



Terms and Conditions / Rules and Regulations
This Document Affects Your Legal Rights, Read It Carefully

ARTICLE 1: BACKGROUND

1.1

Mad Dogs Adventure Limited (“Mad Dogs”) organises and operates unique long distance cycling challenges. Each challenge takes place over several (up to eight) days, covering 130 - 210 kilometres per day, passing through sometimes remote and always culturally rich locations around the world.

1.2

Challenges typically involve participants from many different countries, and give participants the opportunity to meet fellow participants from around the world.

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Mad Dogs organises and operates a series of cycling challenges that encompass (1) The Hong Kong to Hanoi Challenge, (2) The Macau to Guilin Challenge, (3) The Hanoi to Bangkok Challenge, (4) The Singapore to Krabi Challenge, (5) The Taipei to Kenting Challenge, (6) The Tokyo to Sapporo Challenge and (7) The Sapporo to Russia Challenge, (8) The Kaiping Dash, (9) The Angkor Wat to Phnom Penh Challenge (10) The Phuket to Krabi Challenge. More challenges may be added from time to time, which will also be bound under the terms of this document, even if not explicitly named above. The names given to these challenges may also vary.

1.4

In consideration for the payment of the entry fee, Mad Dogs allows you to enter the Challenge subject to the terms and conditions of these rules and regulations.

1.5

Subject to the Conditions of Entry set out in Article 3, anyone between the age of 18 and 65 years of age can compete in the Challenges.

1.6

The object of a Mad Dog Challenge is to cycle the whole distance of the designated route, on designated cycle days, during daylight. A completion certificate will be awarded to successful participants. The concept of the Challenges is that participants navigate themselves from start to finish, using the aid of directions provided by the organisers, communication with locals, with a compass, and with GPS (which is recommended but not required). Participants who become lost can call the support team for assistance and will not be penalised for this. Participants must pass through a checkpoint which will be roughly located 60% of the way through each day, although this can vary. Participants must ensure that they are able to carry sufficient water and snacks on their bicycles and may be required to stop at local shops / petrol stations to top-up their supplies. Participants must possess all the required kit list, including a functioning mobile phone. To successfully complete a challenge, participants must cycle all of the challenge route

and must not travel in any vehicle unless this is due to being lost, and being taken back to the original route. A challenge is not a race, however a time will be given to each successful participant provided they have signed the completion sheet each day. Successful participants who have “bagged” a Mad Dog Challenge are inducted into the Mad Dog Hall of Fame.

ARTICLE 2: RULES AND REGULATIONS

2.1

These Rules and Regulations also form the Terms and Conditions. They govern entry into any or all of the Challenges organised by Mad Dogs.

2.2

You must read these Rules and Regulations carefully prior to registering for a Challenge. You may only register and enter the Challenge if you have read, understood and agreed with these Rules and Regulations. These Rules and Regulations represent a legally binding agreement between you and Mad Dogs, (referred to in these Rules and Regulations variously as “**Mad Dogs Adventure Limited**”, “**Mad Dogs**”, “**we**”, “**us**”, and “**our**”).

2.3

Every participant must acknowledge acceptance of these Rules and Regulations, and sign the Assumption of Risk and Waiver and Release of Liability in relation to the Challenge and Waiver and Acknowledgement for Likeness and Intellectual Property in relation to the Challenge before being allowed to start any of the Challenges. In addition, every participant must complete and sign all of the Mandatory Forms, as specified by Mad Dogs, and provide all required information, including but not limited to, the participant's emergency contact information, insurance details, medical information.

2.4

Mad Dogs and our designated Challenge organisers (“**Event Organisers**”) have complete discretion in applying these Rules and Regulations. These Rules and Regulations may be modified by Mad Dogs at any time without notice. The revised Rules and Regulations will be posted on Mad Dogs website <http://www.gomaddogs.com> (the “**Website**”) as soon as reasonably practicable. The Rules and Regulations will be posted together with a list of penalties that can be imposed and amended from time to time. Participants will be solely responsible for familiarising themselves with the most up to date version of these Rules and Regulations of the Challenges at any given time.

