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Message from **ALPHA**



Dear Alpha Win Triathletes,

Alpha Win is proud to be running another fun filled event in beautiful Ocala, Florida.

Participating in our series of races affords you the opportunity to enjoy a broad spectrum of events suited to meet your fitness goals. Whether you're competing in your first race or are a seasoned veteran in the triathlon scene, the Alpha team is here to make your experience a positive and rewarding one.

As dedicated as our team is, this event would not be possible without the help of the Marion County Sheriff's Office, Marion County Parks & Recreation, Marion County Visitors and Convention Bureau and Santos Bike Shop for its bike tech support and of course the volunteers.

With our triathlon season in full swing, our goals and mission remain the same. Whether it's the rolling hills in Napa Valley, or the sunny vistas of Ocala, Florida, we wish to provide you with courses that challenge you, make you sweat, and leave you in awe of your own ability.

We hope you, your family and friends enjoy your Alpha Win experience and we look forward to you joining us again in 2022.

Thank You,
Alpha Win Team



COVID-19 Protocols

ALPHA WIN TRIATHLON – OCALA

APRIL 3, 2021 | COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

- **Go/No-Go Decision Criteria:**
 - Maintain regular Contact with Carney Island Park and Marion County
 - If required, present plan for approval 60 days prior to race date
 - Monitor current reopening phase
 - Determine likelihood of worsening conditions
 - Monitor any evolving requirements of Marion County, Florida, national health authorities and USA Triathlon
 - Make and communicate go/no-go decision to local authorities and registrants at least 30 days prior to race date
- **Cancellation Policy:**
 - If the event is cancelled due to COVID-19, registrants will be given the option of receiving a refund of their registration fee or transferring to another Alpha Win race.
- **Pre-race email communications to registrants:**
 - Start will be staggered wave chip start (versus gun start) with waves to be defined prior to the race based on registration characteristics
 - Any participant who exhibits symptoms may not participate in the live event
 - Contactless temperature checks will be taken prior to entering the event area
 - Any participant who falls under or lives with someone who is high risk is encouraged to not participate
 - Any participant who refuses to wear a face covering or to maintain prescribed physical distancing as described below may not participate or will be disqualified
 - Participants are encouraged to bring their own hydration and nutrition
 - Spectators are encouraged to stay away from the event area (see Spectator section below)
- **Race site and course signage:**
 - Reminders to maintain safe physical distancing and face covering requirements
 - Reminders to use hand sanitizers
- **Public address announcements:**
 - Reminders to maintain safe physical distancing and face covering requirements
 - Reminders to use hand sanitizers
 - Reminders to leave the Finish Line area quickly to make room for other finishers
- **Hand sanitizer stands will be located at:**
 - Start, Finish and each Aid Station
 - Race administration
 - Expo/Vendor area
 - Portable toilets
 - Post-race food and beverage area
- **Pre-race check-in and packet pick-up:**
 - Race staff will coordinate COVID-19 protocols with Carney Island Park staff to ensure that all persons entering the park, including those not associated with the triathlon event, are screened and informed of requirements for face coverings and physical distancing



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- Contactless temperature checks will be taken at the guard house entrance to the park. Anyone with a temperature that is 100.4 degrees or higher will not be allowed to enter.
- Packet pick-up will take place at several separated tables at the event site in order to promote proper safe physical distancing
 - Finisher medals will be included in packets instead of at the Finish Line
 - Gels will be included in packets for athletes for all race distances for use during the race instead of being available at Aid Stations during the race.
 - Assignment of staggered race times will be determined based on registration characteristics, but will likely be by gender and age
- **Expo and Vendors**
 - Vendors will be asked to submit their COVID-19 guidelines for approval and adjustment as necessary
 - Expo will be altered to promote safe physical distancing and minimize person to person contact
 - One-way walking paths will be created
- **Staff and Volunteers:**
 - PPE to include face coverings and plastic gloves
 - Health confirmation on check-in on race day
 - Contactless temperature checks
 - Health surveys to be completed
 - Volunteers and staff will be briefed on the following:
 - These protocols
 - What to do in the event that someone does not comply with these requirements
 - What to do in the event that someone becomes ill
 - Sanitization practices:
 - Surfaces that come into contact or close proximity to people will be sanitized on a regular basis
 - Staff and volunteers will execute a checklist which includes cleaning times/intervals
 - Staff and volunteers will ensure that they are wearing face coverings and fresh plastic gloves during each disinfecting procedure
 - The disinfecting products to be used will be Lysol Spray and Lysol wipes or their equivalent
 - Event organizer will review EMS sanitization procedures to ensure conformance with the above practices
- **Race day practices:**
 - Contactless temperature checks will be taken prior to entering the park – see above. Anyone with a temperature 100.4 degrees or higher will not be allowed to enter
 - Bike racks and storage bins in transition will be spaced for maximum physical distancing possible
 - Face coverings must be worn during check-in, in transition and at all times when not on the swim, bike or run courses. (Face coverings do not need to be worn for the swim, bike and run but must be kept on the athlete's person during the bike and run for any further encounters with another person.)
 - The swim start will be a chip start and will be a staggered individual or small wave start, with waves to be determined based on registration characteristics. Athletes will be required to maintain a distance of 6' from all other individuals at all times except when in the water.
 - Participants must observe proper course etiquette; no crowding.
 - Except for passing, participants should always remain on the far right-hand side of the road/pathway. Participants passing one another on the course must adhere to "no drafting" rules which include being no



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closer than 10 feet behind or in front of, or 6 feet beside other competitors at any time. Participants may pass only when they are able to do so while maintaining 6' of separation from the cyclist or runner being passed and any oncoming cyclists or runners approaching from the opposite direction. Before passing, participants must be sure they can safely remain 10 feet behind and then 10 feet in front of the participant being overtaken before merging back to the right-hand side of the course. There is an exception to this rule as runners approach the Finish line.

- o Participants will be encouraged to carry their own hydration and nutrition.
- o Aid Stations with multiple table stations will be available to ensure safe physical distancing
 - Volunteers will be at the water stops in order to replenish the supply of water bottles on the tabletops and to disinfect the tabletops and portable toilets at regular intervals.
- o Trash and recycling receptacles will be available at every water stop and approximately 100 yards beyond each water stop. No waste is to be disposed of on the course other than in the receptacles.

- **Spectators**
 - o Suggested on-course participant viewing areas with directions will be available online.
 - o Spectators may meet their athlete at the Finish Line and must depart quickly in order to make space for other finishing athletes and their related spectators.
 - o Spectators must observe safe physical distancing and face coverings requirements at all times.

