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2021 REGISTRATION GUIDE



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YOU GET SIGNED UP FOR LOTOJA
WITH A LITTLE LESS STRESS

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WELCOME TO LOTOJA

Thank you for your interest in submitting a 2021 LoToJa application and for the excitement you bring each year. We recognize and appreciate the many hours of training, personal sacrifice, and financial investment you make to join us. You inspire us and your enthusiasm keeps us moving forward.

As you prepare to sign-up, we hope this Registration Guide answers your questions and concerns. If not, please reach out to us. We are always willing to help!

BEFORE APPLYING

Please consider the following suggestions **BEFORE** submitting your 2021 LoToJa application:

- 1. READ THIS REG GUIDE** as well as the latest edition of our Cyclist Bible.
- 2. DETERMINE YOUR CLASS AND CATEGORY** so you know how to answer the questions presented to you during registration. Your category selection should be consistent with your training and participation goals as well as match the class and category of the friends, family, and/or teammates.*
- 3. RENEW YOUR ANNUAL USAC LICENSE** if you plan to race in one of our competitive categories. For those of you that are new to racing and/or have not received an upgrade, you will race in a "Novice" category (previously called Cat 5). You have the option of competing with either an ANNUAL or ONE-DAY license. ONE-DAY licenses are \$10 and can be added to your LoToJa application. Cyclists that carry a Category 1-4 road license are required by USA Cycling to renew their annual license.
- 4. HAVE A COMPLETE TEAM** if you are joining/signing up a relay team. Team captains will submit the first application to create their team. They will be asked to enter the name and email address for each teammate. This will generate emailed instructions to each team member to join the team. Incomplete team applications will not be considered in our lottery.

*LoToJa's lottery registration process, and the rider cap we maintain in each category, affects our ability to easily and fairly move teammates from one category to the next. This is especially true in our Cyclosporitive Ride categories. We will accommodate category changes for Licensed Race cyclists that receive an upgrade from USAC.

2021 ENTRY FEES

LICENSED "RACE" CLASS CATEGORIES: Fees for cyclists that carry an ANNUAL USAC License

- Individual Fee: \$220.00
- Tandem Fee: \$240.00
- Relay Team Fee: \$150.00 per person
- One-Day Race License: \$10.00 additional (only an option for men's and women's Novice categories)

CYCLOSPORTIVE "RIDE" CLASS CATEGORIES: Fees include the \$10 ONE-DAY USAC License*

- Individual Fee: \$230.00
- Tandem Fee: \$260.00
- Relay Team Fee: \$160.00 per person

* Adding a \$10 one-day license is optional for LoToJa's cyclosporitive ride class, but USA Cycling's excess medical coverage is only provided with purchase of a one-day license or annual membership.

SELECTION PROCESS

Due to high demand in many of our race and ride categories, we may be unable to accommodate everyone who wishes to participate in LoToJa. In this case, a random selection process will be utilized to determine who will be allowed to participate, and in consideration of the following guidelines:

1. Applications must be received April 7 to 14.
2. Only one application per person should be submitted! Applicants with multiple entries, either as an individual or with a relay team, will not be considered.
3. LoToJa's selection process is done by category, so be sure your team name and category match your friends, family, and/or the teammates you want to ride/race with.
4. Approximately 15 percent of the applications we receive will be guaranteed (excluded from our lottery) and processed first. Status notification emails for the following VIP groups will be sent out early beginning April 15 and continue through May 10:
 - Recent LoToJa 1000, 2000, 3000, and 4000 award recipients
 - 2021 Huntsman Heroes (limited to first 100)
 - 2020 category winners and podium finishers
5. Consideration will be given to multi-year LoToJa Finishers nearing 1000 award qualifier status.
6. All remaining applicants (not included in #4 above), can expect to receive their status notification email on Friday, May 14.
7. For categories that do not require a lottery selection, registration will close either when the overall rider cap has been reached or June 1, whichever occurs first.

