



## REGULATIONS

**DESIGNATION: GRAN FONDO STRADE BIANCHE**

**ORGANIZATION: SSD RCS ACTIVE TEAM**

**DATE: 5 MARCH 2023**

**START: FORTEZZA MEDICEA, SIENA (SI)**

**FINISH: PIAZZA DEL CAMPO, SIENA (SI)**

**GRAN FONDO STRADE BIANCHE – 138,5KM**

**MEDIO FONDO STRADE BIANCHE – 87 KM**

**SIGN-ON OPENING: 06.30**

**START TIME: 08.00**



## Participation

Gran Fondo Strade Bianche is open to all the F.C.I. members aged 17 on the race day for the Medio Fondo course and aged 19 on the race day for the Gran Fondo course. There are no limits in participation for the M8 category as long as with a valid membership card or sport medical certificate and daily membership card.

Gran Fondo Strade Bianche is open to all the F.C.I. members and the Sport Promotion Bodies members that have signed the convention with F.C.I. for the year 2023\* with a sport-medical certificate attesting the health conditions to practice competitive cycling and foreign amateur racing cyclists with their Federation regular 2023 membership card and the **SPORT MEDICAL CERTIFICATE in the English language (CYCLING ONLY)**, link for download <https://bit.ly/3nJ9W1C>

The Event is also open to all the amateur racing cyclists. For those who do not have a membership card, a € 10,00 one-day F.C.I. card will be issued. It covers the insurance for 'third-party liability' during the Event. For this card to be issued the participants need to **SUBMIT THE SPORT-MEDICAL CERTIFICATE (ONLY in the English language and only for Cycling)**

The Event is by invitation only. At any time and with unappealable decision the Organizational Committee can decide whether to accept or not the entry or to exclude an entered participant in case the latter may damage the image of the Event.

\* **Between January and February 2023, the new guidelines for Sport Promotion Bodies 2023 will be published.** No UDACE membership card but only the replacement ACSI-UDACE membership card is allowed.

## Medical Certificate

The participation to the event is possible only when the following is fulfilled:

- F.C.I. members and the Sport Promotion Bodies members: sport-medical certificate attesting the health conditions to practice competitive cycling (only Cycling, no other sports as triathlon, duathlon, athletics and so on)
- For participants whom are resident in Italy but are not FCI members or Sport Promotion Bodies members: certificate for the practice of sporting activity of particular and high cardiovascular intensity (according to the Decree D.M. del 24.04.2013)
- For participants whom are foreign residents: sport-medical certificate attesting the health conditions to practice competitive cycling in the English language from home country – link for download <https://bit.ly/3nJ9W1C>

The ownership of a membership card can be alternative to the verification of the possess of the medical certificate only in case the membership card has the logo DataHealth together with the date of validity of the medical certificate for professional cycling.

## Ex Professional Athletes (elite with contract), elite and under23

Professional athletes, elite (men and women) and under 23, are admitted exclusively for promotional purposes with the authorization of the sports club to which they belong to be shown to the Jury, they will not be able to participate in any way in the ranking.

According to the New Rules as of 26-27/03/2022, athletes who have been registered as the Professional, Elite, Under 23, Elite Women, Under 23 categories, in the two years following their last membership in the category, amateur cycle members can participate but are excluded from the category rankings, they can only be included in the absolute ranking with the indication "cat. ASS".



### Doping

In case of being tested positive during the anti-doping controls carried out at the Gran Fondo Strade Bianche, or in case of being tested positive in the 6 (six) months following it, the Organization reserves the right to ask for the compensation from the participant for the severe damages caused to the image of the event, requesting an amount of € 50,000.00 (fifty-thousand/00 euros) to cover the damages. If the participant belongs to a sport association, the latter will be jointly obliged to pay the sanction. The sum of money will be used to promote youth sport practice.

