# 0. INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE

## 0.1 Purpose of the ITS General Regulations

These General Regulations govern participation in all races organized under the Inca Trail Series (ITS) brand, a sports project of **Corp. Tupac E.I.R.L.**, including but not limited to:

- **ITS Ultras** (e.g., Ultra Machupicchu, Ultra Salkantay, and other future events).
- **Themed Trail Series** (short- and mid-distance mountain races).
- **Social Trail Run** (short / beginner and community races).

Their purpose is to establish the general rules on participation, safety, conduct, and relationship with the environment and local communities, applicable to all ITS events regardless of distance or venue.

## 0.2 Scope of application

These General Regulations apply to:

- All distances and formats of the **ITS Ultras**.
- All races in the **Trail Series**.
- All **Social Trail Run** dates and associated urban events.

Each event may also include a specific **Technical Annex**, detailing:

- route, distances, and categories,
- elevation profile,
- cut-off points,
- specific mandatory gear,
- race services.

In the event of any contradiction between the ITS General Regulations and an annex, the **ITS General Regulations shall prevail for regulatory matters**, and the **Technical Annex shall prevail for strictly technical/sporting aspects** of each race.

## 0.3 Acceptance of the regulations

Registration for any ITS race implies that the participant:

- has read,
- understands, and
- fully accepts

these ITS General Regulations, the Technical Annexes corresponding to the chosen race, the Runner's Guide/Manual, and the commercial and privacy policies published through official channels.

Actual participation in the event (collecting the bib, starting the race, etc.) reinforces this express acceptance.

## 0.4 Relationship with other documents

The ITS regulatory framework includes:

- The **Technical Annexes** for each race
  (Ultra Machupicchu, Ultra Salkantay, Themed Trail Series, Social Trail Run, etc.).
- The **Runner's Guide/Manual**
  (informational document with recommendations, logistics, indicative schedules, etc.).
- The **Privacy and Data Processing Policy**
  published on the official website of Ultra Machupicchu / Inca Trail Series, accessible via link in the registration forms.
- **Commercial and Refund Policies**,
  when published as a separate document.

# 1. ORGANIZATION AND DEFINITIONS

## 1.1 Organization

**Organizer:**
Corp. Tupac E.I.R.L., through the Inca Trail Series (ITS) brands.

**ITS General Management:**
Responsible for planning, approval of routes, overall safety, and final decisions regarding the event.

**Technical and Operational Team:**
Includes route coordination, course marking, logistics, participant support, communications, safety, and volunteers. Specific duties may be detailed in the Technical Annexes and official communications for each race.

## 1.2 General definitions

For the purposes of these Regulations:

**ITS Event:**
Any race organized under the Inca Trail Series brand (Ultras, Trail Series, Social Trail Run).

**ITS Ultras:**
Long-distance mountain races, with routes that may include high-mountain sections and significant

altitude (approx. between **2,800 m and 5,500 m a.s.l.**), such as Ultra Machupicchu, Ultra Salkantay, or similar events.

**Trail Series:**
A set of short- and mid-distance mountain races (e.g., 2K, 5K, 10K, 15K, 25K), on trails, rural roads, and natural terrain.

**Social Trail Run:**
Urban or peri-urban races (asphalt / mixed), 2K, 5K, 10K (and possibly 15K), aimed at beginners, families, and the local community.

**One Go Format:**
A race in which the scheduled distance (e.g., 100K) is completed continuously, without being divided into multi-day stages.

**Relay Format:**
A race in which a team of several runners (e.g., 4 members) splits the course into segments defined by the organization.

**Stage Format:**
A format in which a total distance is divided into several stages over consecutive days. It may be used in future editions and will be detailed in the corresponding Technical Annex.

**Runner / Participant:**
A person validly registered for an ITS race, with an assigned bib number, who accepts these regulations and meets the participation requirements.

**Staff:**
Official organization personnel: race directors, coordinators, safety and logistics managers, medical team, etc.

**Volunteers:**
Individuals who support the organization in operational tasks, assistance, and control, under staff coordination.

