

2023 UEC GRANFONDO & MEDIOFONDO European Championships



ALE LA MERCKX

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TECHNICAL GUIDE

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ORGANISATION

The 2023 UEC Grandfondo & Mediofondo European Championships

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1. COURSE

- **2023 UEC Granfondo European Championships – 129 km – profile 2'600 m.**
<https://www.alelamerckx.com/en/race/granfondo/>
- **2023 UEC Mediofondo European Championships – 82 km – profile 1'450 m.**
<https://www.alelamerckx.com/en/race/mediofondo/>

✓ **START location & start time:** Piazza Brà, 37121 Verona – **08.00 am**

✓ **FINISH location:** Verona, Via Caroto (crossing point between Via Torricelle and Via Castel S. Felice)

Max. arrival time	GRANFONDO	14:10
	MEDIOFONDO	12:15

After the cut-off times, participation will no longer be valid.

2. PARTICIPATION

The participation to the 2023 UEC Grandfondo & Mediofondo European Championships is open to all amateur cyclists (between 19 to 64 years old for the Granfondo and 65+ for the Mediofondo), with a valid 2023 UCI license or an equivalent 2023 license from other cycling sports entities recognised in 2023 by the Italian Cycling Federation.

This includes all National Federations recognised by the UCI part of the 5 Continental Confederations. A copy of each participant's medical certificate is required. Please download the form E on this website and submit the filled-in version along with a copy of your certificate. Further information on <https://www.alelamerckx.com/en/registrations/>

According to the Italian laws, all participants must have a medical certificate for Competitive Athletics. Participation to the event is confirmed through an invitation and the Organiser, at anytime, could decide whether to accept an application or exclude a participant if the Organiser think he/she could damage the image of the event.

DAILY LICENSE

For the riders without an UCI license, it's mandatory to purchase an FCI (Italian Cycling Federation) daily license - € 10 - which includes a 'third part liability insurance' during the event.

For the daily license it's also mandatory to submit a Medical Certificate for Competitive Athletics https://www.alelamerckx.com/uploads/Fasce/Health_Certificate-E.pdf . This applies to both courses.

Please note: the daily license may have to be purchased on-line www.winningtime.it during the subscription.

REQUIREMENTS OF CONDUCT

By signing and sending the registration form, the participant, together with the representative of his/her team, certifies that there are no sporting sanctions, civil and/or criminal proceedings or ongoing investigations against him/her relating to doping. The participant declares he/she had not taken before - and doesn't use any substances on the anti-doping list of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) [Prohibited List | World Anti Doping Agency \(wada-ama.org\)](http://Prohibited List | World Anti Doping Agency (wada-ama.org))

TECHNOLOGY FRAUD

The event will apply the 2023 rules for the national cycling and amateur national activity. Referencing to the UCI and FCI regulations, paragraph 1.3.010 and 12.4.003 technological fraud, the race jury, with the technical support of the organiser, is authorised to carry out random or systematic checks. The non-compliance or the refusal to undergo the required technical checks will determine the instant disqualification and the warning to the authority in charge. Moreover, referring to the UCI and FCI Regulations (Executives Rules point 1.1.9.) it is made known that the use of any transceiver is strictly forbidden.

RACE PACK PICK UP

Participants have to collect their race pack in Piazza le Maestri del Commercio, Via Pallone, Verona.

- Saturday, 10 June from 10:30 to 19:00
- Sunday, 11 June from 6:00 to 7:00

In order to pick up your race pack you'll have to present the dedicated form to be downloaded 3 days before the race on the website:

https://www.winningtime.it/web/main.php?mac=calendar_main&item=2603

Please note:

If you are not able to take part to the event and did not cancel within the deadline, participants can delegate another person to pick up your race pack with a declaration signed by you.

The Organiser won't be able to ship any race packs that have not been collected.

RICE PARTY

The rice party will take place inside the Loggiato (covered exterior) of the Granguardia in Piazza Brà Verona.