### Entry Fee

The registration to Gran Fondo Strade Bianche 2023 will open on September 20, 2022 at 11 AM CET

Participants registered to the Gran Fondo Il Lombardia 2022 will be granted access to the Gran Fondo Strade Bianche 2023 registration already from September 15, 2022 at 11 AM

**THE ORGANIZATION SET THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS TO 6,500 FOR THE YEAR 2023**

**TO GUARANTEE THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF THE EVENT AND A BETTER EXPERIENCE TO ALL REGISTERED RIDERS**

THE ENTRY FEE IS 97€\*

\*Only Online registration on <https://gfstradebianche.it/>

The entry fee includes:

- the race number
- the official SPORTFUL Bodyfit Pro Classics Jersey
- the technical vest
- the official race bag
- breakdown assistance (spares are not included),
- medical care during the race,
- feeding zones,
- broom wagon service
- Pasta Party

**THE ENTRY FEE CANNOT BE REDUCED OR REIMBURSED.**

### Entry Submission

Online with credit card, direct bank transfer or Satispay on the website <https://api.endu.net/r/i/75432>. Participants will have to buy the daily license online during the registration process to avoid long queues at the start number pick up.

ONLINE REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE ON FEBRUARY 20, 2023 AT 00.00

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### Race number collection and membership card check

Friday, March 3 from 1.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. and Saturday, March 4 from 8.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. at the Fortezza di Santa Barbara (Fortezza Medicea), Siena. It will not be possible to collect the race numbers on the race day.

[Any uncollected race kit will not be sent home.](#)

### Entry fee repayment

It is possible to transfer the entry to 2024, the participants needs to communicate it by email to [granfondo@rcs.it](mailto:granfondo@rcs.it) within midnight of **FEBRUARY 10, 2023**, the entry will remain valid for the year 2024. The entry is nominal and is not transferable to a third party and will be valid only for the year following the renunciation. Before the 2024 registration open, each participant will receive instructions on how to pay the adjustment fee and confirm the 2024 entry. If the entrant does not participate in the Event, the paid fee will not be reimbursed.

### Substitution of registered athletes

Any substitution between athletes is admitted only until **FEBRUARY 10, 2023**. In this case an extra fee of € 20,00 is required to pay the administration expenses. Please write to [segreteria@sdam.it](mailto:segreteria@sdam.it) to request the substitution.

### Starting Grids

Starting Grids will be set up looking at the registration date and 2022 race results.

To facilitate the start and allow an orderly start of the race there will be starting grids. The organization will disqualify immediately who will enter a different grid and who will be in a different starting grid without the authorization from the organization. The start number determines the starting grid. These are the starting grids for 2023:

- **1st grid 1-300** (guests of the organization/Tour Operators and Charity Partner entries)
- **2nd grid 301-1000** (merit grid/category winners/ guests of the organization/Tour Operators and Charity Partner entries/time 2022 GF SBI for GF course under 4:40h M 5:40h W and for the MF course under 2:30h M, 3:10h W)
- **3rd grid 1001-2000** (guests of the organization/ Tour Operators entries/date of registration)
- **4th grid 2001-3600** (registration transfer from 2022/date of registration)
- **5th grid 3601-4200** (date of registration)
- **6th grid 4201-500** (date of registration)

### Rights and Obligations

The entrant can freely choose the course that suits him/her best during the sport Event by respecting the check points placed along the routes. If any check point is skipped, the entrant will be excluded from the general classification.

**Gran Fondo Strade Bianche is an Agonistic/Competitive/Amateur racing cycling event.** Therefore, the strict respect and observance of the Highway Code is to be applied. The riders who will be overtaken by the “end of the cycling race” vehicle will continue the event as amateur racing cyclists, keeping their body number on their back. It is mandatory to have the frame number clearly fastened on the handlebar and not rolled around the frame and to wear the body number, both given by the Organization. These numbers cannot be changed in size. It is mandatory to wear the type-approved hard helmet fastened during the entire race. To protect the environment, it is absolutely forbidden to jettison any kind of waste along the route and it is mandatory to deposit it in the specially provided containers placed near the feeding zones and/or at the finish that are signposted as “Ecozone”. Whoever is found breaching this rule by the Organization personnel and/or the race commissaries will be disqualified.



