

Volunteer Driver Information Sheet

Your primary job is to ensure the riders' safety.

Driver's Pre-Race Contact: _____

Driver's Assignment: _____

Field's Official: _____

Before Arriving at the Race

- Full tank of gas
- Hazard lights (flashers) and cigarette lighter (for powering equipment) are working.
- You have looked at the race bible and are familiar with the course and roads.
- Have snacks and water. You won't likely get a chance to stop during the race.
- You comfortably dressed and have a coat. Weather can change dramatically.
- You have a notepad to write on and several pens/pencils.

Before the Race

- Arrive 1 hour prior to the race.
- Check in with volunteer coordinator and pre-race contact. Your assignment will be given.
- Attended the volunteer meeting (if one is held).
- Received and installed radio (tuned to 3-15) and flasher light.
- Test the radio. Say "Radio test. Does anyone copy?"
- Meet with the official for your race to receive any final instruction.
- If given a window label, place it in your rear window on the driver's side.
- Go to the bathroom before the race begins. Plan early since lines can be long.
- Verify that you have a map/race bible with you.
- Zero your odometer's trip meter (or note your starting mileage).

Wheel Car/Support Car:

- Get instruction from your official on how wheels are to be handled.
- Pick up as many wheels as you can 10 minutes prior to your race from the wheels for your race field.
- Take inventory of the wheels.

During the race

- Make sure your lights and hazard flashers are on at all times.
- If you have an official in your car, do everything they tell you to do.
- If you only have a radio, do everything the radio tells you to do.
- Try to write down the number and the mileage of riders you pass.
- Don't tie up the race radio.
- Note rider misconduct – but it is not your job to judge. If you see riders littering, obscenely violating the centerline rule, or swearing at other riders, locals, or spectators, put it in your notes and hand them in at the end. Always note mileage.
- Bikes can descend very quickly. Be constantly vigilant about riders in front of and behind you.

Lead Car:

- Keep the caravan informed of oncoming traffic at the instruction of your field's official. Some officials want this, some won't.
- When coming up to corners, radio ahead to let the corner marshal know that the caravan is approaching.
- When approaching the top of a climb, move well forward so that you are not caught by riders on the decent. Riders can often descend faster than cars.
- When approaching the finish line, radio ahead to let the finish line know your are approaching on every lap.
- When the race is finishing, radio ahead to indicate when the field is at the 1km mark, then move ahead to clear the road for the finish.

Wheel Car/Support Car:

- Write down the number of every rider you service and the mileage.
- Note the wheel you give out and the rider it is given to.
- Always service on the right side of the road only.

After the race

- Park as directed to keep the finish clear.
- If you have notes, clearly label the date, field name, and your name and give them to your field official.
- Return the radio and flashers.
- Return any wheels to the designated place for your field's wheels.
- If you have any other rider equipment (coats, arm warmers, water bottles), return them to the same place the wheels are returned.