**Pacers:**
Runners or companions not registered, or registered with a specific role, whose purpose is to accompany and set pace for a participant.
In ITS, **pacers are not allowed in any format**, unless explicitly stated otherwise in a race's Technical Annex.

## 1.3 Official language of the regulations

The official language of these regulations is **Spanish**.
A courtesy translation into English or other languages may exist to facilitate understanding for international participants; in case of discrepancy, **the Spanish version shall always prevail**.

# 2. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

## 2.1 General requirements

Participation in ITS races requires physical and mental condition appropriate to the type of event and the chosen distance.

Terrain may include altitude, cold, rain, mud, technical sections, and abrupt weather changes; the runner declares being aware of these risks.

The participant acknowledges that running at altitude (approx. **2,800–5,500 m a.s.l.**) involves additional risks and requires prior acclimatization.

### 2.1.1 Minimum age and general categories

The following age categories and maximum scope by event type are established:

**Children (7–13 years)**

- **Social Trail Run:**
  Authorized to participate in 2K and 5K, always accompanied by a responsible adult (parent/guardian).
- **Trail Series:**
  May only participate in specific kids circuits (2K–5K), if offered by the organization.
- **ITS Ultras (UM/US):**
  May only participate in recreational 5K races organized within the event framework.
  They may not participate in 10K or longer distances within ITS Ultras unless an exception is granted and supporting proof/requirements are provided.

**Youth (14–17 years)**

- **Social Trail Run:**
  Authorized to participate in 2K, 5K, and 10K urban or mixed, depending on fitness condition and with written authorization from parents/guardian.
- **Trail Series:**
  Authorized to participate in base distances of 5K, 10K, and 15K.
  They may not run mid/long distances (e.g., 25K or more).
- **ITS Ultras:**
  May participate in 5K and 10K associated with UM/US events.
  They may not participate in 15K, 25K, 40/50K, 80K, or 100K distances (One Go or relays).

**Adult (18–49 years)**

- **Social Trail Run:**
  May participate in all distances offered (2K, 5K, 10K, and possibly 15K).
- **Trail Series:**
  May participate in all mountain distances offered (5K, 10K, 15K, and 25K), subject to the specific requirements in the Technical Annex.

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- **ITS Ultras:**
  May participate in all distances and formats (5K, 10K, 25K, 40/50K, 80K, 100K, 100K relay), provided the sporting/experience requirements indicated in each Technical Annex are met.

**Master (50+ years)**

- **Social Trail Run:**
  May participate in all distances (2K, 5K, 10K, 15K) according to health status and medical recommendation.
- **Trail Series:**
  May participate in all mountain distances (10K, 15K, 25K), under prudent judgment and medical recommendation.
- **ITS Ultras:**
  May participate in ULTRA distances, provided experience requirements are met, and it is **mandatory** to have an up-to-date medical certificate.

All minors under 18 must submit:

- a statement of honor / liability form, and a minors' permission form signed by a parent/guardian,
- for mountain or high-demand distances, such permission may require notarization/legalization as indicated by the organization.

**Note:**

- The organizer reserves the right to deny participation if the runner's age, experience, or condition is not deemed appropriate for the chosen distance.
- Sub-age categories may be created depending on participant numbers.
- Participants must meet the required age by the event date.
- For ULTRA distances **50K, 100K, or 100K relay**, the minimum required age is **21 years**, fulfilled by race day.

**Important:**
If local regulations establish stricter age requirements, those requirements shall prevail over these general ones.

## 2.2 Medical certificates, insurance, and altitude

For base and mid distances (Social Trail Run and Trail Series), a medical certificate is strongly recommended, but not mandatory unless expressly required by the Technical Annex.

For Ultra distances (25K, 40/50K, 80K, 100K, and relays), a recent medical certificate may be mandatory, as defined in the Technical Annexes and official communications.

ITS strongly recommends that all participants have accident and health insurance, especially foreign runners or those who do not reside in Cusco.

