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Gran Fondo Mario Cipollini 2011



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The Gran Fondo Mario Cipollini long-distance cycle race is and remains a cycle tourism event where everyone can ride at his or her own pace, admiring the beauty that the course offers. And this is true no matter what your order of arrival is.

The purpose of the event is to spend a festive day together with other cycling enthusiasts.

The organizing committee's objective is to cater to each and every participant in order to ensure the event's success. So, have a good time everyone!

To participate in the Gran Fondo Mario Cipollini, you **MUST** be in possession of a regular certificate for the performance of cycling activities.

By filling out the Registration Form, you declare to be in possession of a certificate for the performance of sports activities valid for 2011 and:

- to have read the rules and to accept them in full
- to be in possession of the regulatory requirements
- to be acquainted with the characteristics of the event and to be in the appropriate psycho-physical conditions to participate
- to comply to the rules, to the instructions of the Race Management Committee and of the personnel in charge of organisation
- to consent to the use of your personal data by individuals involved in the event's organisation in full respect of Italian Law Decree 196/03
- to consent to the use of photographs, filmed images, recordings deriving from your participation, for any legitimate purpose, even pertaining to advertising
- to waive any action of liability or compensation towards the organising body, its partners or suppliers, of personnel involved in the organisation in any capacity whatsoever, of its sponsors and patrons, deriving from your participation in the main event and its collateral events.

Competitors discovered being towed, cutting the course, receiving assistance from unauthorised vehicles and, more generally, holding unsportsmanlike, uncivil or anti-ecological behaviours will incur into the sanctions established by law and by the sporting rules and will not be admitted to future editions.

And this holds true for those individually signing up through the registration Form, on-line, through letter, fax or through a collective team registration.

1) Race open time-race start.

THURSDAY 2nd JUNE 2011: At the LUCCA POLO FIERE & TECNOLOGIA - Quartiere Fieristico di Lucca exhibition centre - Località Sorbano del Giudice – Via della Chiesa XXXII, trav. I, 237 - 55100 Lucca.

Race open: 06:00 AM, grid entrance 07:00 AM

Race start: 08:30 AM.

2) Starting order.

The first 100 registered participants will receive a number in the First Grid; at the start of the race, cyclists will be divided as follows:

- **VIP Guest Grid:** from n. 1 to n. 100, assigned by the Organising Committee
- **First Grid:** from n. 101 to n. 400: Merit Grid, Physically Disabled Persons, Women
- **Second Grid and Prestige:** from n. 401 to n. 700: Men and Women
- **Third Grid:** from n. 701 to n. 2000: Men and Women



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3) Participation.

Participation is open to all amateur cyclists of both sexes who are 18 or older, having a valid **2011 membership card** from the F.C.I. (Federazione Ciclistica Italiana - Italian Cycling Federation), or from other sports entities of the National Council and foreign bodies (Udace-Csain, Uisp, Acli, Aics, Csi, Endas, Cns Libertas or other National Bodies).

Touring cyclists over 13 years of age and Amateur Cyclists over 65 may only participate in the 112- Km or the 49- Km courses. For under-age touring cyclists, the Registration Form must be signed by a parent.

4) Participation fee.

Standard fee:

MEN: from **20th March 2011** to **25th May 2011** € 30 - the fee includes: registration, course pack, technical material and consumables; mechanical and medical-health assistance, radio emergency, refreshments and Pasta Party at the finish line.

Women: from **20th March** to **25th May 2011** - participation fee € 20.

Athletes with Disabilities and Transplant Athletes: from **20th March** to **25th May 2011** - participation fee **FREE OF CHARGE**.

From **26th May 2011** to **30th May 2011**, for both **MEN** and **WOMEN**, the fee is € 35.
Registrations will peremptorily close on 30th May 2011.

After this date it will be possible to register only on **Wednesday 1st June 2011** from 10 AM to 6:30 PM or **Thursday 2nd June 2011** from 06:00 AM to 07:30 AM at the Lucca Polo Fiere & Tecnologia exhibition centre, for a fee of € 40 without the possibility of being entered into the merit grids.

Registrations or replacements will not be accepted after 30th May 2011.

In case of non-participation, the registration fee will not be refunded.

If the organisers are informed within 25th May 2011, the registration fee will be held valid (with a supplement of 10 Euro for processing fees) for the subsequent edition, to be paid as per the modalities that will be described in the 2012 rules.

In case of cancellation of the event due to causes of force majeure such as, by way of example and by no way of limitation: strikes, fires, natural disasters, declared and undeclared wars, sabotage, riots, act of government, third-party actions, interferences by civil, administrative or military authorities, the registration fee paid will not be refunded and no responsibility whatsoever shall be attributed to the organisers and/or to other individuals involved in the event.

5) Individual and collective registrations and payment terms.