- **Finish Line:**
 - o Announcements will encourage participants to keep moving out of the area of the Finish Line and to maintain 6' physical distancing.
 - o Everyone in the Finish Line area must wear a face covering; finishers must reattach face coverings as soon as possible

- **Awards**
 - o There will be no awards ceremony
 - o The top three male and female finishers in each race distance will receive an award at the race site as they complete the race.
 - o There will be no age-group awards

- **Post-race food and beverages:**
 - o Bottled water will be available at the finish line
 - o Pre-packaged food will be available at the finish line

- **Results**
 - o Results will be posted online.
 - o No print-out will be provided at the race site.

- **Event Medical and Safety Operations**
 - o The event organizer will conduct a meeting prior to check-in with the EMS squad leader to communicate the above protocols and to review sanitization practices.
 - o In addition to standard Emergency Medical Practices, the event organizer will establish an isolation area for anyone who becomes ill during the event.
 - o Temperature checks will be available throughout the event.





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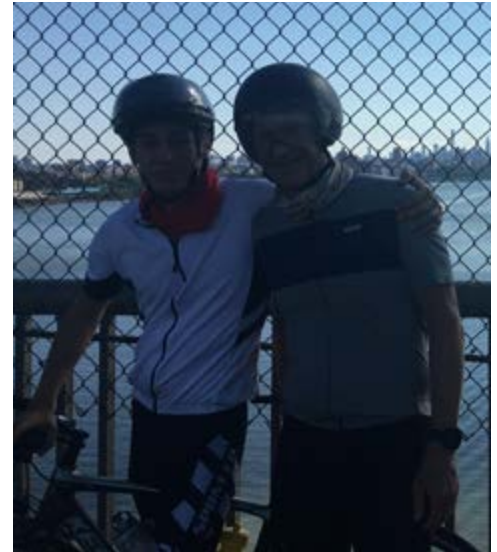
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ALPHA Win Triathlon Series

WHO ARE WE?

Alpha Win, formerly known as HITS Endurance, was created in 2011 to give athletes the chance to race at some of their favorite destinations and experience a level of personalized customer service that Alpha felt was lacking in some areas of the race industry. Alpha offers multiple race distances that appeal to a full range of skill and fitness level, from the first-time racer to the professional triathlete. From a one mile run to an Alpha 140.6, anyone can feel like an AlphaFemale or AlphaMale.



WHERE DID WE COME FROM?

Alpha's predecessor, HITS Endurance, grew as a division of the special events company HITS (Horse Shows In The Sun), founded in 1982, which focuses on producing equestrian show jumping events nationwide. HITS is the world's leader in hunter/jumper horse show competition, both in the number of events offered (over 40 horse shows each year) and in size, with more than 20,000 horses and riders competing annually. The key to HITS success in the equestrian world was the idea of catering to the pyramid bottom-up, offering a level of competition for every rider. In 2011, HITS started the HITS Triathlon Series with the mantra "A distance for everyone,"™ and attracted over 10,000 participants in its first year.

The HITS Triathlon Series offered five different race distances – Full, Half, Olympic, Alpha Win Sprint and Open. More than just offering a complete array of race opportunities, HITS was dedicated to providing the professional quality of a national event producer while delivering the personalized service of small local race organizer. Alpha Win promises to continue and expand this same dedication.

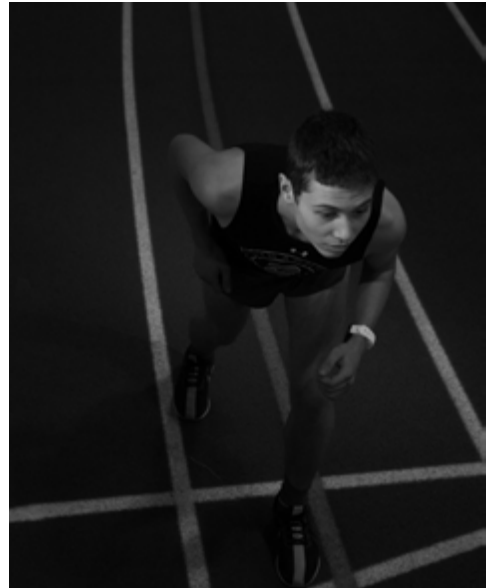
The first event in the HITS Triathlon Series was dubbed Palm Springs, but actually took place in La Quinta, California, in December 2011. Known for its moderate temperatures during winter months and the rugged beauty of the Coachella Valley desert region, HITS Triathlon Series – Palm Springs has proven to be a perennial favorite of triathletes across the country. HITS developed additional races in Naples and Ocala, Florida, Napa Valley, California, and Hudson Valley, New York, each offering its own unique flavor and backdrop.



WHO IS BEHIND ALPHA WIN?

TOMMY STRUZZIERI

Tommy Struzzieri is the son of Tom Struzzieri. Recently taking over the company from his father in 2020, Tommy has made multiple acquisitions, brought back some old favorites, and is in the process of introducing many new races. Tommy believes the endurance industry is primed for a company like Alpha that will help people get back to racing during these challenging times of the COVID pandemic. Tommy hopes that his efforts will help be a driving force to get the endurance world back on its feet. Tommy's interest in endurance sports started at an early age, going to watch his father race and join in on some early morning track workouts. He fell in love with endurance sports and was named an All-American age group triathlete at 12 years old. Through high school, he began to focus on running and despite multiple large-scale injuries, ran Division 1 track and Cross Country at Syracuse University.



Tommy continues to train as he works to grow Alpha Win and drives himself to be successful both personally and professionally. Along with Alpha, Tommy also owns a unique portable housing company called GenZHomes Inc.

TOM STRUZZIERI

Tom Struzzieri is the founder of HITS, Inc., the largest equine show jumping production company in the world, and has been running world-class events since 1977.

Tom's foray into triathlon was inspired by his own personal experience with the sport after receiving training sessions for his 50th birthday. Wanting to set a positive and powerful example to his three children that fitness and good health are essential ingredients for living life to its fullest, Tom embraced the challenges and rewards of his training. As many others before him, he became instantly hooked on the sense of fulfillment, well-being and personal accomplishment that came from his triathlon training. Overcoming personal obstacles with the challenges of the swim, bike and run only made it more of a passion and eventually a business interest. Tom recently completed his seventh full-distance race and his wife Jane is also a triathlete, having competed in several Alpha Win Sprint and half distance races.



