

Blanche Course Marshal Instructions 2019

COURSE ACCESS CONTROL

Close attention must be paid to access control this year because of the change in course direction in 2017 to COUNTERCLOCKWISE. Consider that residents and visitors still be unaware of the change. At many crossings where vehicle access is permitted there will also be a CSC contractor assigned on behalf of the Police for basically the same purpose. Please introduce yourself and provide a copy of these instructions to your CSC counterpart, who should be asked to pass it on to their replacement as necessary. By cooperating with each some of the duties can be shared and we can facilitate public safety and convenience. CSC will probably also have radios, but on a different channel than SBW. This race Instruction is part of the official protocol for course access and CSC has been briefed.

AUTOMOBILES

- The Course Marshal at Blanche and Valley is responsible for controlling Team Car staging and access to the course.
- You will receive a list of Teams which are pre-approved for parking in the infield (left side going counterclockwise). One car per team unless otherwise noted. Check the list off for each Team as they stage.
- Team Cars are to queue on the right-hand curb of Blanche between Valley and Marine while staging. Note that this stretch is marked “no parking this side”. Ask them not to block the alley between Valley and Marine, which is shown as 21st street on maps.
- At the end of each race, the following official on the motorcycle will pull over and stop at Blanche. He will escort the Team cars to their parking on the way to the start line. The team cars will wait behind the barrier at Valley until it is opened and you wave them to follow the Official on the motor to the parking area where they take the next spot in the parking area on the left side of the course prior to the Start/ Finish line. (To the left of the fence!)
- Instruct each driver per the above. **Caution each driver that they will not be able to leave the parking area until all the races are completed.**

PEDESTRIANS and OTHERS

- SBW volunteers will control pedestrian crossing at the designated and heavily used crossings (see below). Whistles will be issued to volunteers to alert people when there are approaching riders or vehicles. At Blanche Street be aware of pedestrians attempting to cross the course after the end of the continuous infield fencing. Alert them if there are oncoming cars or riders.
- Be aware that we have had problems for time to time with non-racing cyclists and skateboarders of all kinds managing to get on the course. Please ask them to get off the course ASAP. This year also watch for runners in the Manhattan Mile (running races) from 12:30 to 1:00.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Volunteers will be issued orange vests for identification. Wearing the vests is a City requirement while on marshal duty and confers some legitimacy to your instructions.
- Look out for water on the course from excess resident watering, etc. Residents were notified of watering restrictions on them, but we often have a problem. Radio to the Command Post if we have this problem.

COMMUNICATION

As in the most recent MBGP's, there will be a communication "Command Post". This will be staffed by CSC, representing the MB Police. The Command Post will have two handsets of each type of communication device used by participating organizations. The purpose of communications with "Command Post" is an emergency situation, such as a major crash with serious injuries, a car on the course, excess water on the course, or worse. Crash/injury assessment of the riders and need for notifying the Command Post is the responsibility of the USCF officials, not SBW volunteers. Any other major disturbance should be reported to the Command Post by any individual assigned a radio for that purpose. The individual making a report to "Command Post" shall have a pre-assigned call ID that includes their assigned location as listed below. Reports to "Command Post" shall include a statement of facts and Command Post will take it from there to request additional info or forward to emergency services, etc. If you can't reach the "Command Post" by radio, use the telephone number below.

Your caller ID when addressing the "Command Post" is:

Course Marshal at Blanche and Valley

Phone Contacts

Race Director:	Greg Aden 213-819-2119
Volunteer Director:	Steve Whitsitt 310-890-7416
Course Set-up/Tear- Down:	Jim Heise 310-489-4192
Course Marshals:	Steve Whitsitt 310-890-7416 or Chuck Watson at 310-872-6755
Command Post	TBD