



## THE CASTLES QUEST 2020 REGULATION

### 1 - PRESENTATION

**Article 1.1** - The Castles Quest is an active exploratory event of endurance and individual resistance covering approximately 600 km – a non-competitive bicycle challenge in the spirit of “Bikepacking”, whose goal is to complete within the time limit the whole course defined by the organization, completing throughout the track the conquest of the 12 Historical Villages, namely: Almeida and Castelo Mendo (Municipality of Almeida), Belmonte (Municipality of Belmonte), Linhares da Beira (Municipality of Celorico da Beira), Piódão (Municipality of Arganil), Idanha-a-Velha and Monsanto (Municipality of Idanha-a-Nova), Sortelha (Municipality of Sabugal), Marialva (Municipality of Mêda), Castelo Novo (Municipality of Fundão), Castelo Rodrigo (Municipality of Figueira de Castelo Rodrigo) and Trancoso (Municipality of Trancoso).

Participation in this event is done in total autonomy; the participants are fully responsible for all the management and all the transport of equipment and necessary products for their participation.

The term “race”, when used in this regulation, does not fall within the reality of a competition, it is only associated to the challenge and overcoming of each participant to complete this challenge.

**Article 1.2** - The 4<sup>th</sup> edition of The Castles Quest takes place from 26<sup>th</sup> September to 4<sup>th</sup> October. The course is based on the Grand Route of the Historical Villages (GR22), diverting its track exceptionally at some points. The Historical Village of Castelo Novo is the departure and arrival point of the course, which is approximately 560 km long, tracks that are mostly dirt tracks, but it has some sections with large dirt paths and tarred roads. All pathways are open to traffic, without exception, meaning participants will have to comply strictly with the traffic rules in force in Portugal.

**Article 1.3** - The Castles Quest is an Organization of the Historical Villages of Portugal - Touristic Development Association (HVP-TDA), holder of Tax No. NIF 507 709 705, with offices at Rua Pedro Álvares Cabral, No. 52, 6250-086, Belmonte, in partnership with *Clube Desportivo e Recreativo Chronos* [Chronos Sports and Recreational Club], holder of Tax No. 514 798 998, with headquarters at Av. Eng.º Duarte Pacheco, No. 19, 6º D, 1070-100 Lisbon, entities that as a whole are hereinafter referred to as Organization.

### 2- PARTICIPATION

#### Minimum Age



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**Article 2.1** – Participation in The Castles Quest is open to all cyclists, cycle athletes and cycle tourists, whether federated or not, born before 26<sup>th</sup> September 2002.

### Physical Fitness

**Article 2.2** - Enrolment in The Castles Quest implies the perfect understanding by the participant that their participation in this challenge demands a high physical and psychological preparation, compatible with the fitness to cover a 560 km course safely and with full self-sufficiency, on a track that is highly demanding technically and has an altimetry above 11,000 m, in harsh scenarios and rough climate conditions.

It is mandatory (upon enrolment or afterwards up to the deadline of 12<sup>th</sup> September 2020) for every participant to send to the organization a medical certificate stating their physical fitness to participate in the Event.

### The Bicycle

**Article 2.3** - Only two-wheeled vehicles (bicycle) are allowed for the Event.

**Article 2.4** – Though it is not mandatory but given the characteristics of the track, the most recommended type of bicycle is the Off-road Sport Bicycle (BMX). Participation in an electric BMX is allowed. Participants who choose to participate with an e-bike will be part of the FINISHER list in a separate category (E-Bike).

**Article 2.5** - Each participant must ensure that their bicycle and all the equipment is in good condition and ready for the harshness of the course. This point is all the more important since participation is carried out in full self-sufficiency.

**Article 2.6** - The Organization may refuse participation in the Event of a participant who has a bicycle that is not adequate for the type of course, that is not adequately prepared or that has safety issues for the participant themselves or for the others.

### Mandatory Equipment

**Article 2.7** – During the entire course the participant must carry with them the following equipment:

- Bicycle helmet, duly homologated – mandatory use whenever the cyclist is on the bicycle.
- Bicycle repair toolkit (set of hexagonal keys, dismantling gear, patches and chain untangler).
- Spare tyre tube.
- Bicycle pump.
- First aid kit.



