

ART. 1 : ORGANISATION

JMT ORGANISATION are the organisers of the 4th Libyan Challenge which will take place from 22 February to 1st March 2009 in the Akakus Region of south-west Libya.

ART. 2 : DEFINITION OF THE EVENT

Non-stop, 190 kilometre foot-race by team (minimum 3 people) or solo, self-supported with navigation by road-book and GPS (not supplied). Each competitor must carry their own kit and food. There is a time-limit of 75 hours to complete the course.

ART. 3 : CONDITIONS OF RACE ADMISSION

Any person of any nationality aged over 18 at the start of the race who accepts the race rules and has provided a medical certificate attesting to their aptitude to partake in a race of this type as well as an ECG print-out dated less than 1 month prior to the race.

ART. 4 : EVENT PROGRAMME

- 22 FEBRUARY : departure of flight from Paris to Ghat and road transfer to the race camp.
- 23 FEBRUARY : checking of mandatory kit and paperwork.
- 24 FEBRUARY to 27 FEBRUARY : race.
- 28 FEBRUARY : free day, prizegiving, big end of race party.
- 1st MARCH : departure from Ghat to Paris.

ART. 5 : KIT AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS

Each competitor will be checked on February 23 at the race camp by the race marshals and all mandatory kit and paperwork must be presented before the race number is given. Any missing mandatory item may result in the withdrawal of the runner from the race and forfeiture of all fees paid.

ART. 6 : HALTING THE RACE AT NIGHT

The race will not be interrupted at night.

ART. 7 : COURSE NAVIGATION

Each competitor will be given a roadbook during the initial race briefing. The roadbook will indicate distances, type of terrain, headings and any particularities of the course. Each competitor must bring his own hand-held GPS to be allowed to partake in the race. The Akakus is a labyrinth and there are no course markers. A detailed list of course waypoints to be input into the GPS will be provided by the organisers.

ART. 8 : CHECKPOINTS

Checkpoints will be placed at approximately 20 kilometre intervals. These are mandatory passages where each runner's race card will be punched and water will be provided. Medical support will be present at every checkpoint if advice or treatment is required. The medical team may withdraw a competitor if his condition presents a serious risk to his health and safety.

ART. 9 : WATER SUPPLIES

Water will be provided at each checkpoint, i.e. Approximately every 20 kilometres, in the amount of 4.5 litres per competitor.

ART. 10 : RACE FINISH

The race finish will be in Ghat. A timekeeper will note the completion times of each runner.

ART. 11 : WITHDRAWALS

If a competitor decides to withdraw, it is essential that they notify the nearest checkpoint and hand in their race number to the checkpoint manager.

ART. 12 : TEAMS

The race can be run solo or as a team. Teams must be comprised of at least 3 competitors and the team ranking will be determined by the average completion time of its first three finishers.

Teams with less than 3 finishers will not be taken into account in the team rankings.

ART. 13 : MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

A medical team selected by the race organisation and comprised of doctors, podologists and physiotherapists will be on hand during the duration of the event.

They are there to support all competitors before, during and after the race. Their decision to withdraw a competitor for health reasons is final.

ART. 14 : INSURANCE

The race organisation has taken out a repatriation insurance that covers all competitors.

Each competitor is deemed to be fully aware of the risks inherent to this type of competition and shall indemnify and hold harmless the race organisation for any physical or accidental failures.

Optional cancellation insurance is available an additional 35,00 € due to be added to the first race fee payment.

ART. 15 : MANDATORY KIT

Each competitor must have enough food for 3,5 days, with a minimum of 2000 calories per day or 7000 calories in total, regardless of their expected completion time.

MANDATORY KIT

- Backpack
- Sleeping bag
- Compass
- Handheld GPS with spare batteries
- Lighter
- Penknife
- Anti-venom pump
- Antiseptic
- Signaling mirror
- Salt tablets or equivalent
- Whistle
- Space blanket
- Pocket torch or head torch with spare batteries

MANDATORY KIT SUPPLIED BY THE ORGANISATION

- Emergency flare (to be returned after the race)

ART. 16 : WEATHER CONDITIONS

The average temperatures at that time of the year are 25° Celsius by day and 10° Celsius at night although these may vary significantly.

