SWISSPEAKS TRAIL RULES AND REGULATIONS 2026 EDITION

Only the current version of the rules in PDF format in French, which can be downloaded from our website, is valid.

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

The SwissPeaks Trail, and in particular the SwissPeaks 100 Miles, SwissPeaks Legend, and SwissPeaks Odyssey races, are extreme long-distance competitions requiring exceptional mental and physical abilities and extensive preparation. They include many sections on highly technical trails, sometimes at high altitude near glaciers. Conditions can sometimes be very difficult (darkness, wind, cold, rain, or snow). This is why excellent training and a real capacity for autonomy are essential for any athlete wishing to take part in this individual race.

To participate, it is therefore essential to:

- be fully aware of the length and specific nature of the competition;
- be perfectly prepared physically and psychologically;
- have acquired, before the race, a real capacity for personal autonomy in the mountains, enabling you to manage the problems associated with this type of event, in particular:
- know how to cope, alone and without outside help, with weather conditions that can be extremely difficult due to altitude and meteorological conditions (night, wind, cold, rain, and snow);
- knowing how to manage, even when isolated, physical and psychological problems caused by extreme fatigue, digestive problems, muscle or joint pain, minor injuries or abrasions caused by prolonged activity, etc.
- be aware that the role of the organization is not to help runners manage their problems and that, for a mountain race such as the SwissPeaks Legend, safety depends on the runner's ability to adapt to problems encountered or foreseeable.

The SwissPeaks Legend is a competition open to everyone (minimum age 20), with no specific limitations, but it is strongly recommended that you have already participated in other multi-day trail races before embarking on this adventure. Participation in the SwissPeaks Odyssey is only possible upon acceptance of the runner's CV.

The other SwissPeaks Trail races are open to anyone, male or female, who is at least 18 years old on the day of the race (except for the Trail initiation race, see below).

Each runner declares that they are familiar with and accept these rules.

SEMI-AUTONOMY

The principle of individual running in semi-autonomy is the rule. Warning: **underestimating your mental and physical preparation, clothing, and equipment can have extreme,** even fatal**, consequences**!

Semi-autonomy is defined as the ability to be self-sufficient between two refreshment points, in terms of food, clothing, and safety equipment, enabling runners to adapt to any problems they encounter or anticipate (bad weather, physical problems, injuries, etc.).

This principle implies the following rules in particular:

1. Each runner must carry all of their mandatory equipment with them throughout the race (see EQUIPMENT section). They must carry this equipment in a bag that is marked when they receive their race number and cannot be exchanged during the race. At any time during the race, race officials may check the bag and its contents. Runners are required to comply with these checks in a friendly manner, under penalty of exclusion from the race.
2. Refreshment stations are stocked with drinks and food to be consumed on site. Runners must ensure that they have enough water and food at the start of each refreshment station to reach the next refreshment point.
3. **It is forbidden to be accompanied or to accept accompaniment during all or part of the race** by a person who is not registered, outside the tolerance zones clearly marked near the refreshment stations.
4. **Any form of personal assistance outside the authorized areas (see table in the roadbook) will result in disqualification. Please respect the ethics of the race.**

REGISTRATION CONDITIONS

Participation in the SwissPeaks Trail implies unconditional acceptance of these rules.

REGISTRATION, SELECTIONS, WAITING LISTS, AND RUNNERS NOT ADMITTED

Registration will open on November 9, 2025, at 4 p.m. on the event website www.swisspeaks.ch

	From November 9th 2025
SwissPeaks Discovery	33 CHF
SwissPeaks Half-Marathon	69 CHF*
SwissPeaks Marathon	96 CHF*
SwissPeaks Challenge	149 CHF*
SwissPeaks Ultra	189 CHF*
SwissPeaks 100 Miles	259 CHF*
SwissPeaks Legend	900 CHF*
SwissPeaks Legend DUO	

	1600 CHF*
SwissPeaks Odyssey	1600 CHF*

*This amount does not include platform fees. Please note that the exchange rate in a currency other than the platform currency (CHF - Swiss franc) may affect the price you pay.

When registration opens and during the first few weeks, the option to pay the registration fee in two installments (for SwissPeaks Legend only) is not available.

The entry fee (for SwissPeaks Odyssey, SwissPeaks Legend, SwissPeaks 100 Miles, SwissPeaks Ultra, SwissPeaks Challenge) includes participation in the race, a souvenir prize, a meal at the finish line, refreshments, meals at the base camps, a support bag, a finisher prize, and a finisher medal.