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- GPS device, capable of following and recording course files.
- Windbreaker jacket/raincoat.
- Thermal blanket.
- Whistle.
- Vessel to store and restock liquids (drum/camelback) with a minimum 1L capacity.
- Head and taillight – duly charged.
- Front tag (bicycle plate) with participant's number – Included in the participant's kit.
- Tracker (geolocation device) with respective charger – Included in the participant's kit.
- Survival Map – Included in the participant's kit.
- Mobile phone (switched on) and respective charger.

**Article 2.8** - The possession and use of mandatory equipment is validated by the organization upon accreditation at the event (secretariat – collecting of participant's kit). It can be validated at other times and places of the event (starting point, check points and other occasions).

**Article 2.9** – Non-compliance of Article 2.7, due to the lack of one or more items of equipment on the list, may imply penalties being applied, which may range from time added in the participant's total time to the participant's exclusion.

**Article 2.10** - The front tag of the bicycle is the property of the Organization; the participant is given permission to use it during the race days in case they comply with all the rules and conduct defined by the regulation or by decision taken by the organization at any given moment. At the end of the event, the front tag of the bicycle is offered to the participant by the organization.

**Article 2.11** - The front tag of the bicycle and other identification elements are personal and non-transferable equipment and their use by another person is forbidden.

**Article 2.12** – All participants must place the front tag of the bicycle in the correct position, at the front, in the area of the handlebars so that its whole surface is clearly visible. All participants who do not comply with this rule will be excluded from the Event, hence not being in line with their Organization. It is strictly forbidden to change the dimensions and graphic content of the front tag of the bicycle, as well as adding any type of message or image, be it of commercial nature or not.

**Article 2.13** – Bearing in mind the type of course of The Castles Quest, the equipment used to transport the baggage on the bicycle (usually used in the “bikepacking dynamics”) must be sturdy and positioned in such a way as to allow the participant to easily pass through the more technical sections of the course.



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### 3 - SAFETY

#### Personal Accident Insurance

**Article 3.1** – The participant is covered by a personal accident insurance, included in the enrolment fee and whose coverages comply with the law in force in Portugal for these types of events:

- Death and Total and Permanent disability in the event of accident - €28,043.00
- Medical and repatriation costs in the event of accident - €5,000.00
- Funeral costs (expenses) - €2,700.00

All participants who so wish may complement this personal accident insurance with other insurances with other coverages (e.g. repatriation costs).

#### Responsibility

**Article 3.2** – The Organization is not responsible for any accident that the participant may cause or suffer, which must be covered by the insurance made available for the Event, nor for any expenses incurred by any participant during the Event.

**Article 3.3** - The participants are responsible for their enrolment and participation in the Event, and aware of all the risks associated to a bicycle event carried out on paths open to traffic and in a regime of full autonomy. Validation of enrolment implies the mandatory reading and subscription of a consent form in which the participant acknowledges they are aware of the associated risks, exonerating the organization of any responsibility for any personal or material damage, associated to an accident or any other cause.

### 4 – DYNAMICS OF THE EVENT

#### Paths open to Traffic

**Article 4.1** - The Castles Quest takes place on paths open to traffic whereby the participants have to not only strictly obey the Portuguese traffic rules, but also to adopt particularly careful behaviour and riding, with particular attention to respecting circulation in the traffic lane and changing lanes and approaching crossroads.

#### The Course



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**Article 4.2** – The goal of each participant is to complete The Castles Quest course within the time limit, by passing, in full compliance, through the whole track defined by the organization. Throughout the course there will be 3 mandatory check points where each participant will have to obtain their proof of passage. Reaching this goal successfully, respecting the race regulation at all times, is sufficient condition for the participant to obtain their title of FINISHER of the CASTLES QUEST 2020.

**Article 4.3** – Although The Castles Quest course coincides in almost all its extent with the Grand Route of the Historical Villages (GR22) and it being a signalled route, the possible absence of signs in some places or the divergence of the course in relation to the GR22 track in some sectors of the track make the use of a GPS device mandatory, this being the guidance method in The Castles Quest and what therefore guarantees that each participant follows the course defined in full.

**Article 4.4** – Included in their enrolment, each participant will receive via email from the organization, a GPX file (GPS track with the GPX extension) which will include, besides the course track, a series of marked points (Waypoints), whose location is of the participant's interest within the dynamics of the race. Therefore, the GPS device used by each participant will serve not only for their orientation throughout the course but also to identify in the field the special interest points for the event.

**Article 4.5** – Each participant will be responsible for the introduction and management of the data supplied by the organization on their GPS device. Each participant is equally responsible for choosing the GPS model that is more adequate for their participation and must ensure that its energy source (batteries or rechargeable battery) guarantees the device's autonomy during the periods foreseen for its use.

