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1. GENERAL

A. The event

The MB Race event is organized by the **MB Race Association**.

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The MB Race event takes place in the villages of Megève and Combloux on Friday 16th, Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th July 2021 and will feature 8 events.

B. The race: MB Ultra Somfy

The MB Ultra Somfy event is an Ultra Marathon mountain bike competition. This race offers 3 distances to choose from for the same start: 70 km, 100 km, or 140 km.

Date: Saturday 17th July 2021

Departure: 06:00 am in Megève

Arrivals 70 km and 140 km: Megève

Arrival 100 km: Combloux

The MB Ultra Somfy is open to all: women, men, licensees or not, starting from the category Espoirs (19 years old) and within the limit of 1500 places. It is run individually regardless of the distance.

In 2021, the MB Ultra Somfy event is support of the **French MTB XC Marathon Elites and Masters Championships**. As a result:

- The **French XCM Elites and Masters Women's Championships** will take place over the **70 km distance** of the MB Ultra Somfy
- The **French XCM Elites and Masters Men's Championships** will take place over the **140 km distance** of the MB Ultra Somfy
- These Championships are thus subject to the **FFC regulations** in force

In 2021, the MB Ultra Somfy event is **UCI MTB XCM** category **Class 1** and is thus subject to the UCI regulations in force. This label concerns:

- For the **WOMEN's UCI Elites** - the distance of **70 km**
- For the **Men's UCI Elites** - the distance of **140 km**

In 2021, the MB Ultra Somfy event will also be the **first round of the MTB Alpine Cup Challenge**. Challenge entrants must comply with this regulation as well as the MTB Alpine Cup to be found on the www.alpinecup.com website.

C. Health protocol

Given the context of the health crisis linked to Covid-19, a health protocol will be set up on the 2021 edition of the MB Race, by the organization. This protocol will be defined in a charter that must be respected by all those who will take part in the event (participants, companions, visitors, volunteers, exhibitors, organizers, providers etc.). This charter is available on the mb-race.com website in the shopping and practical info sections. The protocol is bound to change as the health crisis evolves and government decisions are made. The charter will be updated regularly. It will also be communicated by e-mail to all participants prior to the event and will be available on the weekend of the event within the MB Race Villages.

2. INSCRIPTIONS & DOSSARDS

A. Registration terms

Registrations are open to all, starting **Tuesday, December 01, 2020** at 12:00 p.m. and are accessible online via the www.mb-race.com website that refers to the Livetrail registration platform. For registrants at the MB Race 2020, the registration platform is exclusively open to them from **Tuesday 24 November 2020** to **Monday 30 November 2020**.

The deadline for online registration is Thursday 15th July 2021 at midnight - if there are places still available on that date.

Please note that registration is considered valid when the commitment amount is paid, and a license or medical certificate has been submitted and validated by the organization. In case of full registration, a waiting list will be set up. The bib numbers will be assigned according to the withdrawals and in the order of registration on this list. The participants concerned will be contacted by the organisation to inform them of the possibility of registering. From then on, participants will have 48 hours to finalize their registration.

B. Rates and payment

The amount of registration is as follows:

- MB Ultra Somfy (70 / 100 /140 km): 75€

Management and file fees are included in this amount.

Registration fees must be paid before Thursday 15th July 2021 at 12:00 pm. After that date, competitors who have not settled their registration will be considered non-starters.

When registering, the participant can subscribe to options:

- Meal for accompanying person: 12 euros per person
- Personalized jersey in the name and nationality of the registrant: 65 euros per unit

C. Included in the registration

Registration includes for each participant of the MB Ultra Somfy:

- The cost of participating in the race
- The electronic chip allowing you to calculate and display your time - *all the evolution data of your race available on www.mbrace.livetrail.net*
- Tracking the race via the LiveInfo app
- Refreshing area at the various points of the course - *up to 12 for the 140 km*
- A retractable cup to minimize waste on the journey
- A Finisher Medal for the 140 km Finishers
- A surprise gift for the 140 km Finishers
- A welcome pack: program and partner's goodies
- A Finisher MB Race T-shirt
- A race photo offered
- A full post-race meal
- Free access to animations

D. Registration change and abandonment

❖ **Changing the registration**

Participants can change some information on their runner-up card at any time via the registration platform. For any change on your information or any important information, please inform the organization by email at contact@mb-race.com.

