

51th TIRRENO - ADRIATICO 9-15 March 2016

REGULATIONS

Article 1 - Organization

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The race is due to depart from Lido di Camaiore on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 and to end on March 17, 2015, in San Benedetto del Tronto. The stages will be as follows:

stage	MARCH 2016		Start – Finish	km
	8	Tuesday	Preliminary operations	
1 ^a	9	Wednesday	LIDO DI CAMAIORE (team time trial)	22.7
2 ^a	10	Thursday	CAMAIORE – POMARANCE	207
3 ^a	11	Friday	CASTELNUOVO VAL DI CECINA – MONTALTO DI CASTRO	176
4 ^a	12	Saturday	MONTALTO DI CASTRO - FOLIGNO	222
5 ^a	13	Sunday	FOLIGNO – MONTE SAN VICINO (MATELICA)	176
6 ^a	14	Monday	CASTELRAIMONDO – CEPAGATTI	210
7 ^a	15	Tuesday	SAN BENEDETTO DEL TRONTO (individual time trial)	10.1
			Total km	1023.8
			Average km	146.2

Article 2 - Type of race

The race, registered on the UCI – WORLD TOUR international calendar, is reserved to riders belonging to the Men Elite category, and points will be awarded for the UCI WORLD TOUR RANKING in compliance with article 2.10.008.

GENERAL CLASSIFICATION

The first 60 riders on the final General Classification will be awarded, respectively, 500, 400, 325, 275, 225, 175, 150, 125, 100, 85, 70, 60, 50, 40, 35 points, from the 16^{th} to the 20^{th} 30 points, from the 21^{th} to the 30^{th} 20 points, from the 31^{th} to the 50^{th} 10 points, from the 51^{th} to the 55^{th} 5 points, from the 56^{th} to the 60^{th} 3 points.

STAGE CLASSIFICATION

The top 3 finishers of each stage will be awarded 60, 25 and 10 points, respectively. At the leader of each stage will be awarded 10 points.

Article 3 – Participation

In compliance with the provisions of Article 2.1.005 of the UCI Regulations, the race is reserved to UCI World Teams and, by invitation, to UCI Professional Continental Teams. According to Article 2.2.003 of the UCI Regulations, the number of riders per team has been set in 8 (eight).

In any case, the Organizer, to the purpose of safeguarding the image and reputation of its own race, reserves the right to refuse, up to the starting time, any rider or Team who – by their acts or declarations – would prove to have failed to keep the principles of sport fair play and the commitments undertaken and set forth in paragraph 1.1.023 of the UCI Regulations.

Moreover, should any rider or Team fail to comply with the principles set out in the foregoing paragraph during the race, the Organization shall also reserve the right to exclude them form the race at any time.



Article 4 - Race Headquarters

The official accreditations and preliminary operations shall take place in Lido di Camaiore, in via Dante, on the premises of UNA Hotel on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, from 10.00 am to 6.00 pm.

Confirmation of starters and the collection of race numbers by the Sports Directors are scheduled on Tuesday, March 8, from 3.00 to 4.45 pm, at the Race Headquarters.

The technical meeting between the Organization Management, the Commissaires Panel, the Sports Directors and the UCI Technical Delegate, organized according to the provisions of Article 1.2.087 of the UCI Regulations, shall take place at the Race Headquarters on the same day at 5.00pm.

The briefing with Photographers, TV Cameramen and the Police Department will follow at 5.30 pm, in compliance with Article 2.2.034 bis of the UCI Regulations.

Article 5 – Radio Information

Race news is broadcasted on the 149.850 MHz frequency.

Article 6 - Neutral support service

Neutral support services are provided by VITTORIA with three servicing cars.

Article 7 - Medical Care

Medical care shall be administered by an adequate number of Doctors and Paramedics designated by the Race Management, during the race and as well as before the race and after the last rider has crossed the finish line in each stage. If need be, Doctors are the sole persons responsible transporting riders to the hospitals listed for each stage in the Technical Guide.

In case of any major treatment or treatment on hill-climbs, the Race Doctors shall stop to administer the treatment.

