

ELITE ENDEAVORS POLICIES

1. All Entries are Non-Refundable!

All entry fees are non-refundable and entries are non-transferable to other athletes. If an athlete is unable to attend an event he/she has the following option. NO REFUNDS, NO EXCEPTIONS.

a. **TRANSFER POLICY:** If a transfer is necessary, you MUST contact Elite Endeavors by email at least 72 hours prior to the event (Wednesday evening). There will be a \$15 fee charged for any transfer. Transfer must take place within a year. (These are for emergency transfers)

b. For Relay Teams: a teammate may be replaced at no charge. Elite Endeavors will take a written or phone request with the new and old teammate's information no later 72 hours (Wednesday) prior to event. Elite Endeavors will then make the change. ** All relay team members must pay the one day fee for USAT sanctioned events for relay, unless they hold an annual USAT license. ** Each member of team MUST pick up their own packet.

2. Bad Checks

Patrons who do not cover bounced checks or who stop payment on checks will not be allowed to race future events. Elite Endeavors will charge \$20.00 processing fee for any bad checks.

3. Late Fees:

Late fees are determined by the postmark date on the envelope, (for paper entries only) Late fees must be collected before the entry form can be processed. Forms with incorrect entry fees will be placed in our SOLUTIONS bin on race day. Elite Endeavors will do their best to contact you by EMAIL prior to event to work out any problems before hand. Any unprocessed fees on race day - you will not be allowed to participate in event.

4. Race Rules

a. USAT rules are enforced. USA Triathlon officials will be present if USAT has them available. USAT officials will enforce all rules, place penalty lists in area all can see, and announcements will be made when the penalties are posted.

b. Race Numbers: Numbers MUST be visible at all times in order for athletes to be scored! Bib numbers on the front of the body, and bike numbers on the seat post or top tube of bike.

c. Swim caps given out by race management only MUST be worn during a triathlon.

d. USAT requires that all USAT-sanctioned events charge an additional \$10.00 per person USAT fee for non-USAT annual members. This \$10.00 fee is for a one-day license, which allows you to participate in that USAT-sanctioned event. Current annual USAT members do not incur this fee. For membership information, visit www.usatriathlon.org. When you sign up online, and enter your current annual USAT number, you will get a \$10.00 discount from your entry fee. YOUTH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP: All participants under the age of 18, MUST purchase an annual YOUTH membership for \$5.00. This YOUTH membership is good for all adult and youth events sanctioned by USAT.

5. Athlete Conduct

All athletes are expected to follow good sportsmanlike conduct. Elite Endeavors reserves the right to refuse future race entry and to disqualify anyone who behaves inappropriately to volunteers, race management, officials. Foul language, cheating and other un-sportsmanlike practices will not be tolerated.

6 Timing

a. Timing is done by Champion Chip.

b. EVERYONE should check their bib information to make sure all of your information is correct, name, age on 12/31: division, wave, shirt size etc. IF AN ATHLETE FAILS TO TELL US OF A NEEDED CHANGE, IT MAY TAKE A GREAT DEAL OF TIME TO CORRECT ISSUES.

- b. Any athlete who loses their chip during the swim, bike or run, bears the responsibility to notify a volunteer in transition or elsewhere on the course, with their race number, so we can do the best we can to get your results.
- c. Any results questions will be handled by email, and we will do our best to resolve them within a few days of the event.
- d. Wave Starts: Swimmers starting in the wrong wave will NOT HAVE TIMES ADJUSTED, AND MAY FACE POSSIBLE DQ.
- e. Results will be posted online ASAP after the event.

7. Race course cancellations and acts of nature.

Any Elite Endeavors event may be delayed or cancelled due to adverse, inclement, or unsafe weather. Should the event be delayed, the starting time of the event will be moved back accordingly. The delay will be communicated to all participants. Event management and local law enforcement have the authority to cancel an event. If cancellation of an event takes place, please follow instructions of the event officials and local law enforcement personnel. Your entry fee is not refundable if an event is cancelled due to adverse, inclement, or unsafe weather. The Race Director also reserves the right to modify the course at any time before or during an event by his/her own judgment or if instructed by local law enforcement personnel or park officials. We will endeavor to find a safe alternative, but if this is not available, a cancellation may be warranted. **THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS - AS STATED ABOVE IN SECTION 1.**

8. Adverse Weather Policies: Elite Endeavors has adverse weather policies in place, and evacuation plans as well. In the event of an evacuation due to approaching dangerous weather, please follow the instructions of race management and law enforcement. Elite Endeavors weather policies will be forwarded to you at your request.