Audax UK Regulations

Event Regulations

Regulations for all AUK Events

1	**AUK events are cycle rides approved and registered with AUK, organised by AUK members and published in the AUK calendar in time for riders to take part.**
2	**Event Types**
2.1	**Calendar events are ridden on specified date(s) published in the AUK calendar**
2.1.1	Organisers of calendar events and their helpers may ride their own event(s) up to 15 days in advance or 7 days after the scheduled event date and be included in the event results.
2.2	**Permanent events including DIY and Super Randonnée events may be ridden on any date by prior arrangement with the organiser.**
3	**Event classification**
3.1 **3.1.1** **3.1.2** **3.1.3** **3.1.4** **3.1.5** **3.1.6** **3.1.7** **3.1.8** **3.1.9** **3.1.10**	**AUK events are classified as:** **Brevet de Randonneur Mondiaux (BRM)** **Brevet de Randonneur (BR)** **Randonneur Mondiaux (RM)** **Brevet Populaire (BP)** **Brevet UAF (BA)** **Arrow** **Dart** **Trail** **Extended Event** **Super Randonnée**
3.2	**Additional classifications may be added**
3.3	**Each classification shall have its own specific regulations in addition to the regulations governing all events.**
3.4	Events may additionally be designated as: Grimpeurs (G) and Super Grimpeurs (SG) are hilly events with points awarded under the Audax Altitude Award. See the AAA page of the AUK website for details. Off-road events have a route consisting of not less than 50% unmetalled or unpaved surface over which cyclists have access rights or permission to ride upon. Such events may include Off-Road or Rough Stuff in the title. Relays are a series of events between predetermined places and may be ridden singly or consecutively.
4	**AUK events are not races and no timed results list or placings list of any AUK event may be published.**

4.1	Overall maximum speed for AUK events shall not exceed 30 km/h
5	**An AUK event may not be ridden concurrently with any other event eligible for AUK awards**
6	**AUK arranges validation of participants' rides under the above classifications, and maintains records of all validated rides.**
6.1	AUK facilitates validation of certain ride classifications with external bodies with which it is affiliated.
7	**Controls:**
7.1	**Controls are placed in pre-determined locations around the route of an event to ensure that the rider completes the validated distance**
7.1.1	Controls are normally placed at intervals of between 50 – 80 km with a minimum of one control between start & finish for shorter rides.
7.1.2	A route may visit a control more than once, but routes consisting of repeated passes over the same circuit will not normally be approved
7.2	**Event routes are categorised as 'advisory' (riders may take any route between controls) or 'mandatory' (riders must follow the prescribed route).**
7.2.1	Events with Mandatory routes may include unannounced controls and/or other measures to ensure riders follow the prescribed route.
7.2.2	Some categories of event permit only mandatory routes.
7.3	**Riders obtain proof of passage through each control including the finish control.**
7.3.1	Acceptable proof of passage requires independent evidence of time, date and control location**.** Acceptable forms include: (a) A timed signature of a controller designated by the event organiser (b) A stamp, sticker or other distinct mark provided by the event organiser or a controller (c) A printed receipt, with time, date and control location e.g. from a cash register or ATM (d) A digital record of time, date and location using a method designated by the event organiser, e.g. e-brevet. (e) Other forms may be designated by the organiser, provided they are acceptable to AUK. Where a rider is unable to obtain proof of passage, an alternative form may be accepted at the organiser's discretion.
7.4	**The controls have predetermined opening and closing times.**

7.4.1	Control opening and closing times are normally determined by dividing the distance of the control from the start by the maximum and minimum speeds, but may be adjusted by the organiser with the prior approval of AUK.
7.4.2	A rider arriving late at the final control may give a written explanation. The brevet may be awarded if the validator considers the explanation is reasonable.
7.4.3	Timings for intermediate controls are advisory only.
7.5	It is the rider's responsibility to ensure that all necessary details are provided in order to ensure validation.
7.6	Controls may or may not be staffed by a representative of the organiser, the 'controller'.
7.7	Where the final control is unstaffed, and for all Permanent, DIY and Super Randonnée events, the rider shall return the brevet card and proofs of Passage to the organiser within 14 days. Validation may be refused if cards are received by the organiser after this period.
8	**Event Entry:**
8.1	**Entries must be made before the start of an event using the official form, or a textually exact copy**
8.1.1	The organiser may set a closing date for entries and/or a limit on entry numbers, which must be published in the calendar.
8.1.2	Entry fees are neither refundable nor transferable
8.2	**AUK events are open to all cyclists, subject to the following provisos:**
8.2.1	**Non-members may be required to obtain temporary membership of AUK for the duration of the event.**
8.2.2	**Minors may take part, at the organiser's discretion, providing they have the consent of their parent or legal guardian and subject to any guidelines issued.**
8.3	**Any kind of cycle may be ridden, with the following conditions:**
8.3.1	**The cycle is propelled solely by human effort.**
8.3.2	**The responsibility for ensuring that a machine complies with the road traffic laws rests solely with the rider.**
9	**Insurance**
9.1	**All riders must have 3rd party liability insurance cover for the duration of an event.**
9.1.1	All AUK members, including temporary members, who are normally resident in the UK, are provided with private 3rd party insurance while participating in AUK registered events.
9.1.2	Non-UK residents must arrange suitable insurance cover.

10	**Rider Conduct**
10.1	**Riders agree that they are on a private excursion and are responsible for their own safety and conduct. Riders must follow the rules of the road and show consideration to other road users.**
10.2	**Participants may ride singly or in groups and may pace each other but may not be paced by any other cyclist or motor vehicle.**
10.3	**Riders are responsible for their own welfare and may stop for food and rest at any place. Organisers may provide route guidance and support such as food and rest facilities at controls. Personal support is only allowed at controls and riders are responsible for the behaviour of their personal helpers. No personal support is allowed on Super Randonnée events**
10.4	**Riders who infringe AUK regulations, ignore event officials' instructions, or behave in a manner likely to bring an event, an organiser, or AUK into disrepute may be excluded from the event and from future AUK events.**
11	**The organiser or AUK may impose additional conditions, provided these do not conflict with AUK regulations and appendices, and are published in the calendar and event literature.**