



REGULATIONS - ACROSS ANDES #7 VOLCANO EDITION - 2026

1. INTRODUCTION

ACROSS ANDES #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026 is an ultra-cycling and bikepacking challenge that crosses the Andes Mountain Range in Chile, in gravel bike and Mtb modalities.

This challenge is entirely self-supported, without any type of external assistance.

The event route is unique and mandatory, approximately 806 kilometers with a total elevation gain of 12,000 meters, reaching maximum altitudes of 1,627 meters above sea level.

The challenge consists of a single stage, passing through mandatory checkpoints determined by the event organizers.

The challenge must be completed within a time limit of 128 hours.

2. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

2.1 VOLUNTARY ACCEPTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN ACROSS ANDES 2026, I EXPRESSLY AND IRREVOCABLY DECLARE THE FOLLOWING:

FIRST: By means of this instrument, I undertake to comply, without conditions of any kind or nature, with each and every one of the instructions, provisions, regulations, ordinances, that are and have been necessary for the realization of the Across Andes #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026 event as provided and to be provided by the organizers of said competition.

Not understanding or disagreeing with these terms but continuing with the payment process and filling out the registration form will be considered as a breach of truth.

I also affirm that I am the participant and that I am not accepting these conditions on behalf of another person.

I WILL NOT REGISTER IF I DO NOT AGREE WITH THE CONDITIONS.

SECOND: Likewise, voluntarily and irrevocably, I expressly declare, extending and making this statement of will on behalf of all my representatives, whether legal or contractual, the following: I expressly renounce and release from all civil liability, including extra-contractual liability, that could affect the event organizers, from any lawsuit, action, or claim, related to Across Andes #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026. This waiver also extends specifically to directors, executives, administrative employees, volunteers, as well as sponsors of the event, landowners, or representatives of government entities, which includes any claim for damages caused due to the negligence of any of them, arising from my participation in the event and its related activities, together with all expenses including legal services, which I may incur as a result of such a claim whether valid or not. I indemnify and hold harmless those released and each one of them against any claim that I or my guests or one or more of



my or their representatives, administrators, heirs, direct family, successors, or assigns may have brought, together with all expenses including legal services in connection therewith.

2.2 ACCEPTANCE OF THE EXTREME RISKS OF THE EVENT

The participant is fully aware that Across Andes #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026 is an extremely dangerous cycling activity.

The participant acknowledges that during the challenge they will perform physical exercise at altitude, above 1,627 meters above sea level, and that their safety depends solely on their good state of health and their ability to acclimate to altitude and adapt to the problems and difficulties resulting from altitude, such as decreased oxygen levels, headaches, dizziness, etc.

The participant is fully aware that they may face extreme and hostile weather conditions (heat, cold, snow, wind, storms, typhoons, earthquakes) and geological conditions (landslides), particularly in the high mountains, and that their safety depends solely on their ability to adapt to such problems.

The participant is fully aware that they must anticipate and adapt to any problem and inquire about possible epidemics or pandemics, as well as health risks (water and food), or even the presence of potentially dangerous insects and animals that may exist in Chile.

The participant fully understands that the role of the organizer is never to help them or manage their problems, even in cases of technical, physical, or mental issues.

By registering, the participant unreservedly and irrevocably accepts all the risks of the event, including but not limited to:

- The risk of a traffic accident.
- The risk of injuries in the event of a fall.
- The risk of muscular or joint injuries.
- The risk of trauma and fractures, including head fractures.
- The risk of digestive disorders, dehydration.
- Risks related to potential political or social conflicts in Chile.
- The risk of physical assault.
- The risk of theft.



- The risk of kidnapping.
- The risk of animal attacks.
- The risk of illness.
- The risk of altitude sickness.

All of which may lead to disability or death, whether partial or total, temporary or permanent.

The participant agrees to participate at their own risk.

By accepting all the risks of this particularly dangerous event, the participant unreservedly and irrevocably accepts that they will be solely responsible for any type of damage, including but not limited to:

- Physical damage.
- Moral damage.
- Psychological damage.
- Material damage.
- Damage to reputation and image.
- Financial damages of any kind.
- Professional damage.
- Death.

The participant accepts, with full knowledge of the facts and possible consequences, to release the organizer from contractual or tort liability for any damage that may result from the event and its organization.

Therefore, the participant waives all claims against the organizer.