ARTICLE 3: CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

3.1

Mad Dogs reserves the right, in its sole discretion and at any time, to refuse to allow you to enter into or participate in a Challenge, or to withdraw or cancel your offer of a place in a Challenge from you. Mad Dogs is under no obligation to provide you with any reason whatsoever for such refusal or withdrawal. Mad Dogs may also (but is under no obligation to) offer you a place in another Challenge in circumstances where entry into or participation in a Challenge has been refused.

3.2

You must be between the ages of 18 and 65 at the Challenge start date to compete in any one of Mad Dogs' challenges. You may request special permission to compete in a Challenge if you are over the age of 65. Those aged under 21 may be

required to produce consent forms from parents or guardians. All requests will be assessed on an individual basis and the decision of Mad Dogs in this regard is final and binding.

3.3

You acknowledge and agree that the Challenges sometimes take part in remote parts of the world, where everyday facilities and comforts to which you may be accustomed are unlikely to be available. You are expected to possess outdoor survival skills such as familiarity with outdoor gear, and common sense. You will be required to follow maps and directions, and to use common sense (which may include asking directions) to find your way as part of your participation in the Challenges. You accept that although Mad Dogs endeavours to produce directions which are accurate, this cannot be 100% guaranteed.

3.4

You acknowledge and agree that competing in the Challenges will be physically demanding, and that you are aware of the nature of the Challenges and that there are medical and physical risks associated with the Challenges. You are solely responsible for your own training and preparation for the Challenges. By applying to compete in a Challenge, you warrant that you are physically capable of competing in the Challenge.

3.5

You acknowledge and agree that long distance cycling of the kind contemplated by the Challenges entails the real risk of serious injury or even death from various causes including equipment failure, dehydration, fatigue, collisions or incidents involving other participants, spectators, other road users and/or vehicles, aspects of the challenge route, weather conditions, natural disasters, flood, fire, injury, disease and other causes.

3.6

You acknowledge and agree that you are responsible for obtaining and taking all necessary inoculations and medications (and have taken them in accordance with your doctor's instructions) relevant to the country in which the Challenge is held (the "**Host Country**"). **You also acknowledge that it is your sole responsibility to carry your personal medications with you throughout the Challenge. Mad Dogs staff will not be able to, nor will it be liable for failing to, supply personal medication during a Challenge should a participant fail to carry his or her own.**

3.7

You agree to inform Mad Dogs on application of any preexisting illness from which you suffer that may affect your performance in a Challenge or for which medical treatment may be needed. In addition, you agree to inform Mad Dogs, both on application and thereafter, as the need arises, of all medications that you are currently taking or will be taking while you are participating in any Challenge.

3.8

You give permission to medical staff you may encounter throughout the course of a Challenge to make decisions concerning medical care and treatment, and where necessary to authorise such care and treatment in emergency situations. Mad Dogs staff are trained in first aid and will use this training if required. There will sometimes, but not always, be qualified medical doctors or nurses on hand during the challenge. Mad Dogs actively encourages medical doctors to participate in challenges at reduced entry fees. You understand that Challenge staff will make every reasonable effort, in the circumstances, to reach your emergency contact (if you have supplied one to us prior to the Challenge) regarding your medical status in the event an emergency arises.

3.9

You acknowledge that the Challenges sometimes operate in very remote areas of the Host Country which may not be supported by local hospitals, and that transportation to the nearest hospital may take several hours or longer. You further acknowledge that the challenge route may pass through terrain where emergency evacuation may be seriously delayed or in some cases not available.

3.10

Mad Dogs and its Challenge Organisers reserve the right, with or without consultation of a doctor, to stop and use such force as is necessary to restrain you from starting or continuing a Challenge.

3.11

By agreeing to these Rules and Regulations and applying to compete in a Challenge, you affirm that you have the understanding and mental capacity to communicate health care directives for yourself and that you are fully informed and understand the full import of the consents given by you to medical staff in this regard.

