

16th Open Trophy of Chimay

25 & 26 July 2026

National Event N° FMB/602

Special Regulations

Art. 1 – Definition

ASBL Circuit de Chimay is organizing on 25th and 26th July 2026, the 16th edition of the Open Trophy of Chimay. This is a Europe Open event.

This event is counting for the BeNeLux Trophy, the Belgian Championship Road Race, International Road Race Championship (IRRC) and Northern Sidecar Cup. The contest is bound to the regulations of the «Fédération Motocyclisme de Belgique» (F.M.B.), these Special Regulations and their respective annexes.

By his registration, the pilot must submit himself to all these regulations.

Art. 2 – Circuit

Circuit of Chimay, length: 4.420km. Events are competed in the clockwise direction. Every maneuver indicating a wrong use of the prescribed direction will immediately be excluded from the contest.

Art. 3 – Participants: Registrations and maximum number

Races are open to the owners of a National, European or International Road Racing license valid according to their category. The access to points for the championship of Belgium is governed by the sports regulation FMB 2026.

The holders of a foreign permit must be in possession of a starting permit from their National Federation!!! No starting permission = no participation!!!

Motorcycles must be conforming to the technical requirements present in the 2026 regulation "Road Race" of the FMB as regards the categories officially resumed in the Belgian championship.

The maximum number of motorcycles on track is:

- 38 motorcycles in race - 45 motorcycles during training.
- 22 sidecars in race - 26 side-cars during training.

Riders' equipment must apply to the specifications found in 2026 race regulation FMB.

Art. 4 – Race number

The race numbers will be communicated one week before the event to the foreign runners

by the acceptance of their commitment. FMB licensed riders participate in the event in all sprint events with the start number listed on their 2026 license for the same sprint class. The confirmation of commitment to the event will be notified in writing or by email following the data in possession of the organizer and according to the date of registration.

Art. 5 – Admitted categories

Categories	Remarks	Licenses
Belgian Supersport	Count for BeNeLux Trophy	Annual license obligated!
Belgian Superbike	Count for BeNeLux Trophy	
Sidecars 1000	Registration and payment via https://northernsidecarcup.com	
Sidecars 600	Registration and payment via https://northernsidecarcup.com	
Belgian Supertwin & Stocktwin 650	Registration & payment via www.belgiantwintrophy.be	
IRRC – SSP & SBK	Registration & payment via www.irrc.eu	
Belgian Superbike Youngtimer		
Belgian Supersport Youngtimer		
Belgian Supersport Youngtimer 2000		
ESR Class	Information on https://esroadracing.com	

Machines must imperatively be approved by FMB's Sportscodex and technical specifications available on www.fmb-bmb.be and www.circuit.be/Open-Trophy

Art. 6 - Subscription

The subscription fee gives right to access bracelets (rider and guest) and is:

Price	Category	Amount of bracelets
245 €	Solo category (Belgian Championship & BeNeLux trophy)	<u>3 bracelets :</u> 1 rider + 2 Guest
/	ESR Class	<u>3 bracelets :</u> 1 rider + 2 Guest
/	Sidecars	<u>6 bracelets :</u> 2 riders + 4 Guest
/	Belgian SuperTwin & StockTwin 650	<u>3 bracelets :</u> 1 rider + 2 Guest
/	IRRC	<u>4 bracelets :</u> 1 rider + 3 Guest

+ 2 car passes **for each rider**

The participants of the classes: **Sidecars, Belgian Twin Trophy, ESR Class & IRRC** categories must be included on the list of the competitors in this category and the payment must be

done to the promoter of each category.

Cfr : www.belgiantwintrophy.be - www.irrc.eu - <https://northernsidecarcup.com> - <https://esroadracing.com>

The entry form has to be completed on the website <https://fmbrace.ris-timing.be/raceVIT.php?langue=GB>, one week before the event, **on the 14th July 2026 at the latest (on the 2nd July to be in the paper program)** . After this date, **online registrations** won't be possible anymore! Subscriptions and payments will be made at the welcome desk (in the limit of places available in each category).

For payment on site: the rate will be increased by 20€ even if the registration was made online on time.

ATTENTION: Registration will only be approved when the correct entry fee has been received.

Payment must be made at the time of ordering by one of the following methods. The registration fee does not include bank charges. These will be added at the time of registration. **Once the registration is done, you will receive a confirmation email with a QR code that must be presented at the entrance of the circuit.**

Pilots must have their proof of payment (copy of bank statement). This is very important, especially for pilots who have paid at the last minute.

In case of cancellation of the entry of the rider before the 14th of July 2026, the organizer will refund 50% of the participation fee. After the 14th of July 2026, the rider will not be refunded. Any registration that must be cancelled due to serious illness or death of the participant will be refund at 95% upon presentation of a medical certificate.

Art. 7 – Access to paddocks

The paddock area will be accessible **from Thursday 23th of July 2026, from 9:00 am**. It is **forbidden to mark out a site in advance, except for special structures or groups of drivers who have received prior agreement from the organizer at info@circuit.be before Monday 13th of July 2026**. The organizer reserves the right to remove any unauthorized markings.

