

2017 Taiwan Cycling Festival

The Road to Taiwan KOM - Summer

How about a non-pressure riding experience on the world-famous “Taiwan KOM Challenge” route?

As the “Taiwan KOM Challenge” has become so well known by cyclists worldwide, many dream of riding the same road as the professionals and elite amateurs but feel daunted by the prospect of having to compete with these experienced riders and fear they will be unable to make the time cut of six hours.

And so, we present “The Road to Taiwan KOM”. Come experience the amazing beauty of Taroko Gorge and Hehuan Mountain, and the awe-inspiring sense of achievement of riding up the very same route as the Taiwan KOM Challenge, and take anything up to 9 hours on a fully supported ride to do it.

Since 2016, “The Road to Taiwan KOM” will be held two times, “Spring” and “Summer”, respectively.

“2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM - Summer”, held on July 8th, gives you the opportunity to take the “Taiwan KOM Challenge” at your own pace, and to take home the incredible experience of riding the route of one of the hardest bike hill climb of the world.

2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM – Summer : the journey of a lifetime!

Director : Ministry of Transportation and Communication R.O.C., Tourism Bureau MOTC R.O.C., HuaLien County Government, NanTou County Government.

Organizer : Taiwan Cyclist Federation

Assistant : Directorate General of Highways R.O.C.

Date: July 8th, 2017 (Saturday)

Start Line : HuaLien QiXingTan (on the eastern Taiwan coastline of the Pacific Ocean.)

Route : HuaLien QiXingTan → Taroko Bridge → Taiwan No.8 Highway → TianXiang → XinBaiYang → BiLu Sacred Tree → GuanYuan → DaYuLing → Taiwan No.14A Highway → HeHuan mountain / WuLing. Total distance: 105 KM. Altitude Rise: 3275 M.

Feed Zone and Check Point: All point with water/medical/toilet services except DaYuLing

Feed Zone & Check point (*: check point)	XiBao	XinBaiYang	BiLu Sacred Tree	GuanYuan	DaYuLing*	WuLing
Distance/km	46.1 km	64.8 km	79.4 km	90.7 km	94.9 km	105 km

Altitude/m	915 m	1644 m	2150 m	2374 m	2565 m	3275 m
Event closing time					14:00	15:00
Feed zone	Water	Water/Food	Water/Food	Water/Lunch		Water/Food
Note		Warm keeping car	Warm keeping car. Team car feed zone.	Warm keeping car. Lunch. Team car feed zone.	(Event closing check point).	Take back personal supply bag. Finish medal. Time chip return. Deposit refund. Warm keeping car. Transportation service.

Team cars are allowed to do the feeding service only at BiLu Sacred Tree and GuanYuan.

Event Schedule :

July 7th, 2017 (Friday):

- 15:00 - Teams and riders check in at the Astar Hotel HuaLien.
- 16:00 - Riders Meeting/Pre-event Notice at the Astar Hotel HuaLien.

July 8th, 2016 (Saturday):

- 05:30 - Riders sign in and hand over their day bags (with immediate items they will need at the finish line)(For riders booking post-event transportation west bound to Taichung or Taipei, also hand over personal luggage here), at the HuaLien QiXingTan start point.
- 05:50 - Opening Ceremony.
- 06:00 - Event Start.
- 14:00 - DaYuLing check point closed.
- 15:00 - WuLing check point closed. The time limit is 9 hours after the QiXingTan start.

Rider Qualifications :

Riders must be 16 years old and above and capable of finishing the route in 9 hours.

Total riders: 300.

Categories :

M16: 16 ~ 19 years old (born 1998-2001)

M20: 20 ~ 29 years old (1988-1997)

M30: 30 ~ 39 years old (1978-1987)

M40: 40 ~ 49 years old (1968-1977)

M50: 50 years old and above (born before 1967)

Women: 16 years old and above (born before 2001)

Entry fee :

2,000 NTD per rider.

Entry fee covers :

Insurance fee, finish medal, finishing certificate, event T-shirt, event scarf, event backpack, event handbook, feed zone supply, daily lunch.