WHERE WILL WE GO NEXT?

Alpha Win is confident you will enjoy every aspect of your race experience, from the course to the location, to the staff and the smile that will greet you at the finish line. With over 40 years of experience producing major athletic participation events, the knowledge backing the Alpha team ensures high-quality endurance events with a focus on its participants. Let Alpha Win be your next race.



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Schedule of Events

Friday April 2, 2021 – Race Site at Carney Island Recreation & Conservation Area

- 2 – 6 pm: Packet and Timing Chip Pick-Up for all distances*
- 2 – 6 pm: Alpha Win Fitness Expo
- 3 - 4 pm: Athlete Meeting for all athletes
- 4 - 5 pm: Bike Drop-Off for all athletes

Saturday April 3, 2021 – Race Site at Carney Island Park

- 5 - 7:30 am: Additional Packet and Timing Chip Pick-Up for all athletes
- 5 - 6:30 am: Bike and Gear Drop-Off for Alpha 70.3 distance athletes
- 5 - 7 am: Bike and Gear Drop-Off for Alpha Sprint distance athletes
- 5 - 7:45 am: Bike and Gear Drop-Off for Alpha Olympic distance athletes
- 6 am - 8 pm: Alpha Win Fitness Expo
- 6:40 am: Transition area closed to Alpha 70.3 distance athletes
- 7 am: Alpha 70.3 race start
- 7:40 am: Transition area closed to Alpha Sprint athletes
- 8 am: Alpha Sprint distance starts
- 8:20 am: Transition area closed to Alpha Olympic athletes
- 8:40 am: Alpha Olympic distance starts
- 5 pm: Transition area closed and clear of all bikes

IMPORTANT ADDRESSES

- Race Site - Carney Island Park | 14215 Southeast 115th Avenue | Ocklawaha, Florida 32179
- Official Bike Shop - Santos Trailhead Bike Shop | 8924 S. Hwy 441 | Ocala, Florida 34480

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- Flavors: Chocolate, Cookies & Cream, and Berry



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- 26g of carbs and 210mg of sodium per packet. Vegan and gluten-free.
- Easy to open and helps prevent littering with “Trash Chain”.
- 24 packets per box.
- Flavors: Green Apple (50mg caffeine), Tropical Fruit, Strawberry Banana, Vanilla, Salty Peanut.



POWERGEL™ HYDRO

LIQUID CARBOHYDRATE GEL WITH C2MAX - TRUSTED FUNCTIONALITY

- Formulated with C2MAX, a dual-source energy blend that delivers 50% more energy to working muscles.
- 25-26g of carbs and 200mg of sodium per packet. Vegan, gluten-free and natural flavors.
- Liquid gel.
- Easy to open and helps prevent littering with “Trash Chain”.
- 24 packets per box.
- Flavors: Orange, Mojito (50mg caffeine).



POWERGEL™ SHOTS

POWERGEL SHOTS WITH C2MAX DUAL SOURCE CARB MIX

- Formulated with C2MAX, a dual-source energy blend that delivers 50% more energy to working muscles.
- Easy to consume liquid filled carbohydrate chews.
- 5 SHOTS deliver about the same amount of carbohydrates as 1 PowerGel.
- Natural flavors, gluten-free.
- 9 chews per pouch. 16 pouches per box.
- Flavors: Cola (75mg caffeine), Orange, Raspberry.



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- Carbohydrate electrolyte solution enhances the absorption of water during physical exercise.
- Formulated with C2MAX, a dual-source energy blend that delivers 50% more energy to working muscles.
- Provides the body with 5 ELECTROLYTES (sodium, chloride, potassium, magnesium and calcium).
- Vegan, natural flavors and no preservatives.
- 40 servings per canister.
- Flavors: Raspberry Pomegranate.



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- 57g of carbohydrates, plus 8 vitamins and 3 minerals.
- Natural flavors.
- 13 servings per canister.
- Flavors: Chocolate.

Course Map - Swim



Ocala, Florida Swim Course

750 meters/1,500 meters/1.2 miles



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Lake Weir

SE 132nd Pl.

SE 115th Ave.

Ocala Rd./County Rd. 25

Lake Weir

Start / Finish



Carney Island
Beach

ALPHA SPRINT: Saturday, April 3, 2021

- Swim: 750 meters (one loop)
 - 1) – In water start at Carney Island Beach
 - 2) – Swim one loop in counter-clockwise direction
 - 3) – Exit water to T1

ALPHA OLYMPIC: Saturday, April 3, 2021

- Swim: 1,500 meters (two loops)
 - 1) – In water start at Carney Island Beach
 - 2) – Swim two loops in counter-clockwise direction
 - 3) – Exit water to T1

ALPHA 70.3: Saturday, April 3, 2021

- Swim: 1.2 miles (two loops)
 - 1) – In water start at Carney Island Beach
 - 2) – Swim two loops in counter-clockwise direction
 - 3) – Exit water to T1

Course Key

Alpha Sprint =		Trail =	
Alpha Olympic =		Aid Station =	
Alpha 70.3 =		Medical =	
		Porta-Potty =	
		Mile Marker =	

