANT: NO BIB WILL BE ISSUED IF THE REGISTRATION FILE IS INCOMPLETE (entry fee, signed rules, certificate or licence). Due to the large number of runners, participants are encouraged to collect their bib on Saturday and enjoy the event village.

The bib must remain fully legible during the race; failure to comply may result in disqualification.

6. Insurance

Public liability: In accordance with the law, the organisers have taken out insurance with MAAF Assurance covering the consequences of their civil liability, that of their staff and that of all Trail des Balcons d'Azur participants.

Competitors participate at their own risk in the event of an accident or incapacity arising from their health condition. Participants without a licence are responsible for taking out personal accident insurance. By signing these rules, each competitor declares on their honour that they have personal accident insurance and understand the risks inherent in these activities.

7. Aid Stations — PERSONAL CUP REQUIRED

UTBA 68 km: five aid stations with water and sweetened drinks, including three offering solid food, distributed along the clearly marked route.
TBA 47 km: three aid stations with water and sweetened drinks, including one offering solid food.
P'tit TBA 23 km: two aid stations with water and sweetened drinks.

Only mineral water may be used to refill bottles or hydration bladders. Every runner must ensure that they have sufficient water and food when leaving each aid station to reach the next. No personal assistance is allowed along the route outside the designated aid station areas.

IMPORTANT: No solid food is provided along the 23 km P'tit TBA route. There are no aid stations on the 14 km Capitou TBA course (self-sufficiency). Respect the environment at all stations.

8. Mandatory Equipment

CAPITOU TBA 14 km — self-sufficient race:
• Clothing suited to weather conditions.
• Energy bars or gels of the runner's choice.
• At least 1.5 litres of water or energy drink in a suitable container (waist belt, bottle holder, hydration pack, etc.).
• Race bib worn on the front, fully visible at all times.
• Emergency blanket and whistle.
• Mobile phone (recommended for safety; save the organisers' emergency numbers, do not hide caller ID and start with a charged battery).
• Race roadbook (downloadable from the website).

P'tit TBA 23 km, TBA 47 km and UTBA 68 km — semi-self-sufficient races:
• Clothing suited to weather conditions.
• Energy bars or gels of the runner's choice.
• At least 1.5 litres of water or energy drink in a suitable container.
• Personal cup (mandatory; no plastic cups at aid stations).
• Race bib worn on the front, fully visible at all times.
• Emergency blanket and whistle.
• Mobile phone (recommended for safety; save the organisers' emergency numbers, do not hide caller ID and start with a charged battery).
• Race roadbook (downloadable from the website).
• Headlamp for the 68 km race.

Competitors' complete equipment may be checked before the start and randomly at course checkpoints.

9. Cut-off Times

UTBA 68 km — start 5:30 a.m.: PC5 Col de l'Évêque, km 30: 11:25 a.m.; PC8 Col Notre-Dame, km 44.5: 2:20 p.m.; Théoule checkpoint, km 55.5: 4:30 p.m. Finish line closes at 7:00 p.m.

TBA 47 km — start 7:00 a.m.: Théoule checkpoint, km 35: 3:10 p.m. Finish line closes at 6:00 p.m.

P'tit TBA 23 km — start 11:30 a.m.: Maure Vieil checkpoint, km 16: 2:35 p.m. Finish line closes at 4:00 p.m.

Capitou TBA 14 km — start 10:45 a.m.: Finish line closes at 1:45 p.m.

All competitors arriving after these cut-off times will be stopped.

10. Rankings and Awards

Saturday: Awards from 1:00 p.m. for Capitou TBA and 2:00 p.m. for P'tit TBA, at the finish area.
Sunday: Awards from 2:00 p.m. for TBA and 3:00 p.m. for UTBA, at the finish area.

Runners must be present to collect their prizes. No prize may be claimed after the official awards ceremony.

The first three men and women overall in each of the Capitou TBA, P'tit TBA, TBA and UTBA receive a trophy and prizes.

P'tit TBA and TBA — XTERRA European Championship: The first woman and man in each XTERRA category are awarded:
M20–24 / F20–24: born 2003–2007
M25–29 / F25–29: 1998–2002
M30–34 / F30–34: 1993–1997

M35–39 / F35–39: 1988–1992
M40–44 / F40–44: 1983–1987
M45–49 / F45–49: 1978–1982
M50–54 / F50–54: 1973–1977
M55–59 / F55–59: 1968–1972
M60–64 / F60–64: 1963–1967
M65–69 / F65–69: 1958–1962
M70–74 / F70–74: 1953–1957

Capitou TBA and UTBA (not cumulative with overall awards): First women and men in JU, ES and SH categories receive a trophy and prizes; second and third women and men in JU, ES and SH receive cups. The top three women and men in the combined MASTER category receive awards (M0 to M7 grouped together).

