# LAKE HOPATCONG TRIATHLON PARTICIPANT GUIDE - 2025 UPDATED 7-29-25

# **PACKET PICK UP**

9/5 4:00-8:00 pm The Beacon on Lake Hopatcong

9/6 5:30-6:30 am. On Site at Crescent Cove Beach

#### **RACE DAY SCHEDULE**

7:15 am - Line Up Time7:20 National Anthem7:30am - Triathlon & Aquabike Begin

# **WAVE START - COLOR CODED CAPS**

1.MEN 20-29 2.MEN 30-39 3.MEN 40+ 4.Women

9 NEW TRIATHLETE MEN 10 NEW TRIATHLETE WOMEN

## IN YOUR PACKET

- Race Shirt
- Race Number
- Bike Number
- Timing Chip
- Swim Cap

# **PARKING**

See Attached Map

# **SWIM**

• 400 meter - Counter Clockwise Swim

# **BIKE**

• 11.9 Miles

#### **RUN**

• 3.1 miles





### **AWARDS**

1st, 2nd, 3rd Male & Female Overall Triathlon & Aqua Bike







# **OFFERS FROM OUR SPONSORS**

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Race Questions
Do's and Don'ts and more





# PARTICIPANT INFORMATION LAKE HOPATCONG

# TRIATHLON CHALLENGE

# CHECK IN

At check in we will verify your ID (YOU MUST HAVE ID TO CHECK IN), provide you with your race shirt swim cap, race bib, bike number, and timing chip/strap. There will be volunteers to mark your body with your race number on both arms and your race age on the back of your calf. Your body marking will allow you to enter transition.

Be sure to put your bike number sticker on your bike before you enter transition. This will allow us to identify you to your bike when you leave transition with your bike after the race.

### **TRANSITION**

Only athletes will be allowed into transition. Prior to entering transition, you must have your body marked with your race number on each arm and your race age on the back of your calf. Body marking volunteers will be available to mark you or you can mark yourself. THIS EVENT IS OPEN RACKING.

The swim is a 400 meter course. You will enter the water in waved noted before.

# SWIM

Faster swimmers should plan to be at or near the front of the line, moderately paced swimmers in the middle, and first timers and those who may take longer to complete the swim can line up toward the end of the line. Your race time will start when you cross the timing mat just prior to entering the water.

You are required to wear the swim cap provided to you in your race packet. Wetsuits are permitted.





The bike course is an out-and-back route with a small lolipop. It is technical, but doable. We recommend that you spend time on your bike, outside, on hills if you are not a strong participant. You must wear a helmet and it must be strapped. HEADPHONES ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THE BIKE. Anyone not complying will not be able to continue the race. You must ride with traffic, on the right side of the road. NO EXCEPTIONS.

The course will be marked with arrows on the road and sign arrows on the side of the road. The road in the mount/dismount area will be closed to traffic, but the remainder of the bike course will be on roads that are open to traffic.

# BIKE COURSE INFORMATION

We will have police at major intersections and at the turnaround to stop traffic. We will do everything we can to make the course safe for you, but ultimately your safety is your responsibility. Obey the directions of the police and volunteers and always be cautious of cars and other athletes. Drafting is not allowed.

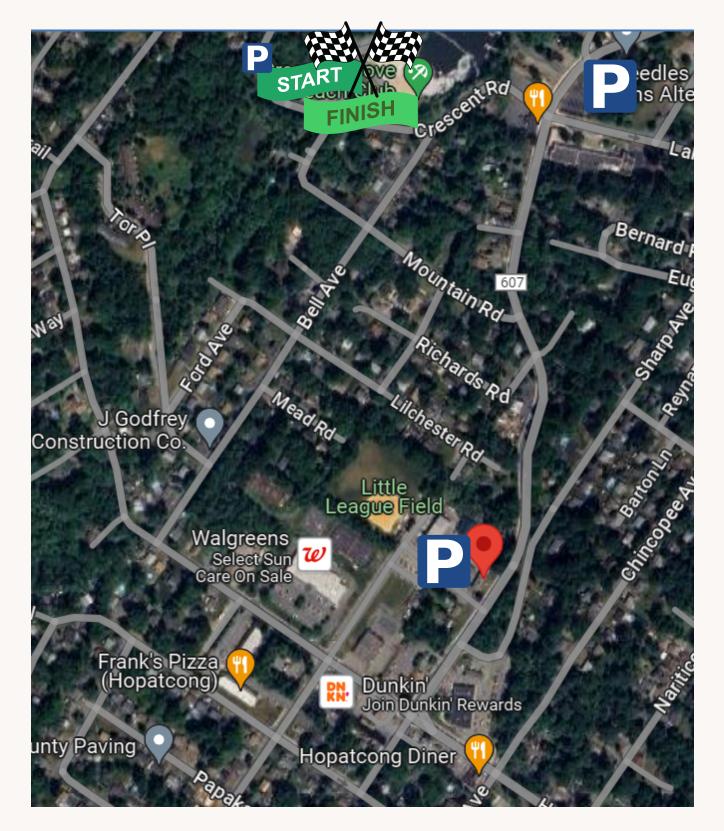
You must pass other athletes only on the left. When passing another athlete be sure to announce, "On your left", loud enough for the other athlete to hear. This will make them aware that you are passing and will help avoid startling the rider and make the pass safer for both athletes.

Blocking another rider to avoid being passed is not allowed. Cycle Craft and our course marshals will be monitoring the bike course to make sure all athletes get safely back to the Crescent Cove Transition Area.

Athletes should be prepared to address minor mechanical issues like a flat tire or chain derailment themselves.

## **EMERGENCIES**

In the event of an emergency or injury, Hopatcong EMS onsite and both Hopatcong & Jefferson EMS will be on call for the Bike Course.



# Crescent Cove Beach <u>BIKE DROP OFF ONLY</u> Elite Prep Academy

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Park & Ride (Spectators)