



FAQ Berne–Zermatt

Is there a minimum speed to participate?

No, everyone is welcome. We do publish rankings, but the focus in Berne-Zermatt should be on fun and the experience. There will be control points along the route. These points must be reached within a specified time. Participants who do not meet this deadline will be removed from the race for their own safety. The control points can be found on the race schedule for the event.

Is the time taken along the entire route?

Yes. In addition to the finishing time, intermediate times will also be taken at certain points in the race. To go through the timekeeping, the participants can stay on the road and won't have to take a detour at the feeding zones.

Will there be a ranking?

Yes. There will be rankings in the different categories as well as female and male. They are going to be published on my.raceresult.com. Places 1 to 3 in the specific category will be rewarded with a prize.

Will there be road closures?

No. The Bern-Zermatt route will be open to traffic. Every participant must comply with the applicable rules of the Swiss Road Traffic Act. Penalties must be expected for non-compliance.

What are the general rules in the four categories?

The singles have to complete the route alone. Participants in the Relay category split up the route and ride alternately. The number and locations of the changes can be freely chosen. The first change will be allowed after the first feeding zone. Only the last section from Täsch to Zermatt will be ridden together.

The Couples category also consist of two riders, but they complete the entire route together, as do the teams of three in the "Happy Threesome" category. Only the couples and teams of three are allowed to ride in the slipstream of their team members.

Is slipstreaming allowed?

No. Slipstreaming will be prohibited from approx. KM 35. This point will be marked with a sign. Only participants in the Couples and Happy Threesome categories are allowed to ride in the slipstream of their teammates after this point.

Is it allowed to have a supporter and a support vehicle with me?

Support vehicles are only permitted for participants in the Relay category and may accompany the riders after the first feeding zone. The participants in the other categories can place their supporters at some of the feeding zones in order to receive support there (handing out material, handing over clothing/food, technical support, etc.). This support is not permitted at any other locations (on the route or other feeding zones).

How many supporters are allowed to support a team?

For Berne-Zermatt, a maximum of 2 supporters are permitted. The supporters must wear a fluorescent vest, that is NOT provided by the organizer.

Do both participants in the Relay category have to be at the start?

No, only one of the two team members in the Relay category has to start in Bern.

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**Where do I get my fluorescent vest?**

The fluorescent vest will be handed out at the start in exchange for the waiver. Participants in the Relay category have to bring their team member's waiver with them as well.

Will the participants be accompanied by motorcyclists?

There will be around 40 motorcyclists on the route. They will help the participants to stay on the course, follow the rules and get to Zermatt safely.

Are there feeding zones on the route?

There will be at least 6 feeding zones along the route. The exact locations will be marked in the race schedule.

Are toilets available at the feeding zones?

Yes, it is possible to use a toilet facility at the feeding zones.

What is the start procedure?

The start interval will be between 45 and 60 seconds. The Single category will start first, followed by the Happy Threesome, then the participants in the Couple category and finally the Relays will start their race. The exact start times for each individual participant will be communicated in the week before the event.

When does the start take place?

The first participants will take on Chasing Cancellara Bern - Zermatt at 02:00am. The other start times will be according to the start procedure explained above.

Where is the start location?

The start is at the Festsaal (Hall IV) of the Rain elementary school in Ittigen. Address: Rain 9, 3063 Ittigen

Where can I park at the Rain elementary school?

If you arrive by car, we recommend using the parking lot at the Ittigen municipal administration (Rain 7). You should drive to the parking lot via Grauholzstrasse.

Are there any hotel partnerships in Bern?

No, there are no hotel partnerships for Bern.

Where is the finish area located?

The finish area is located next to the tennis court in Zermatt (Obere Matten, 3920 Zermatt).

What can I expect in Zermatt?

After their arrival in Zermatt the finishers of Chasing Cancellara will receive their well-deserved finisher medal, finisher beer and goodie bag, as well as the finisher meal.

How can Zermatt be reached during the event?

For riders of Berne-Zermatt, Zermatt is accessible via the specified route. However, this won't be the case for supporters. They must park their vehicle in Täsch. Supporters of the Relay category can park their vehicle at Taxi & Parking Christophe (Kantonsstrasse 139, 3929 Täsch) and then take the train to Zermatt. Participants in the Relay category will receive a voucher for free parking in Täsch in their starter package prior to the event. The supporters are responsible for their train tickets from Täsch to Zermatt.

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Is there luggage transportation from Berne to Zermatt?

Yes, luggage (40l max.) can be dropped off at the start in Berne. It will then be brought safely to Zermatt. It is also possible to hand in items of clothing at the start, which will be transported to the feeding zone on the Grimselpass and from there to the finish.

Is there a shuttle service from Zermatt back to Berne?

To travel back to Berne is within the participants' own responsibility. However, the organisation offers a shuttle service in the webshop (<https://www.chasingcancellara.com/de/shop>). The spots available for the shuttle are limited and can be booked in the weeks prior to the event. Departure and arrival times will also be visible in the webshop.

Where do I get my start number and timing chip?

The start numbers and the timing chip will be sent home by mail in the week before the event. Participants who do not live in Switzerland or have registered after 27.08.2026 must collect their start numbers at the start number distribution point at the start.

How must the timing chip and race number be fitted?

The timing chip must be attached to the seat post. The start number must be placed on the back and be clearly visible.

Where must the helmet sticker be attached?

The helmet sticker is used to identify photos taken by Sportograf. The helmet sticker must be placed on the front of the helmet.

If there are any further questions that are not answered by the FAQ, feel free to get in touch with us via info@chasingcancellara.com.

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