The marathon includes participation in the race, a souvenir prize, refreshments, a meal at the finish line, and a finisher's medal.

The half marathon includes participation in the race, a souvenir prize, a finisher's medal, and refreshments.

The "SwissPeaks Discovery" includes participation in the race, refreshments, and a souvenir prize.

With the exception of SwissPeaks Odyssey, there is no selection process for race registrations. Registered runners are admitted.

The number of runners admitted to the races is as follows:

- 500 for the SwissPeaks Discovery
- 500 for the SwissPeaks Half-marathon
- 500 for the SwissPeaks Marathon
- 500 for the SwissPeaks Challenge
- 500 for the SwissPeaks Ultra
- 400 for the SwissPeaks 100 Miles
- 400 for the SwissPeaks Legend
- 100 for the SwissPeaks Odyssey

Once these limits have been reached, any runner who registers will automatically be placed on a waiting list.

The first runner on the waiting list replaces a runner who has canceled their registration.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR SWISSPEAKS Odyssey

SwissPeaks Odyssey has special conditions due to the specific nature of the race.

The conditions and concept, which are subject to change over time, are described in Appendix 1 to these rules.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR SWISSPEAKS Legend DUO

The SwissPeaks Legend DUO has a relatively important difference compared to the SwissPeaks Legend Solo registration in that it must be run in pairs. This means that the two runners registered as a DUO are required to run together and arrive together at each base camp/refreshment station. If this rule is not followed, the organization reserves the right to disqualify the team.

If one of the two decides to drop out along the way, the second runner has the choice of continuing or not. In both cases, the runners must inform the organizers whether or not one of the two runners decides to continue the race. If they decide to continue, the runner will then be ranked in the SwissPeaks Legend Solo overall classification.

"ELITE" REGISTRATION

In order to ensure fair recognition of high-level athletes and equitable management of registrations, we reserve places for elite runners who request them, according to specific criteria based on their overall ITRA performance index. Runners who meet the criteria below are eligible for free registration or a preferential rate for ultra-distance races:

Women: > 710

Men: > 820

If you meet this criterion and wish to register, please write toinfo@swisspeaks.ch to finalize your registration.

REGISTRATION CANCELLATION

1. **WITH subscription to the cancellation insurance offered by the organizer**

Anyone can take out cancellation insurance at the time of registration, at an additional cost of:

- SwissPeaks Odyssey : 150 CHF
- SwissPeaks Legend : 90 CHF
- SwissPeaks Legend Duo : 70 CHF
- SwissPeaks 100 Miles : 30 CHF
- SwissPeaks Ultra : 20 CHF

- SwissPeaks Challenge : 15 CHF
- SwissPeaks Marathon, Half-Marathon & Discovery : 12 CHF

This amount is in addition to the registration fee. **Cancellation insurance can only be taken out at the time of registration.**

The purpose of the guarantee is to allow reimbursement of the costs incurred for registration for one of the races in the event that a runner requests to cancel their registration due to one of the following events:

- an accident, serious illness, or death of the runner themselves,
- a serious illness requiring hospitalization or the death of their spouse or common-law partner, their ascendants or descendants in the first degree, within thirty days prior to the event.
- pregnancy of the registered runner or the birth of a child within 15 days before or after the race

In the event of an accident or serious illness affecting the runner, a medical certificate signed and stamped by a doctor must be provided, along with medical evidence attesting to the inability to participate in the race, no later than seven days before the start date of the race in question. **These documents must be sent by email to: info@swisspeaks.ch**

For late cancellations (from July 15, 2026), additional administrative fees (between 10 and 15%) may be charged in view of the numerous costs already incurred.

2. **WITHOUT taking out the cancellation insurance offered by the organizer**

If you have not taken out cancellation insurance, the following rules apply:

- If a runner is unable to participate, he/she is authorized to transfer his/her race number to a person of his/her choice (changes can be made until August 1, 2026; after this date, no further changes will be accepted).
- For those who have no one to transfer their race number to **AND** if one or more races are full before the deadline (July 1st, 2026 for the SwissPeaks Legend, SwissPeaks 100 Miles, and SwissPeaks Ultra; August 1th, 2026 for the marathon, half-marathon, and Discovery), a bib transfer system may be set up by the organizer for the race(s) in question. In this case, cancellations will be considered in the chronological order in which emails are received. A fee equal to 15% of the registration price will be retained from the person transferring their race number to cover administrative costs.
- If the race is no full and you cannot find anyone to take your bib number, the following rules apply: before December 31st, 2025: 70% of the registration fees actually collected will be refunded. From January 1st to June 30th, 2026: 40% of the registration fees actually collected will be refunded. **After July 1st, 2026: no refunds will be made.**

However, it is possible to change categories until **August 1st, 2026**. No refund will be made if a person moves down a category. Otherwise, the person will have to pay the additional amount to reach the registration fee for their new category.