This article is an essential condition for the participation of the participant in Across Andes #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026 and for the validation of their registration.

Therefore, in order to participate in Across Andes #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026, it is essential to:



- Have acquired, prior to the event, a real capacity for personal autonomy, particularly in the mountains, making it possible to manage, without external assistance, the problems induced by this type of event, and in particular:
 - To be able to face extreme weather conditions, which may be very difficult or even fatally dangerous, such as high altitude, heat, wind, cold, fog, rain, landslides, typhoons, storms, earthquakes, among others.
 - To be able to handle, even when alone, the physical and mental problems resulting from fatigue, digestive issues, muscle or joint pain, injuries, etc.
 - To be able to repair, alone, any technical problem that may occur with a bicycle.
 - To be able to set up, alone, a camp on any type of terrain, or to use a survival blanket and know how to consume food and water according to the body's needs.
 - Prior to the event, to have participated in similar challenges or multi-day endurance events, or to have relevant personal experience in sporting activities.
 - It is recommended that each participant undergo a hypoxia test before the event, to simulate the high-altitude conditions of the Chilean Andes and evaluate their physiological response to high altitude.

2.3 EXCELLENT PHYSICAL CONDITION

Across Andes #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026 is only for cyclists in excellent physical condition, capable of covering more than 151.2 km per day for 5 days and 8 hours. The participant must be able to ride in full self-sufficiency over very long distances both during the day and at night. The participant is fully aware of the extreme duration and difficulty of the event.

2.3 MINIMUM AGE TO PARTICIPATE

The event is open to any person, male or female, born in December 2005 or earlier.

2.4 TOTAL AUTONOMY

Autonomy is the main rule of the challenge. Total autonomy is defined as the ability to be self-sufficient throughout the entire event, in terms of food (solid and liquid), clothing, and safety, requiring the ability to adapt to any problem encountered or foreseeable (bad



weather, physical or mental problems, injuries, etc.), as well as bivouacking, geographic orientation, and possible bicycle repairs.

Total autonomy requires compliance with the following mandatory rules:

- The participant must carry all their mandatory equipment with them throughout the entire event (see EQUIPMENT section). The equipment must be carried in their
- bikepacking bags, marked at the start of the event, and nothing may be exchanged during the event.
At any time, the organizer may check the bike bags and their contents.
The participant must submit to these routine checks under penalty of exclusion from the event. Checks may be carried out by the organizers and members of the event team.
- No external assistance is permitted at any time during the event, under penalty of time penalties (1 additional hour). If penalized 3 times, the participant will be excluded from the event.
- It is forbidden to be accompanied or to accept being accompanied during all or part of the event by a non-participant; this results in time penalties (1 additional hour each time). If penalized 3 times, the participant will be excluded from the event.
- Group riding (taking advantage of the protection of another rider or a vehicle) is prohibited for solo participants. Violations result in time penalties (1 additional hour each time). If penalized 3 times, the participant will be excluded from the event.
- However, group riding is allowed for participants registered in the pairs category. Any group formed by more than 2 people at any time during the event results in time penalties (1 additional hour each time). If penalized 3 times, the participants will be excluded from the event.
- The participant may buy food (solid and liquid) and equipment in any store they encounter physically.
- The participant may sleep in a hotel, with locals, or at a campsite while respecting, in that case, the rules of the area.

3. REGISTRATION

3.1 CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION

Registration will be considered complete and subject to validation if it includes the following elements:

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- The duly completed registration form (any missing information will automatically result in rejection).
- A declaration of honor stating previous participation in ultra or endurance events, absence of cardiac or cardiovascular history, asthma, and acceptance of the extreme risks of the event as outlined in these Regulations.
- Payment of registration fees.

Any registration that does not include all the required information or is not accompanied by the required documents within the two months prior to the event will be subject to cancellation without refund.

3.2 CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION

Our Refund Policy is as flexible as possible within the limits of organizing this type of event, due to commitments with suppliers, press teams, logistics, and other essential aspects:

- Refund until 31/03/2026: 70% of the entry fee. Not including the fee from the Welcu registration platform.
- Refund from 01/04/2026 to 31/07/2026: 50% of the registration fee. Not including the Welcu platform fee.
- Refund from 01/08/2026 to 31/08/2026: 25% of the registration fee. Not including the Welcu platform fee.

No refunds will be granted after 31/08/2026, without exceptions regardless of the cause or reason for cancellation.