Tickets are required for entry (supplied with the race package). If you don't have a ticket, you can pay with cash inside the Loggiato. (Price will be indicated on the cash box).

BIKE PARK

A bike park area will be set next to the Palazzo Gran Guardia. To use that service, present your bib number (on the jersey) with an identity document. The bike plate on the bike must be the same number as your bib number.

It is therefore recommended not to remove the numbers from either the jersey or the bike until the end of the event.

THEFT

It is recommended to pay the utmost attention during the event to possible bicycle thefts. Avoid leaving your bike unattended, even during the 'rice party'.

3. PARTICIPATION FEE

The participation fee is non-reducible and non-refundable.

The following fee will apply:

- € 60.- from 1 January to 31 March 2023
- € 70 from 1 April to 8 June 2023
- € 100 from 9 to 10 June 2023

Entry on the day of the event is not available.

The entry fee includes:

- entry; certificate of participation, medical assistance; mechanical assistance (not including spare bike parts); refreshments on and at the end of the course; shower facilities at the expo; the rice party and the race package.

4. REGISTRATION

Registration through the online registration form:

https://www.winningtime.it/web/main.php?mac=calendar_main&item=2603

Procedure:

1. authenticate your profile by clicking the link in the authentication email you'll receive
2. fill in the online form (participants may do this on behalf of their teammates).
3. choose one of the following methods of payment:
 - a. e-banking (follow the on-line procedure)
 - b. credit card (follow the on-line procedure)

If you have opted for payment by bank transfer, you will receive an email of confirmation in which the IBAN to be credited, the amount and the confirmation code **must be** indicated in the transfer.

For a payment by credit card you'll receive an email confirmation once the payment has been successfully completed.

Further information on registration → <https://www.alelamerckx.com/en/>

CANCELLATION OF PARTICIPATION and SUBSTITUTIONS

Should a participant be unable to take part in the event, the participation fee will be kept valid for the 2024 edition; the cancellation must be submitted by e-mail: info@alelamerckx.com by 20 May 2023.

For those who subscribed to the Alé Challenge or other circuit, it is not possible to have the registration fee of the single race refunded.

For large teams, it is possible to make changes and riders' substitutions by e-mail: info@alelamerckx.com until 20 May 2023. Substitute riders will take the bib number at the date of the substitution.

Please note: NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE MADE ON SITE AT THE RACE PACK PICK UP.

5. AGE GROUPS

Riders will compete in the following age groups:

2023 UEC Granfondo European Championships (126 km):

- ✓ **19-34**
- ✓ **35-39**
- ✓ **40-44**
- ✓ **45-49**
- ✓ **50-54**
- ✓ **55-59**
- ✓ **60-64**

2023 UEC Mediofondo European Championships (82 km):

- ✓ **65-69**
- ✓ **70-74**
- ✓ **75+**

6. LICENSE VERIFICATION

All registered participants must present their license for verification, and be present to receive their race package

Location: Piazzale Maestri del Commercio, 37121, Verona, Italy

Date & times: **Saturday 10 June 2023 from 10.30 to 19.00** and
Sunday 11 June 2023 from 6.00 to 7.00

Participants must present the race pack pick up form, to be downloaded 3 days before the race on www.winningtime.it.

For teams, a nominated team leader is expected with the list of entrants, copies of the cyclists' cards and copies of payment. Individual riders must bring their license along with identification and receipt for payment. Teams may send one representative in possession of the team list, photocopies of all licenses and the receipts to show everyone's payment.

7. **BIB NUMBERS AND ACCESS TO THE GRIDS**

Access to the starting grids will be based on the bib and registration number. The opening of the grids is scheduled **at 6:30 a.m.** All those who will start outside the starting grids will be disqualified from the competition.

8. **RACE SPECIFIC REGULATIONS**

CHIP RULES

Timing chips for participants to record their participation are provided by Winningtime.

The chip must be activated prior to the event, link: www.winningtime.it by following the instructions or at the registration point.

Chips will also be available to purchase on the day at the Winningtime point located by the package pick-up area or can be rented for the day.