PAYMENT PROCESS

All successful applicants will receive their status notification by email. This email will include special instructions to login, review the entry, and make a secure payment. **Payments should be submitted upon of receipt of email and no later than dates noted below.**

Unpaid applications will forfeit their spot. Payments will be received/processed as follows:

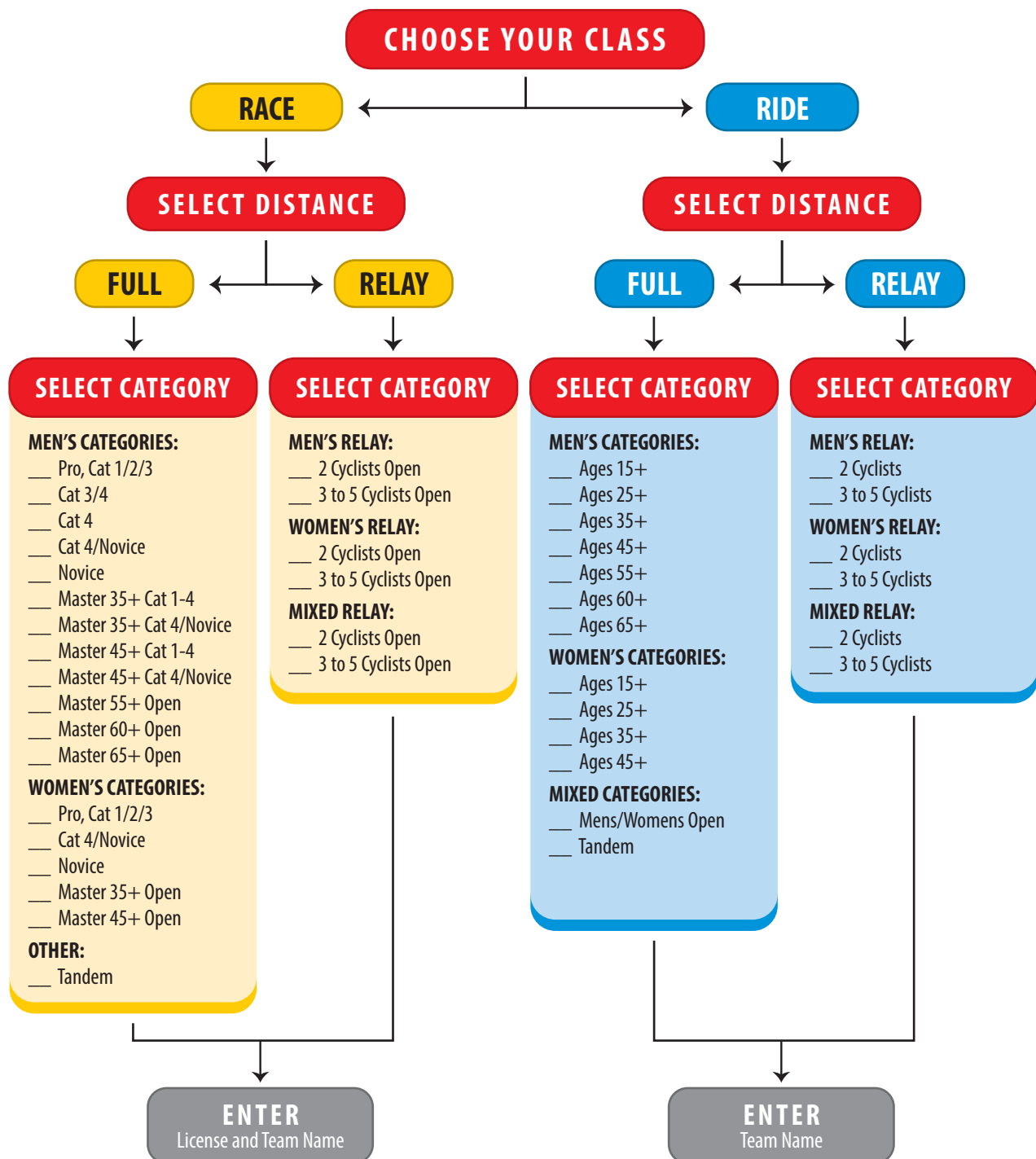
- VIP Applicants: April 15 through May 10
- All Other Applicants: May 14 through May 31

CLASS & CATEGORY SELECTION

LoToJa offers two participation classes. Our Licensed "RACE" Class for cyclists that want to compete to win their respective category and the Cycloportive "RIDE" Class for cyclists that simply want to cross the finish line before dark. Both classes are sanctioned by USA Cycling.

SELECTION CONTINUED...

The flowchart below shows the categories we offer and how they will be presented to you during the online application process. It illustrates the importance of choosing the right class and distance in order to view and select the category that interests you.



