

**Regulations**  
**for the**  
**"Grand Toulouse Relay Race"**

## ARTICLE 1 - ORGANISATION

- In partnership with the Comité Départemental d'Athlétisme de la Haute-Garonne [Haute Garonne Departmental Athletics Committee], the Conurbation Community of Greater Toulouse is organising the Grand Toulouse Relay Race on the 25 October 2009 at 10 am with the start situated in the municipality of Toulouse and the finish on Toulouse's Capitole Square.

## ARTICLE 2 – COURSE AND DISTANCE

- Depending on the regulations chosen by the organisers with regards to road races of the "relay race" type, the distance is approximately 38 km.
- The course has been divided into four successive unequal portions to enable the four runners in the same team to relay each other in accordance with their physical quality.
- **Relay runners shall give way to overtaking marathon runners.**

## ARTICLE 3 - REGISTRATIONS

- The event is open to licence-holding and non licence-holding runners, aged 18 in the reference year of the current sporting season.  
*(Age categories shall give rise to a separate classification in agreement with the FFA. Competitors are reminded that controls will be carried out during the event to ensure that the race takes place in perfectly regular conditions. It is expressly stipulated that runners take part in the competition under their own, sole responsibility.)*
- Each relay runner can only run one relay leg. The runners from each team taking part in the relay race shall go to the relay points by their own means.
- Following circular no.13 of the 21 April 2008, it is pointed out that runners may take part who can present an FF Athletics or Triathlon licence (supply a photocopy which will be kept by the organisation). Also authorized are FSCF, FSGT and UFOLEP competition licences if they clearly state "athletics" (supply a photocopy which will be kept by the organisation).
- In all other cases, it is mandatory to supply **a medical certificate, issued less than one year prior to the date of the event,** stipulating "**absence of contraindication for athletics competitions**" or "**absence of contraindication for running competitions**" (supply a photocopy which will be kept by the organisation).

In accordance with notice issued by the Ministry for Youth and Sports and the FFA, "*for reasons related both to the difficulty of identifying the person who has signed and difficulties in translating what is written on the certificate, the medical certificate has to be made out by a doctor practising in France*".

- Registrations can be made in three ways:
  - online on [www.lemarathondugrandtoulouse.fr](http://www.lemarathondugrandtoulouse.fr)
  - by surface mail: Communauté Urbaine du Grand Toulouse – Service Bases de Loisirs – 1, Place de la Légion d'Honneur - B.P. 35821 31505 Toulouse cedex 5.
  - in the offices of the Communauté Urbaine du Grand Toulouse, Service Bases de Loisirs.
- **No registration will be accepted as from the last Sunday at midnight prior to the day of the event, i.e. 7 days before the race.**

- Any dossier which does not have all the following items shall be considered as being incomplete:
  - enrolment form duly completed;
  - payment of entry fees;
  - medical certificate stipulating "absence of contraindication for athletics or running competitions" issued less than one year prior to the date of the event, or a copy of a currently valid sports licence for the competitor concerned;
  - justification of performances over the two years prior to the year in which the race is held for runners who wish to have a preferential or elite bib.
- If the dossier is incomplete, registration for the Relay Race shall only be issued when the missing documents have been supplied to the organisation. The deadline for supplying such items is **the last Sunday at midnight prior to the day of the event, i.e. 7 days before the race.**

#### **ARTICLE 4 - ENTRY**

- Entry is personal, firm and final, and cannot be refunded for any reasons whatsoever, except for runners who have taken out a specific "cancellation" cover. Registrations may not be transferred for any reason whatsoever. Any person who reassigns his/her bib to a third party shall be deemed responsible in the eventuality of any accident occurring or caused by the latter during the course of the event. The organisation accepts no responsibility should an accident occur as a result of this type of situation. The bib must be totally and clearly visible throughout the race.
- The financial participation per team is determined, each year, by Greater Toulouse after consulting the event's steering committee and is appended hereto.
- Each of the event's partners will have a team number based on its partnership ranking as defined by detachable convention herewith enclosed.

#### **ARTICLE 5 – COLLECTING BIBS**

- The four bibs are given to the team representative who must present the acknowledgement of receipt for duly completed registration and ID. The bibs are to be collected from the Marathon Village during the course of the two days prior to the race, i.e. Friday and Saturday between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- When a bib is allocated, this is firm and final.
- **No bib will be sent through the post, nor handed out on relay race Sunday.**

#### **ARTICLE 6 – SPORTING REGULATIONS**

- The Departmental Athletics Committee constitutes and tasks an official jury made up of referees and race marshals who shall take all decisions in accordance with regulations that are currently valid on the day of the competition.
- Refreshment and sponge zones shall be the same or close to those used by marathon runners.