Moreover, a medical team together with an ambulance equipped with a mobile X-ray unit will be available at the team bus parking lot at the end of each stage.

Article 8 – Preliminary operations at the start

A start meeting point, in the place mentioned in the Technical Manual, is established for each stage.

In mass-start stages, riders are required to turn up at the Podium for signature check (as per Article 2.3.009). Riders shall gather in that same area for the group transfer toward the actual start place.

For the first massed-start stage, a schedule will be planned for signature check.

Article 9 - Refreshments

Refreshments shall be supplied according to Articles 2.3.025 / 026 / 027 of the UCI Regulations.

The fixed Feed Zones in each stage are indicated with the relevant symbols in the respective stage profile and time schedules, and shall be signposted along the race route.

No refreshments are allowed in time trial stages.

Moreover, the organization will set up so-called "Green Areas", managed by dedicated personnel, and located before and after the Feed Zones, and stretching over 200 meters with 20 Km remaining to the finish (except in time trial stages).

Article 10 - Level crossings

Level crossings are marked in the time schedules and signposted along the race route by relevant road signs indicating "1 km PL".

In case of closed level crossings, Articles 2.3.034 and 2.3.035 of the UCI Regulations shall apply.

Article 11 - Incidents in the last 3 kilometers

The provisions set out in Article 2.6.027 of the UCI Regulations – "Incidents in the last three kilometers of a road race stage" – do not apply to the following stage, featuring a summit finish:

Stage 5: Foligno – Monte San Vicino (Matelica).

Article 12 - Timekeeping - Classifications

The EBD Timekeeping Service, with the assistance of the finish judge, will be in charge of recording the official time.

Riders will be provided with a transponder for automatic time reading, to be mounted on a mandatory basis on the frame of the bicycle.



Article 13 - Finishing time limit

In order to determine the finish time limit allowed, the stages have been divided into four categories according to the different nature of the route, i.e.:

- a category: stages presenting no particular difficulty
- b category: stages presenting average difficulty
- c category: stages presenting remarkable difficulty
- d category: individual and team time trial stages

Consequently, the time limit has been set out as follows:

- for the a) category, the winner's time plus:
 7% if the average speed is less than or equal to 42 Km/h
 8% if the average speed is between 42 and 45 Km/h
 10% if the average speed is over 45 Km/h
- for the b) category, the winner's time plus:
 9% if the average speed is less than or equal to 37 Km/h
 10% of the average speed is between 37 and 42 Km/h
 11% if the average speed is over 42 Km/h
- for the c) category, the winner's time plus:
 10% if the average speed is less than or equal to 34 km/h
 11% if the average speed is between 34 and 37 km/h
 12% if the average speed is over 37 km/h
- for the d) category, the winner's time plus 25%.

According to Article 2.6.032 of the UCI Regulations, under special weather conditions, or other exceptional circumstances, confirmed accidents or incidents, the Commissaires Panel, after consultation with the Organization Director, may readmit in the race any Rider finishing in a time exceeding the time limit, by increasing the latter by a maximum of 25% of the time set forth in this Article.

The time limit, established based on the winner's time expressed in minute seconds, shall be further rounded off to the subsequent minute.

For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this Article, the stages of the 50th Tirreno – Adriatico have been classified as follows:

- a category: Stages 3, 6
- b category: Stages 2, 4
- c category: Stage 5
- d category: Stages 1, 7

Article 14 – Time trial stages

A) General provisions

Riders can use bicycles falling within the scope of parameters and measurements set forth by the U.C.I. Regulations, and that shall be verified according to the provisions set forth by the Commissaires Panel.

At the start, riders shall be supported by judges in charge appointed by the Commissaires Panel.

Each rider will be followed by a car – two cars in the team time trial stage – carrying technical staff and spare parts, and an extra Commissaire, if need be. The vehicle shall follow the rider at not less than 10 meters and shall in no way draw up level with the rider.

Whenever a rider is reached by another competitor, the same shall move to the right side of the road and remain there until the other Rider is at least 25 meters ahead of him.

B) Team time trial stage Lido di Camaiore



The starting order of the team time trial stage shall be determined by a drawing due to take place on Tuesday, March 8, during the technical meeting.

