



# UTAH DESERT FOXES HIGH DESERT ENDURO

## RIDER INSTRUCTIONS AND RACE NOTES

### “ENDURO 101”

Thank you for participating in our first ever Enduro event. You may already be familiar with various Enduro formats (ISDE Qualifier, National Re-start, or Timekeeping), but our event is different. Because Enduro is not a widely used format in USRA, we have removed any timekeeping or time check requirements to make it as easy to understand as possible for the average Utah desert racer.

A typical Enduro is a test of man and machine against the clock and the terrain. Our Enduro is much simpler and can be considered a series of smaller, short races (tests).

The course will consist of transfer sections and special test sections. Transfer sections should be treated as a time to catch your breath and cruise at a trail ride pace. There is no need to push during a transfer section as there is no time schedule to maintain. Transfer sections will be marked with unique markings to indicate it is a transfer section. Most dangers and hazards will not be marked as such since it is merely a route from point a to point b, and not a race course.

Special test sections are when you give it your all, and complete the section as fast as you can.

On race day you can expect the following:

#### Sign Up

- Use your existing USRA # (or temp #).
- Scorecard will be issued. Tape to your front fender (like a fender tape) in a way in which it is easy to write on. This is the main way of keeping track of your score. You will get a copy at the end of the day.

#### Riders Meeting

- **Riders meeting will take place in the pits at 10:30 am**, in which we will go over these instructions verbatim and answer any questions.
- Proceed to Loop 1 staging immediately after riders meeting.
- All experts must be staged by 11:20 am; all other divisions stage by 11:30 am.

### Race start

- Start 3 riders per row, 1 row per minute. First row leaves at 11:30 am. Your scorecard will be marked.
- Experts will start first, Amateurs second, Novices / Sportsman third.
- As each row starts, the following row will move up to the start line.
- Aside from separating divisions, row placement is first come first served.
- Feel free to grab your friends and ride on the same row.
- If you want to ride with a friend in a lower division, you must start in that division's rows.

### Race route and test sections

- Start of the race is a transfer section. Take it easy and get warmed up.
- Test sections vary from 5 miles to 12 miles in length.
- The start of a test will be clearly marked. **You must stop and get your start time written on your scorecard, then wait for the signal to start the test.**
- Riders will start tests every 15 to 30 seconds, one at a time, live engine.
- Ride like a bad ass in the test sections.
- The end of the test will be clearly marked. **You must stop and get your finish time written on your scorecard before proceeding.** Come to a complete stop and be patient. It is your responsibility to get scored, **failure to do so will result in disqualification or penalty.**
- Feel free to take a short break before a test or after a test to get a drink, fix your bike, express gratitude to course workers, etc.
- Transfer sections will take you from the finish of one test to the start of another and vary in length from very short to several miles. Take it easy.

### Enduro Etiquette

- If a rider catches you in a test section, make room for them to pass at the first safe opportunity. **Do not fight for position in a test section.** If someone catches you, you have already lost.
- **Do not race riders in transfer sections.** If a faster rider approaches from behind, let them pass safely.
- Do not cut course, shortcut corners, etc. Stay on the trail.
- Offer help when needed and report incidents to the nearest available course personnel.
- Express gratitude to your fellow competitor when they show you proper Enduro etiquette  
\*THUMBS UP!!!\*

### Pits / Gas

- The first loop is approx. 34 miles. **There will be no alternate gas.** At the end of the loop, get some gas, have a snack, take a short break and head to loop 2 staging.
- You must stop at loop 2 staging to have your scorecard marked. Up to 3 riders are allowed to leave every minute. You may wait for your friends, or proceed without them. There is expected to be large gaps at times, so you may just be able to roll up, get your card marked, and be on your way.

- Second loop is approx. 33 miles. **There will be no alternate gas.**

### **Finish**

- **You must stop at the finish to have your scorecard marked and turned in to race officials.**
- You will be given a copy of your scorecard. You can add up your own times and bench race with your buddies, reveling in the awesomeness that is enduro racing.
- Due to the extreme manual nature of scoring this event, **results will not be available on race day.** Do not ask where you finished. We will work diligently to compile results as quickly as possible. **No big-bike trophies will be provided on race day.**

### **Scoring / Medals**

- Riders will be timed during each test section, indicating the total time it took them to complete the test. At the end of the day, all test times will be added together. The lowest total time wins. In the event of a tie, the faster time in the last test will serve as the tie-breaker.
- As this is an Enduro, eligible riders will receive a gold, silver, or bronze medal instead of a cheesy plastic trophy.
- Medals will be mailed out after the event as quickly as possible.

### **USRA Points**

- USRA Members will be awarded championship points in accordance with standard USRA finish placement point values. Cumulative test times will be used to determine finish placement overall, by division, and by class.

### **IMPORTANT!**

- **PICK UP YOUR TRASH!**
- **TREAT COURSE WORKERS WITH RESPECT AND GRATITUDE!**
- **LET FASTER RIDERS PASS SAFELY!**
- **STAY ON THE TRAIL!**
- **BE PATIENT WAITING FOR RESULTS!**
- **MOST IMPORTANTLY, HAVE FUN!**

The Utah Desert Foxes sincerely appreciate your attendance at the 2013 Wendover High Desert Enduro, and we wish you a fun and safe event. Enduro is a very fun yet challenging format and we hope that you will come to enjoy it as much as we do.

Please contact Paul Day, Chris Mast, or visit us on Facebook, with any questions or concerns you may have. Happy racing!