



Oxford Hill Climb

Presented by United Velo Cycling Club

Event Technical Document

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- Event Date:** Saturday, June 22, 2024, 9:00am
- Organizer:** United Velo Cycling Club www.unitedvelo.ca info@unitedvelo.ca
- Location:** The South end of Oxford Street at Buena Vista Ave (just north of Marine Drive). [View on Google Maps](#).
- Time:** First rider starts at 9:00am sharp! Individual start times to be emailed to participants before the event. Emails to participants will come from **info@unitedvelo.ca** please ensure that this email address doesn't go into your junk/spam.
- Description:** A grueling climb of approximately 700 metres in length with 80 metres of elevation gained, exceeding 23% grades at times.
- Course:** Start on Oxford Street where it meets Buena Vista Ave and finish with a left-hander onto Russell Ave where you'll see the line. Continue into the Oxford Hill Church parking lot to catch your breath and get some refreshment. Riders will depart every minute on the minute (ex. 9:00am, 9:01am, 9:02am, etc.) without exception! If a rider misses their designated time, they will have to wait until the very end of the event (time permitting).
- Registration:** www.OxfordHillClimb.com
- Cost: \$25 for Cycling BC members, \$31.25 for non-Cycling BC members. Additional taxes and processing fees will be added at online checkout.
 - Registration closes Wednesday June 19, 2024, at 11:29pm.
 - Day-of registration will only be permitted if spaces are available, after the last registered rider departs.
 - Riders will be emailed their start time prior to the event.
- Community:** The Oxford Hill Climb can only occur with the support of the local residents, businesses, and the City of White Rock. Please keep this in mind at all times and behave in a manner that is respectful of the local community.

- Day-of:
- Riders must pick up their race number and register (near the start line at the cyclist statue by Marine Drive) **no earlier** than 30 minutes before their start time to avoid congestion in the area. Allow a few minutes to get registered and to attach your race number.
 - Riders **must** begin to queue on Oxford Street 10 minutes before their start time.
 - After you reach the finish line, continue into the Oxford Hill Church parking lot to recover and check if you have won a draw prize.
- Parking:
- There is pay parking along Marine Drive in White Rock. There is also free parking in the residential areas north of 16th Ave in between 146th St to 148th St and from 16th Ave to 18th Ave. Be aware of no parking areas and do not block residential driveways. Find your way to the starting point. **DO NOT attempt to descend Oxford Street** to get to the start line. We urge you to ride your bike to the event if you live local.
- Individual Awards:
- First place male and female riders each receive \$500, second place male and female riders each receive \$300, and third place male and female riders each receive \$200. These prizes will be presented after the last rider crosses the finish line.
 - 5 x \$50 random prizes to be drawn before the event and **awarded as each rider finishes**. Make sure to check with the event organizers soon after you finish to see if you have won a prize.
 - You must be present and have successfully completed the course according to the event rules to receive a prize.
 - Various other sponsor draw prizes will also be drawn and awarded randomly.
 - All prizing shall be awarded entirely at the event organizer's sole discretion and may not be contested by participants.
- Team Awards:
- Teams must be registered with the event organizers prior to registration close.
 - A team must consist of at least three participants, and may include no more than five participants.
 - There will be three team categories: Men, Women, and Mixed. Teams registered in the Mixed team category must have a minimum of one male and one female participant.
 - A participant may only be registered with one team.
 - All participants registered to a team will also be eligible for individual awards.
 - Team standings will be calculated as follows:
 - The fastest three result times from each team will be added together to create a cumulative team result time (for Mixed teams the cumulative time must include at least one male and one female result time). The teams will then be ranked by their cumulative team result times from fastest to slowest.
 - The top three teams in each category will be recognized after the last rider crosses the finish line.
 - All prizing shall be awarded entirely at the event organizer's sole discretion and may not be contested by participants.

- Adjudication: - The event organizers shall be the sole adjudicators in deciding participant (and team) placing (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.). No contesting of event results shall be permitted.
- The event organizers shall be the sole adjudicators in applying the event rules. No contesting of event rules shall be permitted.
- Bicycle Rules: - Human-powered bicycles only, no motorized or electric bicycles; front and back brakes are required and must be in working order.
- Gearing is up to the rider.
 - Road/gravel/mountain/fixie bikes are allowed.
 - Race numbers must be affixed to the front of the handlebars so they can be seen in the distance by the timing spotters.
 - The event organizers shall decide if a bicycle is safe and permissible to use at their sole discretion.
- Riding Rules: - **Helmets are required to be worn by riders any time they are on a bicycle.**
- If a rider should stop on the hill, **no forward motion is to be allowed until the rider's feet are back on the pedals.**
 - If a rider cannot ride to the finish line at the top, they must dismount and WALK their bike on the east-side sidewalk either up to the finish line or down to the start area and inform officials of their withdrawal. In this case the rider will not be eligible for draw prizes or an official finish time.
- Safe Riding: - **Participants may only use the northbound lane of Oxford Street during the event. Do not cross the centerline of Oxford Street at any time for any reason.** Be aware that the southbound lane of Oxford Street will remain open to non-event traffic descending the hill.
- With participants starting every minute, passing during the climb is likely to occur. **Participants must ride in a safe manner with a minimum of weaving or otherwise impeding the safe passing of another rider from behind. Stay to the right of the course as much as possible to allow room for other riders to pass.** If you are passing another rider you must verbally notify them well before you pass on their left.
- First Aid: - Certified First Aid attendants will be on site. In case of serious emergency call 911.
- The closest hospital is Peace Arch Hospital, 15521 Russell Ave, White Rock, BC V4B 5M2.
- Restrooms: - Facilities are located in the building on the south side of Marine Drive and Oxford Street near the starting area.
- A portable toilet will be available in the Oxford Hill Church Parking lot at the finish.
- Participation: The event organizers may prohibit anyone from participating at the organizer's sole discretion.
- Refunds/
Transfers: No refunds, transfers, or roll-overs of entries shall be permitted. The event will go ahead rain or shine. The organizers reserve the right to cancel the event at their sole discretion.

Updates:

- Participants are responsible for being familiar with the most up to date rules as defined in the latest version of the Technical Document. The latest Technical Document is available at:
<https://unitedvelo.ca/oxford/OxfordHillClimbTechnicalDocument.pdf>
- The event organizers reserve the right to change or update any of the event rules at any time before, during, or after the event to ensure that the event runs safely and smoothly.