**Altitude acclimatization**

All runners who normally live below 3,000 m commit to acclimatize at least **3 days** in the region prior to the competition.

The organization recommends considering acclimatization and altitude adaptation programs offered by Tupac Adventures or other operators, without implying any obligation to contract them.

The runner understands and accepts that the race takes place between approximately **2,800 m a.s.l. and 5,500 m a.s.l.**, with the associated risks (acute mountain sickness, hypoxia, etc.).

Ultimate responsibility for health status lies with the participant, who declares under personal responsibility being fit to compete.

## 2.3 Participation categories (sex and teams)

**Sex / gender for rankings and podiums:**
Official rankings and podiums will be awarded in **male** and **female** categories, understood on the basis of **biological sex declared at registration**.

Participation in ITS races is open, without discrimination based on gender identity or orientation; however, for official podium purposes, male/female categories will be used unless otherwise established by specific regulations.

**Teams and relays:**
In relay formats (e.g., 100K relay), teams will consist of the number of members indicated in the Technical Annex (by default, 4 runners).

Male and female team categories may exist; mixed categories may be introduced in the future when deemed appropriate by the organization and indicated in the Technical Annex.

## 2.4 Participant rights and duties

**Basic participant rights:**

- Receive clear and timely information about the race (route, schedules, minimum services).
- Access the services included in registration (per the Technical Annex).
- Be treated with respect by staff, volunteers, and other runners.

**Participant duties:**

- Fully comply with these ITS General Regulations, the Technical Annexes, and staff instructions.
- Protect the environment: do not litter and respect local communities.
- Carry the mandatory gear indicated for the race.
- Inform staff in case of withdrawal and follow safety procedures.
- Respect Staff and/or volunteers; non-compliance will result in immediate disqualification.
- Complete and sign the statement of honor or liability document before the event.

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# 3. REGISTRATION, CHANGES, AND RETURNS

## 3.1 Registration process

Registrations are made exclusively through official platforms indicated by ITS (official website, authorized payment platforms, and in-person points when offered).

Participants must provide truthful personal information (full name, ID document, date of birth, emergency contact, etc.).

Registration is considered confirmed when:

- required data has been completed,
- the corresponding payment has been made, and
- the system/platform issues confirmation or a receipt.

The organization reserves the right to reject a registration if it detects false information, non-compliance with requirements, or safety-related reasons.

## 3.2 Fees and pricing phases (general)

ITS may establish different fee phases (e.g., presale, regular, late), with prices varying depending on the registration date.

Dates and amounts for each phase will be communicated through official channels.

Once payment is completed within a given phase, the runner may not demand the lower fee of an earlier phase.

## 3.3 Distance / format changes

Distance or format changes are subject to the following general rules:

**ITS Ultras (UM, US, etc.):**

- One first change of distance or format is allowed free of charge up to **3 months** before race date.
- After that, and up to **15 days** before the race, a change may be requested with an administrative fee (approximately **USD 10** or equivalent in local currency, as officially published in the Technical Annex).
- No changes are accepted within the last **15 days** before the event, except by exceptional decision of the race director.

**Trail Series:**

- One first change is allowed free of charge up to **7 days** before race date.
- Up to **3 days** before, changes may be requested with an administrative fee (approximately **USD 5** or equivalent, as published in the Technical Annex).

- No changes are accepted within the last **2 days** before the event, except by exceptional decision of the race director.

**Social Trail Run:**

- ITS may offer a more flexible policy: distance changes within Social Trail Run may be free and allowed up to short deadlines, depending on logistical capacity.
- These details will be communicated in each specific edition.

All changes are always subject to availability of slots in the new distance or format.

## 3.4 Transfer of entry to another person

ITS may allow transfer of a bib to another person under certain dates and conditions, which will be detailed through official channels.

As a general rule, the organization determines transfer or deferral of the slot to a future edition, rather than monetary refunds.

The person receiving the bib must complete all required personal data, declarations, and documents, respecting age categories, distance, gear (shirt size or others), and the requirements of each race.

