

#### **2024 Rules**

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#### **Article 1 - Introduction**

Organized under the auspices of the Occitanie Cycling Committee of the French Cycling Federation (FFC), the Occitanie FFC Cyclosportives Trophy is composed of 11 cyclosportives events of the Occitanie Region registered in the FFC Occitanie Cycling Committee 2024 calendar.

The Trophy includes a scratch classification and a classification by categories. The scratch classification is based only on the results of the longest courses of the events whereas the classification by categories takes into account all the timed events (except randosportives).

# Article 2 – List of the Trophy events

The 11 events of the Occitanie Cycling Committee registered in the Trophy are the following ones:

1.	27 april	66 degrés sud – La cyclo (66 – Rivesaltes)
2.	2 june	La Murataise (81 – Murat-sur-Vèbre)
3.	29 june	L'Ariégeoise (09 – Tarascon-sur-Ariège)
4.	29 june	La Cycl'Aigoual Région Occitanie (30 – Camprieu)
5.	7 july	La Pyrénéenne (65 – St Lary Soulan)
6.	19-21 july	La Campilaro Pyrénées (65 – Bagnères de Bigorre)
7.	4 august	La Vélotoise (46 – Figeac)
8.	8 september	La Cycl'Roquefort (12 – Roquefort-sur-Soulzon)
9.	8 september	La Casartelli (09 – Saint-Girons)
10.	22 september	La Laurent Jalabert (81 – Mazamet)
11.	20 october	La Castraise (81 – Castres)

# Article 3 - Conditions of participation

This Trophy is open to all, licensed or not licensed to the FFC, registered in at least one event of the Trophy, in the respect of the rules of the events (refer to the rules of the events for more information).

The FFC licensees of the ELITE categories will be classified in the scratch but not in the classifications by categories.

# **Article 4- Categories**

The categories of the Trophy are the following:

Men	Women
M1 – M18-34	F1 – F18-34
M2 – M35-39	F2 – F35-39
M3 – M40-44	F3 – F40-44
M4 – M45-49	F4 – F45-49
M5 – M50-54	F5 – F50-54
M6 – M55-59	F6 – F55-59
M7 – M60-64	F7 – F60-64
M8 – M65-69	F8 – F65-69
M9 – M70+	F9 – F70+
Disabled FFC	Disabled FFC

## Article 5 - Rankings

The rankings of the Trophy are established from the number of points scored by participating in the events of the Trophy.

It is necessary to be classified (finisher) in the official results of the events to score points.

The only reference for the calculation of the points will be the rank in the official classification of the events. Any complaint about the official result of an event must be addressed directly to the organizer of the corresponding event.

Ties will be broken by age, in favour of the oldest.

In order to avoid anomalies in the management of the rankings, competitors are advised to make sure that they fill in their full names and date of birth correctly when registering for the events.

## Scratch ranking:

The scratch ranking takes into account only the results on the longer course of each event with the following points:

- The first 150 of the longer course of the events score: 1st (150 points), 2nd (149 points), 3rd (148 points), ..., 149th (2 points), 150th (1 point).
- Only the 5 best results (number of points) are taken into account in the overall scratch ranking.

# Classifications by categories that encourage participation:

To be fair, the points scored on an event are calculated by taking into account the ranking and the number of classifiers in each category. The goal is not to disadvantage an event with a large number of classifiers per category compared to another with fewer participants.

The point system described below allows each classifier in an event to score a minimum of 75 points including the event bonus.

### All classified in an event score:

- A Bonus of 25 points per event in which they participated and are ranked.
  - o 1 event completed: 25 points
  - o 2 events completed: 50 points
  - o 3 events completed: 75 points
  - o 4 events completed: 100 points
  - o 5 events completed: 125 points
  - 6 events completed: 150 points
  - o 7 events completed: 175 points
  - 8 events completed: 200 points
  - o ...

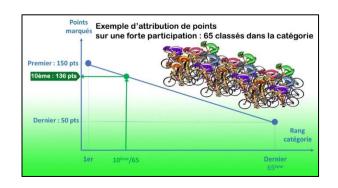
#### A bonus for the most difficult courses:

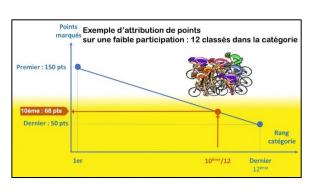
- o Courses of more than 130km, or more than 2000m of ascent: 25 points
- o Courses between 90km and 130km, or between 1000m and 2000m of ascent: 10 points
- o Courses of less than 90km distance and less than 1000m of ascent: 0 points
- An **Otakam Bonus** of 100 points for all participants registered on the Otakam platform (free registration on www.otakam.fr). To benefit from this bonus in the final ranking, you must be registered on Otakam at the latest on the day of the last event of the Trophy.
- **Event points linked to their 5 best performances** in their category over the whole Trophy at the end of the season:
  - When there are more than 5 classified in the category, the points are attributed in a degressive way from the first (150 points) to the last (50 points) of the category taking into account the number of classified in the category\*.
  - When there are less than 5 classified in the category, the points are as follows: 1st (150 points),
    2nd (125 points), 3rd (100), 4th (75 points),

This method of awarding points is designed to be fair so as not to favour an event with fewer participants in each category than another event (see example below). Points may include digits after the decimal point.

# Example: With the same 10th place ranking, it is normal to score more points when there are more participants.

- 1st event with many participants: I finish 10th / 65 in my category, I score 136 points
- 2nd event with less participants: I finish 10th / 12 in my category, I score: 68 points





<sup>\*</sup> Formula for calculating event points depending on the rank and the number of classified in each category:

#### Article 6 - Rewards

The first three in the scratch ranking and the first in each category in the final general classification will be rewarded.

If a participant finishes in the first three in the scratch ranking and also first in his category, he will be rewarded just once.

The list of prizes will be posted on the event website www.otakam.fr/en/trophee-occitanie-ffc

The official proclamation of the results will take place after the last race of the Trophy counting for the classification.

# Article 7 - Management of the Trophy

The management of the Trophy will be ensured on the Otakam platform (management of the web pages and the rankings).

The presentation of the Trophy, the list of events, the prizes and the updated rankings after each event will be available on the web page: www.otakam.fr/en/trophee-occitanie-ffc

Even if it is not necessary, it is recommended to register (free of charge) on Otakam to be notified of a new result in your name and to correct any errors in your contact information via the "Manage my results" page on otakam.fr.

Any complaint concerning the Trophy rankings must be made before October 31, 2024.