



BIG RED CLOUD - CX LEAGUE
Youth and Senior Races

Date: September 24th, 2022
Location: McCrystals Cycling Track A91 KD68
Register: [Eventmaster.ie](https://www.eventmaster.ie)




Big Red Cloud CX League 2022/23

24th September

5th November

3rd December

28th December

1st January

28th January

[Technical Guide \(v1.0\)](#)

Thank you for entering the Big Red Cloud CX League. Many thanks for the continued support for [Big Red Cloud](#). This race will take place at McCrystals Cycling Track in Jenkinstown on the 24th September . This document will answer questions regarding the event

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1.1 Race dates for 2022/23

The races will take place on
Saturday 24th September,
Saturday 5th November ,
Saturday 3rd December,
Wednesday 28th December,
Saturday 1st January 2023, ,
Saturday 28th January

1.2 Venue location

Venue: Jenkinstown, Dundalk, Co Louth

Getting there. <https://goo.gl/maps/kZAvWsLDQs9oQTbt5>

1.3 Class of the race

League.

1.4 Organiser's contact information

Race Director: Bryan McCrystal, 0872204870 bellurganwheelers@gmail.com

1.5 Categories of riders

The table below shows the race categories.

Category of licence held	Race Category	Year of birth
Under 6s / Under 8s #		2015,16,17,18
Under 10s		2013-2014
Under 12s		2011-2012
Under 14's		2009-2010
Under 16s		2007-2008
Junior men	A or B Race	2005-2006
Senior men	A or B Race	1984-2000
M40 men	A or B Race	1974 – 1983
M50 men	A or B Race	1940- 1973
Women	Junior, Espoir, Senior	1900 – 2006

- See Cycling Ireland Technical rules T10.1.11

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Parents NOTE: – The Under 6s race is just for fun. It is an introduction to off-road racing. There are no winners, no podium, no medals. It is all about the achievement of starting and finishing. If you child can complete the course with ease and is ready for the next challenge please have them try the Under 8s race instead. There is no lower age limit on the Under 8s race.

1.6 Licence information

In order to take part in off-road racing riders need to have cycling insurance. Cycling Ireland offers riders Full Competition, Limited Competition and Non-Competition licences. Riders who hold a current 2021 Limited Competition (LC) or Full Competition (JR, A4, A3, A2, A1, A+) licence can take part without any further charge for licences. Riders with Non-competition licences (LM) can 'upgrade' for the event by taking out an 'upgrade' licence (€10). Riders who do not have any current cycling licence can take out an event licence (€20).

Youth riders must have a current 2022 licence.

1.7 Pre-entry information

THE EVENT IS PRE-ENTRY.

There will be **strictly no** entries allowed on the day.

Pre-entry is on <https://eventmaster.ie/event/OpeEHzqsA1> and will close on the Thursday before each race at 8 pm.

1.8 Rider fees

Senior riders - €20
Junior riders - €15
Under 14s/16s - €8 /€10
Under 10s, 12s - €8
Under 6s, Under 8s - €5/€3

1.9 Prize list

The following table provides a breakdown of the prizes for each category.

Category	Prize positions	Prize type
Under 6's - 12's	All competitors up to u12	Race bottle & goodies
Under 8s, 10s, 12s	Top 3 boys, Top 3 girls	1-3 Medals & race bottles.
Under 14/16s	Top 3 boys, Top 3 girls,	Medals and race bottle
CX Senior men's	Top 3 riders	Medals and race bottle
Cx Senior Women's	Top 3 riders	Medals and race bottle
Top Unplaced	1st unplaced Junior male and female, 1st unplaced M40, 1st unplaced M50 1st placed masters woman	Medals and race bottle

1.11 Specific specifications for this event

The event is being run under Cycling Ireland rules. The technical rules can be found on <https://www.cyclingireland.ie/downloads/TechnicalRules2021.pdf>. There are no specific specifications for this event.

1.12 Competition Clothing

Competitors MUST wear the clothing of their registered club/team as registered with Cycling Ireland or other UCI National Federation. No commercially sponsored clothing or national team clothing is permitted by any competitor.

Unattached members are permitted to wear plain clothing only without any form of advertising aside from the manufacturer's logo on the breast and on the leg of the shorts.

Failure to comply with the above may result in prohibition from starting the event.

(See Cycling Ireland Technical rules Article.1.1 and Appendix 4 Reg 3)

1.13 Equipment

- Only bikes described in the UCI Equipment section as “Cyclo Cross bikes” may be used in the CX men's B' race, CX women's race or CX men's A' race.
- The use of radio links or other remote means of communication with riders is forbidden.
- The use of tyres fitted with metal spikes or screws is not permitted.
- Bar plugs are compulsory.
- Bicycles shall be propelled solely through a chain set, by the legs moving in a circular movement, without electric or other assistance.
- It is compulsory to wear a protective helmet when racing or training on the course and such helmet must comply with the required safety standards.
- All riders shall, when racing, wear a jersey with sleeves and a pair of shorts, possibly in the form of a one piece. By shorts it is understood that these come above the knees. Jerseys without sleeves shall be forbidden. It is also forbidden to wear non-essential items of clothing other than where weather conditions make them appropriate for the safety or health and safety of the rider.