ARTICLE 4: CODE OF CONDUCT & SAFETY

4.1

You must immediately and respectfully comply with any direction or decision of Mad Dogs, Challenge Organisers and any medical professionals. Any failure to do so may result in disqualification.

4.2

You must, at all times throughout the Challenge in which you are competing, abide by the Host Country laws, and behave in a respectful and considerate manner to local people, and to other people involved in the Challenge (including fellow participants, Challenge Organisers, volunteers and medical professionals).

4.3

You are solely responsible for your own conduct and behaviour, as well as for your own knowledge of and compliance with all applicable laws and regulations of the states or countries in which the Challenges are held. Neither Mad Dogs nor our designated Challenge Organisers will be responsible for your conduct or behaviour, compliance (or non-compliance) with, any of the laws or regulations of the states or countries in which the Challenges take place.

4.4

If you encounter anything of concern while on the challenge route which could be a threat to the safety of another participant or staff, it must become your priority to alert Mad Dogs staff by telephone and provide full details. This could include an obstacle on the route or an injured participant.

4.5

Your behaviour throughout the Challenge must not prejudice the progress of the Challenge, or the safety or wellbeing of any other person involved in the Challenge (including fellow participants, Challenge Organisers, volunteers and the medical staff).

4.6

All participants are to abide by local traffic laws and conventions. Reckless cycling or cycling which puts other road users in danger is not allowed.

4.7

Participants must attempt to complete each day. Participation certificates will, as far as possible, detail exactly what has been achieved by the participant during the Mad Dog Challenge even if the participant is not eligible for a completion certificate.

4.8

If a participant feels that he or she is not in a position to continue the challenge safely, he or she must call the support team in order to be collected.

ARTICLE 5: BOOKINGS AND PAYMENT

5.1

To compete in any of the Challenges, you must first:

(a) complete and submit the Registration Form available online on the Website;

(b) pay the entry fee or deposit for the Challenge in accordance with the instructions given (you will not be eligible to compete in the Challenge you have applied for until we have received full payment of the entry fee and the funds have cleared);

(c) agree to these Rules and Regulations, at the time of submitting the on line registration and further sign to agree to these Rules and Regulations before starting the Challenge;

(d) sign and submit to us the Assumption of Risk and Waiver and Release of Liability in relation to each Challenge;

(e) sign and submit to us the Waiver and Acknowledgement for Likeness and Intellectual Property in relation to each Challenge;

(f) complete and return all of the Mandatory Forms as specified by Mad Dogs on the Website (including, but not limited to, emergency contact details, insurance details, medical information); and

(g) have insurance which covers for full hospitalisation and emergency evacuation to your home country.

5.2

Mad Dogs reserves the right to withdraw the offer of a place in a Challenge to you and (if already received) not refund you the entry fee for the relevant Challenge if it does not receive the documentation specified in (c) to (g) above within 10 days of the start date of the Challenge

5.3

You are solely responsible for obtaining and complying with all specific passport, visa and immigration requirements associated with travelling to and entering the Host Country and competing in the Challenge. You should check and confirm the relevant passport, visa and immigration requirements with the relevant Consulate/embassy for the Host Country prior to completing the registration form. Mad Dogs does not accept any responsibility for, and will under no circumstances be liable (including, without limitation, for providing a refund of the entry fee for the relevant Challenge) if you cannot travel to the Host Country for any reason, including without limitation your failure to obtain a visa, or if you are otherwise unable to compete in

the Challenge because of your non-compliance with any passport, visa or other immigration requirements.

ARTICLE 6: WITHDRAWAL, CANCELLATION OR ALTERATION

6.1

You agree that entry to a Challenge is granted to participants on a non-changeable, non-transferable basis.

6.2

You may withdraw from the Challenge at any time, subject to the following provisions of this Article.

6.3

If you withdraw more than 60 days before the start date of a Challenge you will receive a refund of the funds paid for the relevant Challenge, less US\$600.