CHANGE ACCESS PROCEDURE IN 2026:

1. During his registration, the driver receives a **QR code** by email (from RIS Timing) which he **must present** upon arrival at the entry station located at the beginning of the Pit-lane. He will there receive all his general access bracelets.
2. The pilot will then have to go to the **Welcome Pilote**, located on the ground floor of the new building, to check his license and receive all the important documents (technical inspection card, car-pass giving access to the paddocks, pilot and mechanic bracelets, ...)
3. Once in possession of all his documents, the pilot will be able to **go to the paddocks** entrance where a steward will indicate his location of +/- 50m2.

The Guest bracelets will also be given there (no ticket will be sent to the pilot). The pilot is responsible for distributing them to his guests before entering the paddocks. If a guest has not received his bracelet and decides to pay at the entrance, it **will NOT be refunded** after that.

The guests who bought a presale can present themselves directly at the entrance where their E-tickets will be exchanged for a bracelet.

(Please note, tickets contain unique barcodes, when scanned, they are no longer valid.

Reproduction of these is useless.)

If the pilot didn't pay before the event (14th of July 2026): formalities, payment and access authorization must be done at the "welcome pilots" as indicated above!

Every settlement of trading activity or private catering must be subject by a written request to the host at least three weeks before the event.

Any circulation of children on minibikes is **strictly forbidden** in the paddocks.

Pilots are responsible for the actions of their mechanics, team personnel and their guests.

Art.7B – Use of the organizer's electrical network

The electricity network of the organizer can only supplement the necessities of the organization, and an additional comfort measured (limited to 6A) to the participants occasionally residing in the paddocks.

It is therefore prohibited on this network to:

- Heat up tires
- Charge batteries of any electric or hybrid powered vehicle

Art. 8 – "Welcome Pilots": Administrative Verification

The "Welcome Pilots" is located on the ground floor of the new building

It will be accessible as follows:

- **Thursday 23th of July 2026:** from 9:00 am to 10:00 pm
- **Friday 24th of July 2026:** from 8:30 am to 10:00 pm

Saturday morning: permanence

After check, organizers will give:

- Form for technical inspection
- «Pilot» and «Track Access» bracelets
- Confirmation of the race number

Each rider will also receive a weekend program, a rubbish bag and two car passes.

The pilot has access to the showers for free.

The wristbands «pilot» and «Track Access» grant only access to the pitlane and the «parc-fermé». It is valid **only** if shown with the weekend bracelet!

Access to the «parc-fermé» will be refused to the riders without the specific wristband.

Art. 9 - Technical Inspection

Technical Inspection is compulsory for the motorcycle and for the equipment of the rider. It is in the small tent next to the “parc fermé”.

Every motorcycle must be submitted to the technical inspection at least one hour before the time scheduled on their category for first training.

A sound emission check on every machine is SYSTEMATICALLY scheduled.

(cfr FMB 2026's «Road Race» technical regulations)

It will be accessible as follows:

- **Friday 24th of July 2026:** from 4:00 pm till 9:00 pm
- **Saturday 25th of July 2026:** from 8:00 am
- **Sunday 26th of July 2026:** from 8:00 am

Art. 10 – Briefing

The pilots' briefing is mandatory and will take place on **Friday 24th of July at 8 pm.**

Art. 11 – Progress of the event

The progress of the championship races of Belgium is governed by the sports code FMB-BMB.

ATTENTION: At the start of the 1st training session, an official car will be riding in front of the riders during 2 rounds. The riders will be riding in one line behind the official car! Overtaking is **strictly forbidden** during these laps.

Unsafe behavior or to not follow this procedure can result in a penalty or up to the definitive exclusion of the offender without refund.

At the end of each round, or practice, the pilots will return to the paddock via the pitlane by finishing their tour, in a normal speed without stopping on the track.

Art. 12 – Environmental concepts

Each rider has to have an «**environmental carpet**» conform to the legislation law, it has to be placed under the machine permanently.

Carpets will be available at the “welcome pilots” for 25€.

Each rider will receive a trash bag that has to be closed and dropped in one of the metal containers in the paddock.

Each participant is responsible and is requested to take back its used oil, used tyres and other hydrocarbon waste to eliminate them by their own care. (There is no special drain oil container available on the site).

All overrules concerning this will be severely punished (exclusion of the meeting).

Art. 13 – Speed limit

Speed limit is scheduled at maximum:

- In the pitlane: 60km/h
- In the paddock: 20km/h

It is strictly forbidden for children below 16 years old to ride a motorcycle at the paddock. A helmet is compulsory, according to the law.

Art 14 – Rules modifications

The organizer, in agreement with the Race Director, reserves the right to make any changes to these regulations that he deems necessary for the smooth running of the race. The riders will be informed by a notice from the race direction. The modifications will be available at the race director office.

Art. 15 - Claims

Every complaint must be in written and handed over to the Race Director in accordance with the rules determined by the Belgian Regulations «Road Race» and Classic Bikes for the season 2026.

Art. 16 - Prices

There is no price money scheduled.

Art. 17 - Address

Circuit de Chimay A.S.B.L. : Rue de Poteaupré, 5 B-6464 Bourlers

Open days:

Tel: + 32 60 210 429 - Email: info@circuit.be

Technical and sport information **after 6.00 pm:**

Alain Doncq: +32(0)60/21.41.76 or +32(0)495/522.295

Website: www.circuit.be

Art. 18 - Officials

Race Director: Kurt Vanborm

Organizer: Alain Doncq

Responsible “Welcome pilots”: André Guiot

Responsible “Timing”: RIS

Responsible Scrutineering: Eric Ledent

Special Regulations approved on 05/04/2026
by Race Director Kurt VANBORM