**Article 4.6** – In case the GPS breaks down or is lost, the participant may complete the rest of the course by accompanying another participant, should this situation be of common agreement to both participants.

### Self-sufficiency

**Article 4.7** – The course of The Castles Quest covers an extension of 560 km; no division into stages being neither defined nor suggested by the. The management of their participation, namely choosing the places and periods of rest, as well as the places and means to replenish (solids and liquids) or to carry out any type of maintenance on the bicycle and equipment is each participant's full responsibility.

**Article 4.8** – Besides the GPX file to be introduced in their GPS device, each participant will also receive a "Survival Map". This map will have the necessary information so that each participant can manage their participation in The



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Castles Quest in the best way. Besides these two means (map and GPX file), the participant will also receive in advance a “Race Folder” (digital format) outlining the most important information on the event.

**Article 4.9** - Enrolment in The Castles Quest implies full knowledge of the concept of self-sufficiency associated to the event. The organization, even though it permanently monitors the event and with its own team, particularly the progress and location of all participants, it will not at any moment give any support in the field; each participant is fully responsible for their prior knowledge of the existing resources throughout the course and for managing them in response to their needs. This situation is valid in the normal situations of the resources associated to replenishments, maintenance and accommodation, as well as in emergency situations and in case of withdrawal.

**Article 4.10** – The only moments the participants will have contact with the organization in the field are: at Departure, at the Check Points and at Arrival. At the Check Points, besides putting the proof of passage on their survival map, the organization will endeavour to monitor the physical and mental state of the participant, as well as the state of their bicycle and their equipment, with special attention to checking that they have the mandatory equipment.

**Article 4.11** – No external aid programmed or contracted by the participant or third parties is allowed to be put into practice throughout the course. However, each participant may obtain support from all the resources that exist in the territory, which are publicly accessible (commercial or not) and whose action is localized and momentary. Mutual aid among participants is allowed.

## Geolocation

**Article 4.12** – All participants shall carry a geolocation device (Tracker) with them, supplied by the Organization (see Article 4.15), whose use is mandatory throughout the whole event. Together with the device, each participant will be given a charger in order to recharge the Tracker’s battery. Managing the battery and the functioning of this device throughout the whole event is the exclusive responsibility of the participant, since it is their obligation to ensure that the tracker has enough battery and is always on while they are on the course. Loss of signal for a period over one hour may lead the organization to trigger means of rescue: the expenses associated with such proceedings are the participant’s responsibility as laid out in Article 4.15 of the present regulation.

**Article 4.13** – The use of the geolocation device (Tracker) is indispensable for the organization to be able to permanently monitor the movement and location of the participants throughout the course, to assess if each participant fully complies with their track.



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**Article 4.14** - The use of the geolocation device (Tracker) also allows the position and movement of the participant along the event to be permanently monitored on the official site of The Castles Quest, making it possible for any person in any part of the world to follow them.

**Article 4.15** – The geolocation device (Tracker) will be handed out to every participant, during day zero of the Event (“day 0”), upon collecting their kit at the secretariat of the event. When this equipment is handed out, it is compulsory for the participant to leave a security deposit to the amount of €100.00, which will be refunded in full to the participant when they hand in the equipment in good condition after the event has finished.

#### Time Limits and Withdrawals

**Article 4.16** – The time limit to complete the course is 7 days and 6 hours (a total of 174 hours), in which the arrival closes at 14h00 on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2020 (Sunday).

**Article 4.17** – There are also time limits to pass the check points. These times will be announced by the organization closer to the event date. Nevertheless, the calculations to establish these time limits will be done based on the average calculated to complete the whole course within the time limit, also taking into consideration the profile of the course.

**Article 4.18** – The participants who do not meet the passage and arrival time limits will be excluded from the race; they will appear on the final list as DNF (Did Not Finish). After their exclusion is confirmed, these participants will have to abide by the rules laid out in case of withdrawal from the race.

**Article 4.19** – In case of withdrawal, the participant is obliged to communicate this to the organization. If the participant does not communicate their withdrawal to the organization, it may trigger a search and rescue procedure, the expenses associated with such proceedings are the participant’s full responsibility.

**Article 4.20** – In case of withdrawal, the participant is obliged to return to the organization all the geolocation equipment (tracker + charger) in good condition, at “base camp”, by the point of arrival (Castelo Novo) before 14h00 on 4<sup>th</sup> October. Failure to return this equipment by that date implies forfeiting the security deposit mentioned in Article 4.15.