6.4

If you withdraw from a Challenge less than 60 days before the start date, Mad Dogs will not be liable to refund you any portion of the entry fee for the relevant Challenge, or otherwise pay you any sum whatsoever.

6.5

Mad Dogs reserves the right to withdraw the offer of a place in the Challenge to you for any reason and at any time. In such circumstances, we will provide you with a full refund of the entry fee for the relevant Challenge.

6.6

Mad Dogs reserves the right to:

(a) modify the Challenge format; or

(b) change the dates of the Challenge; or

(c) Alter the nature of support given, especially if there are very few participants; or

(d) Change the location (within the planned country or to a new country) of the Challenge;

(e) cancel the Challenge any time before the official start date/time; or

(f) cancel the Challenge after it has started.

6.7

If we modify the Challenge in accordance with Rule 6.6(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), or (f) we will have no obligation to reimburse you the entry fee for the Challenge.

6.8

If we change the dates of the Challenge in accordance with Rule (b), we will have no obligation to reimburse you the entry fee for the Challenge provided that we reschedule the Challenge to commence on another date within 6 months before or 12 months after the date on which the Challenge was originally scheduled to commence, and provided that we give you reasonable notice of the new dates for the Challenge (which will in any case not be less than 2 months).

6.9

Except as set out in Rules 6.8 above, Mad Dogs will not have any liability to you for the rescheduling of any Challenge.

6.10

Mad Dogs is not responsible for any other costs relating to 6.6 (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) above. This includes, but is not limited to flights, hotels, insurance, visa etc.

6.11

If you require IV fluids at any time during the Challenge you may not be allowed to continue in the challenge and in this case you will not be eligible for a completion certificate.

6.12

In the event of a Typhoon, severe rainstorms or other extreme weather (or equivalent dangerous conditions), the organisers will suspend the Challenge for all affected days. No refund will be made for this. The challenge will continue as soon as possible, from the point at which it was scheduled on that day. Participants will receive transport to the point at which the challenge will continue and they will still be eligible for completion certificates, which will reflect what has been achieved.

ARTICLE 7: LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

7.1

To the full extent permitted by law, Mad Dogs is under no liability (whether in negligence or otherwise) to you for any Claim or Loss in connection with a Challenge.

7.2

Notwithstanding clause 7.1, to the full extent permitted by law, maximum liability (whether in negligence or otherwise) to you for any Claim or Loss in connection with the Challenge will not exceed the Entry Fee for the Challenge.

7.3

Under no circumstance is Mad Dogs liable to you for any Loss including indirect or consequential loss however it arises.

7.4

For the purposes of this Article 7:

(a) "Claim" means any claim, allegation, cause of action, proceeding, Liability, suit or demand made against the person concerned however it arises and whether it is present or future, fixed or unascertained, actual or contingent.

(b) "Liability" means any liability or obligation however it arises and whether it is present or future, fixed or unascertained, actual or contingent including any liability for loss such as loss of profit, loss of revenue or loss of opportunity.

(c) "Loss" includes any loss, damage, Liability, compensation, fine, penalty, charge, payment, cost or expense (including any legal cost and expense) however it arises and whether it is present or future, fixed or unascertained, actual or contingent including:

(i) any loss of or damage to your equipment or belongings;

(ii) any loss arising from injury or death;

(iii) any indirect or consequential loss; and

(iv) any other loss or damage suffered or incurred by you arising out of or in connection with competing in a Challenge (including, without limitation, travelling to the Host Country and Host Town / City)

ARTICLE 8: INSURANCE

8.1

You must take out and maintain your own insurance for any risks associated with the Challenge, including personal travel insurance which covers you for the duration of your time in the Host Country. This must cover you fully against the costs of hospitalisation, medical care and repatriation if you were not able to continue the Challenge, including the cost of air or other forms of evacuation and/or repatriation should sickness or injury necessitate such a course of action.