After August 1st 2026: no changes to category or name will be possible.

EQUIPMENT

To participate in these events, a mandatory equipment kit is required.
However, it is important to note **that this is a minimum requirement that each trail runner must adapt to their own abilities. In particular, it is important not to choose the lightest clothing possible in order to save a few grams, but to choose clothing that provides real protection in the mountains against the cold, wind, and snow, and therefore greater safety and better performance**.

Each runner will carry clothing that fits them properly and has not been altered in any way since it left the factory.

Random checks may be carried out during the races, resulting in penalties up to and including disqualification of the runner if this mandatory equipment is not presented.

Mandatory basic kit for the SwissPeaks Legend and SwissPeaks 100 Miles:

A single bag for carrying the mandatory equipment and to be kept throughout the race
A working **cell phone** that can make international calls and must be turned on at all times so the runner can be reached
Personal **cup** with a minimum capacity of 15cl (water bottles or flasks with caps are not accepted) — a limited number of cups are available at aid stations and base camps!
Minimum **water supply of** 1 liter
2 headlamps in good working order with spare batteries for each lamp
Minimum 1.40 m x 2 m **survival blanket**
Whistle
Adhesive elastic bandage or strapping (minimum 100 cm x 6 cm**)**
Food supply
Cap or bandana
Hat
Hooded jacket designed to withstand bad weather in the mountains, made with a waterproof and breathable membrane
Long running **pants or tights** OR a combination of tights and socks covering the entire leg
Additional **warm second layer** with long sleeves (minimum weight 180g) OR a combination of warm long-sleeved underwear (minimum weight 110g) and a windproof jacket with water-repellent protection. The windproof jacket does not replace the mandatory waterproof jacket with hood, and vice versa.

Warm, waterproof **gloves**
Identification
Personal bowl for volunteers to place the desired refreshments in
Mandatory crampons in the Drop Bag for the SwissPeaks Odyssey and SwissPeaks Legend
A mandatory sleeping bag in the support bag for the SwissPeaks Odyssey, SwissPeaks Legend, and 100 Miles

Mandatory basic kit for the SwissPeaks Ultra and SwissPeaks Challenge:

A single bag for carrying mandatory equipment and to be kept throughout the race
A working **cell phone** that can make international calls and must be turned on at all times so you can be reached
Personal **cup** with a minimum capacity of 15cl (water bottles or flasks with caps are not accepted) — a limited number of cups are available at refreshment stations and base camps!
Minimum **water supply of** 1 liter
1 working **flashlight** with spare batteries or rechargeable battery
Survival blanket measuring at least 1.40 m x 2 m
Whistle
Adhesive elastic bandage or strapping (minimum 100 cm x 6 cm**)**
Food supply
Cap or bandana
Hat
Hooded jacket designed to withstand bad weather in the mountains, made with a waterproof and breathable membrane
Long running **pants or tights** OR a combination of tights and socks covering the entire leg
Additional **warm layer** with long sleeves (minimum weight 180g) OR a combination of warm long-sleeved underwear (minimum weight 110g) and a windproof jacket with water-repellent protection. The windproof jacket does not replace the mandatory waterproof jacket with hood, and vice versa.
Warm, waterproof **gloves**
Identification
Personal bowl for volunteers to place your desired refreshments in

Mandatory basic kit for the SwissPeaks Marathon:

A single bag to carry the mandatory equipment and keep throughout the race
A working **cell phone** that can make international calls and must be turned on at all times so you can be reached
Personal **cup** with a minimum capacity of 15cl (water bottles or flasks with caps are not accepted) — a limited number of cups are available at refreshment stations and aid stations!
Minimum **water supply of** 1 liter

Minimum 1.40 m x 2 m **survival blanket**
Whistle
Adhesive elastic bandage or strapping (minimum 100 cm x 6 cm**)**
Food supply
Cap or bandana
Jacket with hood to protect against bad weather in the mountains, made with a waterproof and breathable membrane
Identification

Mandatory basic kit for the SwissPeaks Half-Marathon and Discovery:

Mobile phone in working order, capable of making international calls and always switched on so that you can be reached at any time
Personal **cup** with a minimum capacity of 15cl (water bottles or flasks with caps are not accepted) — a limited number of cups are available at refreshment stations and base camps!
Minimum **water supply of** 0.5 liters
Food supply
Identification

It is difficult to accurately predict the weather in the mountains in early September. That is why the organizers have put together three kits in addition to the mandatory equipment so that participants are as well prepared as possible. It is therefore advisable to be prepared to use one of these additional kits in addition to the basic kit. Information will be sent to runners by email a few days before the start of their race.