Should the field of competitors include the winner of the last edition, then his team will start at the last place. Starts will occur in identical five-minute intervals.

Team timing will be calculated on the fifth rider arrived; the other riders of the team will be granted the recorded time upon their passing the finishing line.

In the event of an accident during the last kilometer, the provisions of article 2.6.028 of the U.C.I. Regulations shall apply.

C) Individual time trial stage San Benedetto del Tronto

The starting order of the individual time trial stage shall be determined by the rider's position on the general classification at the end of the previous stage, so that the last-placed in the ranking will start first, the second last-placed as second and so on until the first best-placed who will be the last rider to start.

In the event two or more riders of the same team would fall into a consecutive starting order, then the Commissaires Panel could be in a position to change the order, thus inserting riders of other teams that immediately precede or follow them in the general classification.

Riders shall set off at identical intervals between 1' to 3'.

The Race Director, by common consent with the President of the Commissaires Panel and having informed the LCP-UCI technical delegates, is authorized to increase the starting interval for the last 15 starting riders.

Article 15 - General individual classification by time

The leader of the general individual ranking will wear the blue jersey.

In compliance with the provisions set forth by Articles 2.6.014 and 2.6.015 of the UCI Regulations, the general individual ranking is established by adding together the times achieved by each competitor in each stage. Time allowances and penalties are considered for this classification.

Article 16 - General individual classification by points

The individual point ranking is obtained by adding together the points gained in each of the six stages (excluding the team trial stage) and the sum of the points assigned at all Intermediate Sprints

Hereunder are the established Intermediate Sprints:

Stage No.	Date	Stage	IS	km
2	10 March, Thursday	CAMAIORE - POMARANCE	Monterotondo Marittimo Castelnuovo Val di Cecina	147.2 161.0
3	11 March, Friday	CASTELNUOVO VAL DI CECINA – MONTALTO DI CASTRO	Massa Marittima Grosseto	34.2 84.6
4	12 March, Saturday	MONTALTO DI CASTRO – FOLIGNO	Giove Terni	77.3 114.4
5	13 March, Sunday	FOLIGNO – MONTE SAN VICINO (Matelica)	Visso Muccia	64.4 116.7
6	14 March, Monday	CASTELRAIMONDO – CEPAGATTI	Roseto degli Abruzzi Cepagatti (first passage)	137.7 187.2

At each Intermediate Sprint, points shall be awarded as follows:

 1^{st} best-placed 5 points 2^{nd} " 3 points 3^{rd} " 2 points 4^{th} " 1 point

At each finish of the six stages (except the team time trial), points shall be awarded as follows:

1st best-placed 12 points



 2nd "
 10 points

 3rd "
 8 points

 4th "
 7 points

 5th "
 6 points

 6th "
 5 points

 7th "
 4 points

 8th "
 3 points

 9th "
 2 points

 10th "
 1 point

The sum of all points shall determine an individual ranking, and the daily leader will wear the red jersey. According to Article 2.6.017 of the UCI Regulations, in the event of a tie in the General Points Classification, the following criteria shall apply:

- number of stage victories
- number of Intermediate Sprint victories
- general individual classification

Riders will have to complete the entire race, to be able to benefit of the prizes of the final General Classification.

Article 17 - Gran Premio della Montagna (KOM)

A "Gran Premio della Montagna" classification (general individual Mountains Classification or KOM) has been established for the twelve uphill climbs (ten single-category and two Superior-category).

Stage No.	Date	Stage	KOM	Alt. (m)	km
2	10 March, Thursday	CAMAIORE - POMARANCE	Pian di Forno Pomarance	626 384	149.6 204.1
3	11 March, Friday	CASTELNUOVO VAL DI CECINA – MONTALTO DI CASTRO	Scansano	541	111.8
4 ^a	Sabato 12 marzo	MONTALTO DI CASTRO - FOLIGNO	Valico della Somma Montefalco Trevi Montefalco	646 452 442 452	130.7 164.3 192.2 207.1
5	13 March, Sunday	FOLIGNO – MONTE SAN VICINO (Matelica)	Valico del Soglio Frontignano (S) Le Arette (S) Montelago Monte San Vicino (S)	833 1210 1113 1017 1208	28.6 76.9 91.2 130.2 176.0
6	14 March, Monday	CASTELRAIMONDO – CEPAGATTI	Pollenza	330	27.5

