



GENERAL RULES

1. As a participant in an event organized by HAAGENDAZ EXPEDITIONS INC. I will treat all dogs, participants, volunteers and organizers with respect.
2. All participants must have and convey a healthy sporting ethic before, during and after the event.
3. It is the responsibility of each participant to ensure that his dog is in adequate physical and psychological condition for the registered class and to respect the limits of their dogs.
4. All training methods involving or causing injury to the dog represent a serious violation of the principle of ethic and will not be tolerated, under penalty of disqualification and expulsion from the event.
5. HaagenDaz Expeditions Inc. promotes an ethical vaccination protocol (3 years min for base and rabies), specifically for dogs participating in canine events. All mushers must present proof of vaccination of the dogs of his team the morning of the race before the mushers briefing.
6. All participants must clean their space (stationary place of their team) before leaving the premises and collect the needs on the property hosting the event (parking and surroundings). Handlers are responsible for cleaning musher's space at checkpoint locations.
7. On trails, communication and maneuvering between mushers must be done with respect and safety.
8. It follows from the authority of the race official to decide penalties, in case of necessity

SPECIFIC REGULATIONS TCHITOGAMA100 MID DISTANCE

A. Course

The course covers approximately 100 miles (160 km) of scenic terrain including forests, streams, lakes and fields as well as a limited portion of tertiary road. A safety station is located near the mark "¼ and ¾ of the route". Safety stations must be used in case of emergency only. Dogs can be dropped at official checkpoint only.

A checkpoint with a mandatory stop of a minimum of 4 hours is established halfway of the course

B. Eligibility conditions and pre-race briefing

- The Tchitogama100 race is a "mid-distance" race covering a distance of 160km between a mandatory stop of 4h is limited to 15 entries.



- Tchitogama100 will begin accepting applications after October 1, 2019
- No qualifying race experience is required to participate. It is however highly recommended to have an adequate training for this type of race.
- All participants must attend the mushers meeting on Thursday 6th February at 6pm. at the municipal building of Lamarche.
- All dogs must have received adequate vaccinations to run. An immunization clinic will be held on Thursday 6 February 2020 between 9 and noon30, by appointment.
- The participant must pay the registration fee of 195. 00 \$ CAN

C. Departures

The starting order and the bibs will be allocated according to the order of registration. The time and date of departure is Friday, February 7, 2020 at 20h from the rear parking of the municipal building.

To allow race officials to check dogs and equipment, teams must be present at the staging area on Friday between 8:30 am and 3:00 pm.

Teams will leave the starting line at 2-minute intervals

The mushers must start the race with 10 dogs maximum and 8 dogs minimum

D. Required equipment

- Mushers must wear their bibs throughout the race
- All dogs must be harnessed in single or double file.
- All harnesses should be padded around the neck and chest.
- Reflective tape is needed on the harnesses.
- A dish for each dog (with a capacity of at least one liter).
- Each leading dog must wear a flashing light from bedtime to sunrise. Line lines can be sheathed cables, wires or synthetic or natural materials, but chains are not allowed. If cable runs are used, the driver must have easily accessible cable cutters known for their ability to cut the line.
- Available equipment must include eight (8) booties per dog at the beginning of the race. Booties may be on dogs or in sled, but must be available for use if necessary

Each driver must have in his possession at all times during the race:

- A sled capable of accommodating injured or fatigued dogs as well as the necessary food, material and equipment. HaagenDaz Expeditions Inc. recommends the use of reflective tape on the sled. The same sled must be used throughout the race. Spare parts are the responsibility of the driver. The sled **MUST** be equipped with an adequate brake, a slow-down bar, an anchor and a retention cable. Note: The anchor cannot replace a retention cable.



- A bag that can safely hold a dog in difficulty and, if necessary, cover a severely injured or dead dog. Any dead dog must be completely covered and declared "granite" upon arrival.
- Ignition equipment and a cooking pot and fuel.
- Cold sleeping bag
- A pair of rackets with bindings and a surface area of at least 1,612 cm² (250 in²).
- Knife (must be at hand and immediately available for emergency use)
- Hand ax with a minimum total length of 22 "(56 cm) OR hand saw with metal frame
Wire saws are not allowed.
- Proper first aid kit, including bandages and compression bandages for severe bleeding
- Headlamp and spare batteries
- At least one flashing light for each head dog
- Whistle
- Course manual (provided) with the veterinary notebook
- One-day emergency food ration for the driver and dogs (at least 2 ½ cups molded or 1 lb. meat per dog). Emergency dog food can be weighed during a material check. Regular dog food and snacks should not be included in the weighing. Emergency food should be packed in a sealed unopened container at the finish line.
- Dogs and Human snacks in sufficient quantity for the whole course.
- 2 "Drop Chain" with a length of 20 inches minimum. The tether must have a snap at each end and must be strong enough to hold the animal.

***Emergency food for dogs and the driver must not be used at any time before the finish of the race, except in case of emergency OR when a dog is abandoned, determined by the race commissioner. If used during the race, a penalty will be added to the rider's time, unless the race commissioner decides that extreme conditions justify the use of the food.*

E. Abandonment of dogs

All dogs that cannot complete the course must finish in the sled bag and may be abandoned only at the midpoint checkpoint. A drop-off device, food and a bowl must accompany each abandoned dog. The latter will be identified and removed permanently from the race.

All teams must cross the finish line with a minimum of 8 dogs. It is therefore impossible to drop more than two (2) dogs per team without being disqualified (in the case the musher starts with a 10 dogs team)



F. Dogs

All dogs must be at least 18 months old on the day of departure to participate in the race.

Must have proper training and exempt of injuries. All dog must clear the vet check to be allowed to race.

G. Check point and Drop Bags

A team hot water boiler will be provided at the checkpoint. Only 1 drop bag OR plastic tray with a maximum weight of 50 lbs is allowed per team. The drops must be deposited at the place indicated in the parking lot before the mushers meeting on Thursday evening.

H. Outside Assistance

No external assistance is allowed except in case of emergency or to assist a team in a dangerous situation (team lousse, injury or malaise etc.)

I. Abandonment

Pilots wishing to withdraw from the race must wait for the assistance vehicle to receive instructions to follow and be escorted.

J. Awards and Scholarships

\$ 5,000 in purse

The cash purses will be held "in trust" by the race secretary and will be awarded at the awards ceremony on Sunday 9 February between 18h and 21h30.

I. Award Ceremony, Dinner Tickets

The award ceremony and dinner will take place at the municipal building Sunday evening February 9 at 18h

All mushers must obtain their ticket for the ceremonial dinner when registering at the preferential cost of \$ 15 (price of a regular ticket \$ 20)

It is also possible to buy additional tickets at preferential rates for your handler and / or your escorts but they must be purchased / reserved when you register.

K. Housing and lodging accommodations

A multitude of options is offered to mushers for accommodation.



If you wish to be matched with a host family near the race site, please mention it in your registration.

The list of hotels, motels, lodges will be sent to you with your confirmation of registration in the Guide du Musher.