## 3.5 General refund policy

As a general principle:

- There are **no cash refunds** due to unilateral runner decisions (change of plans, injury, etc.).

In such cases, the organization may offer two alternatives, according to the terms published for each event:

- Transfer the bib to another person within the established deadlines, or
- Carry over the slot to the next edition of the same race, when contemplated by the organization.

In the event of total cancellation due to force majeure, extreme weather, safety reasons, or failure to reach the minimum number of participants, the criteria indicated in Section 11 of these Regulations (credits for future editions) will apply and will be officially communicated.

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# 4. RACE STRUCTURE AND COMPETITION TIME

## 4.1 Distances and formats in ITS

ITS organizes different types of races, generally grouped as:

**ITS Ultras**
Long-distance mountain races (e.g., 40/50K, 80K, 100K; One Go and relay formats), with technical terrain and high-mountain sections.

**Trail Series**
Short- and mid-distance mountain races with three distance categories:

- **HATUN** – 20 km and above
- **TAKSA** – 10 km to 19 km
- **UCHUY** – 2 km to 9 km
  on trails, rural roads, and natural terrain.

**Social Trail Run**
Urban or peri-urban races (under 10K and possibly 15K), aimed at beginners, families, and the local community.

Exact distances, formats, and specific routes for each event will be detailed in the corresponding Technical Annex.

## 4.2 Start times (general principles)

As a general principle:

- ITS Ultras may have starts:
    - morning, afternoon, or night (in non-stop formats), and/or
    - before dawn or early morning to allow completion within established time limits.
- Trail Series races will start early in the morning to take advantage of the best daylight and weather conditions.
- Social Trail Run races will, in principle, be scheduled between **07:00 and 08:00**, unless otherwise indicated by the organization.

The exact start time for each distance and event will be communicated in the Technical Annex and the Runner's Guide for each race.

Participants commit to arrive at the start area with the indicated minimum lead time (30 to 60 minutes) to complete gear checks, accreditation, and final briefing.

## 4.3 Time limits (cut-offs)

Each ITS distance will have a maximum competition time (overall time limit), indicated in the Technical Annex.

Additionally, intermediate cut-off times may exist at certain checkpoints.

General principle:
ITS reserves the right to remove from the race any participant who fails to meet established cut-off times or who, in the judgment of the organization or medical team, is not fit to continue safely.

Failure to meet cut-offs results in:

- classification as **DNF (Did Not Finish)**, and
- obligation to follow staff instructions for return or evacuation.

## 4.4 Cut-off points

A cut-off point is a location on the route (aid station, control post, etc.) where the participant must arrive before a specified time in order to continue racing.

Cut-off points and times will be defined for each race in the Technical Annex.

Consequences of missing a cut-off:

- the runner must stop participating and surrender the bib if requested by the organization,
- the runner must follow the indicated return or evacuation procedure (on foot, support vehicle, etc.), depending on local conditions.

## 4.5 Mandatory checkpoints

ITS races will include mandatory checkpoints where runner passage will be verified through:
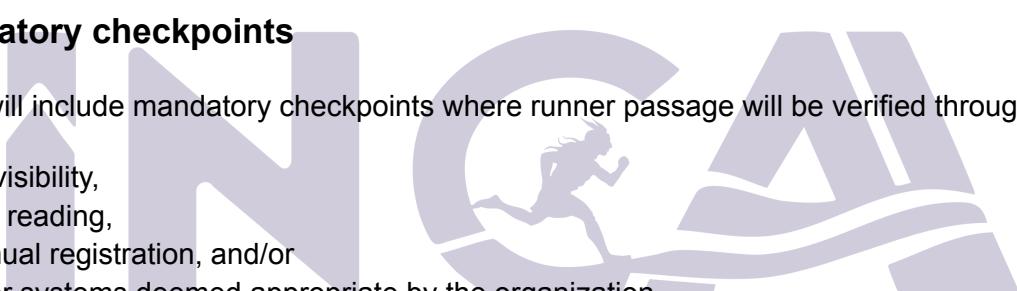
- bib visibility,
- chip reading,
- manual registration, and/or
- other systems deemed appropriate by the organization.