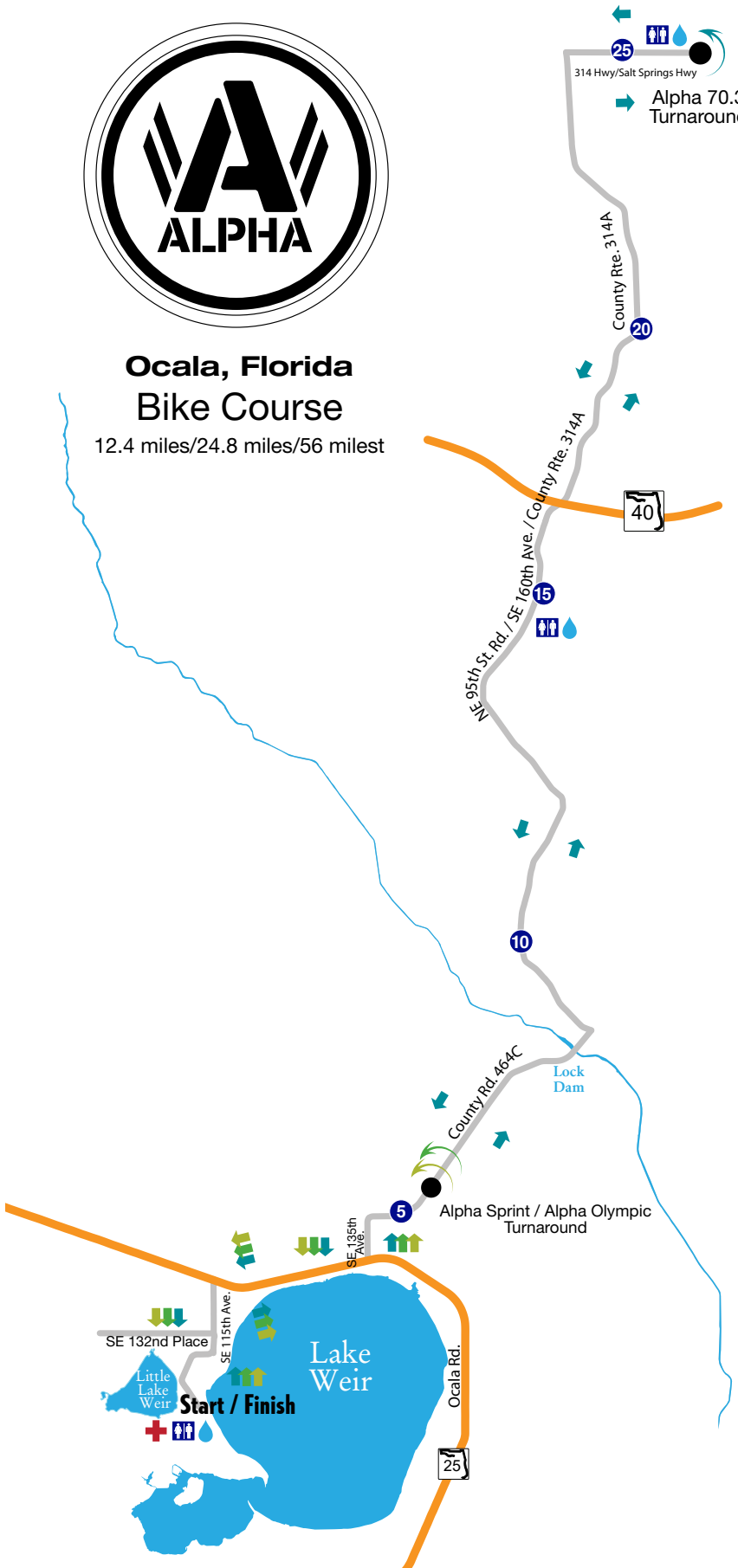


Course Map - **Bike**



Ocala, Florida Bike Course

12.4 miles/24.8 miles/56 milest



Course Key	
Alpha Sprint =	Trail =
Alpha Olympic =	Aid Station =
Alpha 70.3 =	Medical =
	Porta-Potty =
	Mile Marker =

ALPHA SPRINT:

Saturday, April 3, 2021

- Bike: 12.4 miles (out-n-back)
- 1) – Exit T1, R onto SE 115th Ave.
- 2) – R on Ocala Rd./County Rd. 25
- 3) – L on SE 135th Ave.
- 4) – Turn around at 6.2 miles and return on same route to T2

ALPHA OLYMPIC:

Saturday, April 3, 2021

- Bike: 24.8 miles (two out-n-backs)
- 1) – Exit T1, R onto SE 115th Ave.
- 2) – R on Ocala Rd./County Rd. 25
- 3) – L on SE 135th Ave.
- 4) – Turn around at 6.2 miles and return on same route to begin second out-n-back to T2

ALPHA 70.3:

Saturday, April 3, 2021

- Bike: 56 miles (one out-n-back)
- 1) – Exit T1, R onto SE 115th Ave.
- 2) – R on Ocala Rd./County Rd. 25
- 3) – L on SE 135th Ave. (becomes County Rd. 464C)
- 4) – L on NE 95th St. Rd./160th Ave./County Rte. 314A
- 5) – R on 314 Hwy./Salt Springs Hwy.
- 6) – Turn around and return on same route to T2