**Article 4.21** – In case of withdrawal, the participant is obliged to retrieve the material that they may have left for safekeeping at “Base Camp”, at the point of arrival (Castelo Novo) before 15h00 on 4<sup>th</sup> October. Collecting the materials and equipment belonging to the participants left at “Base Camp” after 15h00 on 4<sup>th</sup> October will have to be done at a different location, implying possible extra expenses to be supported by the participant.



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## Finishers

**Article 4.22** – All participants who cover the whole course defined by the organization will be awarded the title of FINISHER provided they do so within the time limit and in full compliance with the regulation of the event.

## Dames and Knights

**Article 4.23** - All participants will be awarded the title of DAME or KNIGHT who by the end of the event conquer the 12 Arms in reference to the 12 Historical Villages of Portugal. Conquering these Arms is achieved by the proof of passage in 12 points defined along the course. Each participant is given a personal area in the official site of the event. The participant's Arms will be put in that area as they conquer them.

## 5 – ENROLMENTS

**Article 5.1.** – It is mandatory to enrol in the Event. Enrolments are made on the Event website at <https://www.thecastlesquest.bike/>, on a form made available for that purpose. Enrolment is only considered valid after it is paid, within the established deadline and through the means of payment disclosed on the official site of the Event. Enrolments are open up to 24h00 on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2020. Payments made after the established deadline will be returned within a period of 90 days, via bank transfer, after receiving a Credit Note issued by the organizing company and duly signed by the athlete.

**Article 5.2** - The participant accepts that the data they filled in for their enrolment are correct and true, and that the email address provided is the preferred means of communication and to be given all the important information pertaining to the Event, and acknowledges they are informed through this means.

On confirmation of the enrolment, the medical certificate stating the participant's physical fitness will be verified.

**Article 5.3** – All contacts with the Organization prior to the Event must be made by the participants via email to [gr22@aldeiashistoricasdeportugal.com](mailto:gr22@aldeiashistoricasdeportugal.com).

**Article 5.4** – Invoices concerning enrolment in the Event will be issued according to the information collected from the enrolment form. After the invoices are issued, no changes will be made, including the tax number indicated on the form.

**Article 5.5** – With enrolment, each participant accepts they have read and accepted the terms of the present regulation, and declares they are aware of and accept the risks inherent to the participation in a race that is open

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to traffic. In this declaration, the participant excludes the possibility of making the Organization accountable for any accident resulting from their participation in the Event. Nevertheless, all participants will be covered by the personal accident insurance of the Event.

**Article 5.6** – Enrolments in the Event are limited and have a differentiated cost, according to the following periods:

<u>1<sup>st</sup> PERIOD</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> PERIOD</u>
(01.03.2020 – 14.07.2020)	(15.07.2020 – 12.09.2020)
<b>€120.00</b>	<b>€150.00</b>

**What the participation in the event includes:**

- Participation in The Castles Quest 2020, with the context of the organization.
- Personal accident insurance (consult coverages in article 3.1 of the present regulation).
- Track GPS in GPX format, with the complete course and waypoints with the main localities related with the event.
- Front tag identifying the participant to be placed on the handlebars.
- Official Event Guide. The Official Guide is provided in digital format, in two languages (Portuguese and English) and sent by email to each participant 90 days prior to the event date.
- Survival Map of The Castles Quest 2020. This support is bilingual (Portuguese and English) and is given to each participant at the event secretariat during day “0”.
- The Castles Quest 2020 Knight T-shirt (reserved for the participants who conquer this title – consult article 4.19 of the present regulation).
- Social function on day zero of the event, integrated in the enrolment fee.
- Official Jersey of The Castles Quest 2020. Participants with an enrolment validated up to 14.07.2020 will receive the official jersey in their participant’s kit at the event secretariat during day “0”, a garment included in the enrolment fee. Participants with enrolment validated after that date will receive the official jersey at the address indicated in their enrolment form, in a 45-day period after the event date.
- Use of a geolocation device and remote location tracking made available to track the participant along the course, under the enrolment fees (real time tracking on a dedicated page of The Castles Quest 2020 official site).
- Participant’s personal profile on The Castles Quest 2020 official site.
- Inclusion in the Finishers list on The Castles Quest 2020 official site.
- Official diploma of participation in The Castles Quest 2020.
- Media coverage of their participation in The Castles Quest 2020 (photograph and video).



