

**30th Annual
John Earley Memorial
VALLEY OF THE SUN STAGE RACE
COVID-19 Mitigation Plan**



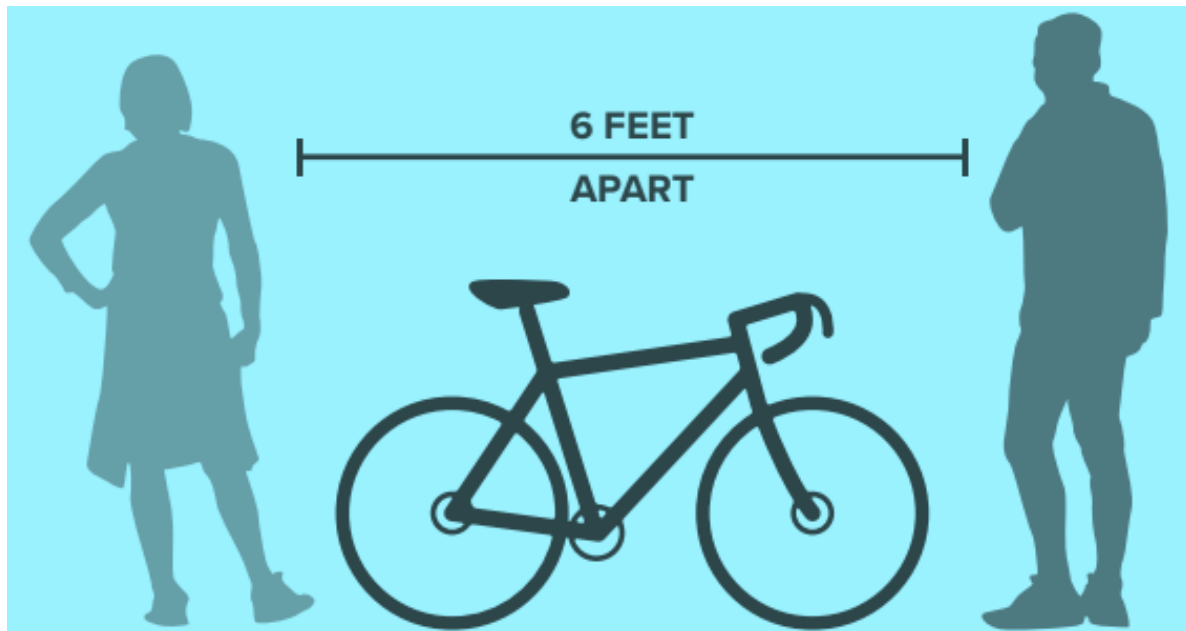
February 18 – 20, 2022

The COVID-19 Mitigation Plan for the February 18 - 20, 2022 Valley of the Sun Stage Race has been developed to help minimize the spread of COVID-19.

The Valley of the Sun Stage Race is a three-day road bike event held in the greater Phoenix area. To mitigate the risk of COVID-19, The Valley of the Sun Stage Race has minimized some activities that would encourage participants, staff, volunteers and/or vendors to congregate in areas that do not allow them to maintain the advised 6-feet of physical distance.

This mitigation plan covers the participants, staff, volunteers and vendors required to safely execute the event.

Practice Social Distancing:



Participants (Riders)

- Riders must wear a face covering over their nose and mouth when interacting with staff including number pickup, sign in, wheel drop, prime pickup and when communicating with officials.

- It is recommended riders not hug, high five, touch each other at any point before, during or after their event.
- Riders should not spit or blow their nose in common spaces/public areas.
- Finishing riders should exit the finish area after they are done racing.
- Riders should discard all refuse in trash receptacles placed at the start line and sign in stations.

Volunteers

- Upon arrival, volunteers will report to the Volunteer Coordinator for their station assignment.
- If plans have been made prior, they will go directly to their station.
- The Volunteer Coordinator will maintain information about where each volunteer is stationed. If a volunteer changes stations, this should be reported to the Volunteer Coordinator.

Spectators

- Spectators are welcome, but should practice social distancing.
- Spectators should wear a face covering over their nose and mouth at all times.
- Anyone interested in spectating will be encouraged to find a remote spot on the 1 mile course to show support for riders.

Staff

Employees, independent contractors, officials, event medical and other third parties necessary to carry out the event will adhere to the same safety protocols as riders and volunteers.

Number Pickup Procedures:

1. Onsite number pickup, Bib numbers will be hand out at the registration table.
2. All riders must have a facial covering while picking up number
3. One rider at a time while maintaining a 6 foot distance from any other rider
4. We encourage teams to have one person pickup numbers for the entire team
Since waivers are signed on BikeReg, a license is required for each team member
5. Hand sanitizer will be located on a table for those wishing to use it

Results Procedures:

1. The Chief Judge and the timing crew will score the event working together to ensure accurate and timely results
2. RESULTS WILL NOT BE POSTED ONSITE
3. Results will be emailed to each rider in the category they raced in as soon as they are provided by Chief Judge and Timing Crew to RaceDay Event personnel. (timing may be determined by internet access)

4. Results will be posted online at RaceDay Event Software as soon as results are provided by the Chief Judge and Timing Crew to event website and RaceDay Event Software website.
5. Please refer to the Technical Guide for any protest.
6. Please do not huddle at the finish line as the Chief Judge will not be doing any results on site.

Awards Ceremony:

1. All awards ceremonies for Time Trial, Road Race and Criterium will be held at the Criterium.
2. Practice social distancing at awards ceremony.

Special procedures for each event type:

Time Trials:

1. You must wear a mask at number pickup
2. There will be NO start ramp or holder
3. All riders will start with one foot down
4. There will be a countdown clock be aware of the time.
5. Maintain at least 6' during staging.
6. The starter will call out countdown from a 6' distance.

Road Races:

1. You must wear a mask at sign in and wheel drop off.
2. There may be separate start lines by category, do not huddle at the start line, you may line up 5 min prior to you start
3. Do not huddle at the finish line. See results management procedures for result details.

Criteriums:

1. You must wear a mask at sign in, wheel drop off and prime pickup.
2. You should maintain a minimum of 6 feet at the staging area, do not report to the staging area until 5 min prior to your start time.
3. Do not huddle at the finish line. See results management procedures for result details.

Junior Information:

Junior roll out will be done prior to each stage. This will be done by each junior rolling out their bikes in the presence of a Race Official in a predetermined location as per the Technical Guide.