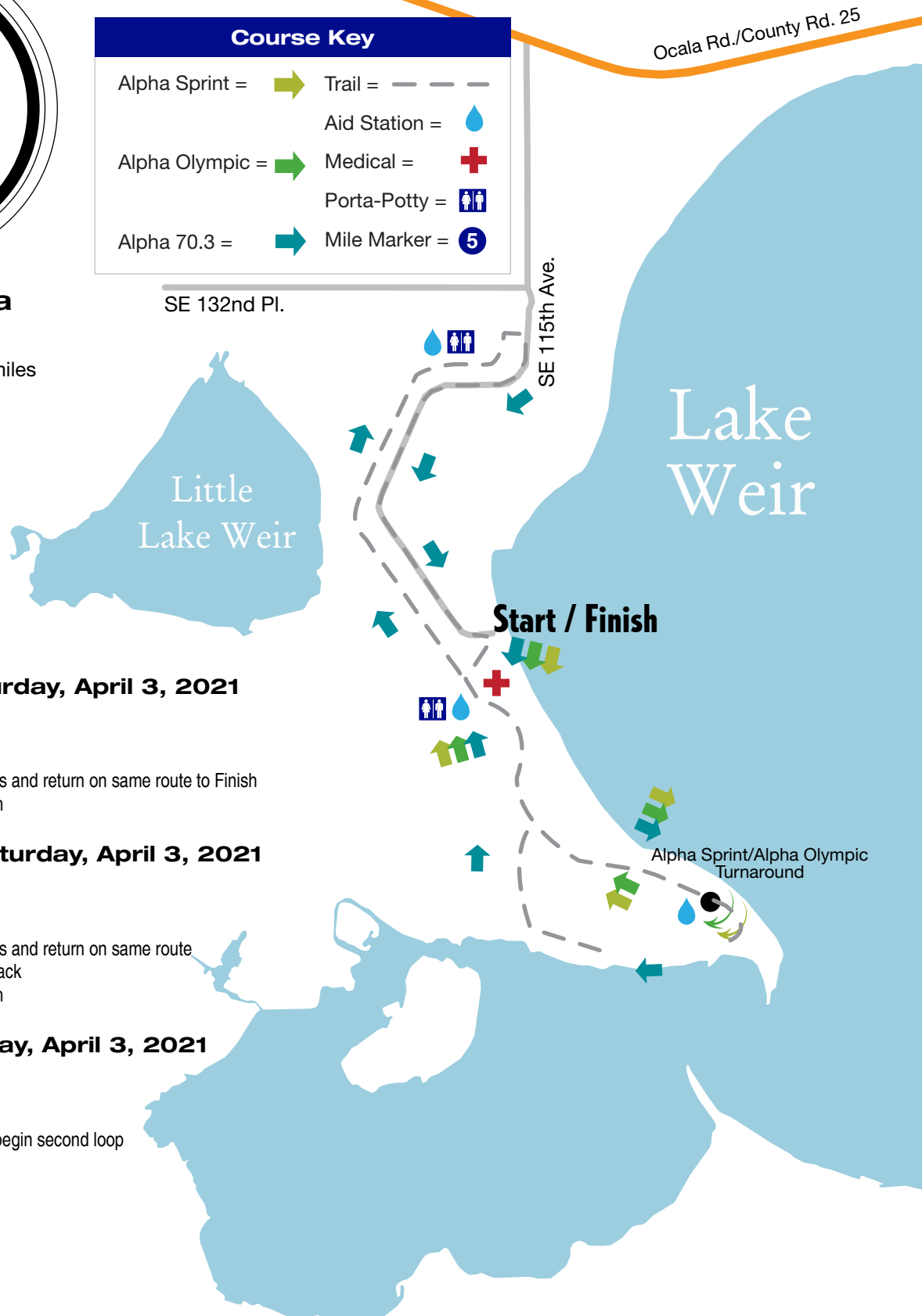
Course Map - Run



Ocala, Florida Run Course

3.1 miles/6.2 miles/13.1 miles

Course Key			
Alpha Sprint =	→	Trail =	- - - -
Alpha Olympic =	→	Aid Station =	💧
Alpha 70.3 =	→	Medical =	+
		Porta-Potty =	🚻
		Mile Marker =	5



ALPHA SPRINT: Saturday, April 3, 2021

- Run: 3.1 miles (out-n-back)
 - 1) – Exit T2, L onto Park Rd.
 - 2) – L on Trail
 - 3) – Turn around at 1.55 miles and return on same route to Finish
 - 4) – R through fence to Finish

ALPHA OLYMPIC: Saturday, April 3, 2021

- Run: 6.2 miles (two out-n-backs)
 - 1) – Exit T2, L onto Park Rd.
 - 2) – L on trail
 - 3) – Turn around at 1.55 miles and return on same route to begin second out-n-back
 - 4) – R through fence to Finish

ALPHA 70.3: Saturday, April 3, 2021

- Run: 13.1 miles (two loops)
 - 1) – Exit T2, L onto Park Rd.
 - 2) – L on trail
 - 3) – R on SE 115th Ave. and begin second loop
 - 4) – L through fence to Finish



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PACKET PICK-UP

Carney Island Park | 14215 Southeast 115th Avenue | Ocklawaha, Florida 32179

- **Saturday, April 3:** 5-6 am (all distances)

Athletes must pick up their **OWN** packet, there will be no exceptions to this policy.

Please Note: **ALL** Relay Team members **MUST** be present and check in together.

ATHLETE CHECK-IN

Please bring the following items with you to athlete check-in:

- Photo Identification ie: drivers license, passport, any government issued identification
- USAT card to show proof of current USAT membership. PLEASE NOTE: If you are not a USAT member or you forget your card, you will be required to sign the USAT waiver and purchase a \$15 USAT one day license.
- Official Military Identification
- If you are a professional athlete, you are required to submit your USAT Pro Card at check-in.

ATHLETE MEETINGS

It is **MANDATORY** that all athletes attend their athlete meeting. Athlete Meetings will take place at the race site as follows:

- **All race distances:** 3-4 pm Friday, April 2, 2021
- **Alpha Win 70.3 distance:** 7 am Saturday, April 3 at race start
- **Alpha Win Sprint distance:** 8 am Saturday, April 3 at race start
- **Alpha Win Olympic distance:** 8:40 am Saturday, April 3 at race start

ATHLETE WRISTBANDS - At athlete check-in you will be presented with a wristband in your race packet. You must wear your wristband for access to all weekend functions at Alpha Ocala. You will not have access to the Transition Area before or after your race without this wristband.

BIKE & GEAR CHECK-IN

Bike and gear check-in for the Half distance athletes is scheduled for Friday, April 2 from 4-5 pm and again Saturday, April 3 from 5-6:30 am. The Transition Area will close at 6:40 am to all Half distance athletes. Security will be provided.

Mandatory bike and gear check-in for Alpha Win Sprint distance athletes is scheduled for Saturday, April 3 from 5-7:30 am. Mandatory bike and gear check-in for Olympic distance athletes is scheduled for Saturday, April 3 from 5-8:15 am. The Transition Area will close at 8:20 am to all Alpha Win Sprint distance athletes and at 8:40 am to all Olympic distance athletes.

TRANSITION BAGS - Athletes in all distances will need to provide their own transition bags and will be allowed to set up their transition area during bike and gear check-in.

BIKE INFORMATION - Bike shipping is available through Santos Bike Shop, the Official Bike Shop of Alpha Ocala, FL. Please visit SantosBikeShop.com for more information.

PARKING - Permit parking is available for all athletes inside Carney Island Park on Saturday, April 3, 2021. The permit is available following the Race Information section of this guide.

All athletes should print the parking permit and display it on the dash of their car for admittance into the park. Without a permit, each car will be charged \$7 to enter the park. In the event of lost or forgotten permits, a replacement can be obtained from the administration tent at the race site. It is recommended that athletes arrive early, but will be allowed to exit throughout the day.

ROADS - No roads will be closed, all roads are open to traffic. You must stay to the right on the shoulder at all times. At every intersection, you must sit up, slow down and look for traffic, and obey the traffic control or as directed by law enforcement

DOG POLICY - Alpha Win Triathlon Series adheres to a strict No Dogs policy.



Race Information

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TIMING CHIPS - Athletes will receive a timing chip at check-in and will be responsible for wearing the chip at all times while racing. Fasten it to your ankle, facing outward, over your wetsuit with the Velcro strap provided before the swim and leave it on until after you finish the run. If you lose your timing chip at any time during the race, please notify a timing official and you can receive a new one at transition. Volunteers will help you remove the chip at the finish line. If you do not start the race, you are responsible for returning the chip to timing. If you drop out or are pulled from the race at any time, turn in your chip to a race official. Failure to do so may disqualify you from participating in future Alpha Win Triathlon Series events. It is essential that we know where you are on the course at all times for your safety and our peace of mind. If you are transported to any medical station, the medical staff will take responsibility for your chip. By picking up your race number and timing chip, you are guaranteeing that you will return the chip to timing, or you will be billed \$25 for its replacement. NO CHIP = NO TIME.