8.2

Mad Dogs has no control over, and accepts no responsibility for, the availability or standard of medical and/or repatriation services and facilities in the areas in which the Challenges take place, and such services and facilities do not form any part of the contract between you and Mad Dogs.

8.3

You are solely responsible for your own equipment and belongings during the Challenge and bear the sole responsibility for incidental or accidental damage (including theft and wear and tear) to, or loss of, your own equipment and belongings. You are responsible for the security of your bicycle overnight. We recommend that you take out adequate insurance to cover your equipment and belongings.

ARTICLE 9: THE CHALLENGE ROUTE

9.1

Mad Dogs and the Challenge Organisers reserve the right to add, modify, cancel or change the challenge route at any time.

9.2

While competing in a Challenge, you must stay on the specified route. If you inadvertently leave the marked challenge route, you must re-join as soon as possible. If you intentionally cut or leave the challenge route (as we or the Challenge Organisers may determine in our sole discretion), you may be disqualified from official completion.

9.3

The challenge route may be changed by Mad Dogs or Challenge Organisers for any reason including but not limited to weather, safety hazards or darkness and we may in our absolute discretion adjust finish times to reflect any challenge route changes.

9.5

Mandatory stops may be issued at any time due to climate, weather conditions or other factors.

9.6

Staggered starts may be issued for any stage of a Challenge. You will be notified of staggered starts before the beginning of the relevant stage of a Challenge. Any request to begin a stage of a Challenge at a start time other than the one assigned to you must be approved by Mad Dogs staff.

9.7

Checkpoints

Approximately 50-60% of the way through each day, there will be a checkpoint where you must stop and announce your presence. The exact location and distance from the day's start to the checkpoint will vary. Food and drink will be available at checkpoints.

9.8

If a participant has become lost and is helped by the support vehicle to return to the route, he or she will still be eligible for a completion certificate provided that the vehicle ride does not shorten the route.

ARTICLE 10: ENVIRONMENTAL RULES

10.1

The Challenges sometimes take place in some of the most remote and pristine areas of the world. It is therefore imperative that we leave no trace. The Rules of this minimum impact policy apply to everyone associated with the Challenge, including participants, staff, volunteers, film crews, press and sponsors.

10.2

Litter

Absolutely no litter of any kind, including for example water bottles, caps from water bottles, energy bar wrappers or toilet paper shall be left on the challenge route. If you are found to have littered the road you will be disqualified from receiving a completion certificate.

10.3

Campsite

Where the Challenge involves a campsite (this will be made clear in the challenge itinerary), basic camping techniques shall be employed. Leave no trace at your campsite.

10.4

Toilets

When at a campsite, you must use the toilet facilities provided.

ARTICLE 11: UNIFORM AND SPONSORS

11.1

You must wear clothing appropriate to long distance cycling and to the weather conditions. Mad Dogs reserves the right to refuse participation to anyone who is deemed to wear inappropriate clothing.

11.2

Mad Dogs may have sponsors for a Challenge. You will not be allowed to have your own sponsors that conflict with Mad Dogs sponsors.

11.3

If provided, you must wear the Challenge patch on your back where it must be fully visible throughout the entire Challenge. A Challenge patch must always be positioned over any clothing.

ARTICLE 12: EQUIPMENT

12.1

Every participant must, at a minimum and at all times carry the equipment on the Mandatory Equipment List, posted from time to time on the Website. You will be

solely responsible for familiarising yourself with the most up-to-date requirements of the Mandatory Equipment List.

12.2

You must carry your own equipment and belongings that you require for the day's cycling and for remaining hydrated.

12.3

Consumption of alcohol or drugs during or before cycling is strictly prohibited. Responsible drinking is permitted in the evening, after the day's cycling, provided that there are no effects the following morning.

12.4

Different gear requirements may apply for each Challenge depending on expected terrain and weather conditions. You will be personally advised of these requirements by Mad Dogs prior to the Challenge. If unsure, you must contact Mad Dogs.