At each KOM climb, the following points shall be attributed:

1st best-placed
 2nd " 3 points
 3rd " 2 points
 4th " 1 point

At each "Superior" (S) KOM climb, the following points shall be attributed:

1st best-placed
 2nd " 10 points
 3rd " 7 points
 4th " 5 points
 5th " 3 points
 6th " 2 points



1 point

The sum of the gained points shall determine the general individual Mountains Classification; the leader of the Mountains Classification shall wear the green jersey.

According to Article 2.6.017 of the UCI Regulations, in the event of a tie in the general individual Mountains Classification, the following criteria shall apply:

- number of 1st places on "Superior" KOM climbs number of 1st places on other KOM climbs
- general individual classification by time

Each rider will have to complete the entire race, to be able to benefit of the prizes resulting from the general final mountains classification.

Article 18 - Best Young Rider

The Best Young Rider Classification is reserved to Riders born after January 1st, 1991.

The best-placed rider in the general classification by time will be the daily Best Young Rider leader and will wear the white jersey.

Article 19 - Team Classification

According to the provisions set out in Article 2.06.016 of the UCI regulations, the team ranking is obtained based on the sum of the three best individual times from each team, exception made for the team time trial for which the time recorded by each single team will directly be summed, including any time penalties.

In the event of a tie, the teams shall be separated by the sum of the places acquired by their three best times in the stage. If the teams are still tied, they shall be separated by the placing of their best rider in the stage classification.

The general place list by teams is determined by the sum of the three best individual times of each team, in all the ridden stages.

In the event of a tie, the following criteria shall apply:

- number of first places in the daily team classifications;
- number of second places in the daily team classifications;

If there is still a draw, the teams shall be separated by the placing of their best rider in the general individual classification.

Each team whose number would be reduced to less than three riders, shall be cancelled from the general team classification.

Article 20 - Time allowances

Time allowances valid for the general individual classification have been taken into consideration for all stages, exception being made for the time trial stages (both individual and by teams), as per Articles 2.6.019 / 020 / 021 of the UCI Regulations.

Time allowances are attributed as follows:

- for each Intermediate Sprint, the first three best-placed riders are assigned 3", 2" and 1", respectively;
- for each stage finish, the first three best-placed riders are assigned 10", 6" and 4", respectively.

Article 21 - Regular and special prizes

The 51th Tirreno – Adriatico shall award the following regular and special prizes:

REGULAR PRIZES

Stage Finishes

10,000.00 Euros for each of the seven stages (for a total amount of € 70,000.00), split as follows:

(Daily) Stage-finish Prizes			
1 st best-placed	€	4,000	
2 nd best-placed	€	2,000	
3 rd best-placed	€	1,000	
4 th best-placed	€	500	



5 th best-placed	€	400
6 th best-placed	€	300
7 th best-placed	€	300
8 th best-placed	€	200
9 th best-placed	€	200
10 th best-placed	€	100
11 th best-placed	€	100
12 th best-placed	€	100
13 th best-placed	€	100
14 th best-placed	€	100
15 th best-placed	€	100
16 th best-placed	€	100
17 th best-placed	€	100
18 th best-placed	€	100
19 th best-placed	€	100
20 th best-placed	€	100
Daily TOTAL AMOUNT	€	10,000
(€ 10,000 x 7 stages)		
TOTAL AMOUNT	€	70,000

Final General Classification

35,000.00 Euros for the final General Classification, split as follows:

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Final General Classific	atior	n Prize
1 st best-placed	€	14,000
2 nd best-placed	€	7,000
3 rd best-placed	€	3,500
4 th best-placed	€	1,750
5 th best-placed	€	1,400
6 th best-placed	€	1,050
7 th best-placed	€	1,050
8 th best-placed	€	700
9 th best-placed	€	700
10 th best-placed	€	350
11 th best-placed	€	350
12 th best-placed	€	350
13 th best-placed	€	350
14 th best-placed	€	350
15 th best-placed	€	350
16 th best-placed	€	350
17 th best-placed	€	350
18 th best-placed	€	350
19 th best-placed	€	350
20 th best-placed	€	350
TOTAL AMOUNT	€	35,000

