

#### **WPP Road Series Rules 2022**

# **Windhoek Pedal Power Cycling Club**

## **Team competition specific rules:**

- Entry fees are as follows:
- N\$2500 to register a team (kept the same as 2020 & 2021). The team registration fee must be paid before the team participates in their first WPP Road Series race. If a team does not comply with this, they will not be allowed to start as a team (a team consists of a minimum of 3 starting riders) for the Nedbank WPP Team Series 2022.
- Please note, new teams joining the series may register throughout the year.
- An additional N\$500 per rider in the team. This is the individuals yearly-membership fee which allows them to participate in all the WPP Road Series races. Team riders can be paid up WPP members or pay a day license fee to ride.
- ONLY riders who have paid the yearly-membership fee of N\$500 will be considered full club members and are entitled to vote at the AGM. Any rider who only pays day-membership of N\$180 is NOT considered a full member and will not have any voting rights at the AGM.

OR

- An additional N\$180 per rider, per WPP series race. This is the individual's day-membership fee which allows them to only participate in the one event that they are paying day-membership fees for.
- Both men's and women's teams need a minimum of 3 riders to register as a team as well as to compete in a WPP Road Series race as a team.
- Additional riders can be added to a registered team throughout the year unless the riders have ridden for a different team during the year. Riders are only part of a team once they have officially ridden for that team.

- A maximum of 9 riders can be registered under a men's team and 8 riders under a women's team.
- The captain of each team must send an email to windhoekpedalpower@hotmail.com stating the name of the team, who the captain of the team is, along with the captain's cellphone number and proof of payment for the team registration (N\$2500).
- Captains must also send an email to this email address when they add a new rider to the team, informing the WPP about this rider. Riders cannot ride for a team if the WPP has not been notified by email.
- Each men's team is allowed a maximum of 9 riders entered for the series, with a maximum of 6 allowed to start per race. If additional team registered riders wish to start the race, they will race in the individual category. When racing in the individual category, points can be accumulated in that category.
- Each women's team is allowed a maximum of 8 riders entered for the series, with a maximum of 5 allowed to start per race. If additional team registered riders wish to start the race, they will race in the individual category. When racing in the individual category, points can be accumulated in that category.
- Mixed teams are not allowed.
- The minimum age of a rider to be able to participate in the team series is a cyclist born in 2005 and earlier. The rider must be 17 years old by 31 December 2022.
- The teams must be clearly distinguishable by the clothing they wear (jersey most important).
- Riders are not allowed to be substituted or swopped between teams.
- Individuals competing in a men's or women's team will be eligible for a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> General Classification prize at the end of the year.
- Both, men's, and women's teams will start as separate bunches.
- Team classification is calculated by adding the times of the three best riders of each team per stage.

- Each race will have a maximum of three hotspots along the racecourse where 10, 6 and 4 bonus seconds will be earned for positions 1,2 and 3, respectively.
- The finish line will also count as a hotspot with doubling up on seconds
  20, 12 and 8 for the same positions.
- These bonus seconds will then be deducted from the team's overall time.
- The team's overall time will then be allocated to a point system starting from 20,19,18,17,16......... down for position 1,2,3,4,5....... respectivelyfor the men and 10,9,8,7,6,5 for the women.
- Additional points will be added to the general classification riders for their team. 1<sup>st</sup> place – 3 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> place – 2 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> place- 1 point.
- This point system will allow for each team to drop one race, including the team time trial, if the full series is completed. If 2 or more races are cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances all the races will count towards the final team points classification.
- In the event of a tied position for both team and individual categories, the prize money will be combined and divided equally.
- Riders are allowed to race UCI legal Time Trial bikes in the Team Time
  Trial event only.
- If a team does not have 3 riders finishing the race (i.e. if only 2 riders of ateam that started with a minimum of 3 finish the race), the 3rd wheel of the last team to finish on the day will be allocated to the non-finisher(s) of the first mentioned team, which will then be added to the actual finishers' times of said team to provide their 'combined 3 first riders' result.
- If a rider belonging to a team is disqualified, it will also result in a 30sec time penalty for their team.
- For the Team Time Trial event, a NON-Registered "Team" may enter for the event as an "OUT OF COMPETITION" Fun Team. This team will be allocated an out of competition time but will not form part of the team series. Cost per Fun Team entering will be N\$300 and N\$160 per day rider entering/forming part of this team.