RACE TIMING & CUT-OFFS - Individual cut-offs for each distance and segment of the races are as follows:

Swim Cut-off:	Alpha Sprint	8:30 am	(Maximum time 30 minutes)
	Alpha Olympic	9:40 am	(Maximum time 1 hour)
	Alpha 70.3	8:10 am	(Maximum time 1 hour, 10 minutes)
Bike Cut-off:	Alpha Sprint	10:00 am	(Maximum time 2 hours)
	Alpha Olympic	12:10 pm	(Maximum time 3 hours, 30 minutes)
	Alpha 70.3	12:10 am	(Maximum time 5 hours, 10 minutes)
Run Cut-off:	Alpha Sprint	11:00 am	(Maximum time 3 hours)
	Alpha Olympic	1:40 pm	(Maximum time 5 hours)
	Alpha 70.3	3:30 pm	(Maximum time 8 hours, 30 minutes)

AID STATIONS - There will be aid stations approximately every 10-20 miles on the bike courses for the Half distance. There will be aid stations approximately every 1 - 1.5 miles on the run courses of the Alpha Win Sprint, Olympic and Half distances.

Each bike aid station for the Half will offer: Water, Sunscreen, Vaseline, HEED, Endurolytes, PowerBar Products

Each run aid station for the Half will offer: Water*, Pretzels, Ice*, Glow Sticks, Sponges*, Gummy Bears, Vaseline*, Grapes, Endurolytes*, Defizzed Cola, Sunscreen*, Snickers, Orange Slices, Cookies, Banana Halves

* These items will also be available for Alpha Win Sprint and Olympic Athletes.

BICYCLE & GEAR RECOVERY - Mandatory bike and gear recovery for Alpha Win Sprint and Olympic distance athletes is before 3 pm on race day. Mandatory bike and gear recovery for the Half distance athletes is before midnight on race day. In the event of an emergency, your emergency contact person will be contacted and allowed to claim your bike and gear from transition. Alpha is not responsible for equipment left behind at race site. You must have your athlete wristband on in order to claim your bike and gear.

LOST & FOUND - If you lose any equipment during the race weekend, please see the Alpha staff at the on-site administration tent to claim it. Alpha is not responsible for equipment left behind at race site.

COLD WEATHER POLICY - Some events are held in areas of the country and at times of the year when weather conditions are cold, resulting in low water temperatures and/or low air temperatures. The best way for athletes to be prepared for this is to check the local weather forecast on the day prior to and on the morning of the race and to have the proper attire available to be able to race safely in cold conditions, including jackets, gloves, tights and shoe coverings.

Alpha has also implemented the following policy:

- a. If the water temperature is below 59 degrees Fahrenheit, the race director will consider shortening the swim distance; if the water temperature is below 54 degrees Fahrenheit, the swim will be cancelled.
- b. If the air temperature is below 41 degrees Fahrenheit regardless of water temperature, the swim will be cancelled or the race may be delayed until air temperatures rise above 41 degrees Fahrenheit.





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EVENT SANCTION & RULES - All Alpha Win Triathlon Series events are sanctioned by USA Triathlon (USAT) and will enforce all USAT rules and conduct guidelines. Doping and drafting are strictly prohibited at all distances at every Alpha Win Triathlon Series event. Race Marshals will be present on course penalizing athletes who do not abide by the rules. Please visit USATriathlon.org to view a complete set of the competitive rules.

FINISH LINE POLICY - Per USAT rules, Alpha Win Triathlon Series will not allow friends and/or family members of athletes to cross the finish line or enter the finish chute with participating athletes at any distance in order to ensure the safety of all participants, volunteers and spectators. Time and space will be provided at the finish line for celebration. Athletes who choose not to respect this policy will receive an automatic disqualification.

HEADPHONES / EAR BUD POLICY - Per USAT rules, the use of headphones, ear buds, iPods, MP3 players or any other listening device is strictly prohibited during all Alpha Win Triathlon Series races. Athletes are welcome to use these devices in transition areas only, but will not be allowed to use them on the swim, bike and/or run courses of any distance. Athletes who choose not to respect this policy will receive an automatic disqualification.

WETSUIT POLICY - Wetsuits are not required, but are highly recommended for all Alpha Win Triathlon Series events. The expected water temperature in Ocala is between 60-65° Fahrenheit and proper swimwear is ultimately at the discretion of each individual athlete.

USAT GENERAL RULES OF CONDUCT & PENALTIES

3.1 Preparation and Training. No person shall participate in a triathlon or other multi-sport events unless such person:

- a. is trained adequately for that specific event, as might be expected of a prudent person entering a similar competition, and
- b. is in excellent health, based on recent training, physical examinations, if any, and generally accepted standards of good health.

3.2 Age Group Competition.

- a. All age group athletes must participate and compete in the age group division corresponding to the athlete's age on December 31 of the year of the event.
- b. Clydesdale/Athena Categories. The official minimum weight standard for this category is 220 pounds for men, 165 pounds for women, to be monitored by the local race director. The age breakdown will be 39 years of age and under and 40 years of age and over.

3.3 General Conduct - At or during an event, or while at the event site, all participants must:

- a. Act in compliance with these Competitive Rules;
- b. Conduct themselves in a manner that is not offensive in any way to fellow participants, spectators, officials or volunteers and is considered reasonable and acceptable in the community;
- c. Treat all participants, officials, volunteers and spectators with fairness, respect and courtesy;
- d. Refrain from the use of abusive language or conduct; and
- e. After violating any of the Competitive Rules, report such violation to the Head Referee or retire from the event.

3.4 Race Conduct - All participants in USA Triathlon sanctioned events must adhere to the rules in this Section 3.4:

- a. Entire Course. Participants must maintain physical distancing as described below. It is the participant's responsibility to know the course. Any violation of this section, even if no advantage is gained, shall result in a variable time penalty, unless the Head Referee in his sole discretion determines that (i) the violation was substantial and resulted in an unfair time advantage, or (ii) the violation constituted endangerment under Section 3.4(l). In the event the Head Referee makes such a determination, the penalty shall be disqualification.
- b. Unsportsmanlike Conduct. Participants shall refrain from unsportsmanlike conduct, including the improper use of language or conduct directed toward an official. Violations of this Section shall result in disqualification or a variable time penalty depending on the severity of the violation as determined in the sole discretion of the Head Referee.
- c. Obstruction. Participants shall refrain from intentionally or accidentally blocking, charging, obstructing, or interfering with the forward progress of another participant. Any violation of this Section shall result in a variable time penalty.
- d. Unauthorized Assistance. No participant shall accept from any person (other than a race official) physical assistance in any form, including food, drink, equipment, support, pacing, a replacement bicycle or bicycle parts, unless an express exception has been granted and approved, in writing, by USA Triathlon. The receipt of information regarding the progress, split times, or location of other competitors on the race course shall not be considered the acceptance of unauthorized assistance. Any violation of this Section shall result in a variable time penalty.



