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2024 Ontario Cycling
Club "Try-Out" Program
Information 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 2024 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 recruit new members by providing clubs the opportunity to promote specific days where non-members may participate at the club on a trial basis. The program is open to all OC registered clubs under the following guidelines:

- Clubs must apply to be part of this program. The application is due a minimum of <u>5 days in advance</u> 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 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 at the link below. 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.

Club Try-Out Application Form

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 Individual Participant Form.

Club Try-out Individual Participant Form



During the online process, individuals will be asked to provide their information, complete the waiver form 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.

7. Any incidents that occur on the ride MUST be reported using the OC Sport Injury Report Form. These forms should be submitted to the OC <u>within 7</u> <u>days</u>.

2024 OC Sport Injury Report Form

**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.

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