

Trace Des Grands : TDG DUO

Article 1: Organisers

OUTDOOR LEGACY, a non-profit organisation, is the creator and coordinator of this race. La Trace des Grands is a ski mountaineering and freeride event taking place on 09th March 2025, in the Grands Montets ski area and the Argentière glacier basin, Chamonix Mont-Blanc.

Article 2: Organising committee

The organising committee has been set up to bring the event to a successful conclusion. Its composition is as follows:

Race Director:	Damien Sablon, President Outdoor Legacy Safety
Director:	Pascal Croz, Deputy President OutdoorLegacy,
Tracer/groomer:	Laurent Langoisseur
Treasurer :	Damien Sablon
Secretary :	Caroline Godesar

Article 3: EVENT AND ROUTES

TDG 65Duo

Route:

- A positive altitude gain of (D+) 2400 H&D, departure from the Plan Joran gondola station, altitude 1238 m.
- Event only open to teams of 2 (Ski, Splitboard, Telemark)
- Race numbers are available to the first one hundred (100) teams to register.

The routes will be marked out in accordance with FFME standards.

Spotters and mountain professionals will be on hand to ensure the safety of participants at key points along the route.

The organising committee reserves the right to cancel or modify any course routes due to weather conditions and safety.

Article 4: CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

Access to the TDG DUO event is subject to a strict selection criteria set by the Steering Committee to enable teams to progress safely in a high mountain environment. Three (3) criteria allow direct access to the course and two (2) criteria allow access to the course after review by the Committee. Each member must meet at least one of the criteria to be able to participate. The Steering Committee reserves the right to contact participants at random to discuss their experience and level.

The entry requirements are as follows:

Direct entry for runners who:

- Have taken part in a ski mountaineering event on the race calendar (provide proof of participation or a similar race such as the Transvanoise or Belle Etoile, etc.).
- Have taken part in the TDG 65 and achieved a time of less than 04h00.
- Are accompanied by a UIAM/IFMGA high mountain guide (who will automatically be designated as the roped party leader).

Entry to be decided by the Steering Committee for runners who:

- 4. Have taken part in an individual ski mountaineering event (provide proof of participation) with a vertical ascent gain of over 1500m and of an alpine nature (couloir over 40°, etc.).
- 5. Have confirmed mountaineering, ski touring and steep skiing experience.

A decision will be taken following a discussion with the steering committee.

-Teams:

Teams can be made up of 2 Women, 2 Men or mixed.

- Licence

To take part in the TDG DUO event, each team member must hold EITHER :

- An annual FFME competition license
- Or an annual FFME/FFCAM leisure license AND a medical certificate stating that there are no contraindications to the competitive skiing or ski mountaineering
- Or take out a one-day FFME license (available for 6 Euros online on our website when you register) AND a medical certificate stating that there are no contraindications to competitive skiing or ski mountaineering

For foreigners without an FFME license

- An international license issued by the international federation (ISMF) or a license from a national federation that is a member of the ISMF or an FFME day license (6 Euros)

- A certificate of civil liability, personal accident and repatriation assistance insurance,

- A medical certificate stating that there are no contraindications to the practice of ski mountaineering in competition.

Without a medical certificate or license sent before the start, the runner will be refused access to the paddock

Article 5: REGISTRATION – BIB COLLECTION

Registration :

Online from :

- 01 December 2024 to 07 March 2025 at 05:00 pm (local time)

On site:

- Friday 07 March 2025 from 05:00 pm to 06:30 pm
- Saturday 08 March 2025 from 10:30 am to 05:00 pm
- Sunday 09 March 2025 from 06:00 am to 07:30 am

Registration fee :

- Valid from 01 December 2024 to 31 December 2024 : 70 € (140 €/team)
- Valid from 01 January 2025 to 31 January 2025 : 80 € (160 €/team)
- Valid from 01 February 2025 to 07 March 2025 (05:00 pm) : 90 € (180 €/team)
- Valid from 07 March 2025 (05:00 pm) to 09 March 2025 (08:00 am) : 100 € (200 €/team)

Participants are responsible for bank charges at the time of registration (timekeeper).

