SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

**46th VOLTA AO ALGARVE COFIDIS**

## *ARTICLE 1. ORGANIZATION*

The "46th Volta ao Algarve Cofidis" is organized by the 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 19th to 23th, 2020, over 5 stages.

***ARTICLE 2. TYPE OF EVENT***

The "46th Volta ao Algarve Cofidis" is open to athletes of the categories Men Elite and Under 23. It’s registered in the UCI Europe Tour calendar.

The event is classified in Class 2.Pro, therefore the following points are awarded to the UCI Rankings:

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 – 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 ProTeams, UCI Continental Teams of the country and foreign UCI Continental Teams (maximum 2).

In accordance with article 2.2.003bis of the UCI regulations, the number of riders per team is a minimum of **5** and a maximum of **7** riders.

## *ARTICLE 4. RACE HEADQUARTERS*

The race headquarters will be open on February 18th from 2:00 pm at the following address: Auditório do Museu de Portimão (Rua D.Carlos,Zona Ribeirinha, 8500-607 Portimão (GPS 37º 07’52.4”N 8º32’04.3”W ).

Team representatives are requested to confirm the starters and collect their race numbers at the race headquarters from 3:00 pm to 4:45 pm, on February 18th.

The team managers' meeting, organized in accordance with articles 1.2.087 and 2.2.093 of the UCI regulations, will be held at 5:00 pm in the presence of members of the Commissaires Panel.

## *ARTICLE 5. TEAMS’ PRESENTATION*

Team’s presentation will be held at the beginning of the 1ststage in Portimão from 10:30 am, with intervals of 2 minutes between the teams. The schedule of each team will be informed in a communiqué to be distributed during the Team Managers’ Meeting.

After the Teams’ Presentation, riders proceed to the signature of the starting sheet.

## *ARTICLE 6. TIME TRIAL*

The 5th stage is an individual time trial. The starting order is the reverse order of the Overall Individual Classification after the 4th stage and the start of every rider will be given every minute, however, the best 10 riders start in an interval of two minutes.

Nevertheless, the Commissaires Panel may modify that order to avoid two riders of the same team ride consecutively.

According to Article 2.4.0100 of the UCI regulations, each rider must present for bike check at least 15 minutes before their departure time.

In the time trial, the rider is allowed to use a specific time trial bike.

***ARTICLE 7. RADIO-TOUR***

Race information will be broadcasted on the following frequency: **160.23750 Mhz**

## *ARTICLE 8. NEUTRAL TECHNICAL SUPPORT*

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

## *ARTICLE 9. FEED ZONE AT TIME TRIAL*

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

## *ARTICLE 10. 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.

In accordance with article 2.6.027 of UCI regulations, the dispositions previously expressed do not apply in the following stages: **2nd and 4th (finish on climb) and 5th stage (ITT).**

***ARTICLE 11. BONUSES***

No bonuses will be awarded.

## *ARTICLE 12. 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: **10%**

4th stage: **15%**

5th stage: **25%**

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.

In exceptional cases only, unpredictable and of force majeure, the commissaires panel may extend the finishing time limits after consultation with the organiser.

***ARTICLE 13. CLASSIFICATIONS***

The following classifications will be issued:

1) Individual General Classification by Time – **Yellow jersey**

2) General Individual Classification by Points – **Red jersey**

3) General Individual Mountains Classification – **Blue jersey**

4) Youth General Individual Classification – **White jersey**

5) Team General Classification

***1) Individual General Classification by Time***

It will be obtained by summing the time in each stage for each rider, considering the penalties. The rider with the smaller sum of time will be the best classified.

If there is a tie between two or more riders, the hundredths of a second registered in the individual time trial stage will be considered and the rider with less hundredths of a second will be the best classified.

If the tie persists, the sum of the points obtained in each stage will be considered and the rider with the smaller sum will be the best classified. The points will be given according to 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 used to break the tie.

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

## *2) General Individual Classification by Points*

It will be obtained by summing the points of each rider in the 4 stages and in the **10** intermediate sprints “Meta Volante”. The rider with the largest sum of points will be the best classified.

Finish Line:

Stages 1 and 3 = 25 – 20 – 16 – 13 – 10 – 8 – 6 – 4 – 2 and 1 points to the first 10 riders

Stages 2 and 4 = 15 – 12 – 10 – 8 – 6 – 5 – 4 – 3 – 2 and 1 points to the first 10 riders

Intermediate Sprints:

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

In the event of a tie in the General Individual Classification by Points, the following criteria shall be applied in order until the riders are separated

1. Number of stage wins;

2. Number of wins in intermediate sprints;

3. General Individual Classification by Time.

To benefit from the final general classification prize money each competitor must complete the entire course of the race within the finishing time limits.

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

## *3) General Individual Mountains Classification*

It will be obtained by summing the points obtained by each rider in the **13** scoring climbs. The rider with the largest sum of points will be the best classified.

Points:

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| Place | 1st Category | 2nd 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 |  |  |  |

In the event of a 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 complete the entire course of the race within the finishing time limits.

