



We're excited to include legal electric bikes* (eBikes) in the Santa Cruz Mountains Challenge!

45 mile eBike riders, please review the information below to help ensure that your electric bike(s) are suitable for this event.

Only legal Class 1, Class 2, or Class 3 pedal assist electric bikes will be permitted. Not sure if your bike is legal? Please consult the link below and/or speak with your local bike shop to understand if your bike meets the State of CA definition.

People For Bikes - Summary of State of CA legal electric bikes:

https://peopleforbikes.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/PFB-0529-E-Bike-Law-Handouts_CA_Edit_02132_018v2.pdf

Legal eBikes with throttles and/or hub motors. We recommend that people with hub motor bikes and/or legal Class 2 bikes with throttles be particularly thoughtful in choosing to ride this event.

Many hub driven eBikes are capable of less total range. - In the event of flat, bikes with rear hub motors are more difficult to repair (the support vehicle volunteers may or may not be equipped to complete that repair).

Conserve your battery - enjoy the whole course! At about 45 miles in length and over 3,000 feet of elevation gain, this course may exceed the range that some eBike batteries can travel. You are responsible for making sure your battery will last long enough for the route

For those who are prepared, we think you'll enjoy this amazing Santa Cruz bicycling tradition!