Heatwave kit For all races (may be required by the organizers depending on weather conditions):

- Sunglasses
- Sunscreen
- Minimum 2 liters of water

Cold weather kit For the SwissPeaks Odyssey, SwissPeaks Legend, SwissPeaks 100 Miles, SwissPeaks Ultra, and SwissPeaks Challenge races (may be required by the organization depending on weather conditions), the following items MUST be carried in the support vehicle bag and potentially in the runner's bag if weather conditions change during the race:

- An extra warm jacket with a hood, such as a down jacket
- Waterproof overpants

Bad weather kit For the SwissPeaks Marathon, SwissPeaks Half-Marathon, and SwissPeaks Discovery (may be required by the organization depending on weather conditions):

- **A jacket with a hood** that can withstand bad weather in the mountains and is made with a waterproof and breathable membrane
- Long running **pants or tights** OR a combination of tights and socks covering the entire leg
- Additional **warm second layer** with long sleeves (minimum weight 180g) OR a combination of warm long-sleeved underwear (minimum weight 110g) and a windproof jacket with water-repellent protection. The windproof jacket does not replace the mandatory waterproof jacket with hood and vice versa.
- Warm, waterproof **gloves**

DROP BAG

The drop bag for the SwissPeaks Odyssey and SwissPeaks Legend will have a capacity of 50L to hold a maximum of 10 kg. The drop bag for the SwissPeaks 100 Miles and SwissPeaks Ultra will have a capacity of 30L. This bag will follow you from base camp to base camp. Please note that it is your responsibility to leave this bag in the designated area when you leave the base camp. Only bags provided by the organization will be transported to the base camps. The time it takes for bags to be returned will depend on logistical constraints. A bag may be delayed in relation to the runner, particularly in the event of withdrawal. Please be patient and respect the work of the volunteers. Bags can be collected from the dedicated tent between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. A list of bags that have arrived will be updated regularly. The contents of this follow-up bag will not be checked. Therefore, no disputes or complaints regarding its contents will be accepted upon arrival.

These bags must be collected by 6 p.m. on Sunday, September 6th, at Le Bouveret. After this date, they will be destroyed.

Please do not place any fragile or valuable personal items such as car keys, airline tickets, or wallets in these bags. The organization assumes no responsibility for items lost or damaged during transport.

The follow-up bag must be deposited (even if it is empty) at the start of the race so that it can be transported by the organization to the various aid stations. Under no circumstances should it be kept by the persons providing assistance to the runner during the race. If this occurs, a penalty will be imposed on the runner.

BIB

Each bib is given individually to each runner upon presentation of:

- photo ID
- your race bag and all mandatory equipment.

The bib number must be worn on the chest or stomach (horizontally) and must be visible at all times and in its entirety throughout the race. It must therefore always be positioned above any clothing and may not under any circumstances be attached to a bag or leg. The name and logo of the partners must not be altered or concealed.

The race number is the pass required to access shuttles, refreshment areas, infirmaries, rest rooms, showers, bag drop-off and pick-up areas, etc. Except in the event of refusal to comply with a decision made by a race official, the race number is never withdrawn, but in the event of withdrawal, it will be deactivated.

In addition to your race bib, you will receive a tear-proof wristband (SwissPeaks Odyssey, SwissPeaks Legend, 100 Miles, and Ultra) to wear at all times during the race in order to access refreshment stations and aid stations.

SAFETY AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

First aid stations are located at various points along the course. A medical team is present throughout the event at the Bouveret site (start/finish line).

The first aid stations are intended to provide assistance to anyone in danger, using the organization's own resources or those provided under agreement.

It is the responsibility of a runner in difficulty or seriously injured to call for help:

- by going to a first aid station
- by calling the medical team
- by asking another runner to alert the emergency services

It is the responsibility of each runner to assist anyone in danger and to alert the emergency services.