July 7th Transportation Service:

2000 NTD per rider (one rider, one bike, personal luggage), 10:00 depart from WEST 3 Exit of Taipei Main Station, with the destination of Astar Hotel HuaLien.

July 8th Downhill Transportation Service:

1500 NTD per rider (one rider, one bike), 15:00 depart from WuLing, with destination of KADDA Hotel HuaLien (near Astar Hotel).

2000 NTD per rider (one rider, one bike, personal luggage), 15:00 depart from WuLing, with destination of Taipei Main station or Taichung HSR station. (Riders heading for PuLi or TaoYuan International Airport can also take this bus.)

- Rider without his/her team/support car for post-event transportation must book the official downhill transportation service. Please check the “Notice” for related information.

Timing chip :

The Road to Taiwan KOM-Summer event will use the Japan J-Chip system to do riders' timing. Riders are required to deposit 1000 NTD for the sensor chip which will be refunded in WuLing, once the chip has been returned. In case of a lost sensor chip, the 1000 NTD will not be returned.

Registration :

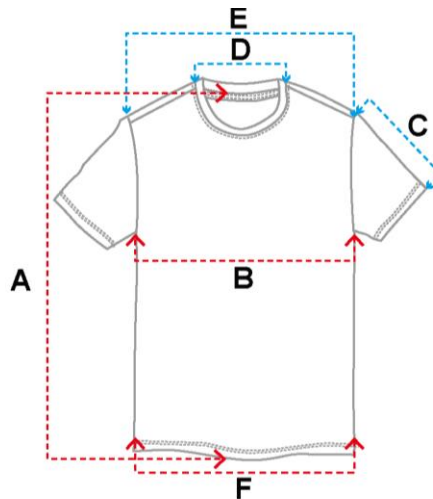
Please check the “On Line Registration” on www.taiwankom.org. The registration period is open from now until June 12th. Registration will be closed automatically when the entry application limit of 300 riders has been reached. For event insurance, please send your passport copy to us by email to: service@cyclist.org.tw. Once registered, cancellation and refund will not be available from June 26th.

7/7 and 7/8 Hotel accommodation booking service: Please check event registration webpage.

Awards:

All riders who finish the race within the time limit will be awarded with a finishing medal and a finishing record certificate.

2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM-Summer_Event Souvenir_KOM T-Shirt :



If you're unsure which size to buy, try measuring a T-shirt that you already own that fits you well, and compare those measurements to the size chart. Lay the T-shirt on a flat surface and use the above guide to measure the T-shirt.
Note: All measurements are approximate.

Measure \ Size	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL
A - Back Length	65	67	69	71	73	75
B - Chest	45.5	48	50.5	53	55.5	58
C - Sleeve Length	19	20	21	22	23	24
D - Collar width	15	16	17	18	19	20
E - Shoulder width	40	42	44	46	48	50
F - Hem Width	45.5	48	50.5	53	55.5	58