#### **ARTICLE 7 – HEALTH AND ROAD SAFETY SERVICES**

- The event's assistance and medical services may decide to exclude a competitor from the race for medical reasons. Any runner so excluded who decides to continue the event, shall do so under his/her own responsibility and the organisation shall not be held responsible in the eventuality of any accident.
- Road safety shall be ensured by flagpersons and police.

## **ARTICLE 8 – TIME AND TIMING**

- Participants shall have a maximum of 5 hours to complete the course up to the finish line. After the end-of-race vehicle has gone by, participants must comply with highway code traffic regulations.
- Each registrant shall be given an electronic chip which must be automatically initialised on the start line by the participant. Not having this chip means that the runner will not be classified at the finish.
- Timing mats shall be the same as for marathon runners and shall be situated at the entrance to or exit from baton change-over zones. All team runners must go over the relevant timing mat for team performances to be officially taken into account.
- In addition, any runner who does not follow the entire route will exclude his/her team from being classified at the finish.
- Any runner who takes refreshment outside the refreshment zones is liable to be disqualified.
- If the participant quits or does not take part, the chip must be returned without fail to the organisation within 2 weeks of the event. Any chip not returned shall be billed €10 and the runner disqualified from the event.

## **ARTICLE 9 - INSURANCE**

- **Civil liability:** in accordance with the law, the organisation has taken out insurance covering civil liability consequences for their officers, whether they be remunerated or not, and all those taking part in the Grand Toulouse Relay Race, as well as referees and race marshals in the exercise of their activities. Whether licence-holders or not, participants are considered a third parties between themselves.  
Documentary proof may be supplied for any participant requesting such.

- **Individual accident insurance:** any participants who do not have personal insurance covering bodily damage, in particular those without a licence issued by a sporting federation, may, when bibs are given out, subscribe to the cover formula proposed by the organiser's insurer.

It is highly recommended for participants to take out such personal insurance and check that the extent of the guarantee sufficiently covers their needs.

## **ARTICLE 10 – RIGHT OF PERSONAL PORTRAYAL**

- Each participant authorizes the Conurbation Community of Greater Toulouse (or its eligible persons) to use or have used, to reproduce or have reproduced his/her name, image, voice and sporting performance within the framework of the relay-race with a view to any direct or derivative exploitation of the event on any medium, throughout the world, by all means known or unknown to date, and for the duration of protection currently granted to such direct or derived exploitations by legislative or regulatory provisions, legal or arbitration decisions in any country, as well as by current or future international conventions, including any extensions which might be made to such duration.

## **ARTICLE 11 – COURSE TRAFFIC**

- Bicycles, rollers and/or motorised vehicles, as well as people following or going alongside runners are strictly prohibited on the course. The only vehicles allowed are those belonging to the organisation and safety, medical and assistance vehicles.
- Safety is ensured by security and flagpersons.

#### ARTICLE 12 – AWARDS AND BONUSES

- Podium ceremonies will take place on site after the event. Any runner who is not present at these protocols shall be considered as forfeiting any award.
- **Prizes and bonuses may not be held concurrently. Teams shall receive the most beneficial award to which their classification entitles them. Awards not made shall automatically go to the following team in the corresponding classification.**

#### ARTICLE 13 - HANDISPORT

- The event is open to handisport participants in line with the attached regulations covering road races for handisport athletics.

#### ARTICLE 14 – ACCEPTANCE OF REGULATIONS

- Participating in the Grand Toulouse Relay Race implies that competitors expressly accept these regulations for which they undertake on their honour not to false start and to complete the whole distance before crossing the finish line.

#### ARTICLE 15 - DISPUTE

- For any dispute that has not been resolved by means of these regulations, FFA regulations shall be applied.
- **Each team shall give the organisation a copy of these regulations initialled and signed, preceded by the phrase "lu et approuvé" [read and approved] when its representative registers.**

#### ARTICLE 16 – CANCELLATION INSURANCE (CURRENTLY BEING APPROVED)

**The insured party:** any person living in France who, at the time of his/her registration, takes out cancellation cover before the....

**Premium:** €... to be added to enrolment fees (tick the corresponding box on the enrolment form).

**Cover:** the insurer covers the insured party with regards to refunding enrolment fees for the Grand Toulouse Relay race.

**Conditions of acceptance:** see conditions appended hereto.

**Conditions for compensation:** any request for refunding must be sent to the Communauté Urbaine du Grand Toulouse (1, Place de la Légion d'Honneur – BP 35821 – 31505 Toulouse cedex 5), together with the medical certificate, within **10 days** at the latest after the event.

**Exclusion from cover:** see conditions appended hereto.