Registration kits will not be delivered to participants who are not present on check-in day, November 22, 2026. Registration kits will not be delivered to third parties on behalf of absent participants.

Any category change requested by participants, at any date, will have a charge of USD 47 per participant.

No changes will be permitted after August 31, 2026, without exceptions.

Participants who have already transferred their registration to the following year or other editions (3.4) will not be eligible for these refund tiers, without exceptions.

This Refund Policy will be applied strictly.

If you have any questions, please contact us at [**contact@acrossandes.cc**](mailto:contact@acrossandes.cc)



3.3 CANCELLATION OR MODIFICATION OF THE EVENT

The organizer may cancel the event, modify the route, or change the start date.

This must be done at least 1 day before the scheduled departure date. The participant unreservedly and irrevocably accepts this right to cancel, change the route, or change the date of the event, acknowledging that their registration was made with full knowledge of these conditions. The participant waives any claim of liability against the organizer in the event of cancellation, route change, or date modification; therefore, no compensation will be distributed.

In case of force majeure (adverse weather conditions, security issues, health epidemics, social contingencies in Chile, etc.), the organizer has the right to stop the ongoing event or modify the event's course. In the case of a date change, even for climatic reasons, the registration fee will not be refunded if the participant decides not to take part in the event. The organizer reserves the right to modify the event's route and the location of checkpoints at any time. Even if these changes are due to force majeure, the registration fee will not be refunded, given the complexity of organizing the event.

3.4 TRANSFER TO ANOTHER ACROSS ANDES EDITION

The participant may transfer their registration to another ACROSS ANDES event within the 2027 season.

The transfer to the 2027 event must be communicated via email to **contact@acrossandes.cc**

- Transfer requested before March 31, 2026: free of charge.
- Transfer requested from April 1, 2026, to August 31, 2026: USD 200 per transfer.
- Transfer requested after September 1, 2026, at 00:00 hrs (Chilean time), will not be accepted, and the slot will be forfeited due to late notice, without exceptions regardless of cause or reason for absence.

Only one transfer to another edition is allowed. To transfer a second time, the participant must pay 100% of the registration fee again.

The transfer will apply to the edition of the following year from the original event, and may involve the same route or a different one. If the participant transfers from a higher-priced event to a lower-priced one, no refund of the difference will be issued. If the participant transfers from a lower-priced event to a higher-priced one, the difference plus the transfer fee must be paid.



To validate the transfer to the 2026 edition, the participant must register within one month of the registration opening, between December 9, 2026, and January 9, 2027, making the respective payment. Failure to register by this date will be understood as a withdrawal from the 2027 edition. No registrations will be accepted after this date.

The transfer benefit is personal and non-transferable.

4. EQUIPMENT

To participate in Across Andes #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026, mandatory equipment is required. It is important to note that this is only the minimum vital requirement, which each participant must adapt according to their own abilities. It is particularly important not to choose the lightest materials just to save a few grams, but rather to select equipment that truly provides the best safety against road and natural elements.

The equipment list must be carried by each rider and cannot be divided (for example: between two riders of the same team).

Mandatory equipment (to be checked at event check-in):

- 1 x GPS tracker (provided by the organizer).
- 1 x set of 4 spare AAA lithium batteries (not included).
- 1 x cycling computer with the event route loaded (gpx file provided by the organizer).
- 1 x helmet.
- 1 x pair of UV-protection sunglasses.
- 1 x pair of winter gloves + arm and leg warmers.
- 1 x jacket capable of withstanding freezing temperatures.
- 1 x rain and windproof jacket.
- 1 x cycling clothing kit with high-visibility reflective strips or a reflective vest (e.g., 3M reflective vest).
- 1 x front light.
(a light with only a "flashing" function is considered insufficient. The participant must ensure permanent "illuminating" front and rear lights on the bike, not just external flashing lights).
- 1 x rear light.
(a light with only a "flashing" function is considered insufficient. The participant must ensure permanent "illuminating" front and rear lights on the bike, not just external flashing lights).



- 1 x bike pump.
- 1 x puncture repair kit (patch + glue + tire levers).
- 2 x spare inner tubes.
- 1 x mobile phone + charger + charging device (external battery or dynamo hub).
- 1 x survival blanket.
- 2 x bottles with a minimum total water capacity of 1.5 liters.
- 1 x paper copy of passport or identity document.

