

**(1) Eligible Vehicles**

- ① Only bicycles that are equipped with the necessary equipment and functions to ride on public roads in accordance with laws and regulations may be used.
  - ② Should the event organiser determine that a bicycle contravenes legislation or these Terms and Conditions, they may cancel the rider’s participation.
- Please note that no refunds will be issued even if you are disqualified from the race.
- ③ We do not provide mechanical services (repairs, charging, etc.) for electrically assisted bicycles. In the event of a breakdown or the battery running out, you must either ride without the assist function within the time limit or return to the venue using the collection vehicle.
  - ④ Please ensure your tyres are inflated to the correct pressure for your bicycle. If you are unsure of the correct pressure, we recommend checking this at a cycle shop or similar outlet and ensuring your tyres are correctly inflated by the day before the event. Please be aware that incorrect tyre pressure may cause a puncture.
  - ⑤ Please ensure you check all functions requiring charging or batteries—such as front lights, rear lights and electric assist—in advance, and charge or replace batteries as necessary before taking part.

⟨Eligible Bicycles⟩

Eligible Bicycles	Road bikes (with multiple gears)
	Sports cycles (with multiple gears or electric assist)
	Light bicycles (commonly known as ‘mama-chari’) (with multiple gears or electric assist) * Bicycles fitted with child seats
	Mini-velos (16–24 inches) (with multiple gears or electric assist)
	Beach cruisers and fat bikes (with multiple gears or electric assist)
	Rental bicycles (with multiple gears or electric assist)
	Tandem bicycles (with multiple gears or electric assist)

⟨Vehicle Definitions⟩

Vehicle Category	Key Definitions	Affected vehicles	Relevant handle shapes
Road bike	Bicycles mainly fitted with drop handlebars and tyres of 25 inches or more in diameter Fitted with multiple gears	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Road bikes</li> <li>• Gravel bikes</li> <li>• Cyclocross bikes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drop handlebars</li> <li>* Road bikes with flat handlebars are classified as ‘sports cycles’</li> </ul>
Sports cycle	Sports bikes with flat handlebars, such as road bikes and MTBs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trail bike</li> <li>• Hybrid bike</li> <li>• MTB</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flat handlebars (bar-end grips optional)</li> <li>• Riser handlebars</li> </ul>

City bike (commonly known as a 'mama-chari')	The frame is designed for a city bicycle rather than a sports bike	• City bike (commonly known as a 'mama-chari')	• Handlebars designed for standard light bicycles (commonly known as 'mama-chari') *Modifications are not permitted
Mini-velo	Vehicles with tyre diameters of 16–24 inches	• Mini-velo	• Flat handlebars • Drop handlebars
Tandem bicycle	A bicycle designed for two riders, with the pedal assemblies arranged in a single row	Tandem bicycle	• Flat handlebars • Drop handlebars
Special-purpose vehicles	Vehicles other than those listed above	• Fat bikes (beach cruisers), etc.	• Depending on the bicycle

\*Bicycles without multiple gears or electric assist, and mini-velos with wheels smaller than 16 inches, are not permitted to participate.

\*The main criterion for eligibility will be the 'vehicle shape', as this makes it easier for the organisers to identify suitable vehicles.

\* As the variety of bicycles continues to increase year on year, if you are unsure whether your bicycle is eligible, please contact the Rainbow Ride Secretariat in advance.

\*The term 'Rental bicycles (with electric assist)' above refers to rental bicycles (including helmets) provided by the organisers.

## (2) Prohibited Bicycles

Even if a bicycle is permitted for use on public roads, for safety reasons, the following bicycles and handlebars may not be used in this event. Should the event organiser deem this to be a breach of the rules, your participation may be revoked, whether before the start or whilst riding.

### <Prohibited Bicycles>

- Bicycles that contravene laws and regulations
- Electric-assist vehicles that move without pedalling (electric mopeds)
- Fixed-gear bicycles
- Electric-assist bicycles with features not permitted under domestic regulations (e.g. those providing assistance at speeds of 25 km/h or more)
- Recumbent bicycles
- Handcycles
- Tricycles

- Bicycles with training wheels
- Mini-velos with tyre diameters of less than 16 inches
- Triathlon bike (commonly known as a TT bike)
- Tall bikes
- Trailers
- Any other vehicles deemed dangerous by the event organisers

〈Prohibited handlebars〉

- DH handlebars
- Clip-on handlebars
- Spinach
- Aero bars
- Triathlon bars
- Bullhorn handlebars
- Any auxiliary bars that attach to drop handlebars such as those listed above via an attachment system. Also includes those that hinder quick steering manoeuvres and are unsuitable for use on steep gradients.
- All auxiliary bars designed to be attached via an attachment system are included; any handlebars deemed hazardous whilst riding are prohibited.
- Any other handlebars deemed dangerous by the event organisers