- e. Re-entry. Upon leaving the course, a participant shall re-enter the course and continue at the same point of departure. Any violation of this Section shall result in a variable time penalty, unless the Head Referee in his sole discretion determines that (i) the violation was substantial and resulted in an unfair time advantage, or (ii) the violation constituted endangerment under Section 3.4(l), in which case the penalty shall be disqualification.
- f. Race Numbers. Participants shall plainly display their race numbers at all times, and shall maintain the race number in an unaltered, unobstructed and readable state at the start and finish gates, in the transition areas, and on the course. Any violation of this Section shall result in a variable time penalty.
- g. Unfair Advantage. No participant shall use his/her body, head, arms, or legs to gain an unfair advantage, or to push, pull, hold, strike, or force through one or more participants. Any violation of this Section shall result in a variable time penalty.
- h. Abandoned Equipment. No participant shall leave any equipment or personal gear on the race course. Any violation of this Section shall result in a variable time penalty.
- i. Unauthorized Accessories. No participant shall, at any time during the event, use or wear a hard cast, headset, radio, personal audio device, or any other item deemed dangerous by the Head Referee. Any violation of this Section shall result in a variable time penalty.
- j. Glass Containers. No participant shall utilize any glass bottles or glass containers at any time during the event. Any violation of this Section shall result in a variable time penalty, unless the Head Referee determines that such conduct constituted endangerment under section 3.4(l), in which case the penalty shall be disqualification.
- k. Unauthorized Equipment. No participant shall use any equipment which the Head Referee determines to be improper, including but not limited to equipment which might provide an unfair advantage or endanger other participants. Unless otherwise provided for in these Rules, any violation of this Section shall result in a variable time penalty.
- l. Endangerment. No participant shall commit any dangerous act which could cause injury to any participant. Any violation of this Section shall result in disqualification.
- m. Wave Starts. When the beginning of any event is commenced by starting designated “waves” or groups of participants at different times, all participants shall start in and with the proper wave or group. Any participant who violates this section by starting in an improper and earlier wave or group shall be disqualified. Any participant who starts in an elite wave in an event with age group waves shall be ineligible for age group awards and USAT national rankings.
- n. Indecent Exposure. Public nudity at any time during the event is prohibited. Any violation of this Section shall result in a variable time penalty.

3.5 Unregistered Participants.

- a. Any person who participates in any portion of a sanctioned event without first properly registering and paying any required registration fee shall be suspended or barred from membership in USA Triathlon and barred from participation in any sanctioned event for a period of up to one year.
- b. Any person who in any way assists another athlete to violate Section 3.5a by providing or selling a race number to that athlete shall be suspended or barred from membership in USA Triathlon and barred from participation in any sanctioned event for a period of up to one year.

Any second violation of this Section shall result in a lifetime suspension or ban from membership in USA Triathlon.

3.6 Penalties and Prohibited Conduct - Penalties, including disqualification and suspension, may be imposed upon race participants and/or members of USA Triathlon who violate any of these competitive rules or who solicit, encourage, or assist a violation of these rules. Except as otherwise provided in these rules, the specific penalty to be imposed in any given case shall depend on the nature and severity of the violation as determined by the Head Referee or USA Triathlon. The following penalties may be imposed for a violation of these rules:

- a. Assessment of a time penalty
- b. Disqualification
- c. Written reprimand or censure
- d. Monetary fines
- e. Suspension from membership in USA Triathlon (including retroactive suspension), and
- f. Permanent expulsion from USA Triathlon

3.7 Time Penalties.

- a. In General. A time penalty may be imposed for a violation of any Section of these Rules in which a time penalty is expressly authorized. In the event that a participant is assessed a time penalty, the applicable time period shall be added to that participant's aggregate finishing time in calculating official race results. Except as otherwise provided in Section 3.7B of these rules, time penalties shall be cumulative and a participant may be assessed more than one time penalty for violations of the same rule.



- b.** Variable Time Penalties. A “variable time penalty” as used in these Rules shall mean a time penalty that varies in accordance with the distance category of the event, as defined by the length of the cycling course. The variable time penalty for each of the distance categories shall be the following:

Distance Category	First Offense	Second Offense	Third Offense
Youth Events	1 minute	2 minutes	Disqualification
Short/Intermediate – Cycle Course less than 50k	2 minutes	4 minutes	Disqualification
Long – Cycle Course 50-100k	4 minutes	8 minutes	Disqualification
Ultra – Cycle course greater than 100k	6 minutes	12 minutes	Disqualification

3.7A. Time Penalties for Elites. A “variable time penalty” as used in these Rules shall mean a time penalty that varies in accordance with the distance category of the event. The variable time penalty for each of the distance categories shall be the following:

Distance Category	Time Penalty
Short/Intermediate Cycle course less than 50k	1 minute
Long Cycle course 50-100k	2 minutes
Ultra Cycle course greater than 100k	4 minutes

- a.** First Violation – Time Penalty. A variable time penalty shall be imposed for the first violation of these Rules in which a time penalty is expressly authorized.
- b.** Second Violation. For a second violation of these Rules the athlete shall be disqualified from the event and shall be required to immediately withdraw from the race and vacate the course. Any athlete who fails to withdraw from a race and continues on the course after being disqualified shall be suspended from membership in USA Triathlon and barred from participation in any USA Triathlon sanctioned event for a period of one year.

3.7B Assessment of Time Penalties/Conduct of Athletes. All variable time penalties imposed under Section 3.7A shall be assessed in accordance with this Section. Except as otherwise provided herein, any violation of or failure to comply with this Section 3.7B shall result in disqualification.

