



Mountain Bike Racing Protocol

Event Description: The VRD Mountain Bike Race Series (also known as “The Town Series”) is a community-based mountain bike race series that takes place on select Wednesday evenings throughout the summer offering local youth and adult mountain bike enthusiasts a safe and fun competitive outlet. The series is the longest running local mountain bike race series in Colorado, having started nearly 40 years ago.

Phase 1: May | gatherings of 0-10 people

No MTB racing

Phase 2: June | gatherings of up to 50 people

Signage and Communication

- CDC and Eagle County Health Department recommended signage and additional MTB specific signage will be strategically placed around race venues reminding participants and spectators of social distancing and other requirements.
- CDC and Eagle County Health Department requirements such as social distancing and wearing masks will be included in pre-race emails to participants, posted online and included in registration confirmation emails.
- Racers agree to NOT attend if they have any symptoms or exposure risks as listed by the CDC guidelines.
- At-risk populations will be discouraged from participating via online and email communications.
- If racers cannot participate due to illness or exposure to illness, registration fees will be credited to their account to be used for another race without penalty.
- Race rules will be updated to include all existing state and local public health orders.
- Racers will be met by a VRD staff member as they arrive at the race venue and asked recommended health questions regarding COVID-19 symptoms or recent exposure to someone with symptoms.

Registration Procedures

- Registration numbers will be limited.
- During the Blue Phase, registration will be online ONLY. There will be no day of registration.
- During the Black Phase, day-of registration may be an option, but only credit cards will be accepted via a no-touch mobile reader. No cash transactions will take place.
- Pre-race bib pick up options will be offered the day prior to each race to reduce density at race day check in.



- Race day bib pick up and registration will begin an hour and a half prior to each race to give participants more time to register.
- Standing areas will be designated at six-foot intervals for participants waiting to register.
- Hand sanitation stations will be provided at race registration.
- High-touch areas will be sanitized every 15 minutes or more frequently as needed.
- Staff will be required to wear face masks and gloves.
- Participants will be required to wear face masks when registering/picking up their bib.
- Racers required to agree/sign an acknowledgement that they will not participate when sick, adhere to all social distancing rules and will be required to leave with no refund if they fail to do so.

Pre/Post-Race Staff Protocol

- No more than two VRD employees will ride together in a vehicle at any time and will be required to wear a mask and gloves at all times when in the vehicle.
- When possible and safe, only one employee will ride in the vehicle and the second employee will ride in the bed of the truck.
- Driver will wipe down high touch areas (steering wheel, door handles, gear shift, temperature controls, radio, mirrors, etc) of vehicles after each use.
- Hand sanitizer and cleaning supplies will be available in every VRD vehicle at all times.
- Each employee will have their own hammer to use during course marking operations.
- Employees will be required to work six feet apart, wear a face mask and wash/sanitize hands frequently will setting up and tearing down race.
- Staff and volunteers required on-course will hike or bike to their location whenever possible. When not possible, the above protocols will apply.
- Staff will be assigned their own race radio and will be required to sanitize it after each use.
- All staff will be constantly monitored to ensure proper enforcement of these guidelines. If at any time a staff member feels that he/she is unable to perform their duties for any reason including flu-like symptoms, then that staff member will be sent home immediately.

Race Day Protocol

- Race entries limited to 40 people start time and 10 staff members.
- Spectating will be discouraged.



- Races will take place over two days with two distinct start times to ensure no more than 50 people are in the area at the same time
 - Youth MTB races take place on Tuesday and/or Wednesday at 4 and 5:30pm.
 - Adult races take place on Wednesdays and/or Thursdays
 - Beginner and Sport Categories start at 5pm.
 - Pro and Expert categories start at 6:30pm.
- Category start times will be reviewed and expanded to allow for six feet of distance between racers.
- Starting positions will be designated with field paint, tape or some other method to ensure six feet of distance between competitors.
- A staff member will be assigned to monitor parking areas before and after races to discourage gathering.
- The largest available parking areas for each race will be identified and participants directed to ride their bikes to the start. Multiple parking locations may be used to spread out participants and discourage gathering. Example:
 - Last Names starting with A-G will be directed to “location A”
 - Last Names starting with H-O will be directed to “location B”
 - Last Names starting with P-Z will be directed to “location C”
- Racers will be told to leave the venue immediately after finishing their race.
- Races will NOT include an after party or award ceremony.
- Names of raffle winners will be drawn during the race and posted. Winners can pick up prizes upon completion of race before exiting venue.
- Results will be posted online. There will not be an in-person protest period. Participants will have 24 hours after race to protest via email. After protest period closes, top three finishers in each category will be announced and awards will be mailed.

Sanitation Practices

- Hand sanitation stations will be provided at races.
- High-touch areas (i.e. aid stations, registration tables, pens) will be sanitized every 15 minutes or more frequently as needed.
- Staff will be required to wear face masks and gloves.
- Riders will be required to wear face masks at registration and start line.
- Spectators will be required to wear masks and be reminded to adhere to social distancing over race PA frequently during the race.
- Restrooms will be temporarily porta-lets and porta-let provider will be required to sanitize it prior to event and provide additional hand sanitizer,

Phase 3: July | gatherings up to 150 people



- All protocols and sanitation procedures listed in Phase 2 still in effect.
- Race entries limited to 100-125 people per race.

Phase 4: TBD | Business as usual