12.5

It is your responsibility to ensure that your equipment is fit for purpose prior to the start date of the Challenge. If the Challenge Organisers consider that you have insufficient equipment to complete the Challenge, they shall have the right to exclude you from the Challenge. If you are excluded from the Challenge under the provisions of this Rule, no refunds will be given and Mad Dogs will not be responsible for any resulting costs, including costs of repatriation.

ARTICLE 13: WATER

Mad Dogs will supply water at the checkpoint. Participants must ensure that they have sufficient capacity to carry enough water to remain hydrated. It will usually be necessary to supplement this water with private purchases of bottled water in the numerous shops and petrol stations on the route.

ARTICLE 14: CHALLENGE TIMING

14.1

Challenge Organisers will keep the official time clock for the Challenge. It is the responsibility of participants to sign the arrival sheet as soon as they arrive at the goal each day, with their arrival time. This must be witnessed. Failure to do so will result in ineligibility for a completion certificate.

14.2

The challenge will automatically start at the specified time each day, whether or not you are ready and in the saddle.

14.3

Cut-off times will be established daily. If participants fail to reach the destination by the specified cut-off time, they will need to call to be collected by a vehicle, and will not be eligible for a completion certificate. Cut-off times will be announced before the starts. Initial cut-off times may be modified, and additional cut-off times may be added, during the Challenge at the sole discretion of Mad Dogs.

14.3

After-dark cycling is strictly not allowed.

14.4

Challenge times will be given to those who have successfully completed the Mad Dog Challenge, and will be displayed on the completion certificate and in time order in the Hall of Fame section of the Mad Dogs Website.

ARTICLE 15: OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official language of Mad Dogs is English. You are solely responsible for reading and understanding all official Challenge signs, directions, and oral instructions given by Mad Dogs and the Challenge Organisers and medical staff.

ARTICLE 16: PROTESTS

Any public protest or display of disgust concerning Mad Dogs or a Challenge Organiser, the contents of the Rules & Regulations, or their application, will result in penalties being imposed, which may include disqualification of the protesting participant.

ARTICLE 17: IMAGE RIGHTS, MEDIA CONTENT AND DEVICES

19.1

You irrevocably consent to:

(a) your appearance in the Challenge being filmed, recorded, incorporated and exploited in whole or in part in any television programme, film, video or broadcast of whatever nature by any means and in any media and format now or invented after the date of these Rules and Regulations;

(b) the use and reproduction of your name, likeness, appearance and photographs, films and recordings by any means and in any media and format for the purpose of advertising, publicity and promotion of the Challenge and the exploitation of the commercial rights relating to the Challenge; and

(c) you further hereby waive any moral rights you may have in respect of any use, reproduction, modification, publication or broadcast of your name, image, appearance or likeness.

19.2

All content from photographs, official blogs, emails, promotional materials and other materials distributed by Mad Dogs is the exclusive property of Mad Dogs and must not be copied or distributed without the express written approval of Mad Dogs.

19.3

You are permitted to take photography for personal use only. Any commercial use of such photography is prohibited unless express permission has been granted from Mad Dogs.

ARTICLE 20: GENERAL

20.1

You acknowledge and agree that by taking part in the Challenge you shall not rely on, and shall have no remedy in respect of, any statement, representation, warranty, understanding, promise or assurance (whether negligently or innocently made) of any person other than as expressly set out in these Rules and Regulations.

20.2

If any provision of these Rules and Regulations is to be held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then such provision shall be deemed severable from these Rules and Regulations, shall be enforced to the fullest extent allowed by law, and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining Rules and Regulations.

20.3

No waiver or amendment by Mad Dogs or by you of these Rules and Regulations shall be effective unless in writing and signed by both by you and a representative of Mad Dogs.

20.4

The agreement between you and Mad Dogs governing the Challenges is made on the terms of:

(a) these Rules and Regulations;

(b) the Assumption of Risk and Waiver and Release of Liability in relation to the Challenge;

(c) the Waiver and Acknowledgement for Likeness and Intellectual Property in relation to the Challenge;

(d) the Application Form for the Challenge;

(e) the Mandatory Forms as specified by Mad Dogs on the Website (including, but not limited to, the emergency contact details, insurance details, specified medical information).