Remember that all kinds of unforeseen circumstances related to the environment and the race may mean that you have to wait longer than expected for help to arrive. Your safety will then depend on the quality of what you have put in your bag.

A runner who calls on a doctor or first-aid worker is effectively submitting to their authority and agreeing to accept their decisions.

Official first aiders and doctors are specifically authorized to:

- to disqualify (by invalidating the race number) any competitor who is unfit to continue the race,
- to evacuate by any means at their disposal any runners they deem to be in danger,
- to have runners hospitalized at their discretion if their state of health requires it.

The costs resulting from the use of emergency or evacuation services will be borne by the person rescued, who will also be responsible for their own return from the place where they were evacuated. It is the sole responsibility of the runner to compile and submit a claim to their personal insurance company within the specified time limit.

If you are unable to reach the medical team, you can call the emergency services directly (especially if you are in an "emergency only" area).

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Any runner who voluntarily strays from the marked route is no longer the responsibility of the organization.

CHECKPOINTS AND REFRESHMENT STATIONS

A check is carried out on arrival at any first aid or refreshment station.
Unannounced checkpoints are set up in locations other than first aid and refreshment stations. Their locations are not disclosed by the organization.

Only runners wearing a visible race number, wristband, and chip, and who have been duly checked, will be allowed access to the refreshment stations.

There are plenty of trash cans at each aid station, and you must use them. Please keep the areas provided for us clean throughout the race.

Any competitor caught leaving their trash in the environment will be disqualified.

PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

Personal assistance is only permitted at refreshment stations and in the base camps, **in an area reserved for this purpose and at the discretion of the person in charge of the location**.

Only one accompanying person per runner is allowed to enter the base camps, with a badge issued by the organization. No accompanying persons are allowed to enter the refreshment stations.

These companions may not consume what has been prepared for runners at the various refreshment points, nor may they claim a bed in the base camps. They also do not have access to the rest areas, showers, and medical assistance reserved solely and exclusively for runners. Access to these areas is prohibited.

Any personal assistance along the course is prohibited, under penalty **of disqualification of the runner**.

Furthermore, accompanying runners (or any request for accompaniment by runners) along the course (50m or more) is prohibited, under penalty **of disqualification.**

MAXIMUM TIME ALLOWED AND TIME BARRIERS

The maximum time for the entire "SwissPeaks Legend" course is set at 156 hours.

The maximum time for the entire "SwissPeaks 100 Miles" course is set at 56 hours.

The maximum time for the entire "SwissPeaks Ultra" course is set at 38 hours.

The maximum time for the entire "SwissPeaks Challenge" course is set at 18 hours.

The maximum time for the entire SwissPeaks Marathon course is set at 14 hours.

The maximum time for the entire SwissPeaks Half-Marathon course is set at 6 hours.

The maximum time for the entire SwissPeaks Discovery course is set at 4 hours.

The cut-off times (time barriers) for the main checkpoints will be defined and communicated in the roadbook.

These time barriers are calculated to allow participants to reach the finish line within the maximum time limit, while making any necessary stops (rest, meals, etc.). **To be allowed to continue the race, competitors must leave the checkpoint before the set time limit - "exit time limit"** (regardless of the time of arrival at the checkpoint - "entry time limit").

Any competitor who is disqualified and wishes to continue the race may only do so after returning their race number, under their own responsibility and completely independently.

In the event of bad weather conditions and/or for safety reasons, the organizers reserve the right to stop the race in progress or to modify the time barriers.

FINISH

Upon arrival, you will receive your finisher's gift and/or finisher's medal (SwissPeaks 100 Miles, SwissPeaks Ultra, SwissPeaks Challenge, Marathon, and Half-Marathon). For the SwissPeaks Odyssey and SwissPeaks Legend, a special ceremony will be held in honor of all finishers on September 6 at 9:45 a.m. Please note that medals will only be distributed at the awards ceremony on Sunday and cannot be sent at a later date. Those who are unable to stay until the ceremony for professional and/or personal reasons must fill out a mailing form and pay the shipping costs at the information stand. The Finisher medal will be mailed no later than two months after the race. No requests for mailing will be accepted after Sunday, September 6.

Hot showers are available at the finish line (Bouveret).
Access to the showers at the finish line is strictly limited to barefoot runners (you will be given a bag for your shoes at the entrance).

A meal is also offered to all participants (except Half-Marathon and Discovery) at the finish line or at our partner restaurants using the meal voucher received with the race number.

RANKINGS AND AWARDS

For each race, an overall ranking for men and women, as well as a ranking for each category for men and women, will be established.
The top three finishers in each category will receive a podium prize.