1.14 Gridding

Riders will be gridded for the start of their race. Competitors will be called 15 minutes before the start of the race. At 10 minutes to the start the gridding will begin from the holding area. Any competitor not present when the gridding commences will forfeit their grid and start from the rear of the race. Spaces cannot be held for riders who are not present when their name is called. Access to the starting grid is via the call-up zone. For Round 1 gridding is based on registration time for A & B races. For Round 2 it will be based on the results from Round 1. For Rounds 3 and 4, this will be based on the league table.

1.15 Pits

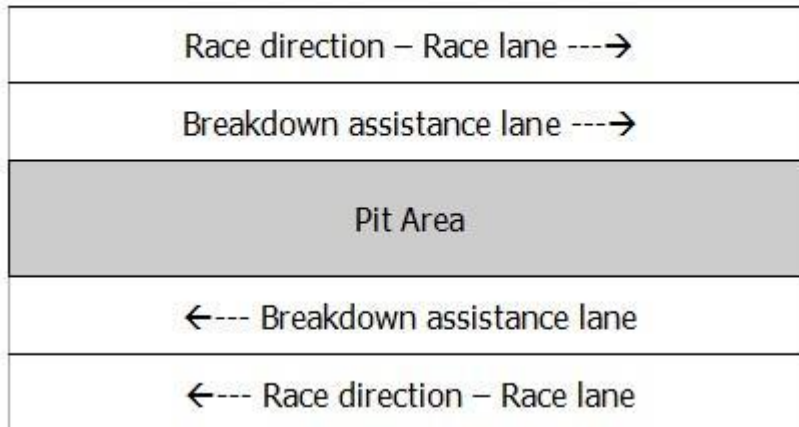
Commissaries will be located in the pits to ensure that only authorised persons are allowed inside.

Strictly no spectators , children or dogs in the pits. Any rule breaking will lead to rider’s disqualification.

1.16 Double pit

A double pit will be in operation.

Double Pit Area



The race lane and pit lane (breakdown assistance) will be marked with a yellow flag. Details of the use of the pit lanes are shown in the Cycling Ireland Technical Regulations (Chapter T9, Article 2, paragraphs 15-22).

A competitor can only enter the pit lane for an exchange of bike. A competitor is not permitted to race through the pit lane for a cleaner line to gain an advantage. If a rider accidentally rides through the pit lane he/she must dismount, take at least 3 steps before remounting.

Once a competitor exits the pit lane, the competitor is not permitted to return against the direction of the course to the pits.

1.17 Race schedule (including practice times)

Sign on opens at 9:00. Course is open for practice once riders have signed on.

Time	Event	Approx. Race length
09:00	Sign on opens	
09:00-11:35	Main course practice available	
09:00 - 09:55	Youth course practice available	
10:00	Under 6s race	2 mins
10:15	Under 8s race	5 mins
10:30	Under 10s race	10 mins
10:50	Under 12s race	15-20 mins
11:10	Prize giving for U8, U10, U12	
11:35	Call up for U14, U16, Women's CX, Women's MTB	
11:45	Race start for U14, U16, Women's CX, Women's MTB	U14, U16 - 30 mins Seniors - 45 mins
12:45	Prize giving for U14, U16, Women's CX, Women's MTB	
12:30 - 12:50	Main course practice available	
12:50	Riders gathered up for gridding for CX B' race, Men's MTB*	
13:00	CX B' race start	45-50 mins
13:02	Men's MTB* race start	
14:05	Riders gathered up for gridding for CX A' race	
14:15	CX A' race start	50-55 mins
15:15	Prize giving for CX B' race, Men's MTB* and CX A' race	

Practice: There will be time to practice in between races. There will be **no** toleration for riders practising on course while there are races in progress. Riders are asked to arrive 60 min before their event and leave after their race.

1.18 Locations of registration and opening times

Registration is located at the finish line..

1.19 Race numbers

Race numbers for all riders will be supplied at the registration tent. race chips will be issued to all categories except u6/8. Race numbers and chips must be returned to the bucket at the finish line. Any numbers or chips not returned on the day will incur a fee.

1.20 Parking arrangements

There is a large carpark at the venue. There is one entry and exit system. Follow the marshals and enter at the large gate. There is a shop on site and anyone associated with the race are **not permitted** to park in the shop carpark.

We want to park as many cars on site as possible so please wait and you will be directed by a marshal.

NO TENTS or Gazebos in the main car park. Vans with Tents and gazebos can park in the field and will be directed by a marshal.

1.21 Bike wash facilities

We have a new bike wash area with two power washers. These are located at the side of the barn next to the Niall Clarke Oil steps.

1.22 Event Supporters

The course is very visible from all fields. Please do not cross over race lanes during race time.

1.24 Catering arrangements

There is a shop onsite that will supply food, teas and coffee.

1.25 Toilets, showers

toilets will be available onsite

1.26 First aid location

First aid will be located at the main carpark, clearly visible.

1.27 Litter – use of bins

Riders and spectators are asked to use the bins provided on site or to take their rubbish home.

1.28 Description and map of the course

The course is 2.5-3km depending on which route we decide. There will be ample amount of practice time and the course will be clearly marked. The race will be chip and manually timed. The map below shows the entrance and rough course plan.