For collective registrations, the president of the club to which the participants belong shall be held responsible for the data supplied; by supplying the list of participants, the president underwrites and accepts the rules in all parts on behalf of each participant. To request registration, payment of the registration fee must be made:

• through **BANK TRANSFER: G.S. Mario Cipollini c/o BANCO DESIO TOSCANA SPA**
FILIALE DI LUCCA, VIA CIVITALI 71 55100 LUCCA C/C 00000314500 ABI 03194 CAB 13700 CIN M
IBAN: IT05M031941370000000314500 BIC: BDBDIT31

• and sending the Registration Form duly and legibly filled in all its parts, together with receipt of payment to: **Via Paciotto 6/A 43100 Alberi di Vigatto (PR), fax (+39) 0521 334092, e-mail iscrizioni@sdam.it**



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- or register on-line at www.granfondomariocipollini.it or www.sdam.it
- It is possible to register directly at the following shop: CICLI FRANCESCHI via Pesciatina n. 502, 55100 San Vito – Lucca

It is also possible to register on-site by making payment directly upon registration or presenting receipt of payment:

by presenting the registration form duly filled in all its parts, only on Wednesday 1st June 2011 from 10:00 AM to 6.30 PM or Thursday 2nd June 2011 from 06:00 AM to 07:30 AM at the Lucca Polo Fiere & Tecnologia exhibition centre; the registration fee in this case is € 40 without the possibility of being entered into the Merit Grids.

6) Control of membership cards and distribution of race pack.

Place - LUCCA POLO FIERE & TECNOLOGIA - Quartiere Fieristico di Lucca Exhibition centre - Località Sorbano del Giudice – Via della Chiesa XXXII, trav. I, 237 55100 Lucca.

- **Wednesday 1st June 2011 from 10.00 AM to 6.30 PM**
- **Thursday 2nd June 2011 from 06:00 AM to 07:30 AM**

• **You must present your membership card together with a copy of the Registration Form and receipt of payment.**

The race pack can be collected also by third parties in possession of a copy of the Registration Form.

For sports clubs, the group leader may collect the packs if he/she is in possession of a personal ID card and the list of the members of the club with relative membership card numbers, written on letterhead paper and signed by the club's president.

7) Controls and Time-keeping.

The time-keeping service shall be performed by MYSDAM srl through ChampionChip® technology.

In order to be timed and classified, athletes must have an **A-Chip** or a **BluChip** ChampionChip®. Athletes who already have a personal A-Chip (rounded form, green) or a BlueChip (rounded form, blue) may use it, clearly indicating the relative code number in the Registration Form.

Every and only the A-Chip and the BlueChip, independently of the central label (Barilla Good Energy, ChampionChip It's About Time, WinningTime.com, etc.), may be used in the timed trials with ChampionChip® systems.

Athletes who do not have a personal chip may purchase an "A-Chip" and collect it at the "Punto Chip" area of the race, at a cost of 15.00 € (of which € 10.00 for the purchase of the chip and € 5 for its activation on cycling races 2011), or they can rent a daily chip to be returned at the end of the event. In this case, 3.00 € will be withheld on the 10.00-€ deposit. Lack of a CHIP or its incorrect use shall entail the impossibility to be entered into the race rankings and, for touring cyclists, the impossibility to be attributed the time employed.

Validation of the BlueChip ChampionChip for the 2011 season is not mandatory; the individual cyclists have the responsibility of verifying and, if needed, modifying their personal data, which can be done exclusively on the Internet site www.mysdam.it free of charge.

For information on the CHIP: www.mysdam.it - email segreteria@mysdam.it - Ph +39 895.60.60.668 – fax +39 0521.334092.

8) Maximum race time.

140 km course (5 hours) - 112 km course (4 hours) – Cycle Tourism course 49 km (2 hours).



9) Individual categories and classifications.

The individual participants are responsible for checking the accuracy of their data published in the official entry list. Requests for different assignment will not be accepted after the race.

Corto Fondo or cycle tourism course:

In the short course, only the first 5 overall ranking cyclists both in the Men's and Women's categories will be awarded a prize.

Medio Fondo and Gran Fondo:

The Men's categories are Ten (10):

Junior Sport (17-18 years old), Elite Sport (19-29 years old), Master 1 (30-34 years old), Master 2 (35-39 years old), Master 3 (40-44 years old), Master 4 (45-49 years old), Master 5 (50-54 years old), Master 6 (55-59 years old), Master 7 (60-64 years old), Master 8 (> 64 years old)

The Women's categories are Four (4):

Master Women-Junior (17-18 years old), Master Women 1 (19-39 years old), Master Women 2 (40-54 years old), Master Women 3 (>54 years old)

The first 3 overall ranking men and women of the 2 Gran Fondo and Medio Fondo races and the first 5 overall ranking for each category of the 140 km and 112 km courses.

Touring cyclists shall be assigned, without any ranking, the time employed between the start and finish lines (Net Time).

Overall rankings and category rankings shall be compiled on the basis of the order of arrival and of the times registered through the ChampionChip® system. The first 100 to reach the finish line, of both courses, shall be ranked in order of arrival and the time considered shall be the race time, i.e., the time employed beginning from the official start of the race. From the 101st athlete to reach the finish line, ranking shall be established by considering the Real Time.

10) General Club Classifications.