ART. 17 : REGISTRATION

The race fee of 2020,00 € includes :

- Return flights from Paris to Libya
- Road transfers in Libya
- Accommodation in the Camping des Dunes before and after the race
- All meals at the race camp
- Mineral water
- Repatriation insurance
- Technical and medical support
- Race medal, t-shirt and DVD

To reserve a race place (subject to availability), the following must be received by the race organisers by 30/11/2008 :

- A completed race entry form
- An initial payment of the race fee in the amount of 620,00 €
- A photocopy of a passport valid until at least September 2008
- A passport photo with the competitor's name written on the back
- A copy of these race rules, initialed on each page and signed on the last page

THE 4TH EDITION OF THE LIBYAN CHALLENGE IS STRICTLY LIMITED TO 100 PLACES

The race fee must be paid in full no later than 31/12/2008 for guaranteed entry

MEDICAL FILE

Originals of a medical certificate confirming that the competitor is apt to partake in this event and an ECG less than one month old will be requested during the mandatory checks on March 3 in Ghat. If either of these documents is not provided, the competitor may be withdrawn from the race with forfeiture of the entire race fee.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

The visa for entry into Libya will be issued at Ghat airport as the race organisers will have already completed the formalities for each competitor prior to arrival. You will need to have 45,00 € (exact amount in cash) on arrival to pay to the local authorities.

PASSPORT TRANSLATION

Your passport must bear an official Arabic translation. A photocopy of the passport translation must be sent to the race organisation for verification. Any person who does not have an Arabic translation in their passport on arrival shall be automatically refused entry into Libya. No refund will be given by the race organisation for this reason. You will be informed as to the exact procedure to follow in due course.

ART. 24 : THE RACE PARTICIPANT DECLARES

To have investigated all possible medical contraindications which may apply and, accordingly, releases the race organisation (including medical & technical staff) of any responsibility in the event of any medical problems whatsoever being incurred during the race week.

Moreover, the artificial person representing the race organisation does not have civil liability insurance for the event: by signing this document, you hereby confirm that you have been made fully aware of this fact, understand that it is a condition of your participation in the event and agree not to make any claims against the race organisers based on this fact.

I,, agree and understand the above race rules.

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ART. 18 : CANCELLATION

Competitors wishing to withdraw their race entry must inform the race organisation of their intention by registered letter to avoid any miscommunication. Cancellation conditions are as follows :

- 100,00 € of the race fee will be withheld by the race organisation for cancellations prior to 1/12/2008.
- 50% of the race fee will be withheld by the race organisation for cancellations prior to 15/1/2009.
- There will be no refund for cancellations after 15/1/2009.

Any race fees forfeited due to cancellation may be refunded by the optional cancellation insurance subject to the terms and conditions of the insurance contract.

ART. 19 : IMAGE RIGHTS

JMT Organisation reserves the rights to all images of the event and no photographic or film documentary may be undertaken without the prior express written approval of the organisation. By participating in the event, each competitor grants free and unrestricted use of individual or group images featuring their likeness to JMT Organisation for any purpose related to the Libyan Challenge.

ART. 21 : OFFICIAL RACE SPONSORS

Race numbers must be placed as instructed by the organisers and the names and logos of the official sponsors must not be hidden.

ART. 22 : PRIZES

• Individual rankings

1st prize :	900,00 €
2nd prize :	500,00 €
3rd prize :	300,00 €

• Female rankings**

1st prize :	900,00 €
2nd prize :	500,00 €
3rd prize :	300,00 €

** subject to there being at least 8 female runners

• Team rankings**

1st prize :	900,00 €
2nd prize :	500,00 €
3rd prize :	300,00 €

** subject to there being at least 8 teams

Prizes may not be cumulated

ART. 23 : JMT ORGANISATION

The race organiser reserves the right to modify the race schedule and/or race course due to events outside their control or for safety reasons.

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