

Hi All,

Thank you for competing at Mason Dieu on Sunday where we attempted to run a 75m BOSS event on small map. After carefully reviewing everyone's tracks (and a lot of angst) I eventually adopted the following "rules" to handle the non-standard situations that I found.

### **AllScore Course**

Situation:

Competitors gaining advantage by riding across areas where riding was not-allowed.  
(e.g. Riding along a fence line that ran through a white area on the map)

Action:

Competitor loses the points on that leg.  
No bonus points given for clearing the course under time.

Situation:

Competitor leaving out 1 control on Map 1 but then going on to visit controls on Map2.

Action:

Competitor has a 4 point penalty added.  
No bonus points given for clearing the course under time.

Situation:

Competitor leaving out 2 or more controls on Map 1 but then going on to visit controls on Map2.

Action:

Competitor just gets the points for the controls visited on Map 1.  
Any late penalty that might have been applicable is waived.

### **LineScore Course**

Situation:

Competitors gaining advantage by riding across areas where riding was not-allowed.  
(e.g. Riding along a fence line that ran through a white area on the map)

Action:

Competitor disqualified.

Situation:

Competitor leaving out 1 control on the Line Course 1 but then going on to visit controls on the Score Course.

Action:

Competitor has a 4 point penalty added.  
No bonus points given for clearing the course under time.

Situation:

Competitor leaving out 2 or more controls on the Line Course

Action:

Competitor just gets the points for the controls visited in the correct order on the Line Course.

I guess that it might be possible for competitors to try to take advantage of these rules at a future event using this format by deliberately missing one control on Map 1 but I hope they wouldn't.

The thinking behind these “Small Map Rules” is to keep BOSS fun and relaxed but fair for everyone (while not making results processing a too onerous task). If you have feedback and/or suggestions please send an email to the address below.

For example, a couple of ideas that we have had:

- Go back to allowing the AllScore competitors unlimited planning time. (This might make it easier to keep track of which controls on Map 1 will be visited.)
- Decrease the bonus points for being early. (To say 1 point per three minutes early. It is a small map after all.)

Use the email below as well if you think that your result for Sunday’s event needs revising.

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