No registration transfer is allowed for any reason. Anyone who returns his bib to a third person will be found responsible in the event of an accident that occurred or caused by the latter during the event. The organization does not accept responsibility for any accident in the event of this type of situation.

The resale of a bib is therefore prohibited!

❖ **Abandonment**

Any registration is personal, firm, and final and cannot be reimbursed, except for two cases:

- an accident, a serious illness or death of himself,
- a serious illness requiring hospitalization or death reaching his or her notorious partner or concubine, his ascendants, or descendants in the first degree, within thirty days of the outbreak.

The severity of the illness or accident must be determined by a competent authority who will provide a medical certificate.

Any request for reimbursement must be sent to us, accompanied by the medical certificate, no later than 10 calendar days after the event (stamp of the post office authentic). Applications will be processed within months of the event.

The reimbursement will be managed as follows:

- 100% of registration amount minus application fees and option for any withdrawal reported to the organization before 14/06/2021
- 75%% of registration amount minus application fees and option for any withdrawal reported to the organization from 14/06/2021

E. Assignment of bib numbers

The allocation of the bib numbers is carried out by the organization. It takes into account the UCI classification and points as well as the participant's record and results in case he has already participated in the same race, and the record indicated at the registration.

Please note that the request of a priority bib at registration does not guarantee the allocation of a priority bib for the start of the race.

F. Pick up bib numbers

The withdrawal of the bib numbers will take place on Friday 16th July 2021 in Megève from 2:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the Palais des Sports.

Each competitor must present the following documents to pick up his bib number:

- **For licenses:** a 2021 license that mentions a validated medical certificate and competitive practice. The licenses thus accepted are the licenses UCI, FFC, FFCT, FSGT, FFTRI, UFOLEP mentioning the medical certificate and the practice of cycling / mountain biking in competition.
- **For non-licensed:** a medical certificate of non-contradictory to the practice of mountain biking/cycling in competition, dating back less than a year on the day of the race and signed by a health professional - dated no later than July 15th, 2020.
- **For all:** registration confirmation (digital or paper)
- **For all:** Identity Card

Warning: without the presentation of the above elements, the organization will not be able to give you your bib and you will not be allowed to start the race.

3. CANCELLATION & RESESING

Whatever the reason of the cancellation, none of the ancillary costs incurred by the participant to participate in the event will be reimbursed. All these costs remain the only responsibility of the participant (transportation, accommodation, catering, etc.).

A. Cancellation related to Covid-19

In the event of a cancellation, linked to the Covid-19, from organizing events, the organizer will apply the conditions in force determined by the government authorities. In the absence of a formal government order, the repayment terms set out in the event of cancellation at the organizer's initiative will be applied as follows:

- 100% of the registration amount (excluding custom jersey option) for a cancellation related to the Covid-19 before 14/06/2021
- 75% of the registration amount (excluding custom jersey option) for a cancellation related to Covid-19 after 14/06/2021

Repayments will be made by bank transfer.

B. Cancellation in case of force majeure

The liability of the organizer cannot be incurred if, in a case of force majeure or beyond his will, the event should be modified, shortened, or cancelled. In this case, the registration fees will be refunded as follows:

- 100% of the registration amount (excluding custom jersey) for cancellation before 14/06/2021
- 75% of the registration amount (excluding custom jersey option) for cancellation after 14/06/2021

Case of force majeure is defined as security reasons, inclement weather, attacks or other unpredictable events (excluding the pandemic), irresistible and external to the will of the parties, which could lead to fears of a bad course of the event.

Any changes, including in case of force majeure, of this regulation may be published by way of announcement on the website of the event mb-race.com. They will be considered as annexes to this regulation. All participants will be deemed to have accepted the change or change from the effective date, simply because of their participation in the test.

4. TERMS OF PARTICIPATION

A. Terms of participation

To start, competitors must meet the following criteria:

- have paid the registration fees,
- comply with these regulations,
- comply with mandatory equipment (Article 4. D.)
- submit the required documents when registering (Article 2. F.)
- be at least in the Espoirs category to participate in the MB Ultra Somfy

The organization reserves the right to refuse the registration of competitors.