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- Briefing on day “0”, after closing of the secretariat.
- Pasta Party, on day “0”, after the briefing.
- Sleeping on “hard floor” on the night from 25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September (night prior to the departure day). Implies resorting to their own sleeping bag.
- An enclosed space to keep a travel bag and a bicycle bag during the participation in the event. This space is provided at “Base Camp”, next to the departure and arrival point, in the Castelo Novo Village; it is available from 14h00 on 25<sup>th</sup> September (day prior to the departure) to 15h00 on 4<sup>th</sup> October.
- Shower provided at “Base Camp”, next to the departure and arrival point, in the Castelo Novo Village; it is available from 14h00 on 25<sup>th</sup> September (day prior to the departure) to 15h00 on 4<sup>th</sup> October.

#### What is not included for the participant:

- All items not on the above list.
- The security deposit to be given upon collecting the geolocation equipment (tracker and charger). Consult article 4.14 of the regulation.
- Besides this information, the organization recommends the present regulation be read carefully, particularly the information related to the concept of self-sufficiency, for a proper understanding of the type of event and the services included or not, when taking the decision to enrol in The Castles Quest 2020.

#### Extra Services

With their enrolment, each participant may also subscribe extra services, which are duly disclosed on the official site of the event.

#### Withdrawals

**Article 5.7** - In case of withdrawal, part of the amount of the participant’s enrolment may be refunded, under the terms laid out hereunder:

- Up to 24h00 on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2020 – amount refunded: 50% of the amount paid for the combined enrolment and extra services.

- After 24h00 on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2020, no refund applicable.

**Article 5.8** - An enrolment already paid for by a withdrawing participant may be transmitted to another substitute participant as long as that change is communicated to the Organization via email up to 14<sup>th</sup> August 2020. After that date, no substitution is possible and there is no refund of any amount, as laid out in the previous article. Transfer between participants is subject to approval of the new participant by the Organization.



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## 6 – COLLECTING THE PARTICIPANT’S KIT

**Article 6.1** – Collecting the documentation, including the front tag of the bicycle, will be carried out at the secretariat of the Event, which will be functioning on 25<sup>th</sup> September at the Castelo Novo Village, with opening hours and place to be announced to the participants.

**Article 6.2** – To collect the documentation at the secretariat, it is compulsory to produce an identification document with a photograph (Identity Card or Citizen’s Card, passport, driver’s licence or other). Upon accreditation, it is equally compulsory to produce the equipment defined in Article 2.7 of the present regulation. Collecting the documentation must be done in person by the participant.

## 7 – RULES OF CONDUCT

### Eco-responsibility

**Article 7.1** – Participants are obliged to have a responsible conduct regarding cleanliness and conservation of the environment in all areas used by the Event, from the Stages course up to the departure and arrival area. It is strictly forbidden to throw litter on the ground during all moments of their participation in The Castles Quest. It is up to the participants to keep with them all the waste of food and drink packaging used for their replenishment during the course, subsequently placing them in the refuse collection points available in the villages and other points of passage. Disregard for this rule implies the immediate exclusion of the participant from the Event.

### Respect and Civility

**Article 7.2** – Participants are obliged to have a conduct of respect towards the other participants, the elements of the organization and all the local inhabitants and any other person with whom they share the paths and places of passage during the event. No behaviour will be tolerated that resorts to fraudulent or illegal methods to reach the underlying goals of the event, that put sportsmanship in question or the respect for the rules laid out in this regulation and the basic civic principles. Violation of this article implies the immediate exclusion of the participant from the Event.

## 8 – IMAGE RIGHTS

**Article 8.1** – Enrolment in the Event and consequently accepting the present regulation necessarily implies authorization by the participant for the Organization to make a full or partial recording of their participation, and it



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can use these images freely to disclose and promote the Event on all media (television, radio, press, internet, posters, boards and flyers, photos and videos). Upon enrolment, each Participant expressly relinquishes and consents all image rights for the purpose of exhibition and promotion of the Event (and also expressly waives any economic compensation or any right, namely indemnity).

## 9 – DATA PROTECTION

**Article 9.1** – The organization of The Castles Quest fully respects the data protection law currently in force. The participants accept knowing and authorize the introduction and processing of their personal data in the files of the organization of the Event, for their use for development and administrative management. Athletes must indicate the name they wish to enter on the bib, lists of enrollees, personal profile and on the list of finishers, which will be published on the event site. However, the privacy policy allows any participant to request the alteration or removal of their data, upon request made via e-mail to [gr22@aldeiashistoricasdeportugal.com](mailto:gr22@aldeiashistoricasdeportugal.com).