Attendance at the awards ceremony is mandatory in order to receive your prize. No prizes will be given to third parties or sent by mail at a later date.

	SwissPeaks Odyssey and SwissPeaks Legend	All other races
Senior Men (SEH)	20 to 39 years old	18 to 39 years old
Senior Women (SW)	20 to 39 years old	18 to 39 years old
Master 1 Men (MH1)	40 to 49 years old	40 to 49 years old
Master 1 Women (MF1)	40 to 49 years old	40 to 49 years old
Master 2 Men (MH2)	50 to 59 years old	50 to 59 years old
Master 2 Women (MF2)	50 to 59 years old	50 to 59 years old
Master 3 Men (MH3)	60 years and older	60 years and older
Master 3 Women (MF3)	60 years and older	60 years and older

PRIZE MONEY

Prize money is awarded to the top three men/women in the SwissPeaks Odyssey, SwissPeaks Legend, 100 Miles, and Ultra races.

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SwissPeaks Odyssey	600 CHF	300	150
SwissPeaks SwissPeaks Legend	600	300	150
SwissPeaks 100 Miles	600	300	150
SwissPeaks Ultra	300	150	75

WITHDRAWAL AND REPATRIATION

Except in the case of injury, runners must not withdraw anywhere other than at a checkpoint. They must then notify the checkpoint manager, who will permanently invalidate their race number.

Runners must keep their invalidated race bib, as it is their pass to access shuttles, buses, meals, medical facilities, etc.

Repatriation will be decided with the station manager, based on the following general rules:

- Runners who drop out at a first aid or refreshment station, but whose state of health does not require evacuation, must return as quickly as possible and by their own means to the nearest repatriation point.
- With regard to refreshment or aid stations accessible by car or 4x4:

    - when the station closes, the organization may, within the limits of available resources, repatriate runners who have abandoned the race and are still present at the station
    - in the event of adverse weather conditions justifying the partial or total suspension of the race, the organization will ensure the repatriation of runners who have stopped as soon as possible

In the event of withdrawal before a checkpoint, it is imperative to return to the previous checkpoint and report your withdrawal to the station manager.
If, during this return journey, the runner encounters the "sweep" runners (or wire pullers), it is the latter who will invalidate the race number. The runner is then no longer under the control of the organization.

Our runner repatriation system is largely carried out through our partnership with RegionAlps. If the station manager takes you to the nearest station to repatriate you, you must take a regional train (not CFF) and be in possession of your race number.

Any runner who leaves the competition without notifying the organization will be liable for any search costs incurred.

PENALTIES AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

The race management reserves the right to disqualify any runner who does not comply with these rules.

Any runner seen throwing litter on the course will be disqualified.

Any runner seen receiving personal assistance outside the authorized areas will be disqualified.

Turning off the GPS beacon, detaching it, or removing it from the bag will result in immediate disqualification of the runner.

It is strictly forbidden to use any means of transport during the race. Any runner who breaks this rule will not be allowed to cross the finish line. They will not receive a finisher's prize and will not be ranked.

ANTI-DOPING

Any competitor may be subject to anti-doping testing during or at the finish of the event. In the event of refusal or abstention, the athlete will be penalized in the same way as if they had been

found guilty of doping. A runner suspended for doping in their country will be immediately disqualified and will not be reimbursed.

CHANGES TO THE ROUTE OR TIME LIMITS; CANCELLATION OF THE RACE

The organizers reserve the right to modify the course (distance and route), the location of aid stations and refreshment stations, and the time limits at any time without prior notice.
In the event of extremely adverse weather conditions (heavy rain and snow at high altitude, high risk of thunderstorms, etc.), the start may be postponed for a maximum of a few hours, after which the race will be canceled.

In the event of force majeure (in particular in the event of bad weather conditions and for safety reasons), the organizers reserve the right to stop the race in progress or to modify the time limits.

If a race is canceled more than 15 days before the start date, a partial refund of the registration fees will be made. The amount of this refund will be set so as to enable the organization to cover all irrecoverable costs incurred at the date of cancellation. In the event of cancellation less than 15 days before the start or in the event of interruption of the race, no registration refund will be made.

IMAGE RIGHTS

All competitors expressly waive their image rights during the event and waive any recourse against the organizer and its approved partners for the use of their image. Only the organization may transfer these image rights to any media outlet, via appropriate accreditation or licensing.

