

125 Mile Riders Manual

This supplement contains information, rules, and details specific to your course.

You must also read the general riders manual for full event details.

All 125 course riders are required carry a WAG bag (poop bag) as we do not have porta potties at the Utah aid station, mile 66. We do have potties at aid 2, mile 40 and aid 4 mile 85.

Welcome to the [UtahRaptor Course](#). Don't tell everyone else but this is our favorite course. The additional 25 miles after the 100 course is the bomb, you get it all.

To make it you will have to ride smart, push hard and plan well. If you do, you'll experience a deep sense of accomplishment and satisfaction knowing that you tamed the fiercest monster of Co2uT.

Start Time

7:00 am Downtown Fruita – Peach Street and Aspen.

Start Location

All distances Begin in the parking lot on the north side of [Civic Pavilion Park 325 East Aspen Avenue](#)

Cut-off Time

The official end of the 125-mile race: **9:00 pm**. We reserve the right to pull riders off course who we determine will not finish by this time.

Parking

Parking for all distances is Fruita Monument High School. 1102 Wildcat Avenue, Fruita, CO 1.5 miles from the start. Be sure to allow enough time to ride safely to the start and obey all road rules and laws. [Map from Parking lot to start.](#)

Packet Pickup 2:30 pm–8:30 pm Friday, May 3

All Packets must be picked up Friday. **There will be NO race day pick-up.**

Packet pick location: [Civic Pavillion Park 325 East Aspen Avenue](#)

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ROUTE

Neutral Start

First 5 miles is a Sheriff's lead escort. Nice and easy.

You will roll out of and back into Fruita on paved city streets. To keep you safe and give you time to find your groove the first 5 miles is "Neutral." NO RACING. Remember! All roads are open and will be busy with cars the closer you get to town! You will finish right at the park.

Course Notes

Aid Stations. Mile 23, Mile, 39, Mile 63, Mile 86, Mile 100.

At mile 22 you will approach State Highway 139. You **MUST** stop before entering the highway. It is just ½ mile to aid station #1 and back on gravel. Please, use extra caution on this road. The median is wide. Use it to stay far right.

When you are coming inbound. You repeat this same ½ mile in the opposite direction. Again, use caution and stay far right.

Aid #2 Mile 39

To access the aid station you need to turn right, off course. Take aid and go back onto the main road and continue SOUTH. IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO PULL IN FOR AID IT'S A LONG 25 MILES TO THE NEXT AID STATION.

1/3 of a mile after aid #2 the 100/125 course separate from the 75 mile course. You will turn HARD RIGHT (West off the paved road onto gravel).

Mile 50 – Course Split! Right at the Colorado/Utah border the 100 and 125 leave each other! 100 milers turn right, 125 continue straight

Aid #3 Mile 61

HEAVY VEHICLE TRAFFIC ON THIS PAVED 3 MILES. Very cautious here as aid station support vehicle traffic could be heavy.

Aid #4 Mile 86

(Your second time through this aid station) You will once again head south on the paved road. This time continuing straight for 1.2 miles

CAUTION - 1.2 MILES PAST AID #2 YOU WILL TURN HARD LEFT, ACROSS ONCOMING TRAFFIC TO GET BACK ON GRAVEL!

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Cut-Off Times

Aid station #4 (same as aid station #2 outbound) mile 86. If severe weather moves in we may institute a cut-off here at 10 hours.

Aid Station #5 (Same as aid station #1 outbound, 25 miles from the finish.) Race mile 100, 13 hours after the official start time.

- Additionally, any rider leaving aid station #5, between 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. will be required to have an operational front light.
- Official finish line, Downtown Fruita. Final cut-off 9:30 pm.

Drop Down

If you get to the course split at MILE 50 and feel like 75 more miles isn't in the cards for you today you can "drop-down" to the 100 route here. Take the 100 mile right turn to continue on the 100-mile route. In doing so, you will officially finish as a 100miler. **You will not be eligible for age group awards and you MUST notify an official at the next aid station before continuing, providing your bib number and name.**

Lights

You are required to have a flashing red taillight on and operational after 6:30pm. Any rider on course after 8 pm is required to have a white headlight on and operational through the finish.

Drop bags

You will be allowed one drop bag that will be delivered to aid station #2. This is mile 39 outbound and mile 86 inbound.

You must CLEARLY LABEL the drop bag with your name and race number. Mark it well – you will be required to find your drop back on your own. The better you label it the more organized we'll have it.

It needs to be a reasonable size (such as a race-tote, musette bag) or 6 pack cooler. Drop bags need to be dropped off prior to your start on Saturday morning at the start/finish area (this zone will be marked). Drop bags may not be retrievable until after the race, Sunday morning, 8am. at the finish area. Any items/bags not claimed by end of day, 5pm on Sunday, May 5th will be donated.

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Course Splits and Two-way Traffic

Your course rides with the 75 and 100 to mile 39 aid #2. Here the 75-mile course continues down the asphalt road. You and the 100 right and get back on gravel (mile 39.7)

MILE 50 125 riders continue STRAIGHT the 100 milers turn right.

Lastly and Most Importantly

125 miles and almost 7,000' of gain is no joke. Add in wind, Raptor Traps a heck of a lot of twists and turns and the Utah Raptor will represent her reputation. Not if, but when, she gets you down... Doubt begins to creep in, your tears trail dust tracks down your cheeks and the dino breeding grounds have rattled your confidence. Remember this. You are brave. You are strong. You are healthy. Just a few months ago you told yourself "I would give anything to just go to the desert and ride my bike.!" That day is here and so are you. Look up, take it in. Truly – LOOK around you... and remind yourself how blessed you really are. Then, breathe deep, smile, and pedal on. We are waiting for you at the finish.

Each rider is asked to pack their own wag bag. **Utah does not permit any burying of waste on the course.** You must pack it out, please.