20.5

A copy of the Rules and Regulations, Assumption of Risk and Waiver and Release of Liability in relation to the Challenge, Waiver and Acknowledgement for Likeness and Intellectual Property in relation to the Challenge, Application Form for the Challenge and Mandatory Forms as specified by Mad Dogs on the Website (including, but not limited to, the specified medical clearance forms) are available from Mad Dogs upon request.

20.6

Any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with these Rules and Regulations, or the subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims), shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of Hong Kong. Each party submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of Hong Kong.

20.7

In applying to compete in a Challenge, you hereby consent to Mad Dogs using all personal information collected from or about you in connection with the Challenge (including information collected by the Challenge Organisers) for the organisation, operation, administration and promotion of the Challenge. You further consent to your personal information being provided to others assisting Mad Dogs in connection with the Challenge. You may contact Mad Dogs at info@gomaddogs.com to request access to any of the personal information relating to you collected and held from time to time by us.

20.8

You are expected to bring any special spares you require including (but not limited to) tyres, chain, brake pads, inner tubes and puncture repair equipment. Mechanics are sometimes, but not always, able to bring some spares. If you use these spares,

the arrangement will be privately between you and the mechanic and you will be expected to pay for these spares.

21.9

Any extra charges which you have run up in hotels or other establishments must be covered by you. This could relate, for example, to use of minibars or the loss of keys but it could also relate to a number of things such as damage to a room. We discourage use of minibars because delays in processing these transactions slow down progress in the morning when the priority is to get going. You are reminded that if a hotel allows you to bring a bicycle into your room, you must exercise the utmost caution so as not to damage the fixtures and fittings of the hotel room.

21.10

It is sometimes possible in some countries to bring your bicycle into a hotel room, but this is the exception rather than the rule. It is not your god-given right and you must not cause a fuss if hotel staff do not allow this. Sometimes there will be a designated car park or other facility for storage of bicycles. Other times, the bicycles must be safely locked outside. You must take responsibility to adequately lock and secure your bicycle and you accept the risks associated with leaving your bicycle, including theft.

21.11

If you wish to clean your bicycle at the end of a day's riding, it is your responsibility to clean it, and also to source the relevant equipment, such as water, hoses, or sponges.

21.12

You are responsible for packaging your bicycle at the end of the challenge for any onward travel you may have arranged.

ARTICLE 23: WARNINGS

23.1

The Rules and Regulations are in place to ensure a safe, fair and environmentally sound Challenge. Warnings will be issued if any of the Rules and Regulations are broken, in particular those listed below. If you have received a warning, it will be up to the discretion of Mad Dogs whether you are disqualified from the challenge for further transgressions. Breaking certain rules will automatically render you disqualified from participating or ineligible from receiving a completion certificate.

23.2

Not covering whole distance

If you do not cycle yourself for any distance, however small (apart from being brought back to the challenge route in the case that you have become lost and rescued, provided that this does not shorten the route), you will be considered ineligible from receiving a completion certificate. This does not apply to places on the challenge where taking a transport is specifically authorised, and is an integral part of the challenge.

23.3

Special direction for those who already have not completed the challenge

These are not bicycle tours but serious challenges and the events are organised for those who are attempting to complete the entire challenge. If you have not completed the challenge, while you are welcome to remain with the challenge team (provided your conduct has been satisfactory), you may be ordered not to cycle for some or all of the subsequent days or certain parts of those days. While it is good

that you cycle as much as possible, if your continued cycling weighs negatively on the event as a whole, you may be ordered to travel some of the distance by vehicle.

23.4

Mandatory Forms

In the case that you have failure to fully complete the Mandatory Forms and submit to Mad Dogs by fax or email before the Challenge starts, you will not be allowed to start the Challenge.

