



## TEAMCAPTAIN LETTER 2 – UNIVERSITY COMPETITION

Dear UC teamcaptain,

This year your team will participate in the 52nd Batavierenrace. There is a lot of information in this letter, therefore it is helpful to communicate the contents of this letter to your teammates. The race regulations can be downloaded on the website. It is useful to read these carefully. Also take a good look at article 79 to 85, these are additional rules especially for the University Competition.

### THE START

The Batavierenrace will start from the 'Grote Markt' in Nijmegen at 22:30 on Friday the 24th of April as one collective start with 350 teams. Then, the race will continue at 00:00 from the Radboud Sports Centre with a restart in 7 starting groups. The following will apply for the time planning of your team:

- Night team: you will be expected at the Radboud Sports Centre between 19:30 and 21:00.
- Teamcaptain: the bike check, the issuing of the teamcaptain's bag, the issuing of the cyclists' vest and the teamcaptain briefing will take place between 20:00 and 23:00. The exact times will follow in teamcaptain letter 3.
- First runner: from 20:45 you can pick up your runners' vest at the start at the 'Grote Markt'. You'll need to know your starting number and your team name for that. Don't forget your ID. The race starts at 22:30.

The UCC (university competition control) will take place between 20:30 and 22:30. Further information will follow in teamcaptain letter 3.

This year, like last year, there are 9 women's and 16 men's stages. See also the preliminary stage schedule on the race & route page (participant heading) on the website.

### REGISTRATIONSYSTEM

As teamcaptain, you can edit and add to the personal details you have entered in the [registration system](#). We expect each team to provide **a total of three contact persons. A different person for each block (night, morning, and afternoon)**. It's very important that you enter these details in time. This ensures that the organisation is able to contact your team at every point in the race, whenever that's necessary.

### PROOFS OF ENROLLMENT

This year, like last year, only an official certificate of registration will need to be uploaded from each runner (including reserve runners). These proofs of registration can be requested from educational institutions or downloaded via the administration portal (e.g. Osiris) of the respective educational institution. Uploading the proofs of enrollment can be done through the enrollment system.

**The deadline for uploading proofs of enrollment is April 26th, 2024.**



## REGISTRATION FEE

You have already paid the first part of the registration fee: €130 at registration. The deadline for the second and also last part of the registration fee is coming soon: **February 5, 2024**. Here € 300 must be paid: € 200 registration fee and € 100 deposit. This brings it to a total amount of € 410.

If the borrowed equipment is returned correctly and undamaged, the deposit will be refunded within two months after the race.

## COUPON SALE

Bus, sleep, bike and breakfast vouchers can be ordered **from March 11th, 2024 through April 1st, 2024**. Further information about where you can buy the coupons and the cost will follow soon.

## ROUTE BOOKLET

The next teamcaptain letter will announce where and when you can pick up the booklets. Like last year, these will be route booklets only, all other information will be available online on a website. The link to this website will be shared a few weeks before the Batavierenrace.

## BYCYCLES

For safety reasons, the organisation will check bikes for bicycle lights again this year. Make sure you have good working lights on your bike, because without them you will not be able to participate in the 52nd Batavierenrace.

We would like to point out that cargo bikes are not allowed during the race. The competition rules state: 'The bicycle must agree to all legal norms (properly functioning brakes and lighting for example) and may not be wider than 50 cm, with exception of the handlebar.'

Furthermore, each team may only have a maximum of one bicycle on the route. The use of two bikes or more is not required and therefore not allowed.

Finally, no cyclists are allowed on the first stage and on the final stages (stages 24 and 25).

## BIKE SERVICE

Isn't it very inconvenient to bring your own student bike to the Batavierenrace, only to find out that it is not at all capable of covering the entire route? Fortunately, this year it will again be possible to rent a bike! You will be able to pick up the bike on Friday evening at the Sports center in Nijmegen. More information about the rental and terms will follow once the start of the coupon sale comes closer. So keep an eye on this!



