

SPECIAL EDITION 2021 – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

For 6 months, the organizing committee worked closely with the cantonal task force on different scenarios and a strict health protocol in order for the Val-de-Travers race to take place. The cantonal authorities have shown full confidence in the SWISS CANYON TRAIL and made an exception to allow the competition to take place over the course of several days, but with a reduced number of participants (3 x 600 runners). The following races will be run:

The 2021 races:

111K

51K (Swiss championship, selection for the Swiss team at the trail world championship in Thailand.)

31K

Cancellation of the 81K

Due to this decision, the SWISS CANYON TRAIL offers three possibilities to runners affected by the cancellation of the 81K competition.

1. Defer the entry fee to the 2022 edition
2. Accept a 70% reimbursement of the entry fee
3. Donate the entry fee to the race organisation

These options will be sent by e-mail to each participant by MSO-Chrono (in charge of timekeeping and entries). Unfortunately, changing distances is not possible because the other categories 111K, 51K and 31K are all full with a maximum of 600 runners:

111K, 51K and 31K races confirmed

The organisation requests that runners entered in the 111K, 51K and 31K races adhere attentively and scrupulously to the following guidance:

1. Mass start in one peloton of 600 runners.
2. Be aware of the official programme:
Start of the 111K Saturday 5 June 2021 at 5h00 (5am)
Start of the 51K Saturday 5 June 2021 at 8h15 (8:15am)
Start of the 31K Sunday 6 June 2021 at 8h15 (8:15am)
3. Respect the Covid protocol established by the organisation and published on the website www.swisscanyontrail.com.

Covid Tests

Only runners with negative tests will be allowed to enter the start/finish area. Even participants that have been vaccinated, or have contracted and recovered from Covid must be tested.

Quantitative antigen tests will be administered on-site at Couvet, Friday 4 June from 15h00 - 21h00 (3pm-9pm) or Saturday 5 June 10h00 - 16h00 . 30 CHF paid for by participant.

Or

PCR tests will be administered on-site at Couvet, Friday 4 June from 15h00 - 21h00 (3pm-9pm) or Saturday 5 June 10h00 - 16h00. 70 CHF paid for by participant (valid for foreign nationals to return to their country of origin)

Or

Provide proof of a PCR test less than 72-hours old (printed and with name)

Or

Provide proof of a quantitative antigen test less than 24-hours old (printed and with name)

Foreign participant hardship cases

In the case of restrictions established by certain countries concerning travel to Switzerland or mandatory quarantines after 30 May 2021, entry fees (111K, 51K, 31K) may be deferred to 2022 but will not be reimbursed. The organisation will treat requests on a case-by-case basis based on official guidelines set or measures taken by the Federal Council.

Special requests

If the race takes place, requests for deferral to 2022 or reimbursement for other cases are not possible. The organisation will not consider cases related to refusal to submit to a Covid test or other reasons deemed unacceptable. No other requests for reimbursement or deferral will be accepted unless participants have purchased cancellation insurance at time of entry via the site MSO-Chrono (support@mso-chrono.ch). MSO-Chrono will send e-mails to each participant to confirm participation or deferral, as well as to register for on-site Covid testing.

Companions

Companions present on the course do not need to be tested. Access to the start/finish area is off-limits to companions.