The runner is required to pass through all designated checkpoints.

Intentionally skipping a checkpoint or inability to verify a runner's passage may result in:

- a time penalty, or
- disqualification (**DSQ**), depending on severity and as determined by the organization.

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# 5. MANDATORY AND RECOMMENDED GEAR

## 5.1 General principles

ITS organizes mountain and high-altitude races where weather conditions can change quickly (cold, rain, wind, hail, heat, etc.). Therefore:

- Mandatory gear's main purpose is runner safety and basic self-sufficiency.
- Carrying mandatory gear does not guarantee total safety, but it reduces risks in case of incidents or weather changes.
- The participant commits to carry the gear required by the organization for the distance in which they register; otherwise, they will not be allowed to start.

## 5.2 Mandatory gear (general framework)

In general:

- In Social Trail Run events, mandatory equipment will be minimal or non-existent; in principle, recommendations will be set for clothing and basic items (proper shoes, hydration, sun protection, etc.).
- In Trail Series races and ITS Ultras, a set of mandatory gear may be required, including, among others:
    - container(s) to carry water or drink (soft flasks, hydration pack, etc.),
    - windbreaker / waterproof jacket depending on conditions,
    - thermal blanket or survival blanket,
    - whistle,
    - headlamp and spare batteries (especially for distances with possible night sections),
    - hat / buff, gloves, and warm layers depending on altitude and weather,
    - mobile phone turned on with sufficient battery, when required.

The specific lists of mandatory and recommended gear will be specified for each race and distance in the corresponding Technical Annex.

## 5.3 Recommended gear

In addition to mandatory gear, ITS may recommend:

- trekking poles for steep or long sections,
- sunscreen and sunglasses,
- GPS watch for personal reference,
- mountain-appropriate technical clothing, spare socks, etc.

In Social Trail Run, the organization will focus on more basic recommendations:

- sports or running shoes in good condition,
- comfortable clothing appropriate for the weather,
- personal hydration (bottle, belt, etc.),
- sun protection (cap/hat, sunscreen).

## 5.4 Gear checks

ITS reserves the right to check mandatory gear at any time:

- before the start,
- during the race (at specific controls), and/or

- at the finish.

Missing one or more mandatory items will be considered an infraction and may result in:

- a time penalty, or
- direct disqualification (**DSQ**),
  as established in the Technical Annexes and by decision of the race director.

The runner agrees not to manipulate or abandon mandatory gear on the course (e.g., handing a thermal blanket to someone and continuing without it), except in a real emergency.

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# 6. SAFETY, HEALTH, AND EMERGENCIES

## 6.1 Responsibility for health status

Each participant declares, upon registration, that they are in good physical and mental health to participate in the chosen race.

They accept that ITS events take place in a mountain and high-altitude environment with inherent risks (falls, impacts, heart issues, altitude sickness, dehydration, hypothermia, etc.).

Ultimate responsibility for health status rests with the runner, without prejudice to the safety and assistance resources provided by the organization.

ITS strongly recommends a pre-race medical check and accident/health insurance, especially for:

- foreign runners, and
- runners not residing in Cusco.

## 6.2 Medical services

The organization will provide medical and/or first-aid services adapted to the type of race (fixed points, mobile units, ambulances in accessible sectors, etc.), as specified for each event.

Medical and rescue personnel will have authority to:

- evaluate a runner's condition,
- order withdrawal if continuing poses a serious risk to health,
- manage transfer to a more appropriate care point.

The participant agrees to comply with decisions made by the medical and safety teams.

## 6.3 Procedures in case of accident

In case of an accident to oneself or another runner, the participant must, as far as possible:

- stop and provide basic assistance to a runner in immediate danger,

- notify the nearest staff member or use indicated communication means (phone, radio, etc.) to request help.

ITS considers minimum assistance between runners in risky situations an ethical obligation.

Specific instructions on phone numbers, contact points, and protocols will be detailed in the Runner's Guide and/or Technical Annexes for each race.