## PARTICIPANTS' BUSES BROOKHUIS

This year, we also offer the possibility to rent a nine-person participant van at Brookhuis (Enschede) via the Batavierenrace. You can find all the information you need to know about this below:

- Renting a van costs €350 including fuel. This amount must be paid in advance, otherwise no van!
- The vans can be picked up at P2 on the campus of UT Twente on Friday 24-04-2024 16:00 till 20:00;
- The vans must be returned to P2 on the campus of UT Twente on Saturday 25-04-2024. This can be done between 17:00 and 20:00;
- All the vans are automatic transmission vehicles;
- The own risk is €2500;
- To rent a van we need the following information:
  - Team name;
  - Name of main tenant/driver;
  - Driver's license number;
  - Driver's license expiration date;
  - Address, postal code and place of residence of the tenant (may also be the student association to which the invoice must be sent);
  - Telephone number tenant (may also be the student association to which the invoice must be sent);
  - Email address tenant (may also be the student association to which the invoice must be sent).
- When booking a taxi van you agree to the terms and conditions. The general terms and conditions can be found [here](#).

There are a total of 70 vans available and they are always in high demand. This year we also use the first come, first served principle, so be quick! If you want to rent a participant van, register **no later than Friday, March 22nd, 2024** by emailing [y.meevis@batavierenrace.nl](mailto:y.meevis@batavierenrace.nl) with the necessary information.

## TWO PARTICIPANTS' BUS PER TEAM

As university team, you may use two vans. However, this must be requested in advance. We will process this in the system and notify the staff that both vans may be on the route. This will need to be passed on **no later than May 1st, 2024** by sending an email to [secretaris@batavierenrace.nl](mailto:secretaris@batavierenrace.nl). Beware: you can only rent one van through the Bata!

## STARTING NUMBERS

As soon as the starting group classification and thus the starting numbers are known, this will be communicated to you right away. This way you can take into account your team clothing and other matters.

## NOISE DISTURBANCE

Every year, the Batavierenrace suffers complaints about noise disturbance from local residents. In some cases, these complaints result in the organization being unable to obtain a permit the following year. Because little variation in the route is possible, we are forced to punish noise disturbance. A team can be disqualified when noise disturbance is caused.



## SUPPORT BEATBATTEN!

This year, the Batavierenrace supports the BeatBatten! Foundation. The BeatBatten! Foundation is dedicated to researching the extremely rare metabolic disease Batten. As an organisation, we hope to raise as much money as possible with your help to enable research into the disease. Together, we can provide the final push needed to find a treatment! You can also take action with your team! Gather your team for the Batavierenrace and come up with a fun initiative for the good cause. Every action helps!

## RESERVE YOUR STARTING NUMBER

We are going to sell starting numbers. Do you want to buy a specific number for your team to run around with for the whole weekend? You can! For 10 euros, you can purchase a starting number for your team and support the good cause at the same time. Send an email to [secretaris@batavierenrace.nl](mailto:secretaris@batavierenrace.nl) to reserve the number.

## HOW TO TAKE ACTION?

The first step is creating a sponsorship page for your team. Tip: there's probably someone in your team who would enjoy taking on this task!

1. Go to: <https://www.inactievoorbeatbatten.nl/project/2024-batavierenrace/participate/who-are-you>
2. Click on the "Start actie" (Start action) button.
3. Add a photo/logo, fill in the fields, and complete the page.
4. Share the link to your sponsorship page with your team members, family, friends, colleagues, etc. Through this link, funds can be raised by clicking the "Steun actie" (Support action) button.

Additionally, you can also donate directly at [www.inactievoorbeatbatten.nl/project/2024-batavierenrace](https://www.inactievoorbeatbatten.nl/project/2024-batavierenrace) We hope you'll take action for BeatBatten! For questions or more information, visit [www.beatbatten.nl](http://www.beatbatten.nl) or send an email to [enschede@batavierenrace.nl](mailto:enschede@batavierenrace.nl).

## DEREGISTRATION

If you want to deregister your team, you can do so by email directly to [secretaris@batavierenrace.nl](mailto:secretaris@batavierenrace.nl). For any fees and more information, see the registration rules.

---

This was all information for now. More information will follow soon. I wish you much fun and success in your preparations!

With kind regards,  
On behalf of the 52<sup>nd</sup> Organisation Committee

Miriam Zegelaar