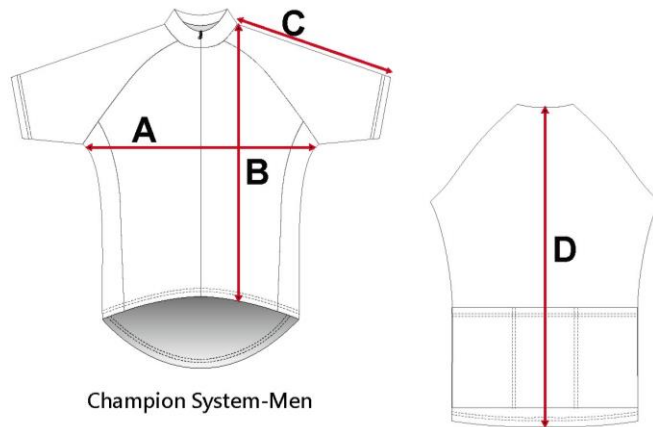
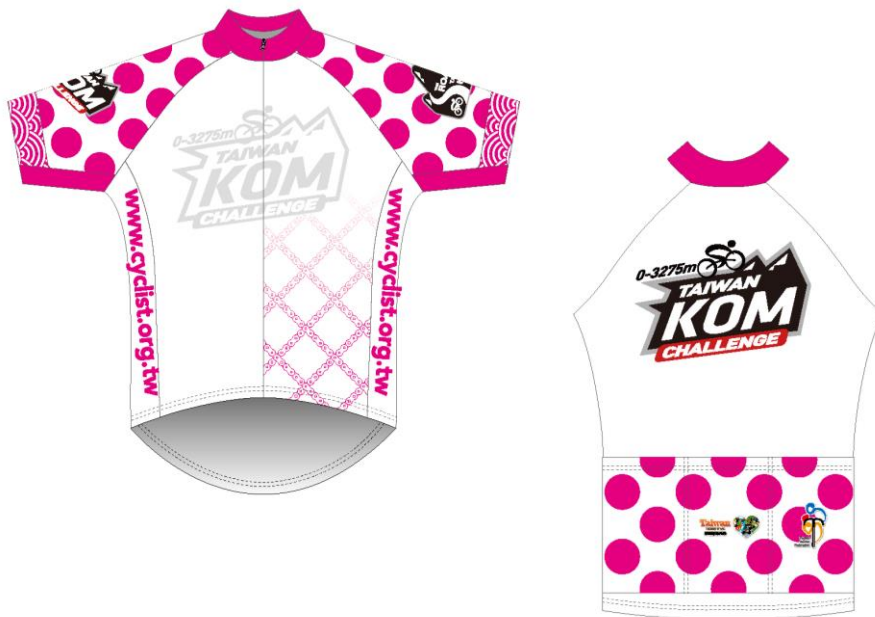
2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM-Summer_Event Souvenir_KOM Scarf :



2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM-Summer_Event Souvenir_KOM Bag :



2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM-Summer_Event Souvenir_KOM Jersey :



Champion System-Men

If you're unsure which size to buy, try measuring a cycling jersey that you already own that fits you well, and compare those measurements to the size chart. Lay the cycling jersey on a flat surface and use the above guide to measure the cycling jersey. **Note: All measurements are approximate.**

Size	A (Chest)	B (Front Length)	C (S/S Length)	D (Back Length)
XS	18"	21 3/4"	12 1/4"	25"
S	19"	22 1/2"	12 3/4"	25 5/8"
M	20"	23 1/4"	13 1/4"	26 1/4"
L	21"	24"	13 3/4"	26 7/8"
XL	22"	24 3/4"	14 1/4"	27 1/2"
2XL	23"	25 1/2"	14 3/4"	28 1/8"
3XL	24 1/4"	26 1/4"	15 1/4"	28 3/4"
4XL	25 1/2"	27"	15 3/4"	29 3/8"

2017 The Road to Taiwan KOM-Summer_Event Souvenir_KOM Teddybear :



Notice :