11. Checkpoints

Several checkpoints are set up by the organisation to ensure the fairness and safety of the event.

12. Race Officials

Checks are carried out by race officials under the authority of the jury president, whose decisions are final and not subject to appeal.

13. Medical Assistance and Safety

On sections using public roads, each participant must comply with the Highway Code and is solely responsible for any breach. Road safety is supervised by marshals appointed by the organisation. Municipal Police officers will also be present on the course.

WARNING: Roads remain open to traffic; use pedestrian crossings whenever crossing a road.

First-aid stations communicate with race headquarters by telephone and radio and provide assistance to anyone in danger using the organisation’s own or contracted resources. Official doctors may withdraw any competitor deemed unfit to continue by invalidating their bib. First-aiders may evacuate runners they consider to be in danger by any means they deem appropriate.

Any runner requesting medical assistance accepts the authority and decisions of the doctor or first-aider.

A medical team comprising doctors, nurses, firefighter first-aiders and Civil Protection personnel will be present throughout the event at several locations along the route (see the roadbook at www.traildazur.com). Competitors authorise the medical service to take necessary measures in the event of an accident.

14. Roadbook

A downloadable roadbook is available on the website (map, distances, elevation gains, aid stations, checkpoints, medical stations, etc.).

15. Penalties

The following breaches will result in disqualification:
• Failure to carry mandatory equipment or wear the bib.
• Outside assistance of any kind.
• Failure to follow the course or pass through checkpoints.
• Damage to the environment (discarding bottles, paper, etc.).

• Endangering oneself or others, or failing to assist another competitor.
• A decision by the medical service.

Competitors without the required mandatory equipment will not be allowed to start. These rules apply in full to all runners. The organisers emphasise the importance of respecting the environment.

16. Prohibited Vehicles

Bicycles, wheeled devices and/or motorised vehicles are strictly prohibited on the course.

17. Cancellation

The organisation reserves the right to cancel the event in the event of force majeure (severe weather, etc.). Cancellation, postponement or modification of the race does not entitle participants to any refund of their entry fee.

18. Changes to the Course or Cut-off Times; Race Cancellation

The organiser reserves the right to change the route, date, event, timetable and these rules at any time without prior notice. However, it undertakes to inform registered runners of any changes or additions to the rules, route, events, date or timetable before the event begins.

If circumstances require, the Organiser may at any time modify the route, the location of aid stations and timing checkpoints, postpone the event date and/or times, stop a race in progress, cancel it or introduce an alternative route. Competitors are not entitled to any refund. The start may be postponed by a maximum of two hours; beyond this, the race is cancelled.

In poor weather conditions, and for safety reasons, the organisation reserves the right to cancel and/or stop an event already in progress or modify cut-off times.

Cancellation, postponement or modification of the race does not entitle participants to a refund.

Any decision will be taken by a jury including at least the race director, the organiser and the safety coordinator, as well as any other competent person appointed at the discretion of the Chair of the Organising Committee.

19. Withdrawal and Transport Back

Except in the event of injury, runners must not withdraw anywhere other than at a checkpoint. They must notify the person in charge, who will collect their bib and timing chip. They will be withdrawn from the race and may leave the course by their own means and at their own risk. The organisation may nevertheless assist them and take them back to the finish area.

Every runner who withdraws must personally notify race headquarters by telephone or SMS using the dedicated number given in the roadbook. Transport back will be decided with the checkpoint manager according to the following general rules:

• Minibuses are available at each cut-off point (Col Notre-Dame, Col de l’Évêque and the Porte de l’An 2000 car park in Théoule-sur-Mer).
• Runners withdrawing at another station whose condition does not require medical evacuation must make their own way as quickly as possible to the nearest transport point. If adverse weather causes partial or complete stoppage of the race, the organisation will transport stopped runners back as quickly as reasonably possible.
• If a runner turns back before an aid station and meets the sweep runners, the latter will collect the bib and

timing chip. The runner will then no longer be under the organisation's supervision and must inform race headquarters by any means (telephone or SMS to the dedicated number in the roadbook) that they have returned safely.

20. Solidarity

In keeping with the TBA's values of solidarity, a donation is made to Solidarité France Afrique to support humanitarian missions abroad.

21. Osteopaths

Osteopaths will be present in the finish area to assist runners after their race. Access to care and the type of treatment provided are at the discretion of the healthcare personnel, particularly depending on demand.

22. CNIL — Personal Data

The information you provide is necessary for your participation in the Trail de Paris (registration). It is processed electronically and intended for the CG Sport Event secretariat. In accordance with Article 34 of French Law No. 78-17 of 6 January 1978 on information technology, files and civil liberties, you have the right to access and correct your personal data. To exercise this right and obtain a copy of the information held about you, please contact CG Sport Event, 965 rue Yves Brayer, Hameau du Basilic, allée des Palombes, villa no. 7, 06210 Mandelieu-la-Napoule.

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