Any communication about the event or use of images of the event must be done in accordance with the name of the event, registered trademarks**, and with the official agreement of the organization**.

POWERS OF THE RACE DIRECTOR

- Acceptance of a runner's participation.
- Allocation of wild cards. The race management reserves the right to invite a runner.
- Disqualification of runners who do not comply with the race rules.
- Modification of the course (e.g., reduction or modification of time limits).
- Interruption or cancellation of the event if conditions require it. Such a decision does not entitle runners to a refund of their registration fees.
- Protests: must be submitted in writing no later than 30 minutes after the runner's arrival. After hearing the parties, the race management will make a final decision.
- Decisions to be taken on a point not covered by these rules and imposed by circumstances.

INSURANCE

Civil liability insurance

The organizer takes out civil liability insurance for the duration of the event. This civil liability insurance covers the financial consequences of its liability, that of its employees, and that of the participants.

Personal accident

Each competitor must have personal accident insurance covering search and rescue costs. Such insurance may be taken out with any organization of the competitor's choice.

CHANGES TO THE RULES

The organization reserves the right to modify these rules at any time without notice.

Only the French version in PDF format is authentic.

APPLICABLE LAW - DISPUTES

These rules are subject to Swiss law.

Prior to any legal action, the Parties agree to seek an amicable solution to their dispute.

To this end, the Parties agree to meet as soon as possible, depending on the urgency and seriousness of the dispute, and no later than fifteen (15) days after receipt of the registered letter with acknowledgment of receipt sent by the Party reporting the dispute.

In the event of failure to reach an amicable solution expressly accepted by the Parties within fifteen (15) days of the initial meeting of the Parties specified in the previous paragraph, the Parties may submit the dispute to the District Court of Monthey, Place de l'Hôtel de Ville 1, P.O. Box 28, 1870 Monthey 1.

Appendix 1 to the SwissPeaks Trail 2026 regulations - Special case of the SwissPeaks Odyssey

SPECIAL CONDITIONS COMPARED TO OTHER RACES

The SwissPeaks Odyssey has special conditions.

THE CONCEPT

For this third edition, a timed stage race is proposed. During the first week, from Le Bouveret to Brigerbad, there will be a start each day and a finish line to cross at the end of each stage. During the second week, runners will start and race alongside the SwissPeaks Legend runners.

All riders will therefore have time to rest at the base camps that will welcome them at the end of each stage. They will be provided with half board.

Every day, riders will find two or three refreshment stations along their route.

The organization will equip riders with a GPS tracker to ensure their safety, the fairness of the race, and to monitor the race. A "Live" timing platform will allow the rankings to be tracked throughout the race.

The rankings will be determined by adding the time for each stage and then the race time for the SwissPeaks Legend.

Any runner who fails to reach the finish line of a stage within the allotted time will be disqualified and will not be allowed to start the next day.

THE RACE AND ITS STAGES

- Race numbers can be collected in Le Bouveret on Tuesday, August 25th, 2026, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- A "condemned men's" meal will be organized at the “La Barge du Léman” restaurant in Le Bouveret (starting area) from 6 p.m. - Additional charge and reservation required.

- START OF THE RACE on Tuesday, August 25th, 2026, at 9:00 p.m.
- Stage 1, Le Bouveret - Ovronnaz 85 km (Tuesday, August 25 and Wednesday, August 26)
- Stage 2: Ovronnaz - Anzère, 50km (Thursday, August 27)
- Stage 3: Anzère - Guttet 60km (Friday, August 28)
- Stage 4: Guttet - Brigerbad 50 km (Saturday, August 29)
- Sunday, August 30th, Departure 5 minutes before the SwissPeaks Legend from Brigerbad at 8:55 a.m.

The organizers undertake to provide accommodation suitable for a semi-autonomous race (with a light bag) and refreshments (including at least one hot meal) at the end of each stage.

A light bag is delivered to runners at the end of each stage.

A suitcase can also be entrusted to be available at the end of the first week before the start with the SwissPeaks Legend and then at Le Bouveret at the end of the race.

Safety is ensured by a race control center and qualified, mobile teams in the field.

The principles of semi-autonomy (up to 25 km between two refreshment points) in the mountains remain in force and runners embark on an adventure that requires them to be aware of the risks involved. Knowing how to manage yourself in the mountains is essential.

REGISTRATION FOR THE SwissPeaks Odyssey

Registration for the SwissPeaks Odyssey is only possible through a selection process by the organization. Pre-registration for runners takes place from November 14th to 30th, 2025.