2020 START SCHEDULE*

As illustrated to the right, LoToJa's start times are set at five minute intervals and will alternate between the Cyclosporive Ride and Licensed Race Class categories. Since the routes out of Logan are different for the racers and riders, this start schedule will effectively create ten minute time gaps between each category as cyclists ride through Cache Valley.

*Please note, this schedule is from the 2020 LoToJa and will change slightly prior to this year's event. The final category start order should be similar and will be finalized/announced in mid August.

RACE AND A RIDE



The LoToJa Classic is a USA Cycling sanctioned RACE and a cyclosporive non-competitive RIDE.

LICENSED RACE - RACE ROUTE

PACK #	START TIME	BIB NUMBER	CATEGORY
RACE 01:	4:50 AM	101+	MEN PRO, CAT 1/2/3
RACE 02:	5:00 AM	201+	MEN MASTER 35+ A (CAT 1-4)
		241+	MEN MASTER 45+ A (CAT 1-4)
RACE 03:	5:10 AM	301+	MEN CAT 3/4
		341+	MEN CAT 4
RACE 04:	5:20 AM	401+	MEN MASTER 35+ B (CAT 4/5)
RACE 05:	5:30 AM	501+	MEN MASTER 35+ B (CAT 4/5)
RACE 06:	5:40 AM	601+	MEN MASTER 35+ B (CAT 4/5)
RACE 07:	5:50 AM	701+	MEN MASTER 35+ B (CAT 4/5)
RACE 08:	6:00 AM	801+	MEN MASTER 55+ OPEN
RACE 09:	6:10 AM	901+	MEN MASTER 60+ OPEN
RACE 10:	6:20 AM	951+	MEN MASTER 65+ OPEN
		01+	RACE TANDEM
RACE 11:	6:30 AM	1001+	WOMEN PRO, CAT 1/2/3
		1011+	WOMEN CAT 4/5
		1031+	WOMEN CAT 5
		1051+	WOMEN MASTER 35+ OPEN
		1071+	WOMEN MASTER 45+ OPEN
RACE 12:	6:40 AM	1101+	MEN MASTER 45+ B (CAT 4/5)
RACE 13:	6:50 AM	1201+	MEN MASTER 45+ B (CAT 4/5)
RACE 14:	7:00 AM	1301+	MEN CAT 4/5
RACE 15:	7:10 AM	1401+	MEN CAT 4/5
RACE 16:	7:20 AM	1701+	MEN CAT 5
RACE 17:	7:30 AM	1801+	MEN CAT 5

CYCLOSPORTIVE RIDE - RIDE ROUTE

PACK #	START TIME	BIB NUMBER	CATEGORY
RIDE 01:	4:55 AM	1501+	RACE RELAY: 2 PERSON (ALL)
RIDE 02:	5:05 AM	1601+	RACE RELAY: 3-5 PERSON (ALL)
RIDE 03:	5:15 AM	2001+	MEN 35+
RIDE 04:	5:25 AM	2101+	MEN 35+
RIDE 05:	5:35 AM	2201+	MEN 35+
RIDE 06:	5:45 AM	2301+	MEN 35+
RIDE 07:	5:55 AM	2401+	MEN 35+
RIDE 08:	6:05 AM	4101+	MEN RIDE RELAY: 2 PERSON
		11+	RIDE TANDEM
RIDE 09:	6:15 AM	4201+	MIXED RIDE RELAY: 2 PERSON
		2501+	MEN/WOMEN OPEN
RIDE 10:	6:25 AM	2601+	MEN 45+ and MEN 35+
RIDE 11:	6:35 AM	2701+	MEN 45+
RIDE 12:	6:45 AM	2801+	WOMEN 25+, 35+, 45+
		4301+	WOMEN RELAY (ALL)
RIDE 13:	6:55 AM	2901+	MEN 55+, 60+, 65+
RIDE 14:	7:05 AM	3001+	MEN 15+
			MEN 25+
RIDE 15:	7:15 AM	4401+	MIXED RIDE RELAY: 3-5 PERSON
RIDE 16:	7:25 AM	4441+	MEN RIDE RELAY: 3-5 PERSON
		TBD	OPEN START; ANY RIDE CAT.



ANSWERS TO FAQs

When will 2021 LoToJa registration open/close?

The online application process for this year's LoToJa will open on April 7. The last day to submit a lottery application is April 14. Applications received after April 14 will not be considered when our rider cap is reached.

