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**2023 Ontario Cycling Affiliated Club**

**"Try-Out"**

**Information & Application Package**



## Ontario Cycling Club Try-Out Program

Ontario Cycling (OC) is pleased to announce that the OC Registered Club Try-out program is back for the 2023 season. The OC understands how valuable it is for Clubs to be able to showcase their programs to prospective members prior to making an investment in membership.

The OC Club Try-out program once again will offer Clubs the opportunity to host *Try-out* opportunities for non-members free of charge. The program is designed to help Clubs recruit new members by providing them an opportunity to promote specific days where non-members may participate at the Club on a trial basis. The program is open to all OC Member Clubs under the following guidelines:

1. Clubs must apply to be part of this program. The application is due a minimum of **5 days in advance** and will indicate when the Club will host a non-member opportunity under the supervision of an experienced ride leader or coach, in accordance with the Club's ride guidelines, risk management plan, and policies\*\*.
2. Rides and skill development activities are currently accepted under the Try-out Program. Competitive activities are not allowed under the program.
3. Clubs will be able to hold a **maximum of ten (10)** Try-out opportunities per calendar year. These can be spaced out or all in one month.
4. Non-OC members may attend up to two **(2)** Try-out activities during the season. After this, the participant will be required to obtain OC membership to participate in any further activities.
5. Any Club applying to have an activity deemed to be a "Try-out opportunity" must complete the Try-out application in this document. Once complete, an OC representative will review the application and either provide confirmation of its acceptance, or notify the Club of any questions or outstanding items.
6. Once the Club has been approved for its Try-out, it should instruct interested try-out participants to visit the link below to complete the OC participant waiver form.

**[Club Try-out Participant Waiver Acknowledgement Online Form](#)**

**Registration**



Individuals will be asked to provide basic information and complete the waiver and concussion resource forms during the online process and will then be instructed to provide a copy of their confirmation to the hosting Club. Individual applicants for Club Try-outs will need to provide their information to the hosting Club and go through any Club related safety protocols that may be in place at the time.

***Why online registration?*** As you may know if you have held a Try-out before, this process was all done via paper forms in the past. The online process has been introduced to eliminate the requirement for pens, paper, etc. on the spot, as well as to provide the participant an opportunity to review the latest requirements for participation.

7. Any incidents that occur on the ride MUST be reported using the OCA Sport Injury Report Form. These forms MUST be submitted to the OC **within 7 days**.

\*\*Clubs are expected to provide the appropriate level of training for the level of the individual who is taking the Try-Out opportunity.

**Any Club found to be abusing the program may be subject to appropriate discipline.**

For More Info:

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## Application to Participate in the Club Try-Out Program

To be filled out by applicant club

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide dates and locations where the club will run Try-Out days and who will be the supervising Ride Leader of each session:

Date	Activity Starting Location	Description of Activity	Club Delegate In Charge

### Declaration of Club:

I confirm that our Club would like to participate in *Ontario Cycling's Club Try-Out Program*. The club agrees to the procedures involved in participating in this program and will provide the requested documentation to be part of the program under the guidelines described.

President's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_