

Valley of the Sun

February 13-15, 2026

Phoenix, AZ

Communique' 1

Know your time trial start time and your bib number. You should be in the time trial staging area at least five minutes before your scheduled start time.

All Juniors, Men category 5, Men category 5 40+ and, Women category 5 bicycles must be mass-start legal.

Race numbers may not be obscured by hair or other accessories. In addition, race numbers may not be folded, cut, or altered. (Rule 1J7b). Any race numbers which are not easily scored will be ignored and when fixed it will result in a 20 second penalty or \$30 fine per rule 8A1n.

If you cannot complete the time trial because of a mechanical issue, you will get the slowest time in your category plus a 10-minute penalty, and you may start the road race.

Using the forearms as a point of support on the handlebar (“puppy paws”) is prohibited. (Rule 1I1k).

Use of any phones or audio devices, headphones of all types (in-ear or jawbone type) during a race is prohibited for all disciplines and categories. Using any audio devices during a race is subject to a fine per rule 8A1p.

Protests concerning the order of finish or timing are lodged with the Chief Judge via email or in person. Protests concerning other sporting aspects are to be lodged with the Chief Referee via email or in person.

Tracy Barclay
Chief Referee