### Individual competition specific rules:

Entry fees are as follows:

- Year-membership fee for new riders, 17 years or older, for 2022 will be N\$500 This is the individuals yearly-membership fee which allows them to participate in all the WPP Road Series races.
- Junior year-membership fee for new riders, 16 years or younger, for 2022 will be N\$300 This is the individual's year-membership fee which allows them to participate in all the WPP Road Series races.
- Family Membership fee for 2022 will be N\$1000, for up to 4 members, and the applicable adult/junior fees for any additional members. This is the individual's year-membership fee for which allows them to participate in all the WPP Road Series races.
- N\$180 per rider, per race, if they do not have the year-membership. This is the individual's day-membership fee which allows them to only participate in the one race that they are paying day-membership fees for.
- Open Men, Open Women, Sports Cat Men, Sports Cat Women as well as Master Men, Grand Master Men, Master Woman and Grand Master Woman will compete in their own race category if they are not participating as part of a team
- The above categories will have different start bunches, once the number of riders in each category has been finalized.
- Normal age categories will still apply for all the young riders.
- Points will be allocated to individuals according to their finishing position.  $1^{ST}$  -250,  $2^{ND}$ -225,  $3^{RD}$ -200,  $4^{TH}$ -175,  $5^{TH}$  150,  $6^{TH}$  140,  $7^{TH}$  -130,  $8^{TH}$ -120,  $9^{TH}$  110,  $10^{TH}$  100, All other finishers will get 70 points.
- In the event of a tied position for both team and individual categories, the prize money will be combined and divided equally.
- All Races for Individuals will count towards overall points classification.
  (No race will be "dropped")

#### **General rules for all participating cyclists:**

- Juniors riding in the elite category do not need to race with gear restrictions, although it is advisable. Juniors riding in junior categories must race with the applicable gear restrictions.
- An admin fee of N\$100 per rider will be charged for late entry for any WPP Road Series race. This is amount is due with your late entry application.
- Riders may not draft a rider or group that starts in a different start group from their own. (If one start group catches another group, the caught group will have to sit up and wait until a 20m gap is formed before they continue racing).
- The WPP executive committee has the right to cancel a rider's club membership if they continually fail to comply with the rules.
- No temporary tags will be accepted. All cyclists must purchase a permanent race tag from Johan at Raceday – 081 260 1999
- No Tag = No Result. It is also the rider's responsibility to ensure that they enter their timing tag number when registering for an event.
- Committee members do not pay club membership fees for the duration of service on the committee, nor do they pay entry fees for the events that they organize.
- New proposed rules or changes to the current rules can only be suggested by a paid up WPP club member and must be submitted in writing to the WPP executive committee at least 7 days prior to the AGM.
- No team or individual may start a race with outstanding fees.
- All complaints are to be emailed to the committee. windhoekpedalpower@hotmail.com
- The information shared to cyclists under "general information" on the race information sheet forms part of the WPP rules for that event. E.g., support cars, feeding zones etc.
- Earphones are not permitted during a race. Failure to adhere

to this will result in a rider's disqualification.

- Teams/individuals have until the Monday after a race, 18:00, to lodge a complaint/protest in writing. This needs to be emailed to windhoekpedalpower@hotmail.com
- Riders have 48 hours to query results from the time at which results are released. Result queries need to be emailed to windhoekpedalpower@hotmail.com. WhatsApp messages or phone calls will not be considered an official query.
- It is the responsibility of each rider to familiarize themselves with the club and race rules. It is also the responsibility of each rider to ensure that they have received the necessary information for races. Please check our Facebook page regularly for updates and information. WPP documents can also be found on raceday events
- WPP reserves the right to make changes to the rules.
- All NCF rules apply including, but not limited to, gear restrictions for junior riders, littering, foul language, not respecting other riders, reckless and dangerous riding.