## 6.4 Evacuation and withdrawal from the race

In case of injury, extreme fatigue, or personal decision not to continue, the runner must:

- report withdrawal to staff at the nearest checkpoint or aid station, and
- follow organization instructions for return or evacuation.

As a general principle, the organization covers evacuation up to the nearest cut-off point or meeting point accessible by available means (vehicle, safe return route, etc.).

From that point onward, additional costs for medical care, subsequent transfers, or treatments will be the responsibility of the runner and/or their insurance.

The organization is not responsible for:

- participant decisions that ignore staff instructions,
- leaving the official course without informing staff, or
- self-directed movements outside established safety protocols.

# 7. ENVIRONMENT AND RELATIONSHIP WITH COMMUNITIES

## 7.1 ITS sustainability principles

ITS organizes events in living Andean territories with communities, fragile ecosystems, and sites of cultural and spiritual value. Therefore, all ITS races are governed by the principles of:

- respect for **Pachamama** and the land,
- **Ayni** (reciprocity) with local communities,
- zero litter: each runner is responsible for their waste,
- protection and care of paths, grasslands, forests, rivers, and wildlife.

Participating in an ITS race implies acceptance of these principles and commitment to respect them.

## 7.2 Environmental rules

In all ITS races, it is strictly prohibited to:

- throw wrappers, bottles, cups, gels, or other waste into the environment,
- leave trash in unauthorized places,
- take shortcuts that erode or damage trails and vegetation,
- harm flora or fauna (cutting plants, disturbing animals, etc.).

The organization will encourage:

- use of a reusable cup or personal hydration system (in many cases there will be no disposable cups at aid stations),
- minimizing single-use plastics in event logistics.

Environmental infractions may be sanctioned with:

- a time penalty and/or
- disqualification (**DSQ**),
  depending on severity and at the discretion of race management, as detailed in the Conduct and Penalties chapter.

## 7.3 Respect for communities and local culture

ITS races pass through farming communities, towns, and in some cases areas considered sacred in Andean culture. The runner commits to:

- maintain respectful behavior toward local residents, their way of life, and their animals,
- avoid shouting, excessively loud music, or behavior that may be offensive,
- respect instructions from community members, local authorities, and ITS staff,
- not enter areas marked as restricted, temples, cemeteries, homes, or private property without authorization.

Any serious disrespect toward communities, cultural symbols, or sacred sites may lead to disqualification and inability to participate in future editions.

# 8. SPORTING CONDUCT, PENALTIES, AND DISQUALIFICATION

## 8.1 Fair play and race spirit

ITS promotes a spirit of:

- fair play,
- camaraderie,
- mutual respect among runners, staff, and communities.

Each participant is expected to:

- assist another runner in danger or accident within their possibilities,

- not take advantage of external circumstances to gain unfair benefits,
- respect staff and medical team decisions.

## 8.2 General infractions

Infractions include, among others:

- intentional shortcuts outside the marked course,
- failure to pass one or more mandatory checkpoints,
- not carrying mandatory gear required for the race,
- littering or causing environmental damage,
- disrespect, verbal or physical aggression toward staff, volunteers, other runners, or communities,
- receiving unauthorized external assistance (food, gear, accompaniment) outside authorized points,
- participating under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Not permitted:

- pacers (unregistered companions) in any format, unless clearly authorized by a Technical Annex,
- permanent accompaniment by persons not registered in the event.

## 8.3 Types of sanction

Depending on the severity of the infraction, the organization may apply:

- verbal or written warning,
- time penalty added to the runner's final time,
- disqualification (**DSQ**) and removal from the official rankings.

Sanctions will be determined by ITS Management and/or the race director, and may consider evidence (testimony, photos, videos, GPS records, etc.).

## 8.4 Doping and substance use

Even if ITS does not necessarily conduct official anti-doping controls in all races, the organization:

- condemns the use of prohibited substances or methods intended to gain an unfair advantage or that put the participant's health at risk,
- reserves the right to disqualify any runner when there is reliable evidence (clear proof) of illegal drug use, alcohol abuse during competition, or doping.