Collection of race numbers :

- Friday 07 March 2025 from 05:00 pm to 06:30 pm
- Saturday 08 March 2025 from 10:30 am to 05:00 pm
- Sunday 09 March 2025 from 06:00 am to 07:30 am

Article 6: Event cancellation or modification

The organising committee reserves the right to cancel the race in whole or in part in the event of any force majeure.

The event may be cancelled due to major incidents, bad weather or any other safety affecting circumstance (lack of snow, visibility).

The committee also reserves the right to make any changes they deem necessary to the program at any time. In the event of cancellation of all or part of the event, there will be no refund of entry fees. The organisation committee is released from all claims by the runners.

Article 7: CATEGORIES AND RANKINGS

Categories and Races

Age Year of birth

WOMEN / MEN : Senior : 21 to 39 years Born between 2004 and 1986

WOMEN / MEN : Master 40 and over Born in 1985 and before

A cash prize will be awarded to the first places of the men's and women's overall rankings
1st : 1000 Euros (team)
2nd : Partner Gift
3rd : Partner Gift

Article 8: CLAIMS

Any complaint concerning any aspect of the race must be submitted in writing to the Race Director within one hour of the official results being posted. His decision will be based on the French version of the regulations and in accordance with the FFME regulations.

Article 9: REFUELLING STATIONS AND BAG DROP

Refreshments will be available at the Pointe de vue and at the Grands Montets pass (3240m), no water, as well as at the finish if health conditions permit.

All bags belonging to competitors in the TDG DUO event will be taken to the finishing paddock on the Lognan plateau. They must be deposited in the basket provided for this purpose at the starting paddock

Competitors acknowledge that the organizers cannot be held responsible for the surveillance of goods or objects in the event of theft or loss.

Article 10: Environmental protection

Each runner undertakes the responsibility to respect the mountain and protect the environment. Waste can be discarded at the bins located at all refuelling stations. Any litter thrown on the ground by a competitor will result in their immediate disqualification.

Article 11: MANDATORY AND OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

Please refer to the FFME regulations: <https://www.ffme.fr/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/ski-regle-jeu2022.pdf>

For safety reasons, optional equipment may be required depending on the conditions encountered when setting up the route.

Under no circumstances will the organisers be held responsible for any damage caused by non-conformity of participants' equipment that could not be detected during the checks.

In the event of broken equipment, skis or poles may be replaced. Under no circumstances is the organisers obliged to provide replacement equipment. Skis or poles may only be changed in the areas authorised by the jury, checkpoints and transition points.

Runners will be checked (race number + avalanche transceiver + dynamic via ferrata lanyard) at the entrance to the paddock.

Article 12: PENALTIES AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

Penalties in accordance with the FFME will apply to :

- Any item requested by the Organisation and missing at the checkpoint.
- Failure to comply with the conditions for wearing race numbers.
- Failure to wear a helmet throughout the race.
- In the event of assistance outside the race checkpoints.
- For abandoning equipment.
- Runner not carrying their own bag.

A competitor will be disqualified if :

- Starting before the time set by the organisers.
- Failure to pass through a checkpoint.
- Carelessness or serious error.
- Impeding the progress of a competitor.
- In the event of a positive anti-doping test.
- Missing or non-compliant safety equipment.
- Any disrespect or insult towards any participant in the competition: runners, volunteers, organisers.
- Refreshments or rubbish thrown on the ground.

Article 13: NUMBERS, PINS AND CONTROLS

- 2 race bibs will be distributed. These numbers must be worn throughout the race in the following places:

- the front right side of the right thigh.
- the back of the rucksack.

- 1 "chip" will be given to you, to be stuck either on the bib, the helmet or in the rucksack, depending on the choice made by the race management. This will enable you to be identified before the start, at any intermediate points and at the finish. Without a chip, there's no ranking!

Runners will be checked (race number + avalanche transceiver + dynamic via ferrata lanyard) as they enter the starting paddock. Runners must present themselves at the entrance to the paddock no later than 20 minutes before the start of their race in order to pass these checks. Once in the paddock, it is strictly forbidden to leave. Doing so will result in immediate disqualification from the race.