Is LoToJa's registration fee refundable?

No. After successful selection/processing of your LoToJa application and the lottery is finalized, there are NO REFUNDS on your entry fee (see Registration Policies on page nine of this PDF).

How can "older" cyclists race in the same category as their younger teammates?

Older competitive cyclists are allowed to "register down" in age to **race** with younger teammates. Younger cyclists are not allowed to register in categories older than their race age. This rule **does not** apply to LoToJa's non-competitive RIDE categories.

How can I ensure selection to start with friends/teammates/family?

Simply apply for the SAME CATEGORY and include the EXACT SAME TEAM NAME. For age-based race categories, older cyclists are allowed to "register down" in age to race/ride with younger teammates.

Which category will increase my odds of getting a spot in this year's LoToJa?

The best advice we can offer is to register in the class and category that best matches your ability to train for and participate in the LoToJa. This way, if your application is selected, your LoToJa experience will be spent pedaling with cyclists of similar goals and abilities.

Does LoToJa limit the number of cyclists per team on a full-distance category?

Yes, we maintain a team limit of no more than eight (8) cyclists per category (start group). Teams with more than eight cyclists applying for the same category, should be divided up and designated as an "A" and "B" team (for example).

Why does the LoToJa enforce a rider cap?

We have implemented a rider cap to maintain a safe, competitive, and enjoyable event for all. In one day, LoToJa participants travel a very long distance through mountainous terrain. This places a time limit on the number of start packs we can safely stage in Logan and still provide adequate time for cyclists to reach Teton Village (Jackson Hole) before dark.

What are the basic requirements for relay team applicants?

Relay team categories are 2 and 3 to 5 person teams. The team captain will submit the first application to generate sign-up instructions (emailed) for his/her team members. An application must be received from each and every teammate in order for a relay team to be considered in our selection process.

How does one confirm their LoToJa application was received?

Applicants will receive a Submission Acknowledgement email in their Inbox within a few seconds after submitting an online application. Sometimes this email is discovered in the Junk mailbox if our message was tagged as SPAM. Receipt confirmation can also be done by emailing registration@lotoja.com.

FAQs CONTINUED...

How are changes made to an application after it has been submitted?

To request changes, please send an email to registration@lotoja.com.

My web browser still shows LoToJa's old web site?

Your computer has LoToJa's old website content cached in its memory. To fix this problem, "Empty Cache" or "Clear Recent History" in the web browser. Replace your "bookmark" if necessary.

Does LoToJa give or sell your email address and other contact information?

No. Personal information gathered during LoToJa registration is ONLY used by us. Your information will never be given or sold to others. We use our cyclist database to communicate to our participants, to provide LoToJa-related information before, during, and after the event.

COVID CONCERNS?

What options can I expect if LoToJa is canceled after paying for my registration?

LoToJa was not canceled in 2020 and we surely do not expect it be canceled this year. In fact, 2021 marks the 39th annual LoToJa. In the unlikely event LoToJa is forced to cancel due to circumstances beyond our control, we will provide entry fee options that could include partial refunds, discounts, and/or guaranteed spots. Ultimately, the options we offer to you will not sacrifice our ability to produce LoToJa in the future.

Will LoToJa provide a full refund if the event is ever canceled?

No. LoToJa would not survive one year without revenue. LoToJa's expenses are incurred year-round. Our ability to satisfy these expenses are almost entirely dependent upon entry fee receipts.

Will LoToJa's selection process, registration, and/or notification dates change?

We expect to follow the information published on pages two and three of this PDF. However, we'll be flexible and adjust our dates and registration requirements if needed.

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

As you move through LoToJa's application process, you will be given the opportunity to add 2021 LoToJa merchandise as well as get involved with one or more of our fundraising efforts.

PRE-PAID MERCHANDISE

Two of the benefits for adding merchandise to your LoToJa application is 1) your correct size/preferred style is guaranteed to be available at Packet Pickup, and 2) your pre-paid gear will be bagged and ready for you to grab so can avoid the lines at our merchandise tent.

WAYS TO GIVE

We offer several ways for you to join us in our mission to give back to important causes. You can:

- 1) **ENTER** one or more of our Drawings
- 2) **DONATE** to one or more of our charitable partners
- 3) **ADD** one of our Other Opportunities to your LoToJa application (Pasta Dinner and/or LoToJa Green Team)

The charities listed below will benefit from your generosity.

