

3 RIDES GRAN FONDO SÜDLICHE WEINSTRASSE REGULATIONS

The 3 RIDES regulations form the basis for the races, rides (non-timed rides), and other 3 RIDES events. The regulations are based on the rules of the German Cycling Federation (BDR) and the International Cycling Union (UCI), and in particular the regulations for the UCI Gran Fondo World Series.

3 RIDES Gran Fondo Südliche Weinstrasse

The 3 RIDES Gran Fondo Südliche Weinstrasse event on Saturday, April 25, 2026, is a road race for hobby athletes, amateurs, elite riders, and professionals. The 3 RIDES Gran Fondo Südliche Weinstrasse is part of the UCI Gran Fondo World Series and is a qualifying race for the 2026 Gran Fondo World Championships. All races start and finish in Schweigen-Rechtenbach.

Participation requirements

Persons who have reached the age of 18 are eligible to participate in 3 RIDES, as are younger persons, provided that there are corresponding offers in the announcement and the consent of the legal guardian(s) has been obtained. Participation in the 3 RIDES Gran Fondo Südliche Weinstrasse is at your own risk, responsibility, and insurance. By registering, participants confirm that they are healthy and physically capable of completing the chosen route safely. By registering, they are aware of the requirements of a race, ride, or other 3 RIDES event. Helmets are mandatory at 3 RIDES without exception. Participation is only permitted with a technically sound bicycle.

Anti-doping

Persons who have committed or been involved in a doping violation in the past, whether as an active athlete or in another capacity, are not eligible to compete. This also applies if proceedings are still pending.

Registration and participation

Participation is only possible after prior registration. This can be done online or on site. The starting documents will only be issued on site and only upon presentation of official photo ID or a license. Starting documents may only be collected by third parties with a copy of the relevant ID and a written power of attorney. Participants are required to check the accuracy of their data when picking up their participant documents and to report any errors. Along with their starting documents, participants will receive a bib number and a timing transponder. The bib number must be worn on the back in an unaltered form and clearly visible during the race. The timing transponder must be installed on the bicycle in accordance with the specifications and must also remain mounted throughout the race. Participation without a race number and/or transponder will result in disqualification.

Route

The routes of the 3 RIDES Gran Fondo Südliche Weinstrasse are signposted and secured. The route is 100 kilometers long and consists of one lap. A cut-off time can be defined for reaching individual checkpoints or the finish line.

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Rankings & age groups

For the 3RIDES Gran Fondo Südliche Weinstrasse, there is an overall ranking for men and women as well as an age group ranking. Participants who identify as diverse or non-binary will be ranked with the men.

Age groups UCI Gran Fondo World Series

Men & Women

Age group rankings

Qualification for the Gran Fondo World Championships

The 3RIDES Gran Fondo Südliche Weinstrasse is part of the UCI Gran Fondo World Series qualifying races for the Gran Fondo World Championships. The top 25 percent of finishers in each age group qualify for the Gravel World Championships.

Starting grid, start procedure, and timekeeping

The starting grid is organized by age group, with the start taking place in blocks. Timekeeping is done with "Guntime" from the starting signal for the respective starting block. Timekeeping is done via a transponder. The organizer reserves the right to remove individual sections from the timekeeping (neutralization). Any such action will be communicated in advance.

Keep right

On the 3RIDES Gran Fondo Südliche Weinstrasse course, the rule of keeping right applies at all times.

Start time (subject to change)

Saturday, April 25, 2026, 1:00 p.m.*

*All participants will start in starting blocks according to the principle of a mass start.

Bicycles and equipment

Participation in the 3RIDES Gran Fondo Südliche Weinstrasse is only permitted with a road bike or a bicycle that is roadworthy and safe for traffic. Participants are responsible for the road safety of their bikes. This applies in particular to the functioning of brakes and other safety-relevant components. The organizer reserves the right to carry out checks at any time, including at the finish line. Participants whose bicycles are obviously not roadworthy may be removed from the race and also disqualified retrospectively. There are no restrictions on gear ratios. E-bikes of any kind, mountain bikes, time trial and triathlon bikes, time trial and triathlon handlebars of any kind, and disc wheels are expressly prohibited. Glass water bottles or bottles made of other breakable or hard materials, panniers, and other loads are also prohibited.

Instructions from staff

Participants must follow the instructions of the organizer, the staff appointed by the organizer and identified as such, and the authorities. In the event of violations and actions that disrupt the proper course of the event or could endanger the safety of other participants, visitors, or third parties, the organizer is entitled to exclude participants from further participation in the event, impose a time penalty, or disqualify them.

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Disqualification and penalties

In the event of unsportsmanlike behavior or behavior that endangers other participants, the participant may be given a time penalty, disqualified, and excluded from further participation in 3RIDES. The organizers reserve the right to remove participants from the rankings who do not reach a checkpoint by the corresponding cut-off time or who are clearly unable to reach it within the time frame. Participants are aware that they will be disqualified if they leave the official route, take shortcuts, or use vehicles or technical aids during the competition. Support vehicles are not permitted on the 3RIDES Gran Fondo Südliche Weinstrasse route. Accompanying participants by car or other vehicles will result in the participant's disqualification. Disposing of waste of any kind on or off the route, with the exception of the designated points in the refreshment station area, is prohibited and will result in disqualification.

This is a translation of the corresponding German-language document. In case of doubt or dispute, the original version of the document shall prevail.

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