Likewise:

- starting or continuing the race under evident influence of alcohol or drugs is prohibited,
- upon reasonable indications, staff or the medical team may prevent the runner from continuing for safety reasons.

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# 9. RANKINGS, AWARDS, AND CEREMONIES

## 9.1 Ranking systems

In all ITS races:

- each runner's official time will be the one recorded by the timing system (chip or alternative defined by the organization),
- rankings will consider:
    - sex categories (male, female),
    - age categories (Children, Youth, Adult, Master), as specified by event and distance.

Common codes:

- **DNS:** Did Not Start (registered but did not start).
- **DNF:** Did Not Finish (started but did not complete the distance or was withdrawn).
- **DSQ:** Disqualified (rule infraction).

Exact ranking and tie-break criteria will be detailed, if applicable, in the Technical Annexes.

## 9.2 Awards

ITS may award prizes:

- in kind (products, services, trophies, special medals, etc.), and/or
- in cash, as permitted by the design of each event.

General principles:

- before each edition, the organization will define which categories and positions receive awards and will communicate them through official channels (website, social media, Runner's Guide),
- award structures may vary between:
    - Social Trail Run,
    - Trail Series,
    - ITS Ultras,
      depending on sporting objectives and available resources.

**Presence at the ceremony**
To receive an award (in kind or cash), the runner must be physically present at the awards ceremony, except for duly justified force majeure accepted by the organization.

In case of unjustified absence, ITS may not deliver the award, may declare it void, or may reassign it, without generating any right to subsequent claims.

## 9.3 Classification complaints

Any complaint related to rankings, times, or application of sporting penalties must be submitted according to the procedure in Chapter 10 (Complaints and Disciplinary Procedures).

Verbal or informal complaints will not be accepted; they must follow the defined channel (official email) and be submitted within the established deadline.

# 10. COMPLAINTS AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

## 10.1 How to file a complaint

Complaints related to:

- rankings,
- sanctions,
- race incidents or conduct of other participants,

must be submitted in writing to the official email:
**incatrailseries@gmail.com**

The general deadline for submitting complaints is up to **15 business days** counted from the official publication of results or from communication of the corresponding sanction.

The complaint must include at minimum:

- full name and contact information of the complainant,
- race, distance, and bib number,
- facts being reported, with approximate date and location,
- available evidence (witnesses, photos, videos, GPS records, etc.), if any.

## 10.2 Evaluation of complaints

Complaints will be evaluated by ITS Management and/or a Race Committee designated for that purpose.

This committee may request additional information from the complainant, staff, other runners, or witnesses.

The organization will analyze facts and available evidence, seeking a fair resolution consistent with the ITS General Regulations and the Technical Annexes.

## 10.3 Decisions

After reviewing the case, ITS Management and/or the Race Committee will issue a decision, which may:

- confirm results or sanctions,

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- modify rankings or times,
- impose new sanctions (warning, penalty, DSQ),
- dismiss the complaint due to lack of grounds or evidence.

The decision communicated by ITS will be final within the framework of the event and will not allow further internal appeals within the organization.

The response will be sent to the complainant via the same channel (email or other official means) within a reasonable time, depending on case complexity.

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# 11. MODIFICATIONS, SUSPENSION, AND CANCELLATION OF THE EVENT

## 11.1 Organizer's right to modify

The organization (Corp. Tupac / Inca Trail Series – ITS) reserves the right to modify, for safety, weather, logistics, or force majeure reasons:

- routes (distances, paths, elevation),
- start times and cut-off times,
- planned services (aid stations, access, etc.).

Whenever possible, these modifications will be communicated with the maximum reasonable advance notice through official channels.

## 11.2 Partial suspension scenarios

ITS may decide to partially suspend, reduce, or modify a race when:

- weather conditions (extreme rain, thunderstorms, snowfall, strong winds, extreme heat, etc.) endanger safety,
- incidents on the course (landslides, blockages, social conflicts, or others) prevent safe passage,
- unforeseen situations require rerouting or shortening distances.