Highly recommended equipment:

- Reflective tape on the bike for maximum visibility.
- Swiss army knife or multi-tool.
- Equivalent of USD 250 in Chilean local currency (approx. 240,000 Chilean pesos).
- Unlocked credit card for use in Chile.
- Compass or phone equipped with a compass function.
- Sunscreen, Vaseline, anti-friction cream.
- 1 universal power adapter for Chile (mainly type C or L).
- Chain oil.
- 4 spare spokes.
- Spoke wrench or multi-tool to tighten wheel spokes.
- 1 pair of brake pads (mechanical brakes) or 1 pair of brake pads (for disc brakes).
- 1 autonomous power generation system (such as a dynamo hub).

**Recommended medical kit:**

- Water purification tablets.
- Paracetamol.
- Anti-inflammatory cream or tablets.

5. IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Each number (printed on a cycling cap and stickers) is delivered individually to each participant upon presentation of:

- Photo identification.
- Mandatory equipment.

The cap and stickers must remain permanently visible on the bicycle at all times during the event. The name and logo of the event sponsors must not be hidden or altered.

6. SAFETY

Across Andes #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026 remains above all an adventure before being a race or competition.

The organizer reminds participants of the dangers of cycling on open roads, in the presence of traffic and wild animals. Each participant is recommended to help or rescue anyone in danger or injured and to notify emergency services if necessary.

The participant must be aware that the nearest hospital or medical center may be hours away in the event of an injury and that helicopter assistance may be required.

The participant must also be aware that in case of an accident during the event, local rescue or medical means may not be sufficient. In all cases, the organizer must be immediately informed.



7. MAXIMUM AUTHORIZED DAYS

Across Andes #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026 is an endurance event that takes place over a maximum of 5 days and 8 hours. Any rider who is unable to cover a minimum of 151.2 km per day will be disqualified.

8. WITHDRAWAL FROM THE EVENT

If the participant's GPS tracker does not indicate any significant movement (more than 100 km) within 24 hours, the participant will be considered to have withdrawn from the event and will be disqualified.

In the case that the participant withdraws from the event, they must notify the organizer by any means and return the borrowed equipment (GPS tracker) to the event team, at their own expense, before November 27, 2026. In any case, the participant must sign a waiver, prior to the start of the event, in order to receive their GPS tracker. The waiver will require the participant to reimburse the event organizer in case of loss or damage to the GPS tracker, or if the participant is unable to return the GPS tracker before November 27, 2026.

The participant will withdraw from the event on their own and must use their own means to return to their home or any other location. The participant, having accepted the extreme risks of the event as stated in Article 2.1 of this Regulation, expressly and irrevocably exempts the organizer from any responsibility or assistance related to their evacuation and/or repatriation to any location. Therefore, participants are strongly encouraged to anticipate the possibility of withdrawal from the event and arrange their own evacuation/repatriation.

In the event of injuries during the event, external assistance is possible and recommended, in addition to that of another participant, such as a doctor, rescuer, firefighter, ambulance, hospital, etc. In such a case, after being treated, the participant must resume the challenge at the exact spot where they were assisted or evacuated.

In the case of an injury during the event, the expenses resulting from the use of rescue or evacuation means, even extraordinary ones, will be borne by the rescued participant, who must also ensure their own return from the place of evacuation—even if the participant asks the organizer to request help.

Therefore, the participant must have insurance that covers any type of damage related to the event, as indicated in Article 10 below (INSURANCE).

The participant may use the HELP (hands) function provided on their GPS tracker to indicate that they require emergency services. Any misuse, including a false alert, will be the sole responsibility of the participant, as well as the costs incurred.

The organizer reserves the right to disqualify a participant showing signs of advanced fatigue or serious injuries. The participant fully accepts this possibility of being removed from the event. However, this provision does not mean that the organizer has a supervisory role over the participant's health or physical and mental abilities.



9. DISQUALIFICATION – PENALTIES

During the event, the organizer may verify that the participant complies with these regulations and may carry out any control, immediately applying the following sanctions at their discretion:

- Littering: evaluated by the organizer.
- Disrespect (towards the organizer, participants, third parties): evaluated by the organizer.
- Cap or number not visible: evaluated by the organizer.
- Lack of sponsor visibility: evaluated by the organizer.
- Unauthorized group riding: evaluated by the organizer.
- Failure to respect local laws (in particular, traffic regulations): evaluated by the organizer.

