

SPECIFIC REGULATIONS 44th VOLTA AO ALGARVE 2018

ARTICLE 1. ORGANIZATION

The "44th Volta ao Algarve" is organized by Portuguese Cycling Federation, Rua de Campolide 237 1070-030 Lisboa, under the regulations of the International Cycling Union (UCI). It will take place from February 14th to 18th 2018, over 5 stages.

ARTICLE 2. TYPE OF EVENT

The event is open to athletes of the categories Men Elite and Under 23. It's registered on the UCI Europe Tour calendar.

The event is classified in Class 2.HC, therefore the following points are allocated:

Final overall individual classification: 200 – 150 – 125 – 100 – 85 – 70 – 60 – 50 – 40 – 35 – 30 – 25 – 20 – 15 – 10 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 5 – 3 – 3 – 3 – 3 – 3 – 3 – 3 – 3 – 3 – 3

Stages : 20 – 10 – 5

Yellow Jersey (each stage) : 5

ARTICLE 3. PARTICIPATION

In accordance with article 2.1.005 of the UCI regulations, the event is open to the following teams: UCI WorldTeams, UCI Professional Continental Teams and UCI Continental Teams.

In accordance with article 2.2.003 of the UCI regulations, the number of riders per team is minimum 4 and maximum 7 riders.

ARTICLE 4. RACE HEADQUARTERS

At the start, the race headquarters shall be open starting February 13th from 2:00 pm at the following address: Câmara Municipal de Albufeira (GPS 37° 054-27.0' /008° 14-40.5')

Team representatives are requested to confirm and collect the race numbers at the race headquarters from 3:00 pm to 4:45 pm, on the February 13th.

The team managers' meeting, organized in accordance with article 1.2.087 of the UCI regulations, will be held at 5:00 pm in the presence of members of the Commissaries' Panel.

ARTICLE 5. TIME TRIAL

The 3rd stage is an individual time trial. The starting order is the reverse order of the Overall Individual Classification after the 2nd stage and the start of every rider will be given every minute. However, the Commissaries' Panel may modify that order to avoid that two riders of the same team are riding consecutively.

According to Article 2.4.0100 of the UCI regulations, each rider must present his bike for control within 15 minutes before departure time.

In the time trial, the riders will be allowed to use a specific time trial bike.

ARTICLE 6. RADIO-TOUR

Race information will be broadcasted on the following frequency: 78200 MHZ

ARTICLE 7. NEUTRAL TECHNICAL SUPPORT

The technical support service is handled by Shimano with 3 neutral vehicles.

ARTICLE 8. FEED ZONE AT TIME TRIAL

Due to the extension of the time trial no feed zone is provided.

ARTICLE 9. RACE'S INCIDENTS IN THE LAST 3 KILOMETERS

In the case of a duly noted incident in the last three kilometers of a road race stage, the rider or riders affected shall be credited with the time of the rider or riders in whose company they were riding at the moment of the incident. His or their placing shall be determined by the order in which he or they actually cross the finishing line.

Is considered as an incident, any event independent from the physical capacity of the rider (fall, mechanical problem, puncture) and his will of remaining with the riders in whose company he was riding at the moment of the incident.

Riders affected by an incident are asked to make themselves known to a commissaire by rising their hand and report to a commissaire after the finish of the stage.

If, as the result of a duly noted fall in the last three kilometers, a rider cannot cross the finishing line, he shall be placed last in the stage and credited with the time of the rider or riders in whose company he was riding at the time of the fall.

This article shall not apply where the finish is at the top of a hill-climb.

Decisions related to this article are taken independently by the commissaires' panel.

According to Art. 2.6.027 of UCI Rules, the dispositions previously expressed do not apply in the following stages: 3rd (TT), 2nd and 5th (arrival on mountain).

ARTICLE 10. BONUSES

No bonuses are awarded

ARTICLE 11. FINISHING TIME LIMIT

Taking into account the characteristics of each stage, the finishing time limits have been set as follows:

1st stage : 10%

2nd stage: 15%

3rd stage: 25%

4th stage: 10%

5th stage: 15%

In case riders actually out of the time limit are given a second chance by the president of the commissaires panel, all points awarded in the general classifications of the various secondary classifications shall be withdrawn.

The time limit may in exceptional circumstances, be increased by the Commissaries' Panel in agreement with the organizer according to the article 2.6.032.

ARTICLE 12. CLASSIFICATIONS

The following classifications will be issued:

- 1) Individual General Classification by Times – Yellow jersey
- 2) Points General Classification – Red jersey
- 3) Climber General Classification – Blue jersey
- 4) Youth General Classification – White jersey
- 5) Team General Classification

1) Individual General Classification by Times

It will be obtained by adding times spent in all stages by each rider, considering penalties, being better classified the rider that less time has added up.

In case of tie between two or more riders, it will be resolved considering the hundredths of a second registered in the individual time trial stage and the rider with less hundredths of a second will be the best classified.

If the tie persists, by the sum of the places obtained in each stage being the best classify the rider that less points has added up. The points will be given according with the positions obtained: one point to the first, two points to the second, three points to the third, and so on.

If the tie persists, the best position obtained in the last stage will be useful to break tie.

The leader of the individual general classification will wear the yellow jersey.

2) Points General Classification

It will be obtained by adding the points of each rider in the 4 stages and in the 8 special sprints "Meta Volante", being the best classified the rider that more points has added up.

Finishing Line:

25 – 20 – 16 – 13 – 10 – 8 – 6 – 4 – 2 and 1 points to the 10 first riders.

Special Sprints

3 – 2 and 1 points to the 3 first riders.