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

## *4) General Individual Youth Classification*

The General Individual Youth Classification is reserved to the riders born after 1st January 1997. The leader of this classification will be the rider best placed in the Individual General Classification by Time.

To benefit from the final general classification prize money each competitor must complete the entire course of the race within the finishing time limits.

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

## *5) Team General Classification*

The Team Classification for the day shall be calculated on the basis of the sum of the three best individual times from each team.

In the event of a tie, the teams shall be separated by the sum of the places acquired by their three best times on the stage. If the teams are still tied, they shall be separated by the placing of their best rider on the stage classification.

The Team General Classification shall be calculated on the basis of the sum of the three best individual times from each team in each stage ridden. In the event of a draw, the following criteria shall be applied in order until the teams are separated:

1. number of first places in the daily team classifications
2. number of second positions in the daily team classifications, and so on.

If there is still a draw, the teams shall be separated by the placing of their best rider in the general individual classification.

Any team reduced to fewer than three riders shall be eliminated from the General Team Classification.

## *ARTICLE 14. PRIZES*

**1) STAGES AND INDIVIDUAL GENERAL CLASSIFICATION BY TIME**

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| **Stage Classification** | **Individual General Classification** |
| **Place** | **Euros** | **Place** | **Euros** |
| 1st | 3.615,00 | 1st | 9.037,50 |
| 2nd | 1.805,00 | 2nd | 4.512,50 |
| 3rd | 905,00 | 3rd | 2.262,50 |
| 4th | 455,00 | 4th | 1.137,50 |
| 5th | 365,00 | 5th | 912,50 |
| 6th | 270,00 | 6th | 675,00 |
| 7th | 270,00 | 7th | 675,00 |
| 8th | 180,00 | 8th | 450,00 |
| 9th | 180,00 | 9th | 450,00 |
| 10th » 20th | 95,00 | 10th » 20th | 237,50 |

**2) POINTS CLASSIFICATION**

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| **Each “Meta Volante”** | **G. Individual Classification by Points** |
| **Place** | **Euros** | **Place** | **Euros** |
| 1st  | 50 | 1st  | 250 |

**3) MOUNTAIN CLASSIFICATION**

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| **Each “GPM”** | **G. Individual Mountains Classification** |
| **Place** | **1st** | **2nd** | **3rd** | **4th** | **Place** | **Euros** |
| 1st  | 80€ | 60€ | 35€ | 25€ | 1st  | 250 |
| 2nd  | 50€ | 40€ | 25€ | 15€ |  |
| 3rd  | 35€ | 25€ | 15€ | 10€ |

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**4) GENERAL INDIVIDUAL YOUTH CLASSIFICATION**

1st place in the final Youth General Classification: 250€.

**5) TEAM GENERAL CLASSIFICATION**

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

**6) LEADERS**

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

When the leader of a classification does not wear the leader jersey because he is the leader of another classification, the daily prize will be divided between the leader (50%) and the rider wearing the jersey (50%).

The overall total prize money of the race is **€ 71.135,00**

## *ARTICLE 15. ANTIDOPING CONTROL*

The UCI antidoping regulations are entirely applicable to the event.

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

## *ARTICLE 16. AWARD CEREMONY*

In accordance with articles 1.2.112, 1.2.113 and 2.6.018bis of the UCI regulations, the following riders must attend the official award ceremony:

After each stage:

* The winner of the stage
* The leader of Individual General Classification by Time
* The leaders of the secondary classifications: General Individual Classification by Points, General Individual Mountains Classification and General Individual Youth Classification.

The riders shall present themselves at the podium no later than 10minutes after crossing the finish line.

Moreover, after the last stage, the following riders must also present themselves at the final award ceremony:

* The first 3 riders in Individual Overall Classification by Time
* The winners of all secondary classifications
* The first team in the general team classification (riders and TM)

## *ARTICLE 17. 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 Time – Yellow Jersey

2) General Individual Classification by Points – Green Jersey

3) General Individual Mountains Classification – Blue Jersey

4) General Individual Youth Classification – White Jersey

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

## *ARTICLE 18. PENALTIES*

The UCI penalty scale is the only one applicable.

## *ARTICLE 19. COMMUNIQUÉ*

The communiqué of the day will be sent to all teams by electronic mail (e-mail), while the print version will be handed to the teams in the next morning at the start area.

Team managers will be encouraged to give their email addresses at the accreditation centre.

***ARTICLE 20 – INSURANCES***

In accordance with articles 1.1.006 and 1.1.022 of the UCI regulations, all riders and teams’ technical staff should be covered by insurance against all kinds of accidents that may happen during the competition and their consequences in terms of civil responsibility.

The organizer bears no responsibility for damage caused to third parties and/or material damage before, during, and after the stages always and when it complies with the established security rules in the UCI regulations.

In accordance with article 1.2.034, the organizer is required to have risk coverage insurance.

## *ARTICLE 21. ENVIRONMENT*

The organisation of 46th Volta ao Algarve Cofidis, 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 stages, 3 waste zones to be used by the riders will be created and clearly identified, the first one placed just before the feeding zone, the second one just after the feeding zone and the third one will be situated between the final 20 to 10 kilometers of each stage.