Upon confirming their enrolment, the participant grants permission to be contacted by Historical Villages of Portugal - Touristic Development Association (HVP-TDA) and by the Chronos Sports and Recreational Club via telephone, SMS and email for the following purposes:

- Information on payment data.
- Information on participant data.
- Information on their tracking and time record
- Information on the event.

Additionally, if the participant grants authorization upon Enrolment, they authorize the Organization to process the personal data received or generated as a consequence of enrolment in the Event, for the purpose of promotion actions subsequent to The Castles Quest and for the applicable period in legislation. Such contact can be made via any means (letter, telephone, email, SMS, MMS, instant message applications, etc.). The participant may, at any moment, revoke the present authorization.

The participant may, at any moment, carry out the rights of access, rectification, cancellation/deletion, payment, opposition, limitation and transferability, acknowledged in the rules in force, in terms of personal data protection, by contacting the Organization by registered mail with return receipt to the address: Rua Pedro Álvares Cabral, No. 52, 6250-086, Belmonte or via email: [gr22@aldeiashistoricasdeportugal.com](mailto:gr22@aldeiashistoricasdeportugal.com).

Notwithstanding the participant being able to exercise the rights previously mentioned, the Organization will preserve the personal data of said participant supplied by them and generated as a consequence of the



participation in the event, while it lasts, as well as during the limitation period of any legal action that any of the parties may submit.

After the referred limit, the Organization may keep the processed personal data with the aim of disseminating the initiatives promoted by the Historical Villages of Portugal Network.

For a better understanding of the protection measures of the data implemented by the Organization, participants should consult the terms of the Privacy Policy published on the official site of the event at [www.thecastlesquest.bike](http://www.thecastlesquest.bike).

## 10 – POSTPONEMENT OR CANCELLATION OF THE EVENT

**Article 10.1** – Force majeure reasons are understood to be the circumstances that make it impossible to hold the Event on the dates, places, courses and times planned, beyond the control of the Organization, that it could not know or predict and whose effects it would not be reasonably required to surpass or avoid, may force the Organization to suspend, postpone or cancel the initiative, as well as make changes on the places, times or the course. In any of these situations, there is no place for non-compliance, no accountability can be demanded of the organization and it has no obligation to compensate economically or otherwise any athlete or any other person or entity due to this fact.

For the purposes herein laid out, force majeure reasons may comprise for instance earthquakes, flooding, fires, epidemics or pandemics, public health or environmental reasons, sabotages, strikes, embargos or international blockades, acts of war or terrorism, mutinies and injunctive governmental or administrative decisions, landslides or destruction of courses, be it a natural or human cause, or others that are encompassed in the aforesaid in this article.

## 11 - COMPLAINTS

**Article 11.1** – Any complaint must be submitted in writing to the organization, during or at the end of the event, up to the deadline of 30 minutes before the arrival is closed.

**Article 11.2** – The Organization will set up a jury comprising three elements, which will decide on all matters related to the application of the present Regulation.

## 12 – RIGHT TO REFUSE

**Article 12.1** – The Organization reserves the right to refuse the enrolment of a participant up to the starting date of the Event; it is not obliged to state the reason for such refusal. In the case of participation being refused, the



participant will be informed via email and the amount already paid will be refunded in full via bank transfer within 10 working days.

### 13 – ACCEPTANCE OF THE REGULATION

**Article 13.1** - By enrolling, all participants accept the present regulation and in case of queries or the emergence of any situation not contemplated by it, they must immediately inform the organization and present the respective queries in writing.

**Article 13.2** – In case of doubts in the interpretation of the regulation, the Portuguese version prevails over the versions in other languages.

**Article 13.3** – This regulation may be altered. Any alteration, addenda or introduction of potential annexes to the present Regulation will be published on the official site of the event, which will be tacitly accepted if in the maximum period of eight days as from the date of publication, they do not oppose any of the rules introduced. Such opposition must be submitted in writing to the organization via email: [gr22@aldeiashistoricasdeportugal.com](mailto:gr22@aldeiashistoricasdeportugal.com).

**Article 13.4** – The present regulation is in force as from 00h00 on 18/04/2020, thereby revoking all previous provisions or determinations.