SPECIAL PRIZES

The following prizes shall be attributed to the first five best-placed riders in the final classification by points, in the final Mountains Classification and in the final Best Young Rider classification:

Final Points Classification

Final Points Classification - Special



Prizes		
1 st best-placed	€	4,000
2 nd best-placed	€	2,000
3 rd best-placed	€	1,000
4 th best-placed	€	700
5 th best-placed	€	300
TOTAL AMOUNT	€	8,000

Final Mountains Classification

Final Mountain Classification – Special Prizes			
1 st best-placed	€	4,000	
2 nd best-placed	€	2,000	
3 rd best-placed	€	1,000	
4 th best-placed	€	700	
5 th best-placed	€	300	
TOTAL AMOUNT	€	8,000	

Best Young Rider Classification

Best Young Rider Classification – Special Prizes			
1 st best-placed	€	4,000	
2 nd best-placed	€	2,000	
3 rd best-placed	€	1,000	
4 th best-placed	€	700	
5 th best-placed	€	300	
TOTAL AMOUNT	€	8,000	

Teams' Classification by Time

Teams' Classification by Time – Special Prizes				
1 st best-placed	€	6,000		
2 nd best-placed	€	3,000		
3 rd best-placed	€	2,000		
TOTAL AMOUNT	€	11,000		

SUMMARY of Regular and Special Prizes

The total amount of prizes will thus be the following:

Prizes SUMMARY			
Stage finishes (€ 10,000.00 x 7)	€	70,000	
Final General Classification	€	35,000	
Final Points Classification	€	8,000	
Final Mountains Classification	€	8,000	
Best Young Rider Classification	€	8,000	
Teams' Classification by time	€	11,000	
TOTAL AMOUNT	€	140,000	

The above-mentioned charts refer to the value provided by the Organization to the A.C.C.P.I. to be distributed to the associates and/or delegating parties



Article 22 - Anti-doping control

For each stage, Anti-doping control will take place at the mobile motorhome by the finish area, according to Part 14 of the ADR-UCI regulations, and to the relevant applicable provisions of Italian law.

Article 23 – Awards ceremony procedures

In compliance with articles 1.2.112 / 113, the stage winner, the General Classification leader – wearing the blue jersey, the Points Classification leader – wearing the red jersey, the Mountains Classification leader – wearing the green jersey, and the Young Rider Classification leader – wearing the white jersey – shall attend the awards ceremony no later than 10 minutes after crossing the finish after each stage.

Moreover, the stage winner and the GC leader shall attend the press conference for all accredited journalists.

Article 24 - Sanctions

All infringements shall be sanctioned according to the UCI regulations, and to the "sanctions table" referred to therein, art. 12.1.040.

Article 25 - General provisions

Only persons identified upon collection of the identification badge by the owner of the authorized vehicle, are entitled to follow the race. Possible changes or additions shall be notified to the Organization Director. Drivers of cars and motorbikes with regular accreditation shall comply with the provisions set forth by the Rules of the Road and shall furthermore comply with the rules set out by the Organization Director and his Officials. Persons who are not recognized as having roles acknowledged by the organizers and services-related functions, as well as under-age persons, are not allowed to follow the race.

The Organization shall not be held liable in any way whatsoever for damages arising from accidents occurred prior, during or after the race, depending from actions not ascribable to the same organization, to persons in general, even if unrelated with the race.

For all that is not regulated under this ruling, the UCI, FCI and LPC regulations shall apply.

Article 26 - Environment Protection

The Organization commits itself to protecting the environment by providing dedicated containers for waste separation in hospitality areas. In addition to providing "Green Areas", as set forth in article 9, right after the race has passed, the Organization will deploy appropriate staff to collect any objects or waste attributable to the race. Besides actively engaging in environment protection, the Organization also invites all the people involved in the event to behave respectfully toward the areas concerned.