

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RACER RESPONSIBILITY CONFIRMATION

Greetings Hoodoo 300 Nomad Racers.

We hope you feel ready and excited for your race! We're very much looking forward to seeing you in St. George and to greeting you at the finish line.

Please print out, sign and bring this email with you to racer check in. We must have your original signature on this letter to complete your registration.

We trust you've familiarized yourself with the Official Rules. We hope you understand the full extent of the Nomad division challenges. We expect each racer to be 100% prepared and be able to handle any contingency that occurs on the course.

We welcome questions. We realize that what we believe is clearly explained in the Rules may not be as clear to the reader, and that the rules may not explicitly deal with every situation.

The drop bag service entitles you to bring one drop bag to racer check in which we will transport to the Panguitch Time Station. You also have limited use of a hotel room in Panguitch. While you may be able to take a nap, the room is NOT for an overnight stay if you drop out. If you wish to shower, please bring a towel and toiletries, as those provided by the hotel are first-come, first-served.

Anything left in Panguitch will be returned to St. George and available at the awards banquet.

Some last-minute advice and words of caution:

A few years ago, UDOT repaved SR-59 between Hurricane and the Arizona Border (about 22 miles). In doing so, they completely removed the shoulder in most places and added a deep rumble strip down the white line. This is a 55-60 mph highway. While you will be on the road early when there is little traffic, please be extra cautious riding this stretch. We highly recommend you use some form of rear-view mirror, wear bright clothing and use daytime lights for visibility.

By now your preparations should be complete and exhaustive. You should be aware of the various temperature fluctuations on the course. You should have tested your lights to make sure they're bright enough and aimed properly to ride down steep hills when you're tired and there's no other ambient light. You should have ridden many miles with all the bags you intend to use attached and fully loaded so you're sure they'll stay put and your load is comfortably balanced. You should be confident that you have the tools, parts and know-how to repair common and not-so-common problems. You should know how far you may have to ride without restocking on food and water; and be confident that you can go this distance. You should know the answer to questions about what you'll do if you can't continue at various places along the course.

As a Nomad Racer you're required to be completely self-sufficient, fending for yourself along the way, and carrying much of what you need for the duration of the race. You'll be testing yourself against the elements, the road, and all the circumstances that may arise during this long and challenging race. The Nomad Division is intended to be a taste of the Hoodoo 500 Voyager division. There is absolutely no support provided other than the drop bag and water at the manned checkpoint. While there are many places along the route to obtain food, water and lodging if need be, there are also long, difficult climbs and descents without any services and the potential for extreme weather.

While this short list is not intended to be exclusive, you must be aware of and acknowledge the following:

- Time Stations do not provide meals or accommodations. The manned time station in Panguitch will have your drop bag, offer you water and the limited use of a hotel room. ***If you decide to quit racing, you're responsible for finding your own way back to St. George.***
- The course is not marked.
- If you abandon, you may be offered transportation from either a Race Official or a supported racer's crew; but no one is obligated to help you. You must not rely or plan on any such transportation. If you or another racer was offered transportation at some point in the race or in a prior year does not mean that it will be available this time.
- You may be given other assistance (food, water, mechanical, medical) by a Race Official or from a supported racer's crew, but they're not obligated to provide any assistance; and you will receive a time penalty for accepting assistance. Again, you should not rely or plan on any assistance. The fact that you receive or observe another racer receiving assistance does not mean that it will be available or offered again.
- ***You're required, at the minimum, to carry photo identification, jacket, leg coverings, cell phone (although there is no service in many areas) and a space blanket or bivvy sack AT ALL TIMES. We will conduct an equipment inspection at the Panguitch time station; and arriving at the time station without the required gear and lights will result in a time penalty. You will be DQ'd from the race if you insist on leaving the time station without the required gear.***
- In addition to the minimum required gear, we highly recommend that you carry a credit card or sufficient funds to cover the expense of a hotel room and transportation (rental cars are generally not available, except in Cedar City) back to St. George. The required equipment list is just that - what you must have on the bike at all times. Personally we wouldn't attempt this race without at least the following additional items: full rain gear, waterproof gloves, booties, synthetic or wool insulating layer for at least your core, saddle cream, first aid kit, heat source (either chemical packet warmers or old style burning hand warmer), map and/or gps, extra tire, tire boot, tubes, patch kit, Kevlar emergency spoke, spare shifter cable (if not electronic, if electronic fully charged battery(s)), extra pedal cleat, zip ties, duct tape, chain lube, chain quick link, tools for every fastener on the bike (if using a multitool, we would check that the wrenches on the tool would reach every Allen bolt as sometimes the wrenches are either not long enough or the handle gets in the way), chain tool, tire levers, and the knowledge and practice to use all of the parts and tools carried.
- We can't emphasize enough the need for carrying an insulating layer in addition to your jacket, especially over Cedar Breaks. The #1 reason Nomads DNF is lack of warm clothing during the night. The temperature swing during this race can be over 70 degrees Fahrenheit; and is typically between 50 and 60 degrees. Take advantage of the Panguitch drop bag to have plenty of warm clothes.
- The SPOT tracker you are provided and required to carry with you during the race is primarily for the benefit of race spectators and to ensure you are completing the entire route. Your tracker has an emergency SOS button. Use this only if you are physically injured/sick and *require immediate EMS*. For any other issue where you need help, please use your cell phone or ask for assistance from a passerby.

Finally, remember at racer check-in you're required to bring this executed form indicating your understanding and acceptance of the special rules and disclosures related to the Nomad Division along with a small white envelope with your name on it containing a minimum \$5 donation to Life Sports Foundation. If you don't bring this waiver and the required donation to check-in, you'll receive a 15-minute time penalty.

Have a great race!!!

Best,
Deborah & Brian Bowling
Hoodoo 500 Race Directors

I certify that I have read this document and I understand its content. This document does not supersede the Accident Waiver and Release of Liability, Name and Likeness I have or will execute prior to the Hoodoo 500, but rather is in addition to it. In the event there is deemed to be a conflict between the Accident Waiver and Release of Liability, Name and Likeness and this Additional Information and Rules and Racer Support Confirmation, the Accident Waiver and Release of Liability, Name and Likeness will govern.

Signature _____

Printed Name _____ Date _____

Signature and name of parent or guardian if under 18 _____