The chip must be attached to the bike under the saddle– if the chip is in the wrong position, we cannot guarantee a correct classification.

The chip must be returned to the Winning time staff at the Rice Party zone (Palazzo Granguardia Verona) within the end of awards ceremony.

MANDATORY EQUIPMENT

All the participants must carry all the following items with them during the event:

- A homologated helmet, which must be worn at all times while on the bike;
- Winning time chip which is available on web site www.winningtime.it or at the race pack pick up point
- A full set of tools to take off the tires and inner tubes;
- An extra inner tube (or tubular);
- A CO2 cannister and/or pump to inflate inner tubes.

9. **ROADS ON THE RACE DAY**

All roads will be open to traffic during the entire event, therefore, ride with care and full compliance with the "Codice della Strada" (Italian road laws) shall be made at all times.

Riders who are not registered for the event and cause damage during the event shall be charged as per normal laws.

The riders who are overtaken by the "Fine gara ciclistica" car will continue the race as non-competitors and will have to remove their bib numbers.

The Organiser does not take responsibility for any accident that occur before, during or after the event and that involve both participants themselves or third parties.

CONTROLS

Controls will be in place at both the start, finish and along the race course for both distances. Marshalls and time management officials will be tasked to manage this, and any rider who is seen leaving the departure earlier than scheduled, or leaving the marked race course, shall be disqualified and excluded from the final rankings.

BROOM WAGON

The Organiser will foresee a broom wagon (van) available on race day. This van is a service for participants who find themselves unable to continue riding. Riders who enter the van must remain inside until it reaches the finish area.

The emergency mechanical number: +39 349 300 7574 will be able to provide information on the location and distance of the van at all times.

Medical phone for any emergency: 118

SUPPORT VEHICLES

Technical cars and motorcycles authorised by the Organiser shall be placed in front of the riders in order to escort them throughout both race course. Only those who have been given permission and wore the appropriate accreditation shall be allowed on the race course (race starters, officials, race director and broom wagon)

FEEDING

Please note that for water supplies it will be necessary to stop at the feeding zone and take water from the glass.

COMPLAINTS

Any complaints must be addressed to the race jury on site.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

Participation with another rider's bib, transferring the bib to others or using two chips or other serious fact that will be detected by the Organiser will be punished by disqualification from the event for 1 to 3 years in addition to being assessed for its possible civil and criminal relevance.

In any case, the Organiser declines all responsibility in the event of the participation of a person who is different than the one duly registered.

The Organiser and its staff will ensure that participants do not throw litter along the competition route and outside the designated areas; all participants who behave in a disrespectful manner will be excluded from participation in the event; disrespectful behaviour will be excluded from participation in the current race and in the race of the consecutive year.

10. RESULTS

Individual time rankings will be published on www.alelamerckx.com in the days following the event.

Ranking will be done based on the arrival of the participants and not based on the real time when participants crossed the start arch and the finish arch.

11. AWARDS CEREMONIES

1) 2023 UEC European Championships award ceremonies

The 3 best riders of each category must attend the official awards ceremony and shall appear at official ceremonies wearing competition clothing.

Every European Championship will be awarded with :

- ✓ **the 1st place:** **Champion(s) jersey and Gold medal**
- ✓ **the 2nd place:** **Silver medal**
- ✓ **the 3rd place:** **Bronze medal**

No price money for Masters

2) 2023 ALE LAMERCKX Grandonfo & Mediofondo award ceremonies

The ALE LA MERCKX awards ceremonies will immediately follow the 2023 UEC European Championships award ceremonies in accordance with the ALE LA MERCKX specific rules

12. RESPONSIBILITIES

The Organiser and UEC will not, under any circumstances, be liable to any accidents or damage that occurs during training and competitions.

The Organiser and UEC decline all responsibilities towards the riders and others in case of an accident.

For all cases not covered by these specific regulations, the UCI rules will apply. Any problems will be solved between the Organiser, the Commissaires Panel and UEC officials.