



Regulations

VTT-24:

Popular mountain bike race, held over the course of 24 hours, with teams of maximum 8 participants, with the option of racing alone, on courses alternating gravel paths, pastures, and asphalt roads, forming a loop of approximately 4.5 kilometers, to be completed as many times as possible. The ranking is based on the number of laps.

The race takes place in Château-d'Oex. Start at 12:00 p.m. on September 21, 2019, end at 12:00 p.m. on September 22, 2019.

Conditions of participation: Anyone born in 2001 or before for the Solo and Challenge categories. For teams of 4 to 8 racers, anyone born in 2005 or before, with at least 2 adult participants per team. Young people born in 2004 and 2005 may only take part in one of the two events (Gymkhana or VTT-24). **Authorization by a legal guardian is required for participants who have not reached the age of 18 as of the start of the race. An ID card can be requested.**

Categories:

- **Solo:** Man (born in 2001 or before)
- **Solo:** Woman (born in 2001 or before)
- **Challenge:** 2 racers (participants born in 2001 or before)
- **Women's Team:** Between 4 and 8 racers (minimum of 2 adult participants, other racers born in 2005 or before). The entire team must be made up of women.
- **Men's Team:** between 4 and 8 racers (minimum of 2 adult participants, other racers born in 2005 or before).
- **Mixed Teams:** between 4 and 8 racers (minimum of 2 adult participants, other racers born in 2005 or before); the teams that do not match the quotas below will be entered in the men's team category:

<u>Number of team members</u>	<u>Maximum number of men</u>	<u>Minimum number of women</u>
4	3	1
5	3	2
6	4	2
7	4	3
8	5	3

- **Enterprise:** between 4 and 8 racers men and/or women. (The sports clubs do not fall within this category)

Registration Fee:

	Before 30/06/2019	As of 01/07/2019
Per person	CHF 90	CHF 110

Registration:

Registration only via the www.vtt-24.ch site.

The registration will become valid upon payment of the registration fee. No on-site registration is possible. The withdrawal of a team member will be reimbursed up to 50% only upon presentation of a valid medical certificate.

Included in the flat rate: Saturday evening meal, breakfast, catering during the race and a souvenir prize.

If the organizer must cancel the event due to a case of force majeure, a lump sum of CHF 40 per participant will be withheld to cover the organization costs. No recourse may be taken against the organization.

Registration deadline: September 18, 2019 at 11:59 p.m.

Camping:

Camping spots of 6 m x 6 m (tents not provided) are allocated for the teams. The space will be increased to 6 m x 9 m for teams of 6 to 8 racers.

Low-intensity 240V electric power is provided; it is only to be used for lighting or 12V chargers. To use the electric power, you must have a cable reel of at least 50 m.

For safety reasons, generators, fires, and grills are strictly prohibited on the camping grounds.

The camping spots will be accessible to vehicles for dropping off equipment until **11:00 a.m.** on Saturday, September 21, and must be vacated by Sunday, September 22, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. Parking is available outside the camping area. Vehicles are permitted in the camping area, provided they do not exceed the allotted space.

Each team should put its trash in trash bags, to be placed in the containers provided, and undertake to keep the location in pristine condition during its stay. Showers and toilets will also be available to participants. The organization does not accept any liability for theft or damages to participants taking place on the camping ground. Any damages to the location may lead to prosecution. Bicycle parking not being monitored is available to participants.

Insurance:

Every participant must have valid accident insurance and civil liability insurance coverage. The organization does not accept any liability:

- in cases of accidents or defects due to the competitor's poor health;

- in cases of accidents or defects due to the competitor's poor judgment (not adjusting one's riding style to the terrain or overestimating one's physical capacities);
- in cases of accidents or defects due to the poor condition of personal equipment;
- in cases of accidents caused by non-compliance with traffic regulations and/or specific safety instructions;
- in cases of theft, damage, or loss of objects or equipment before, during and after the event. Each racer is fully responsible for all the equipment he or she may need for the event.

Equipment:

The bicycles used must be mountain bikes. BMX, tandem or cyclocross bicycles, as well as electric bicycles, are forbidden. The use of helmets is mandatory. Front and rear lighting is mandatory during nighttime hours (powerful lamp recommended). The use of reflective materials is strongly recommended. The framework plates must remain visible. Framework changes and external assistance (spectator, mechanic, etc.) are strictly prohibited on the course; only mechanical support between participants will be permitted. Assistance between laps, however, is authorized for all categories.

Relays and Penalties:

Relays must take place exclusively in the area provided for this purpose. Only one racer per team is allowed on the course. Relays outside this area will be penalized by one lap. There is no specified number of laps between each relay; each team manages its relays as it sees fit. It is mandatory to complete the course with a mountain bike (riding, pushing, or carrying). The course must be completed, even in the event of technical problems. A lap started must be completed in the direction of the race.

For each nighttime start, every competitor must have operational front and rear lighting, under penalty of a lap. Only participants and race marshals are allowed within the relay area. Any other presence or external support will be penalized with a lap.

If a team forfeits, it must notify the organization to avoid being refused registration in subsequent years.

Electronic Chip:

Each competitor receives an electronic chip. It must be set at the right ankle throughout the race and above all gear. Its purpose is to count laps.

Competitors are responsible for their own chips and must return them at the end of the event. Every chip lost will be invoiced in the amount of CHF 100 to the team leader.

Course:

Controls will be set up on the course for the entire duration of the event. Any person found guilty of cheating on the course will be immediately excluded from the race, as will its team.

The course includes portions of paved road. Teams must, first and foremost, observe traffic regulations and race marshal instructions when safety conditions demand it. Teams must adhere to the defined course. Throughout the event, racers must respect the site and are asked not to leave

litter outside of the bags provided for this purpose. The course is open for reconnaissance starting at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. Reconnaissance can only be carried out on a mountain bike or on foot. The reconnaissance is under the responsibility of the runners. No motorized vehicles, other than those of the organization or first aid services, are authorized on the course before, during, or after the event.

Teams:

Each team is represented by a team leader. He or she acts as an intermediary between the organizer and the team members. A participant may only compete on one team. Any person that does not comply with these rules will be disqualified, as will the team(s) they were a part of.

Ranking:

The ranking will be based on the number of laps completed. Prizes will be awarded to the first three in each category.

Any lap started before 12:00 a.m. on Sunday and completed before 12:30 a.m. on Sunday will be taken into account. In the event of a tie, the team that crosses the finish line first on its last lap will be ranked higher.

First Aid:

A first aid station will be set up in the reception hall infirmary. This station will be manned by a certified first aid team.

Complaints:

Complaints are admissible, in writing, within 15 minutes after the display of provisional results. The team leader will be the sole contact for the race jury.

Only the organization is qualified to settle any disputes and its decisions are final. The race marshals are authorized to penalize cheating and, therefore, to make changes to the ranking based on the penalties given.

Image Rights:

Photos and videos will be shot during the event. By participating, every competitor authorizes the dissemination of these pictures and thereby waives any right thereto.

Modification of Regulations:

The organizer reserves the right to modify these regulations. The leader of each team is responsible for staying up-to-date by consulting the www.vtt-24.ch site.

General:

In the event of a dispute, the French version of these regulations prevails.

Château-d'Oex, 7th of May, 2019