1. Riders with finish time within 7.5 hours (calculated from the flying start, which is 18km after the QiXingTan start) are qualified for the entry of “2017 Taiwan KOM challenge” on Oct.20th 2017.
2. This event strictly prohibits participants riding down the hill to leave WuLing by bicycle. The organizer is not responsible for any rider against this regulation. Riders please access by team car or other support vehicle. In case the rider has no support vehicle, the organizer provides a downhill shuttle bus service (please refer to the event registration webpage for booking when necessary).
3. Riders must hand over their day bag (with items immediately needed when arriving WuLing) to the organizer luggage service car at QiXingTan before the event start, by using the official backpack offered by the organizer (included in the entry fee). Organizer will convey these bags to the finish area, for riders to take back upon arriving WuLing. For riders booking the west-bound bus (heading for PuLi, HSR Taichung station, Tao Yuan airport, or Taipei Main Station), please also hand over all luggage to the luggage service car before event start. Also in the morning of the event day, the event luggage service car, with event identification stickers on its front/rear window, will collect day bags/luggage on 4:50 at the Astar Hotel and at the KADDA Hotel, and depart for QiXingTan on 5:00.
4. Falling rocks in Taroko Gorge area is a potential hazard. Riders are requested to consider these risks before making his/her registration of this event. Riders will be required to sign a consensual risk form before taking part in the event.
5. The finish line is located at WuLing with its altitude of 3275M, which can cause altitude sickness. If riders feel the onset of the symptoms of altitude sickness or any other unhealthy feeling during the ride, they are strongly advised to stop riding immediately and seek staff support for medical attention.
6. There is a certain degree of difficulty involved with this cycling event. Attendee should consider the risk of riding this event and evaluate his/her own health condition to decide if entry is appropriate. Any rider with any health issues, or history of health issues such as hypertension, cardiovascular disease, heart disease, diabetes, epilepsy and asthma, is not allowed to participate in this cycling event. The event organizer will not be responsible for any accident caused by these personal health issues.
7. In high altitude mountain area, temperatures and weather can change very fast. As a result, riders are requested to prepare warm clothing to keep warm before and after the finishing line.
8. The Organizer has the right to terminate or pause the event if there is deemed to be any risk to the rider's health and/or route safety. Riders and any other attendees must abide by this decision.
9. All riders must ride standard road bike or flat bar road bike fitted with a full braking system front/rear. Both front and rear lights MUST also be mounted for riding through tunnels (some of which are without

enough illumination) and foggy area. Jerseys cannot be sleeveless, and helmets are mandatory. Disc brake is allowed.

10. Riders must ride on the right side of the road at ALL times. Riding against the flow of traffic (on the opposite side) is prohibited and will result in immediate disqualification.
11. All riders are responsible for the effective and safe working condition of their bicycles. Any rider on a bicycle deemed unsafe by the organizer will not be allowed to start the event.
12. Riders pass the finish line in WuLing please proceed the following procedure: Receive the finish medal, take back personal day bag, refund time chip, get lunch box, and then take team/support car or the ordered official transportation car.
13. Riders must prepare their own team cars, or order in advance the official bus service for downhill transportation. On-site temporary request for taking event bus will not be guaranteed.
14. Riders should carry their health insurance card or travelling document during the event trip. If any rider crashed and injured when riding, please seek medical care immediately and keep the receipt and diagnosis document for event insurance claims.
15. The first insurance for participants of this event is “Medical Travel Insurance”. Participants should evaluate his/her own safety regarding personal health condition when deciding whether to participate in this event. Participants may apply for other personal insurance policies at own cost when considering the aforementioned insurance being insufficient. Please refer to the event insurance policy website (click here) of “Medical Travel Insurance” for the coverage details of the event insurance. The organizer is only responsible for the indemnity amount with the maximum price per person as the insurance policies offers. Do not register for the event if you do not agree with the coverage, items, and indemnity amount of insurance policy.
16. The second insurance for participants of this event is “Public Liability Insurance” which is for accident caused by organizer responsibility only. This means, according to the law, the insurance only covers the race or event accident that is caused by the organizer's mistake or remissness. Please refer to the event insurance policy website (click here) of “Public Liability Insurance” for the coverage details of the event insurance. Any personal health issue during the event or any riding injury caused by a personal health problem is not be included in the insurance. Riders that have personal health problems should not attend this event.
17. The rider promises that all entry information provided by the rider is correct. The rider will take the responsibility for all results caused by incorrect entry information.
18. If the weather on the event day is bad, the organizer will announce the new event policy at the Riders’

Meeting. For example, the organizer may cut short the riding time limit or shorten the riding distance...etc.

19. In case of extreme weather conditions or a local government suspension of traffic on HeHuan Mountain, the Organizer retains the right to delay, terminate or postpone the event, change the time limit of check point, to alter the route at any time. In such cases, all information will be forthcoming at the appropriate time.
20. The Organizer has the right to publish or share all videos, photos, news or results related to this event on media, internet, galleries etc. Attendee and riders must agree to the right of the Organizer to use all material for event promotion/information release.
21. Please cherish the natural environment, riders are forbidden to litter all the way of riding route and anyone seen doing so will be disqualified from the event.
22. Please continue to visit the TCF website, Taiwan KOM website, and TCF/KOM Facebook pages periodically for any additional information. Any event updates, alterations and general information will be posted there.
23. Tour Services: **Please order in entry web page.**

Transportation: All rider and bike transportation service is by VW T5 or similar level minivan, 4~5 persons + 4~5 bikes per car (On event day, the loading capacity per car may be adjusted according to the actually needs.)