A team ranking shall be compiled based on the overall number of registered members. The first 5 Clubs with the greatest number of registered members, independently of the course chosen, shall receive a prize.

11) Prizes and Awards Ceremony.

The first three winners of the overall Men's and Women's classifications shall receive their awards on the podium; all the other athletes are invited to collect their prize in the awards area after the delivery of the official order of arrival. Among all the registered participants of the Gran Fondo Mario Cipollini, special surprise prizes will be drawn: technical equipment, typical products of the area and in-kind prizes. Prizes are delivered exclusively on the day of the event.

12) Medical Assistance.

There will be several ambulances and vehicles equipped with doctors and nurses, fixed First Aid locations, one of which permanently located in the area of the finish line.

13) Mobile and mechanical assistance.

Fixed assistance points and mobile points with cars and motorcycles are established. Sweep van service. Private cars and motorcycles following the race are severely prohibited.



14) Compulsory equipment.

For the entire duration of the race, all participants shall compulsorily wear a helmet, be in possession of and properly use the CHIP for timing purposes (not compulsory for touring cyclists), have the front race number properly placed on the bike and the rear number on back of their shirts. Furthermore, at the start, every participant must compulsorily have a repair kit in case of a flat tire and a full water bottle.

15) Insurance.

The event is insured by the **F.C.I.** (Federazione Ciclistica Italiana - Italian Cycling Federation) and is also covered by a supplementary policy (registered members only). **Non-registered cyclists must not enter the group or they will be expelled and in case of accidents, they will be reported pursuant to the law.**

16) Cycling event.

Vehicle marked with "Start of cycling race", Vehicle marked with "End of cycling race", Vehicle marked with "Closing of cycling event - Sweep van".

For the agonistic phase and in any case limited to agonistic participants included between the "Start of cycling race" vehicle and the "End of cycling race" vehicle, all participants having any requisite, included between the "End of cycling race" vehicle and the "Closing of cycling event - Sweep van" vehicle must proceed as touring cyclists, keeping their ID number both on their bikes and on the back of their shirts.

Strict respect of the Highway Code is compulsory for all race participants.

17) Gran Fondo 140-Km course, Medio Fondo 112-Km course and Corto Fondo or cycle tourism 49 Km course. See website www.granfondomariocipollini.it

18) Course choice.

The choice can take place during the event and the course chosen shall be held valid; at the finish line, a Pasta Party and refreshments are available to all participants.

19) Norms.

For anything not envisaged in the present set of rules, the general integrated rules and norms of the F.C.I. (Federazione Ciclistica Italiana - Italian Cycling Federation) shall govern. The A.S.D. G.S. Mario Cipollini, in virtue of its role as the organizing body of the Gran Fondo Mario Cipollini, declines any and all responsibility in regards to itself and its collaborators, for accidents or damages to persons or objects that should occur before, during and after the event or due to it. **All competitors must compulsorily observe the norms established by the Highway Code.** The roads are open to traffic. Cyclists not regularly registered found riding at the end of the race, before the passage of the vehicle that signals the end of the cycling event, shall be reported to the authorities and will be subject to the relative sanctions.

20) Jury.

The Jury is comprised of judges nominated by the **F.C.I.** (Federazione Ciclistica Italiana - Italian Cycling Federation).

21) Complaints.

Any complaints shall be forwarded exclusively to the Jury in the ways and terms established by



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the rules of the **F.C.I.** (Federazione Ciclistica Italiana - Italian Cycling Federation).

22) Variations.

The Management reserves the right to modify the rules or the course at its unquestionable judgment for reasons justified by a better organisation.

23) ANTI-DOPING.

The Ministry of Health and the Health Protection Committee of the Italian Cycling Federation are opening a new cycle of anti-doping controls at the Gran Fondo races. A clear, serious and very strong message that the Gran Fondo Mario Cipollini welcomes with firmness; some athletes may be requested to undergo an anti-doping control at the race finish.

Signature and participation in the event

By endorsing the Registration Form, whether through the form itself, on-line, via letter, fax or through collective team registration, you declare that:

the data supplied corresponds to the truth, that you are participating in the event in reference having all the requirements prescribed by the rules and that you accept it in all its parts; participation is only allowed if in the proper health conditions. The participant assumes any and all responsibilities for any occurrence directly or indirectly deriving from his/her participation at the event, completely indemnifying the organising body, the bodies and persons involved in the event in any capacity whatsoever.

Every competitor admitted to the race with the assignment of a starting number, shall be obliged to follow the instructions given by the Management and by race personnel, to scrupulously follow the rules of the event, accepting all its features. Each competitor consents to being photographed and/or videotaped, even for advertising purposes, exclusively by staff approved by the Race Management Committee.

He/she waives all usage rights, even for publicity, inherent to his/her quality as event participant, to the A.S.D. G.S. Mario Cipollini Association and authorises the latter to full use and enjoyment of the photographic material and/or video tapes regarding him/her in the ways retained most appropriate, in any case in respect of the law.

Participation in the event entails the waiver of any action of responsibility or request for compensation in regards to the organising body for any occurrence directly or indirectly deriving from one's adhesion to its collateral initiatives.

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