



“Pass'Portes Pédestre 2024” - Walking Tour: Terms & Conditions

By registering for the “Pass'Portes Pédestre”, all participants are deemed to accept unreservedly the terms and conditions provided below event.

- The co-organisers are: Association Portes du Soleil Territoire d'Événements et Association Internationale Portes du Soleil, 1401 Route de Vonnes 74390 Châtel, France. Tel 00 33 (0)4 50 73 32 54. Both represented by Mr. Georges Coquillard, Association President.

- The “Pass'Portes Pédestre” is not a race, but a walking tour across two countries: France and Switzerland. Each hiker is free to go at his own pace. The “Pass'Portes Pédestre” and the activities organised in association with the event all take place in a mountain environment and as such carry a level of inherent risk (altitude, terrain, weather...). Participants are expected to hike within themselves and to be conscious of their fitness levels.

- The “Pass'Portes Pédestre” is open to anyone aged at least 5 years old. Specific parental authorisation is compulsory for minors and must be produced by the child's legal guardian for all children taking part in the event (passport copies of the adult and child must be provided at registration).

- In the event of an unexpected event or *force majeure* (i.e. climatic, sickness, natural catastrophe or any other development that puts participants at risk), the organisers reserve the right to modify the circuit or cancel the Pass'Portes Pédestre event.

- No refunds will be given in the event that the “Pass'Portes Pédestre” is stopped temporarily or cancelled by the organiser, no matter what the reason.

Registration

- Each participant must specify which day they intend to take part: Friday 28th, Saturday 29th or Sunday 30th June 2024, as well as their preferred starter resort (subject to availability).

- The number of available places is divided between 3 starting resorts: Châtel, Les Gets, Montriond-Les Lindarets.

When registering, please provide the following documents:

- Booking confirmation or ID, or copy of participant's ID or their legal guardian if they are a minor,
- Parental authorisation for children from 5 years old.

- Incomplete or unpaid registrations will not be processed.

- Price for the Pass'Portes Pédestre event: € 17

The price includes a “hiking pack”, a “hands-free” lift pass, the itinerary, the bracelet giving access to the refreshment stations and an exclusive “Pass'Portes Pédestre” souvenir gift.

Booking fee (covers processing and bank charges): €1 for each walker; Cannot be reimbursed.

Cancellation guarantee

- Any undertaking is personal, firm and definitive, and cannot be the subject of any refund for whatever reason, except for participants having signed the specific cancellation guarantee.

- No registration transfer is permitted for whatever reason. Any person ceding back his/her number to a third party will be held responsible in the event of an accident suffered or caused by the latter during the

event. The organization does not accept any responsibility in the event of accident in this type of situation.

- A cancellation guarantee costing €3 per person is available.

- In the event that the participant has to cancel, this guarantee entitles them to a refund of their registration fee (excluding the booking fee detailed above), subject to the following conditions: accident, sickness, hospital treatment, pregnancy, death (themselves or their common law partner, their close relatives 30 days prior to the event). The severity of the illness or the accident must be recorded by an appropriate body which is to issue a medical certificate.

- The €3 fee required for the cancellation guarantee cannot be reimbursed.

- All requests for refunds should be sent by email to inscription@portesdusoleil.com or in writing to: Inscription Pass'Portes Pédestre, 1401 route de Vannes, F-74390 Châtel. Please provide all necessary documentation before the event begins. All requests for refunds sent after the participant was due to take part in the event (either during or after the event) will not be processed.

- Refunds will be paid in the 2 months following the end of the event, by cheque or bank transfer. The organiser retains the right to deduct the cost of bank transfers from the monies owing to participants – especially to addresses abroad.

Registration changes

The participant who cannot take part in the event:

- indicate the identity and full contact details of his replacement who will take over the registration for the same ride, same starting station, same day, same options,
- and will communicate to the organization all the information necessary for this change.

These changes must reflect exceptional circumstances, subject to acceptance by the organization and possible only once. They can only be made if the organization is notified before May 26th, 2024. The initial participant can make the changes himself and must complete a “certificate of resale” to send to the organization as well as to the buyer.

If the participant giving up his place has subscribed to the cancellation guarantee, the change of identity of the participant will still be possible exceptionally, only once and subject to acceptance by the organization from 26th May, 2024 and until the day before the start of the event.

Liability – Insurance

-The registration does not include personal insurance for each participant. In the event of an accident, rescue costs will not be paid by the organiser of the “Pass'Portes Pédestre” and the participant will be expected to bear these costs. All participants may take out an insurance policy, valuable on the French and Swiss territories.

- Each participant must have their own personal civil insurance.

- The organiser cannot be held responsible for loss, theft or damage to individual material or equipment.

- The organiser strongly recommends that every participant obtains a medical certificate indicating that they are fit for hiking in the mountains.

- The organiser has civil liability insurance. This covers the organiser and all volunteers giving their services free of charge and directly managed by Les Portes du Soleil, and their stand-ins, in the event that such individuals are not entitled to legislation protecting them in the event of work-related accidents. This insurance also covers accidents involving participants and spectators. This civil liability insurance is applicable under certain terms and conditions.

Equipment

- Bring warm clothing and a waterproof layer; the weather in the mountains can change very quickly.
- It is recommended to have a mobile phone with you, that you can use in France and Switzerland.

Conduct

- Participants are expected to heed the Highway Code on road sections of the course.
- The route crosses the French-Swiss border, so make sure you have valid ID (this applies to children as well).
- Participants are advised to carry some Euros and/or Swiss francs and a bank card.
- In order to protect the outstanding natural beauty of the area, participants are asked not to drop litter. "Clean zones" equipped with rubbish bins are provided at all food and drink stations.

On the course

- Participants will be informed how and when to retrieve their "hiking pack" when they make their booking.
- "Hiking packs" can only be collected on the day the participant has booked for. Each participant must set out from their designated starter resort. A hands-free liftpass will be supplied to each participant so they can use the lift network. This liftpass will only work when used from the designated starter resort.
- A "road book" with useful information will be handed out to all participants when they collect their "hiking packs". It contains instructions about the course and safety tips.
- For your security, participants should heed the safety advice provided on the course by staff and volunteers.
- Anyone who fails to finish the hike should let the organiser know (via a first aid post, food and drink station or nearest tourist office). Should such information not be forthcoming, the individual concerned will be expected to pay for the cost of any search and rescue effort.
- The lift network closes at 5.45pm during the 3-day event. Participants should find out how long it will take to return home to their starter resort by consulting the time indicator panels posted at strategic points throughout the course. Participants who fail to take note of this information will have to pay to be taken back to their starter resort.
- Each participant is understood to accept the risks associated with hiking and to follow the course of their own free will and volition.
- The organiser reserves the right to change the course and events programme, notably for safety reasons.
- Each participant consents to the organiser of the "Pass'Portes Pédestre" using images of them; the same principle also applies to partners and media organisations (static or audio-visual), for brochures or promotional documentation.
- In accordance with Freedom of Information legislation dated 6 January 1978, each participant has the right to access and correct any personal data relating to them. Participants may be contacted by other organisations offering services. Should any participants not wish to receive such offers, they should inform the organiser, providing their name and address.

Covid

- Each participant must respect the specific measures taken on the event regarding the Covid-19 context. Failure to follow said instructions may lead to the withdrawal of the registration and lift pass.
- If the event were to be cancelled by the French and/or Swiss authorities, the participants registered for 2024 will see their registration automatically transferred to 2025 (starter resort and day picked in 2024).