- a.** First Violation – Stop and Go System. Unless a Penalty Area System is being used pursuant to subsection (b), an athlete charged with a first violation of these Rules in which a time penalty is expressly authorized shall safely pull over to the side of the bicycle course and shall come to a complete stop, placing both feet on the ground. An athlete charged with a violation while in transition or on the run course shall come to a complete stop. The race official shall properly mark the athlete’s race numbers and the athlete shall remain stopped under the direction of the race official for a period of time equal to the applicable variable time penalty. When the official indicates that the time penalty has expired, the athlete may continue with the race.
- b.** First Violation – Penalty Area System. Notwithstanding subsection (a), if a Penalty Area is being used in the event, an athlete charged with a first violation of these Rules in which a time penalty is expressly authorized shall (1) safely decrease speed while maintaining a straight line of movement, (2) come to a complete stop, and (3) place both feet flat on the ground while completely stopped. The race official shall properly mark the athlete’s race numbers and allow the athlete to continue with the race. After completing the bicycle course and properly securing the bicycle, the penalized athlete shall immediately report to the designated penalty box or penalty area, which shall be located within or adjacent to the transition area (the “Penalty Area”). The penalized athlete shall remain in the Penalty Area for a cumulative amount of time equal to the variable time penalty assessed against the athlete. After such time has expired as determined by race officials, the athlete may exit the Penalty Area and continue with the race. Any time served in the Penalty Area shall become incorporated into the athlete’s official time for the event. An athlete charged with a violation while in transition or on the run course shall be directed by the official to serve the penalty either in place or at the Penalty Area.
- c.** Penalty marking. For any first violation, the race official shall apply a visible diagonal mark across the face of each race number worn by the penalized athlete. For any second violation, or for any violation which results in disqualification, the race official will apply a second visible diagonal mark across all the athlete’s race numbers resulting in an X shaped mark.
- d.** Penalty Area Conduct. While in the Penalty Area, no athlete shall dress, undress, change uniforms, or adjust any race equipment. Running shoes may be worn into, but shall not be carried into the Penalty Area. While in the Penalty Area, no athlete shall accept any form of aid or assistance, including food, drink, or equipment, from any other person, including race officials. Any violation of this Section shall result in disqualification.

3.8 Acts Warranting Suspension - In addition to other penalties which may be imposed at the discretion of USA Triathlon, the following acts may be grounds for suspension for a period of time designated by USA Triathlon:

- a.** A flagrant or willful violation of the Competitive Rules;
- b.** Gross or continued unsportsmanlike conduct;



- c. Physical violence directed toward a race official, participant, volunteer, spectator, or other person;
- d. Any fraudulent act, such as falsifying name or age, filing a false affidavit or protest, or providing false information to USA Triathlon, the Board of Hearings and Appeals, or race officials;
- e. Intentionally participating in an event despite failure to register;
- f. Repetitive or recurring violations of the Competitive Rules;
- g. Failure to notify a race official after withdrawing from a race;
- h. Violation of the Medical Control Rules as set forth in Article VIII;
- i. Refusal to abide by the final determination by USA Triathlon of any matter relating to these Rules or the sport of triathlon; and
- j. Any act which disgraces or brings discredit to the sport of triathlon.

3.9 Effect of Suspension. Any person suspended from membership in USA Triathlon shall be ineligible to participate in any USA Triathlon sanctioned event and shall be disqualified from any USA Triathlon sanctioned event during the suspension period and until such time as that person has applied for and received written notice of reinstatement from USA Triathlon.

3.10 Reinstatement. Any person who has been suspended must apply in writing to USA Triathlon for reinstatement after or immediately preceding expiration of the suspension period.

3.11 Notice of Disciplinary Actions. Any person reprimanded, censured, suspended, or expelled from USA Triathlon shall be entitled to receive reasonable notice of such disciplinary action.

3.12 Acts of Agents. The conduct of any agent acting with apparent authority on behalf of a participant shall constitute grounds for penalizing such participant if such agent's conduct violates any of these Rules.

CLYDESDALE / ATHENA ATHLETES - Alpha Win Sprint, Olympic, & Half distances within the Alpha Win Triathlon Series are open to Athletes wishing to compete in the Clydesdale/Athena Category. There will be four categories with the same start and cutoff times:

- Clydesdale (Men 220lbs+): 39 and under, 40 and above
- Athena (Women 165lbs+): 39 and under, 40 and above

MILITARY ATHLETES - All active and retired military personnel receive 15% off registration for all Alpha Win Triathlon Series events. There will be two categories (male and female) with the same start and cutoff times.

PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED ATHLETES - All distances within the Alpha Win Triathlon Series are open to Physically Challenged Athletes. We have male/female special awards - different race category as well.

DIVISIONS - Divisions for the Alpha Win Triathlon Series will be based on five year age groups for both male and female athletes starting at age 17 and under and continuing until 85+. In addition to the five year age group scoring for the Alpha Championship, each of the events within the Alpha Win Triathlon Series will follow USAT age group breakouts for sanctioned rankings.

USAT ATHLETE EXCESS MEDICAL POLICY - The athlete excess medical coverage protects each participant for the day of the event at USAT sanctioned races, camps and clinics. When athletes purchase a USAT annual license or one day permit, a portion of those fees cover the cost to provide them with excess medical insurance. This coverage only extends to their participation in an USAT sanctioned event and is only available after the injured party has filed with any primary insurance policies. A deductible does apply for this excess coverage.

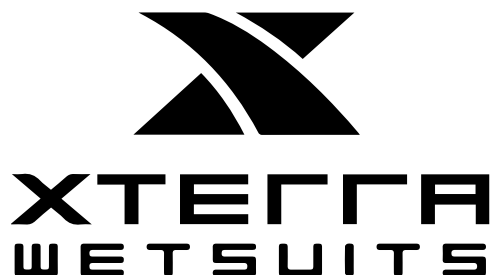
If an athlete is injured while participating in a USAT sanctioned event the following steps must be followed:

- Athletes must file with their primary healthcare provider (i.e. United Healthcare, Blue Cross, Blue Shield, Aetna, traveler's insurance, etc.).
- Athlete completes a medical claim form.
- For serious incidents or for athletes requesting coverage, either the race director or USAT can provide them with a medical claim form. The medical claim form along with all explanation of benefit documents should be sent directly from the athlete to the insurance company as indicated on the claim form. Please email Sanction@USATriathlon.org for a copy of the form.
- Athletes will pay a deductible. All claimants will pay anywhere from \$250 USD (two-hundred and fifty U.S. dollars) to \$1,000 USD (one thousand U.S. dollars) out-of-pocket and possibly more for uncovered expenses.

Be advised that coverage may not apply to each and every claim. Additionally, coverage only extends to participants that have purchased a USA Triathlon annual license or one-day permit and were injured through participation in a USA Triathlon sanctioned event. Please email questions to Sanction@USATriathlon.org.



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