Article 14: SAFETY

The runner is the first link in the safety chain and is responsible for taking the customary precautions in the mountains, proceeding at their own risk.

In the event of a competitor's accident, each participant agrees to provide assistance and to contact race HQ or a member of the organization as soon as possible. If weather conditions, a competitor's physical condition or bad behaviour so requires it, the race marshals and/or the race committee have full authority to force a competitor to retire. If a competitor withdraws of their own initiative, they must notify a checkpoint marshal and return their bib. If the time barrier is exceeded, the participant must hand in their race bib at this checkpoint. If a competitor decides to retire without giving notice and the organisers carry out searches, legal action may be taken against the competitor for reimbursement of expenses incurred.

Competitors who fail to comply with these instructions do so at their own risk. The organisation can in no way be held responsible in the event of a competitor's accident or failure due to poor health or inadequate physical preparation.

Article 15: ENTRY FEES

Registration fees are non refundable. An entry number is allocated and reserved and therefore no refund will be made in the event of the participants absence, withdrawal, postponement or the cancellation of the event for any reason whatsoever.

Under current French regulations, the consumer's (14 days) right to withdrawal, applicable to the purchase of services or goods at a distance, does not apply to leisure activities provided on a specific date or at a specific time (ticket for a show, registration for a sporting event, etc.).

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Article 16: REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION

Registration confirmations can be consulted online. In the event of non-receipt of this confirmation, the organiser cannot be held responsible, and the participant will not be entitled to any reimbursement or compensation for their entry or any expenses incurred. Bibs will not be sent out and must be collected in person.

Article 17: CANCELLATION, POSTPONEMENT, BIB TRANSFERS

In case of cancellation by the organising committee:

The organisation will reimburse the full registration fee, excluding service charges, if the race has to be cancelled for reasons of its own making (e.g. failure to obtain a prefectural decree, lack of official authorization). Competitors will not be reimbursed if the cancellation of the race is due to an exceptional and unforeseeable external cause (high avalanche risk, weather warning, lightning strike, war, pandemic, etc.) and is not due to the organisation's fault.

In the event of cancellation by a competitor :

Reimbursement of the registration fee will only be possible if you have taken out the cancellation insurance offered on the website at the time of registration.

If a registration is to be deferred to the following year (10 euros handling fee):

- A detailed medical file must be provided
- The decision will be left to the discretion of the race director, who reserves the right to request additional information if necessary and to refuse the deferral to the following year.

If you wish to transfer your race number:

- You must make any race number transfer request by email to OUTDOOR LEGACY at the following address: info@latracedesgrands.com
- There is a 10 euros handling fee, paid by the person requesting the number transfer.
- Any transfer request not made to OUTDOOR LEGACY will not be considered valid.
- In the event of an unofficial transfer, the replacement rider will be refused access to the event.

Article 18: INSURANCE

OUTDOOR LEGACY has a civil liability insurance policy specific to the event. It does not insure the runners, nor the breakage or loss of their equipment during the event. Each competitor must have a valid insurance policy covering them for ski mountaineering competitions (possible rescue costs, search and transport for accidents or equipment breakage etc). In the event of an accident, a declaration must be made to the insurance company within 48 hours by the competitor or third party.

Article 19: COMMUNICATION, IMAGE RIGHTS

By accepting these regulations, the competitors expressly authorise the organisers and their beneficiaries, partners and media, to use any photos or audiovisual material in which they may appear, taken during the Trace des Grands edition- from any event, on any media including promotional and/or advertising material, as part of the promotion of this event and of the Grands Montets resort, throughout the world and for the longest period provided for by law.

Article 20: DATA PROCESSING

In accordance with the legislation in force, the participant has the right to access, amend or object to personal computer data concerning them. This data may be used, transferred, rented out or exchanged, in particular for commercial purposes, race results and press.

Article 21: BAG CHECKS

The following equipment will be checked when you collect your bib:

Helmet, Avalanche transceiver/beacon, Shovel, Probe, Harness, VIA FERRATA lanyard, Crampons.

A sticker will be given to you and must be visible on your skis (tip) to allow you access to the starting padock.