B. Categories

The MB Ultra Somfy is open to all, licensed and unlicensed in the minimum age of 19 years old. Only the year of birth is considered for the assignment of participants in the categories.

The categories established this year on the MB Ultra Somfy 70 / 100 / 140 km, are those defined by the FFC in the context of the French XCM Championships and specified below.

Women	Men
70 and over	70 and over
65-69 years old	65-69 years old
60-64 years old	60-64 years old
55-59 years old	55-59 years old
50-54 years old	50-54 years old
45-49 years old	45-49 years old
40-44 years old	40-44 years old
35-39 years old	35-39 years old
19-34 years old	19-34 years old

C. French MTB XCM Elites and Masters Championships

❖ **French MTB XCM Elites Championships**

The participating categories are:

- Elite Men: 19 years old and over
- Elite Women: 19 years old and over

Competitors must be French nationals and hold a license from a federation affiliated to the UCI, Men or Women, of 3rd category minimum.

❖ **French XCM Masters Championships**

Competitors must be French, aged of 35 years old and over, with a year-round license underwritten by the FFC or the UCI, authorizing the practice of mountain biking in competition (licenses 1st, 2nd, 3rd categories, Pass'Cycling, Pass'Open and Pass'Nature) with the exception, however:

- Riders who, during the current season that began on January 1st, 2021, were in the UCI Mountain Bike rankings - Ranking XCO and XCM,
- Competitors who have been a member of a team registered to the UCI during the current year,
- Professional competitors

Warning: If a competitor responds to one of the 3 cases stipulated above, then he will automatically be ranked on the French MTB XCM Elites Championships.

The participating categories are:

Women	Men
70 and over	70 and over
65-69 years old	65-69 years old
60-64 years old	60-64 years old
55-59 years old	55-59 years old
50-54 years old	50-54 years old
45-49 years old	45-49 years old
40-44 years old	40-44 years old
35-39 years old	35-39 years old

❖ **Outside the French MTB XCM Championships**

Not involved in the French MTB XCM Elites and Masters Championships:

- Unlicensed participants,
- participants holding an Urban or Cyclo sportive FFC license
- participants who are not French nationals

D. Mandatory equipment

Wearing a rigid helmet, with a jugular attached, is mandatory for the duration of the event.

For safety reasons, each rider participating in the MB Ultra Somfy **must** have with him on the whole race:

- survival blanket,
- a mobile phone - battery charged,
- the frame plate with the emergency number and the bib hanging visibly
- Repair equipment,
- drink - including water
- food reserve
- lighting kit for participants ingoing the 140 km

Gloves and sunglasses are highly recommended.

Warning: The organization reserves the right to check this equipment before the start, during the race or at the finish. All persons who do not have all of this mandatory equipment will be taken out of the race.

Competitors are solely responsible for compliance with current standards, the equipment they use and their maintenance.

The frame plate provided by the organization must be attached to the handlebars of the bike to ensure good visibility. This plaque and bib are locations reserved to the official sponsors of the organization to the exclusion of any other and must be kept in their original configuration.

5. THE EVENT UNFOLDED

A. Starting grid

As part of the French MTB XC Marathon Elites and Masters Championships, the grid of the MB Ultra Somfy race will be done under the conditions set below. However, the Arbitrators' Jury has the authority to make any additional provision that it deems useful in this area.

Registrants competing for the French XCM Elite Championship and those competing for the French XCM Masters Championship will be grouped into one start.

The men and women categories will appear on the lines in this order:

- The reigning French, European or World XC Elite Marathon Champion
- Competitors in order of the UCI XCM Ranking
- Competitors in order of the UCI XCO Ranking
- Competitor's 1st and 2nd category (category imposed), Elite and Espoirs
- The reigning French, European XC Marathon Masters champions
- Unranked competitors with significant results in the specialty
- Competitors not ranked.

A DTN quota will reclassify a runner, in all categories.

B. Course

❖ Course

The entire course of the MB Ultra Somfy race is marked by signage and rubalise. Participants also all have access to the GPS track of the course, a few days before the start of the race. The passage of the route in areas such as passages in the villages are supervised by volunteer.