In case of *ex-æquo* in the Points General Classification it will be considered, by order, the following criteria for break the tie (2.6.017):

1. Number of stage gained
2. Number of special sprints gained
3. Best place in Individual Overall Classification by Times

To benefit from the final general classification prize money each competitor must have completed the entire course of the race according to the finishing time limits.

The leader of the points general classification will wear the red jersey.

3) Climber General Classification

It will be obtained by adding the points obtained by each rider in the 14 scoring climbs, being the best classified the rider that more points has added up.

Points:

Place	1st Category	2 nd Category	3rd Category	4rd Category
1st	10	6	4	3
2nd	8	4	3	2
3rd	6	3	2	1
4th	4	2		
5th	2			

According the art.2.6.017 of UCI Rules, In case of tie in the general individual mountains classification, the following criteria shall be applied in order until the riders are separated:

1. Number of first places in the highest category climbs;
2. Number of first places on climbs in the next inferior category and so on;
3. General individual classification by time.

To benefit from the final general classification prize money each competitor must have completed the entire course of the race according to the finishing time limits.

The leader of the general mountain classification will wear the blue jersey.

4) Youth Classification

The Youth Classification is reserved to the riders born after 1st January 1995. It will be leader of this classification the rider best placed in the Individual General Classification by Times.

To benefit from the final general classification prize money each competitor must have completed the entire course of the race according to the finishing time limits.

The leader of the youth classification will wear the white jersey.

5) Team General Classification

The Stage Team Classification it will be obtained by adding the times spent in the stage of the three best riders of each team, being best classified the team that less time has added up. In case of a tie, the teams shall be separated by the sum of the places acquired by their three best riders on the stage. If the teams still tied, they shall be separated by the placing of their best rider on the stage classification.

The Team General Classification will be obtained by adding the times spent by team in all stages. the following criteria for break the tie:

- number of first positions on stage teams classifications,
- number of second positions on stage team classifications and so on.

If the tie persists, it will be resolved in favour of the team whose first rider has obtained the best classification in the Individual General Classification by Times.

Any Team reduced to fewer than three riders is eliminated from Team's Classifications.

ARTICLE 13. PRIZES

1) STAGES AND INDIVIDUAL GENERAL CLASSIFICATION BY TIMES

Stage Classification		Individual General Classification	
Place	Euros	Place	Euros
1 st	3615	1 st	9037,50
2nd	1805	2 nd	4512,50
3rd	905	3 rd	2262,50
4th	455	4 th	1137,50
5th	365	5 th	912,50
6th	270	6 th	675,00
7th	270	7 th	675,00
8th	180	8 th	450,00
9th	180	9 th	450,00
10-20th	95	10-20 th	237,50

2) POINTS CLASSIFICATION

Each Special sprint (Meta Volante)		Individual Points Classifications	
Place	Euros	Place	Euros
1st	50	1st	200

3) MOUNTAIN GENERAL CLASSIFICATION

Individual Mountain Classification					MOUNTAIN GENERAL CLASSIFICATION	
Place	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Place	Euros
1st	80€	60€	35€	25€	1st	200
2nd	50€	40€	25€	15€		
3rd	35€	25€	15€	10€		

4) YOUTH CLASSIFICATION

First classified on final Youth General Classification: 200€

5) TEAM CLASSIFICATION

A trophy will be awarded to the first team on the Team Overall Classification.

6) LEADERS

Leader	Euros
Yellow Jersey	40
Red Jersey	30
Blue Jersey	30
White Jersey	30

If the leader of a classification will not wear the leader jersey due to another leader jersey, this premium is paid 50% to the leader and 50% to the wearer rider.

The overall total prize money of the race is € 70 835,00 €

ARTICLE 14. ANTIDOPING CONTROL

The UCI antidoping regulations are entirely applicable to the event.

The antidoping teste will take place in a caravan parked near to the finish line.

ARTICLE 15. AWARD CEREMONY

In accordance with article 1.2.112 of the UCI rules, the following riders must attend the official awards ceremony:

- . The winner of the stage
- ... Leader of Individual General Classification by Times
- ... Leaders of the secondary classifications: Points General Classification, Mountain General Classification and Youth General Classification.

The riders will present themselves at the podium in a time limit of maximum 10 minutes after crossing the finish line.

Moreover, at the general finish of the event, the following riders must also present themselves at the final awards ceremony:

- . The first 3 on Individual Overall Classification by Times
- . The winners of all secondary classifications
- . The first team in the general team classification (riders and TM)

ARTICLE 16. LEADER'S JERSEY

The leader of each classification must wear the corresponding distinctive jersey. If a rider is leading more than one classification, the order of priority of the distinctive jerseys is as follows:

- 1) Individual General Classification by Times – Yellow Jersey
- 2) Points General Classification – Green Jersey
- 3) Climber General Classification – Blue Jersey
- 4) Youth General Classification – White Jersey

If a rider is leader of several classifications, he will wear only one jersey according the order established above. In this case, the next rider in this classification will suit the other, unless he is the leader of another classification or must carry the world champion's jersey, and the leader's jersey of a cup, a circuit, a series or UCI ranking or national champion.

ARTICLE 17. PENALITES

The UCI penalty scale is the only one applicable.

ARTICLE 18. COMMUNIQUE

The communique of the day will be send to all teams by electronic mail (e-mail), while the paper version will be given to the teams, the next morning at the starting gathering. Team managers will be encouraged to give their email addresses at accreditation centre.

Article 19. ENVIRONMENT

The organisation of 44th Volta ao Algarve, safeguarding the good principles of environment protection and promotion of ecological cycling, appeals to the parties involved in the event to adopt measures in order to maintain clean all the places of departure, arrival and itinerary of the race.

In all the stages will be created and clearly identified two areas of litter for cyclists, one before the feeding zone and another in the last kilometres of the race.