RACE RULES
Safety should always be on your mind. Please think of your safety as well as your competitor's safety when competing in this event.

- Helmets are mandatory for this event.
- NO Time Trial / Aero bars.
- NO audio devices with the exception of hearing aids are allowed inside or covering a rider's ear or ears. You need to hear what is going on around you in this event.
- IT IS THE RACER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO FOLLOW THE MAP AND KNOW THEIR COURSE. The entire course is marked with directional signs, paint arrows on the edge of the road, and confidence dots painted on the side of the road after a turn. Corner worker volunteers and Law Enforcement will also be present on some corners and/or intersections on the racecourse to direct you, but it is ultimately your responsibility to stay on the route. We encourage all riders to study their maps and download the course maps for navigation computers beforehand.
- For general safety we ask that slower paced riders ride on the right most side of the roadway and yield to faster riders who wish to overtake them. Slower riders should not ride side by side for long periods of time. This includes staying to the right when riding or walking up a steep hill. Racers are asked to call out to slower riders and advise them of your passing intentions prior to overtaking them. The most accepted way of doing this is to call out "ON YOUR LEFT".
- LAWS - Riders must follow Michigan laws of the roads including stopping at stop signs unless otherwise directed by Law Enforcement.
- NUMBER PLATES - Computer chips are attached to your race number plate. Do not fold, bend, curve, or alter race number plates in any way as doing so could damage the chip. If altered, you are subject to being disqualified. Chips are best read when positioned in a vertical position on the front handlebars of your bike. If the chip fails to read and we cannot read your number because it has been altered or is not placed vertically, you are subject to being disqualified.
- NON COMPETITIVE and ELECTRIC/MOTOR ASSISTED BIKES – are welcomed to ride (NOT RACE) only in distances that offer a category specifically for them. Participants who enter this class are not allowed to catch up to a competitive racer who started in a wave before them for the purposes of assisting them with their finish outcome. Violations are grounds for disqualification and banishment from future events.

- COURSE CUTTING - Leaving the intended racecourse surface (roadway/driveway) by cutting through a surface not intended to be driven on (ditch, yard, private property) is considered cutting the course and is subject to disqualification. The only exception is at the top of Patterson Road where it meets Mann Road.
- FAT TIRE BIKES – To qualify for the division your tires must be at least 3.7 inches (94mm) wide.
- You must be present at the awards presentation to receive awards. We will not send awards to you after the race.