The participants briefing will take place on Friday 16th July 2021 at 6:00 pm in front of the podium of the Village Exhibitors of Megève. Presence at the participants briefing is mandatory.

Official recognitions are scheduled from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, 16th July 2021. However, participants must respect private property. Competitors are responsible for the damage they would cause to private property, outside the official dates of the race. If a participant notices a mark-up defect during official recognitions, they are required to report it to the organization.

❖ Sanction

Failure to follow the course, take shortcuts or use any other unfair means to gain an advantage over other competitors will result in the participant being immediately disqualified.

❖ Checkpoints

Time control points will be set up along the route. If a competitor does not pass at all checkpoints, he will be knocked out of the race. The College of Commissioners will check all or part of the scores thus made.

❖ Changing the route

The organization always reserves the right to modify the course, in the interest of the competitors and their safety.

❖ **Respect for the environment**

Given the beauty of the region and the site that hosts the event, we ask all participants to respect the environment – do not throw waste on the ground, do not leave the marked routes ... Waste collection areas will be set up on areas of the route such as refreshing point. Cow or other animals can be encountered on the course, competitors must avoid any risk of panic. Failure to comply with these rules may result in penalties or a knockout.

❖ **Compliance with the traffic regulations**

Each runner must comply with the traffic regulations on the sections open to traffic. Failure to do so may result in the runner being knocked out of the race.

C. Cut-off times

Different hourly barriers are put in place on the course. All competitors passing these points after the determined time limit will have to stop the race. The timetables and locations of the time barriers are communicated to competitors via the www.mb-race.com website as well as when the bib numbers are removed. Hourly barriers are subject to change at any time, including during the race if weather conditions require it.

D. Assistance

Any external assistance is prohibited on the route of the MB Ultra Somfy outside the areas provided for this purpose (at the refreshing points).

As required by regulation (Article 4.2.048, UCI Cycling Sport Regulations), it is the responsibility of the rider or his team (MTB UCI or national) to deposit the equipment in the technical assistance area. Only the rider himself or one of his teammates (same UCI MTB team or even national team) can make the repair or change of equipment in the area. In addition, technical assistance can be provided outside the zones, between teammates of the same MTB UCI team or the same national team (Art 4.2.049, UCI Cycling Sport Regulations).

The technical assistance areas are the same as the supply areas. The number of zones is set at 3 (Art 4.2.035, UCI Cycling Sport Regulation).

Bike change is strictly forbidden during the race.

E. Abandonment

For safety reasons, each rider who has given up will either have to go to the nearest checkpoint (volunteers, refreshing points ...) to announce his abandonment, or call the "abandonment" number that will be indicated on the frame plate (distributed when the registrations are withdrawn). Any abandonment is final.

F. Security

In the case of an accident, each competitor is required to assist the injured while waiting for the intervention of the organized rescue.

G. Insurance

The organization takes out a civil liability insurance underwritten by the FFC which covers your responsibility when organizing sporting events or events under the FFC aegis. For FFC licenses, they are covered by their FFC (RC and Individual Accident) licenses. For non-licensed people, the organization advises you to take out individual accident insurance or to verify that their insurance policy includes this guarantee.

6. CLASSEMENTS and PRICE DISCOUNTS

The winners in the different categories and for the different distances will be the riders who have completed the entire course in a minimum of time.

A. Ranking - French XCM Elites and Masters Championships

Two French MTB XC Marathon ELITE titles will be awarded at the end of this competition - provided, however, that at least 6 competitors are at the start for each category:

- French Mountain Bike XC Marathon Champion Scratch Men - on the 140 KM distance
- French Mountain Bike XC Marathon Champion Scratch Women - on the 70 KM distance

A maximum of 16 French Mountain Bike XC Marathon Masters titles will be awarded at the end of this competition:

Women	Men
<i>Over the distance 70 KM</i>	<i>Over the distance 70 KM</i>
70 and over	70 and over
65-69 years old	65-69 years old
60-64 years old	60-64 years old
55-59 years old	55-59 years old
50-54 years old	50-54 years old
45-49 years old	45-49 years old
40-44 years old	40-44 years old
35-39 years old	35-39 years old

The jerseys of the French MTB XC Marathon Masters Champion will be awarded provided that at least 3 competitors are at the start for each age category, for men and women.