The participant will be disqualified in the following cases:

- Any act of cheating (use of vehicles, exchange of cap numbers or GPS trackers, etc.): disqualification.
- Absence of mandatory equipment: disqualification.
- Receiving prohibited assistance: disqualification.
- Refusal to obey an organizer's instruction: disqualification.
- No GPS tracking signal for more than 24 hours: determined at the organizer's discretion.
- Missing a checkpoint: disqualification.
- Group of more than 2 riders for over 30 minutes: disqualification of the group.
- Use of products prohibited by WADA: disqualification.
- Lack of insurance: disqualification.
- No significant movement for 24 hours: determined at the organizer's discretion.



- Use of a prohibited route: disqualification.

10. INSURANCE

Each participant must have individual insurance for the duration of the event that covers all possible losses (fall, injury, disability, death, etc.), as well as the costs of search and evacuation in Chile and potentially repatriation to their country of residence.

The participant is fully aware of and accepts all risks associated with the event as indicated in Article 2.1 above, and by participating in this event releases the organizer from all liability for any damage that may result directly or indirectly from the event.

11. ROUTES

Across Andes #6 VOLCANO EDITION 2026 follows a mandatory route provided by the organization, passing through one or more checkpoints from the start to the finish line.

The event includes 3 checkpoints. Each rider must pass through every checkpoint to avoid disqualification. In the case of disputes or tracker malfunctions, the organization will review all material evidence (stamp card receipts) and immaterial evidence (photos, videos) to validate or reject disqualification.

Checkpoints will offer optional supplies (food and drink) and lodging. Their locations will be communicated to participants close to the event date. Each checkpoint will have a limited opening window, in line with the minimum of 151.2 km that each cyclist must cover daily. Participants who do not reach the checkpoint on time will receive a DNF (Did Not Finish) status.

The organizer may modify the locations of manned checkpoints up to 15 days before the start of the event.

12. MINIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

A minimum of 50 participants is required for the event to take place, including SOLO and DUO categories. If by September 29, 2026, the minimum number of participants has not been reached, the organization has the authority to cancel the event and refund the corresponding payments, excluding the fee charged by the Welcu platform. The organization will have a period of 4 months from September 29, 2026, to issue the corresponding refunds.



13. RANKING

Only participants who finish the event at the finish line will be considered finishers. A general classification will be established for:

- SOLO MEN
- SOLO WOMEN
- INDIVIDUAL NON-BINARY
- DUO NON-BINARY
- DUO MIXED
- DUO MEN
- DUO WOMEN

If one of the members of a duo withdraws, the remaining rider who reaches the finish line will be marked as "DNF" and placed outside of the general classification.

14. INDIVIDUAL SPONSORS

Participants benefiting from one or more individual sponsors may only display the logos and names of the sponsors on the clothing and equipment used during the event. Any advertising accessory (flag, banner, etc.) is prohibited at any point on the course, including the finish line, under penalty of time sanctions.

15. EXPLOITATION RIGHTS OF THE EVENT

The organizer owns the exploitation rights of the event organized under the legally registered trademark of Across Andes. Any photograph or film of the event is therefore the exclusive property of the organizer. Any communication regarding the event or the use of the event in any form and by any means must be done in accordance with the event name, the registered trademark, and with the express agreement of the author/organizer. Any

commercial use of the name and/or images of the event may only be carried out under a written contract with the organizer.



16. IMAGE AND PERSONALITY RIGHTS

The participant grants the organizer the right to exploit, directly or indirectly worldwide — for advertising, promotion, and equipment sales, as well as for any advertising or promotional campaign for the organizer and its brand/patents — their first and last name, image, silhouette, and voice, in any medium, by any means of communication, known or unknown to this day, and for the entire duration granted to such operations by current or future laws, regulations, judicial or arbitral decisions of any country, and by existing or future international conventions, including any extensions that may be made to such duration, in particular posters, publications or press articles, television, radio, internet, UMTS, CD-ROM, video games, clothing, packaging, etc.

17. LANGUAGE AND APPLICABLE LAW

In the event of a dispute regarding the interpretation or execution of these Regulations, the official language is Spanish, even if the regulations are translated into another language. The applicable law is that of the city of Santiago, Chile.

Regulations valid from December 15, 2025, to November, 2026.

Sincerely,
Management
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