HUNTSMAN CANCER — [\[LEARN MORE\]](#)

Huntsman Cancer's mission is to understand cancer from its beginnings, to use that knowledge in the creation and improvement of cancer treatments, to relieve the suffering of cancer patients, and to educate the public about cancer risk, prevention, and care.

UTAH HIGH SCHOOL CYCLING LEAGUE — [\[LEARN MORE\]](#)

The Utah High School Cycling League was organized in 2011 under the National Interscholastic Cycling Association to enable every Utah teen to strengthen body, mind and character and promote life-long health and fitness through cycling. The league facilitates the development of high school cycling teams/clubs for grades 9-12 and provides the education, training, licensing and insurance for coaches and volunteers.

NATIONAL ABILITY CENTER (NAC) — [\[LEARN MORE\]](#)

Since 1985 the National Ability Center has opened the doors of recreation and sports to individuals with disabilities. Their activities build self-esteem, confidence, and physical development. Every year the center provides thousands of experiences in cycling, skiing, horseback riding, canoeing, and many other programs. The NAC's participants have competed in the Paralympics and the Special Olympics. Most importantly, though, individuals gain the confidence to be active participants in community life.

COMMON GROUND — [\[LEARN MORE\]](#)

Common Ground Outdoor Adventures' mission is to provide life-enhancing outdoor recreational opportunities for youth and adults with disabilities. We provide adaptive equipment and support, which enable people with disabilities to participate in outdoor recreation alongside their peers. These experiences reduce stereotypes, raise awareness, and empower people to realize their full potential.

BIKE UTAH — [\[LEARN MORE\]](#)

Bike Utah is a statewide, nonprofit bicycle advocacy and education organization. They are working to make Utah the best place in the country to ride all types of bicycles. This means: more bicycle routes for riding, training, commuting, or just having fun on two (or three) wheels; better laws and education for drivers to keep bicyclists safe; getting elected officials and planners on bikes so they are proponents of better bicycling; and educating 3,000 kids every year about why bicycles are awesome.



REGISTRATION POLICIES

Although we look forward to seeing you at LoToJa, we understand certain things may come up that prevent you from attending. Please make note of the following 2021 LoToJa registration policies:

NO REFUND POLICY

After successfully processing your LoToJa application and our selection process is finalized, there are NO REFUNDS on your entry fee. This policy stays in effect whether you are injured, have health concerns, unexpected business obligations, a family emergency, etc. There are NO EXCEPTIONS.

WHY NO REFUNDS?

The production of LoToJa takes a full year to organize. It requires a significant financial commitment. We incur and pay for most of our bills before the event even begins. Our ability to satisfy these expenses are almost entirely dependent upon the revenue we receive from entry fees. Since there are no refunds or discounts on the bills LoToJa generates throughout the year, we cannot offer refunds or discount entry fees to cyclists that cannot make it to the start line.

DEFERMENT POLICY

Your 2021 registration can be deferred to 2022 for a GUARANTEED ENTRY ONLY. To claim your spot, you will be required to SUBMIT AND PAY for your 2022 registration. 2021 entry fees cannot be rolled forward. There are NO EXCEPTIONS.

WHY NO ENTRY FEE DEFERMENTS?

One of the primary reasons we do not allow entry fee deferment is LoToJa's rider cap. We have a budgeted number of paid spots available each year. To roll an entry fee from one year to the next would significantly affect the revenue required to produce LoToJa the following year.

TRANSFER POLICY EXCEPTION/OPTIONS — THESE OPTIONS ARE VALID FROM JUNE 15 UNTIL AUGUST 11

OPTION 1: YOU FIND SOMEONE

If you have a friend/teammate that wants your spot, we'll transfer your registration to him/her (preferably in the same category). Simply email us their name and email address to start the transfer process. This person will be responsible for reimbursing your entry fee.

OPTION 2: ACCESS OUR WAIT LIST

If you don't know anyone that wants your spot, we'll manage a "wait list" that operates on a first come first served basis. The cyclist that takes your registration will be responsible to reimburse you directly for your entry fee. We will facilitate an introduction by email so you can make arrangements to collect your money.

NO TRANSFER POLICY — EFFECTIVE AFTER AUGUST 11

You cannot give up or sell your LoToJa slot to another person. This includes friends, teammates, or family members. There are NO EXCEPTIONS after the August 11 deadline.