7/7 (Fri.) 10:00 WEST 3 Exit of Taipei Main Station → Astar Hotel HuaLien: 2,000 NTD

7/8 (Sat.) 15:00 Bus A_WuLing → KADDA Hotel HuaLien: 1,500 NTD

7/8 (Sat.) 15:00 Bus B_WuLing → Taipei Main Station: 2,000 NTD (via TaoYuan airport)

7/8 (Sat.) 15:00 Bus C_WuLing → HSR Taichung Station: 2,000 NTD (via PuLi)

Accommodation: (Please check the entry web page for room type and rate details.)

7/7 (Fri.) One night stay in HuaLien

7/8 (Sat.) Post-event one night stay in HuaLien

Event Souvenir:

KOM Teddybear: 350 NTD

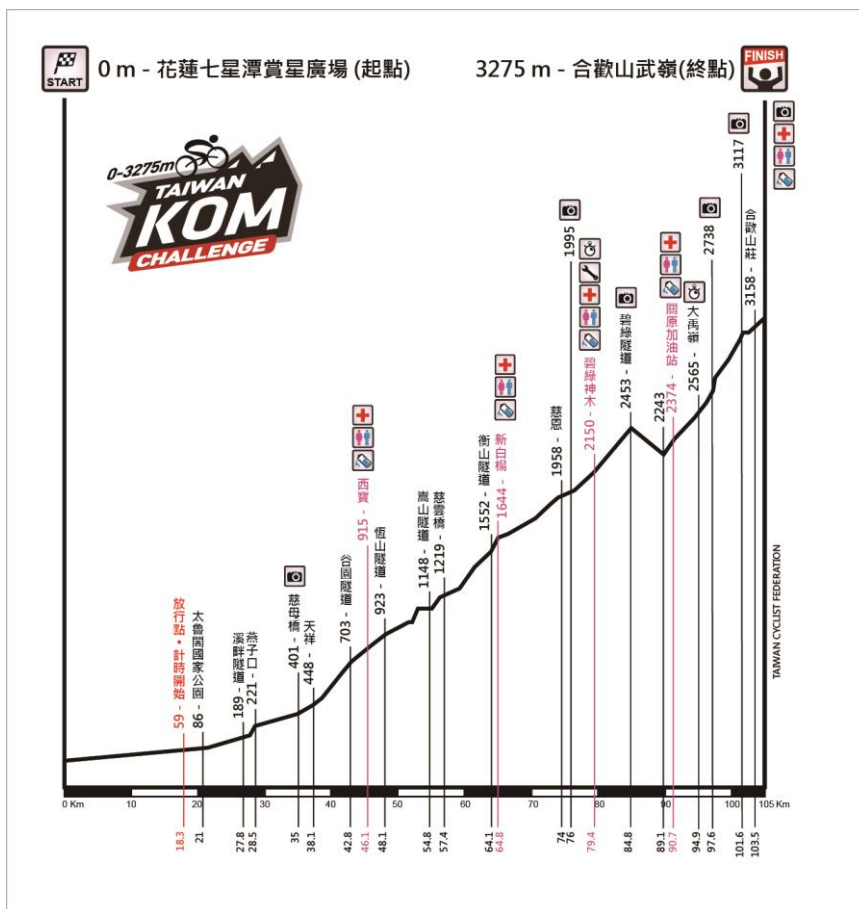
KOM Jersey: 1,500 NTD

KOM T-Shirt: 300 NTD

◆ 路線圖 Route Map



◆ 高度圖 Route Profile



◆ 爬坡細節圖 Climb Details



◆ 最後公里數細節圖 Last Kilometers