The selection of runners by the organizer will take place from December 1st to December 15th, 2025.

Final registration for competitors will take place from December 15 to December 31th, 2025.

After this period, if the selected runner has not confirmed their registration by paying the registration fee, they will lose their place and it will automatically be given to the first person on the waiting list. Those on the waiting list will be contacted personally. Runners who do not meet the required criteria (sufficient experience and speed) will be refused by the organizers.

The route will be marked throughout the SwissPeaks Odyssey.

Even though current technology allows you to follow the route on your connected devices, we invite you to turn them off and follow the markings (red flags + reflective at night) and enjoy our wonderful landscapes and your adventure to the fullest.

EQUIPMENT

To participate in this event, a mandatory equipment kit is required.
However, it is important to note **that this is a minimum requirement that each trail runner must adapt to their own abilities. In particular, it is important not to choose the lightest clothing possible in order to save a few grams, but to choose clothing that provides real protection in the mountains against the cold, wind, and snow, and therefore greater safety and better performance**.

Each runner will carry clothing that fits them properly and has not been altered in any way since it left the factory.

Random checks may be carried out during the races, resulting in penalties up to and including disqualification of the runner if this mandatory equipment is not presented.

Mandatory basic kit for the SwissPeaks Odyssey

A single bag for carrying the mandatory equipment and to be kept throughout the race
A working **cell phone** that can make international calls and must be turned on at all times so the runner can be reached
Personal **cup** with a minimum capacity of 15 cl (water bottles or flasks with caps are not accepted) — a limited number of cups are available at aid stations and base camps!
Minimum **water supply of** 1 liter
2 headlamps in good working order with spare batteries for each lamp
Minimum 1.40 m x 2 m **survival blanket**
Whistle
Adhesive elastic bandage or strapping (minimum 100 cm x 6 cm**)**
Food supply
Cap or bandana

Hat
Hooded jacket designed to withstand bad weather in the mountains, made with a waterproof and breathable membrane
Long running **pants or tights** OR a combination of tights and socks covering the entire leg
Additional **warm second layer** with long sleeves (minimum weight 180g) OR a combination of warm long-sleeved underwear (minimum weight 110g) and a windproof jacket with water-repellent protection. The windproof jacket does not replace the mandatory waterproof jacket with hood, and vice versa.
Warm, waterproof **gloves**
Identification
Personal bowl for volunteers to place the desired refreshments in
Crampons and a sleeping bag are mandatory in the support bag.

The SwissPeaks Odyssey support bag will have a capacity of 50L to hold a maximum of 10 kg.

This bag will follow you from base camp to base camp. Please note that it is your responsibility to leave this bag in the designated area when you leave the base camp. Only bags provided by the organization will be transported to the base camps. The return time will depend on logistical constraints. A bag may be delayed in relation to the runner, particularly in the event of withdrawal. Please be patient and respect the work of the volunteers. Bags can be collected from the tent provided for this purpose. A list of bags that have arrived will be updated regularly. The contents of this follow-up bag will not be checked. Therefore, no disputes or complaints regarding its contents will be accepted at the finish line.

These bags must be collected by 6 p.m. on Sunday, September 6th, at Le Bouveret. After this date, they will be destroyed.

Please do not place any fragile or valuable personal items such as car keys, airline tickets, or wallets in these bags. The organization assumes no responsibility for items lost or damaged during transport.

The support bag must be deposited (even if it is empty) at the start of the race so that it can be transported by the organization to the various aid stations. Under no circumstances should it be kept by the people assisting the runner during the race. If this occurs, a penalty will be imposed.

Runners will be notified when the heatwave or extreme cold kits are activated by volunteers at the aid stations, allowing them to take the necessary equipment from their follow-up bag from their race bag.

SEMI-AUTONOMY

The principle of individual semi-autonomy is the rule. Warning: **overestimating your mental and physical preparation, clothing, and equipment can have extreme,** even fatal**, consequences**!

Personal assistance is permitted near refreshment stations and at base camps. Please refer to the general race rules.

Only one support person per runner will be allowed at the base camps. No support persons will be allowed at the aid stations.

The opening and closing times of each refreshment station or base camp must be strictly observed.

The volunteers and their work are your only chance of success and of seeing another edition of our races. Please respect them and their rest time.

The presence of people assisting certain runners is permitted and tolerated at the aid stations, but we ask that you do not interfere with the organization of the premises. The organization reserves the right to intervene and disqualify a runner for any inappropriate behavior.