

## **OFF ROAD FIXATION ADVENTURE RACING RULES**

1. All racers are expected to be examples of good sportsmanship. Racers must treat fellow racers & race staff with courtesy and respect. PENALTY: Strict penalties will be assessed for unsportsmanlike behavior based on the infraction.
2. Teams are not allowed to travel along Hwy 7 or 65 or their right of way at any time during the race.
3. Teams MUST assist fellow teams in an emergency. PENALTY: DQ
4. Teams must always remain within 10 meters while on foot and 30 meters while on bike or canoe of all teammates & within visual contact at all times. PENALTY: First offense 4 hours / 2nd offense DQ.
5. Maps, Passport and Instructions must be carried the entire race. PENALTY: For lost map or course instructions 4 hours. Lost passport - DQ.
6. There will be no penalty for a missed checkpoint unless it is a mandatory checkpoint. Mandatory check points will be designated on the race instructions. Teams that miss a checkpoint will automatically be ranked below teams that find all the checkpoints. Teams will not be penalized for missing a CP if the missed CP is over 10 meters from the correct location of the CP. Correct location is where UTM's given to racers plot the CP. Teams missing mandatory checkpoints may incur other penalties including DQ.
7. Teams must punch passport in correct space. PENALTY: Incorrect punch or failure to punch, team will not receive credit for that CP.
8. All CPs must be obtained in order (UNLESS SPECIFIED). If a team misses a CP, they will be allowed to go back and get the CP but must visit each subsequent CP even if they have checked in at the subsequent CP's previously.
9. Teams must follow race instructions and avoid off-limits areas. PENALTY: DQ or time penalty depending on severity.
10. Race officials reserve the right to alter time cut-offs or the course itself to accommodate changing conditions and to ensure that teams finish on time. If your team is re-routed or there are other course changes, teams must sign the check-in sheet to acknowledge they understand the course change.
11. Mandatory gear must be carried at all times and will be checked on the course. PENALTY: 2 hours for each piece of missing gear.
12. No GPS of any kind including GPS pace counters are allowed unless specified. PENALTY: DQ
13. Race officials will provide watercraft, PFD's & Paddles. If you provide your own watercraft, you must provide your own paddle and PFD. PFD's must be worn at all times while paddling. PENALTY: For not wearing PFD DQ.
14. No modifications may be made to the boats during the event. This includes but is not limited to skegs, sails, or kites attached to the boats. PENALTY: For modifications DQ.
15. CPSC certified bicycle helmets are required at all times during the bicycle and when specifically directed by race officials. PENALTY: For not wearing helmet DQ.
16. Racers must follow the Rules and Mode of Travel as outlined in Course Instructions. Where no specific path is designated, teams select their path between CPs. When instructions designate a specific route, teams must follow that path. Teams must exclusively travel under their own power during the race. PENALTY: DQ.
17. Rear bike lights must be on at all times while biking day or night. PENALTY: No rear light 1 hour per infraction.

18. Water will be available at some of the transition areas. There is no Food / Gear Drop unless specified by Race Officials. Athletes may not receive outside assistance except from Race Officials & other registered teams who have yet to finish. PENALTY: DQ.
19. NO LITTERING! Leave no trace! PENALTY: 4 hrs per infraction.
20. Use of cellular phone is for emergencies only. No other use is allowed. PENALTY: DQ.
21. Any time penalties will be added to the team's finishing time.
22. All participants must be at least 12 years of age. Any team with a member under the age of 18 must have a parent or legal guardian as part of that team.
23. The time recorded by Off Road Fixation will be the official time.
24. Rules may be added or changed at any time before and during the event.
25. Team members must sign all waivers and be present at the safety and pre-race meetings in order to participate.
26. Off Road Fixation is not responsible for stolen, lost, or damaged equipment.
27. Race officials reserve the right to remove a team from the course for health, safety or other reasons, at the discretion of race officials and medical personnel.
28. All team members must check in together at each checkpoint and TA. If one member must leave the course, they must do so at a manned CP or TA and notify race management. If a team leaves a teammate out on the course that team will be immediately disqualified and not allowed to continue unofficially. Incomplete teams may continue unranked. A single person must join with another team who commits to staying with that new racer. Incomplete or single racers must carry the mandatory team gear.
29. Any team withdrawing from the race must notify a "live" person by checking in with a CP or TA volunteer or by calling the race director. Leaving a voicemail or text message does not constitute proper notification. Failing to notify race officials will result in that team being responsible for all search and rescue expenses.
30. A team is designated an official finisher if the entire team crosses the finish line having punched all mandatory checkpoint without being previously disqualified.
31. A partial team finish, while allowed, will be considered an unranked finisher.
32. Disqualified teams will not be allowed to finish and will be removed from the course.
33. Bonus Time Prizes for sportsmanship and other reasons will be awarded at the post-race ceremony. Only teams that officially finish the race are eligible to win bonus prizes.
34. All teams must be checked in at the finish line in the allotted race time. Teams will lose 1 CP for each full minute after that allotted time has elapsed.
35. The winning team will have found all mandatory checkpoints and the most optional checkpoints in the shortest amount of time.
36. Any protest must be filed in writing within one hour of the team's finish and will be reviewed by the Race Committee.