In such cases:

- the organization may reduce distance, divert part of the route, or change schedules,
- participants accept that these decisions are made for safety and do not automatically entitle them to additional refunds beyond what is stipulated in the event's commercial policies.

## 11.3 Total cancellation scenario

ITS may fully or definitively cancel an event when:

- the minimum of **20 registered participants** is not reached for a given distance or for the event, if defined as necessary for viability,
- climatic, social, health, or force majeure conditions make the event impossible or extremely risky,
- external circumstances exceed the organization's capacity to control (natural disasters, emergencies, official restrictions, etc.).

In case of total cancellation for these causes:

- offer credits or slot transfers for future editions, as detailed in the event's specific commercial policy,
- prioritize runner protection, and
- protect the sustainability of the sporting and logistical project.

## 11.4 Communication of changes

Any major modification, partial suspension, or total cancellation will be communicated through ITS official channels:

- official website,
- official social media,
- email and/or direct messages to registered participants (when possible),
- other means the organization deems appropriate (e.g., official WhatsApp groups or similar).

It is the participant's responsibility to stay informed through these channels in the days leading up to the event.

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# 12. DATA AND IMAGE PROTECTION

## 12.1 Processing of personal data

By registering for an ITS race, the participant authorizes Corp. Tupac E.I.R.L. / Inca Trail Series to:

- collect and process their personal data (name, ID, age, contact, relevant medical information they choose to provide, etc.) for the following purposes:
    - managing registrations and rankings,
    - communicating race-related information (logistics, changes, safety notices),
    - issuing insurance, certificates, or documents required by applicable regulations,
    - internal statistics and event improvement.

Data will be stored in systems managed by the organization or authorized providers (registration platforms, payment gateways, etc.) for the time necessary for:

- event management,
- compliance with legal obligations, and
- creation of internal statistics and reports.

The specific Privacy Policy of Corp. Tupac / ITS will be available via a link on the official website and/or in registration forms, detailing:

- rights of access, rectification, and deletion of data,
- data controller,
- contact means to exercise such rights.

By completing registration, the participant declares having read and accepted said policy.

## 12.2 Use of image

By participating in an ITS race, the runner:

- expressly authorizes the organization, sponsors, and associated media to capture and use images and/or videos (photographs, audio and video recordings) in which they may appear, individually or collectively, always in the context of the event.

This authorization includes use of the material in:

- official social media,
- ITS and Corp. Tupac websites,
- promotional materials (posters, videos, presentations, etc.),
- press and media outlets.

Use of the participant's image will always be for informational, promotional, or archival purposes related to ITS events, and will not create any right to monetary compensation.

In specific and justified cases, the participant may request review or removal of certain images, within reasonable limits, by contacting the organization through official channels.

# 13. ACCEPTANCE OF THE REGULATIONS AND JURISDICTION

## 13.1 Express acceptance

By registering for any Inca Trail Series (ITS) race, the participant declares:

- they have read, understood, and accepted these ITS General Regulations,
- they also accept the specific Technical Annex for the race and distance in which they participate,
- they accept the Runner's Guide and the commercial and privacy policies published through official channels.

Starting the race is considered ratification of this acceptance.

## 13.2 Precedence

In case of contradiction or doubt of interpretation among:

- the ITS General Regulations,
- the Technical Annexes for each race, and
- the Runner's Guide or other informational materials,

the following shall prevail:

- for regulatory matters and conduct: the ITS General Regulations,
- for race-specific technical matters (routes, cut-offs, specific gear): the corresponding Technical Annex.

The Runner's Guide is primarily informational and advisory and does not replace the General Regulations or the Technical Annexes.

## 13.3 Jurisdiction and applicable law

These regulations are governed by the laws of the **Republic of Peru**.

For any dispute that cannot be resolved amicably between the parties, the participant and the organization agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the competent courts of the city of **Cusco, Peru**, expressly waiving any other jurisdiction that may apply.