23.5

Waiver Forms

If you fail to fully complete the Intellectual Property and Liability Waiver before the Challenge starts, you will not be allowed to start the Challenge.

23.6

IV Fluids

If IV fluid is provided as part of necessary medical procedures, you may be be disqualified from further cycling.

23.7

Insurance

Failure to have insurance coverage for the purpose of the event and details provided to Mad Dogs before the start of the challenge will mean that a participant is not allowed to start the Challenge.

23.8

Mandatory Stops

Failure to stop and check-in at a checkpoint may result in you becoming ineligible to receive a completion certificate.

23.9

Litter on the road

Any litter on the road known to be dropped by you (either by identification or seen by another participant or Challenge staff) will result in a warning.

23.10

Sponsor Logos

Sponsor logos can be worn on your clothing provided they do not conflict with Mad Dogs Partners or Sponsors and they are not worn on your sleeves or obscuring your bib number or Challenge patch. You will be given a chance to rectify / remove any sponsorship branding which does meet these requirements. Failure to remove them when asked will result in disqualification.

23.11

Consumption of Alcohol or Drugs

The consumption of alcohol or drugs is not permitted during the cycling hours. If alcohol or drugs are consumed during cycling hours, the participant(s) involved will be disqualified.

23.12

Public protest or display of disgust

Any public protest, display of disgust and/or disrespectful behaviour to any Challenge staff will result in disqualification.

ARTICLE 24: BAGGAGE

24.1

You are expected to bring your luggage in approximate airline carry-on size and in a rucksack.

24.2

You acknowledge that at times you may need to carry all your luggage yourself. This may be boarding a ferry or crossing a border. The use of a rucksack makes this easier.

24.3

If you bring an oversized bag, you will have to pay a supplement and if there is insufficient space in the vehicle, your bag may be refused. If in doubt you should contact Mad Dogs prior to the event.

ARTICLE 25: CONFIRMATION OF EVENT

25.1

If an event has a minimum of 4 people, the trip will be confirmed to take place. If you are registered for an event and there are fewer than 4 people registered, the event may be canceled however cancellation must be 28 days or earlier than the first day of cycling.

25.2

You are advised to contact Mad Dogs (either directly or through the agent who has arranged your registration) should you wish to enquire whether an event is already confirmed at your time of registration - or if your registration will in itself confirm the event to take place.

ARTICLE 26: REGISTRATION

26.1

Payment confirms your place and locks in the prevailing price however participation is dependent on signing waivers, accepting terms and conditions, providing the necessary information, including insurance details, and completing any balancing payment in a timely manner.

26.2

25% of the full entry fee is due upon registration, the balance is due 60 days before the start, at the latest. If it is currently within 60 days of the event, 100% is payable now.

26.3

Failure to pay the balance before the 60-day deadline will result in loss of the deposit and forfeiture of the registration. If you write to formally withdraw from the

challenge more than 60 days before the start, you will receive a refund for funds paid, less US\$600 per entrant. You are advised to take out cancellation insurance.

26.4

Registration for the event is for the participant(s) named at registration and cannot be transferred.

26.5

If you are taking advantage of group booking benefits, any discount will be accounted for in your final payment and is dependent on the other members of your group registering. If they fail to register, your group benefits will be altered and you may need to pay an adjustment reflecting this. The base registration fee for the other members of your group will be the fee prevailing at the time of their own registration. Base registration fees are lower further in advance therefore your other group members (if any) are advised to register early.

26.6

Funds are payable by bank transfer in US\$ or in HK\$ at the rate of HK\$7.8 to US \$1.00. Payment by credit card would be in HK\$ only at HK\$8 to US\$1.

26.7

All local & overseas bank charges involved or discrepancies arisen from currency fluctuation will be borne by the payer. You will need to make an adjusting payment if the amount received by Mad Dogs is lower than the amount that you intended to send.

ARTICLE 27: READING OF MATERIALS

21.1 You are expected to read and to be familiar with the FAQ and the detailed trip details on the Website.