In case of insufficient number by age category, and in order to award the jerseys of French MTB XC Marathon Masters Champion, the riders will be allowed to compete in the category immediately lower for the acquisition of a jersey.

Male and female riders satisfying both the ELITE and MASTERS criteria will be ranked in each of the ELITE and MASTERS results.

In the case of a competitor matching both the ELITE and MASTERS criteria, wins the title of French ELITE Champion, this competitor would also win the MASTERS title in his age

category and takes the podium with his Elite French Champion jersey, but he or she will not receive the MASTER French Champion jersey. Competitors must participate to the award ceremonies in the outfit of the rider or official outfit of the club or team.

B. Ranking - UCI MTB XCM Class 1

For the UCI Men's and Women's Elite categories, the organization will reward the top 10 based on the following price and points grids:

POINTS UCI MTB XCM CLASS 1		
MB Ultra Somfy	70 KM FEMME	140 KM HOMME
1st	60	60
2nd	40	40
3rd	30	30
4th	25	25
5th	20	20
6th	18	18
7th	16	16
8th	14	14
9th	12	12
10th	10	10
11th	8	8
12th	6	6
13th	4	4
14th	2	2
15th	1	1

PRIZE MONEY UCI MTB XCM CLASS 1		
MB Ultra Somfy	70 KM FEMME	140 KM HOMME
1st	600€	600€
2nd	500€	500€
3rd	400€	400€
4th	300€	300€
5th	250€	250€
6th	200€	200€
7th	150€	150€
8th	125€	125€
9th	100€	100€
10th	50€	50€
TOTAL	2675€	2675€

C. Remaining ranking - MB Ultra Somfy

A ranking will also be made up for all competitors who do not appear in the rankings of the French MTB XC Marathon Elites and Masters Championships, or in the UCI MTB XCM Class 1. For each of the three distances of the MB Ultra Somfy race: 70, 100 and 140 KM, a ranking as well as a prize ceremony will be made to reward the 5 first men and 5 first women.

7. ACCEPTANCE OF THE SETTLEMENT

The texts of this regulation are governed by the French Cycling Federation (F.F.C.) and more generally by the International Cycling Union (U.C.I.). Any article topic not discussed in this document automatically adopts the application defined on these reference texts.

The race committee reserves the right to amend this regulation at any time to comply with regulations and to ensure the interests and safety of participants.

A. Claims

Complaints about the conduct of the event itself or the behaviour of other competitors must be presented to the race director or UCI and FFC referees within a maximum of thirty minutes after the arrival of the last competitor.

Ranking claims must be filed within 30 minutes of the final time posting.

B. Sanctions

Violations of the rules mentioned in this regulation, attempts at cheating, non-compliance with those involved in the organization, failure to pass a control zone will be punished by the organizing committee (penalties, out of the race).

C. Image rights

By participating in MB RACE 2021, each competitor expressly authorizes the MB Race (or its rights holders) to use or have its name, image, voice and sporting performance reproduced in the context of the MB Race for direct exploitation, indirect or in the form derived from the test, on any medium, worldwide, by all means known or unknown to date, and for all the duration of protection currently granted to these direct or derivative operations by the legislative or regulatory provisions, judicial and/or arbitration decisions of any country as well as by current or future international conventions, including for possible extensions that could be made to that duration.

D. Computer law

This operation is subject, if necessary, to the provisions of the "Computer and Freedoms" Act No. 78-17 of 6 January 1978, including, for the benefit of the participants, the right of access, correction or delisting for any information concerning them on all files for the use of the organizing company, by writing to him an e-mail, fax or mail.

E. Acceptance of the settlement

Participating in the competition implies an outright acceptance of this regulation in its entirety.

The rules can be accessed on the www.mb-race.com website as well as on the day of the competition on the village of the event.

By participating in one of the events of the MB Race 2021 event, the registrants commit to complying with the health protocol put in place by the organizers. It will be communicated to registrants before the event via the [website www.mb-race.com](http://www.mb-race.com) as well as on the Exhibitors Village.