**Check Points:** Start, along the route, Finish

**Timekeeping:** Gran Fondo Strade Bianche uses the Official Timer MySDAM with a technology based on the use of “chip”. Every participant must have a valid personal chip or a one-day chip for hire. Information and use conditions about the chips are posted on the MySDAM website. The absence or the incorrect use of the chip will prevent the entrant from being part of the classification and from having his/her race time.

#### **Time limit**

7 hours – by 03.00 P.M. of MARCH 5, 2023

PLEASE NOTE. The time limit to transit through Radi to ride the longer route (Gran Fondo), is 10.00 AM. All the riders whom will transit (through Radi) after this time, MUST ride the short route of 86,6 Km (Medio Fondo).

#### **Awards ceremony**

11:00 am Sunday 5 MARCH awards to the top three (3) men and top three (3) women of the Medio Fondo Course

12:30 pm Sunday 5 MARCH awards to the top three (3) men and top three (3) women of the Gran Fondo Course

Subsequently all other categories. Awards to the first of each male age category of the Gran Fondo and Medio Fondo course. The awards to the female age categories will be merged into 4 macro categories as follows: Sport Elite Women (19/29), Master Women 1 (30/39), Master Women 2 (40/55) and Master Women 3 (over 55 yrs) for the Gran Fondo and Medio Fondo course.

The prizes will be awarded only to those present.

On Saturday 4 MARCH awards will be given to the first three (3) sport groups with most registered participants.

**Uncollected prizes will not be sent home.**

#### **Ranking**

The ranking will be posted in the Event website.

#### **Hard helmet**

Mandatory

#### **Medical care**

Following ambulances, doctor's cars and motorcycles, doctors and qualified paramedical personnel

#### **Breakdown assistance**

Following neutral support cars and motorcycles, and several mechanical support service points placed along the two routes

#### **Private assistance**

Any following private assistance is forbidden during the race, under penalty of disqualification. Feeding is allowed in the feeding points made available by the Organization (feeding zones).



#### Radio Assistance

Throughout both courses and at the finish.

#### Feeding zones

3 along the route

#### Broom Service

A broom wagon service will be operative at the back of the race.

We remind that the bicycles of the riders that are collected will be deposited in the Bike Park in the Fortezza Medicea as soon as the vehicles return. It will be possible to collect the bicycles based on the race number corresponding to the race number fixed on the bicycle and an ID document.

#### Cancellation of the Event

If, due to circumstances beyond the Organization's control, the event will not take place, the entry fee is not going to be reimbursed.

#### Mandatory equipment of the riders

At the start sign-on the riders participating in the Fondo races are compulsorily to be equipped at least with:

- a kit to remove a tire / tubular tire, a spare inner tube (or tubular tire);
- a pump (or a tire fix can) to inflate the wheels;
- a water-bottle;
- Moreover, all the participants, during the entire course of the race, are to wear a type-approved hard helmet and carry both the frame number and the body number legible.

#### Complains

Any complaints must be received by the Jury within the regulatory terms accompanied by the fee requested by the F.C.I.

#### Rules

No liability of any kind shall be referred to the Organization regarding damages deriving from accidents occurred prior, during or after the cycling Event to people, animals and things. All the participants are mandatorily to respect and observe the Highway Code. For whatever is not provided for in these Regulations, the F.C.I. Struttura Amatoriale Nazionale (F.C.I. National Amateur Racing Cycling Structure) is in force.

#### Final Warnings

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to modify these regulations at any time for reasons it deems appropriate for a better organization of the event. Any changes to services, places and times will be appropriately communicated to the participants or will be posted on the website <https://gfstradebianche.it/>. In addition, the documentation containing the essential information for taking part in the event will be delivered by the organization together with the race number.

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