

COLORADO FRUITA LOOPS 1200

2026 Event Procedures

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These procedures cover:

- Check-In and Inspection
- Checkpoints and Proof of Passage
- Ride Start
- Ride Finish

Check-In and Inspection

Check-in/inspection will be **4:00 – 5:30 pm** on **Thursday, May 14** at the Comfort Inn in Fruita. If this will not work for you, let us know. (Time will be limited at the event start.)

For inspection, you will need to show your:

- **reflective gear** for your bike and yourself (leg-bands and reflective vest or equivalent) – need to meet RUSA guidelines;
- **lighting system** mounted on bike and backup lighting system (see requirements below).

You will receive a rider packet including brevet card, and a waiver to sign and leave with us.

There will be grilled and other items at the check-in. For more, you may wish to join other riders for dinner at a neighboring restaurant. There are several within walking distance.

Lighting Requirements

Two independent bike-mounted **taillights** are required.

A bike-mounted **headlight** is required. Two fully independent headlight systems are *strongly recommended*. A helmet-mounted backup system is ok, if it's sufficiently powerful. The headlights can be both battery powered, or a dynamo setup and a battery light.

Proof of Passage and Checkpoint Cutoffs

You may use a GPS tracking device, photos, store receipts, or failing that, note time of passage on your brevet card. This can be in any combination, e.g., if your GPS device stops working, you can fall back to photos or receipts. All intermediate checkpoints are UNTIMED.

CFL 1200 Slack Workspace

We've set up a CFL workspace in Slack (<https://fruitaloops1200.slack.com>) and have invited riders to it. Use it to communicate and coordinate among riders, report when you're arriving at / departing from Fruita, etc. **Download the Slack app** to your mobile device for posting and other access to the workspace.

At the Ride Start

Sign in between **3am-3:30am** at the Quality Inn.

Riders depart at **4:00am**.

Parking – You may park in the Comfort Inn spaces if you are staying there. Otherwise, ask motel staff if you may park there, or find another spot to park.

During the Event

Fruita Overnight Check-In / Check Out – When you arrive back in Fruita, and depart later, please post this on the **#fruita-check-in** channel on the CFL 1200 Slack workspace. Or you may email me at jellisx7@gmail.com.

Announcements – The **#announcements** channel will be used for news, including routing changes.

Following the Event and Riders

Rider Progress - People can follow riders' arrivals and departures from Fruita on the Rider Progress Spreadsheet (see link on CFL home page). We will try to keep this updated, subject to volunteers' availability, and this relies on riders to send us their Fruita transit times.

Tracking Devices – If you will be using a SPOT or other tracking device with Web visibility, you can give us the link and we will add it to the Rider Progress sheet.

Blog – We may post event updates on the [Colorado Fruita Loops 1200 blog](#):
<http://coloradofruitaloops1200k.blogspot.com//>

Emergent and Other Situations

If you have a situation in need of emergency care, phone **911**. If you can, alert us. We cannot stand in for emergency responders, but want to know what's going on with all the riders.

If you need to abandon because you are outside the control time windows *and do not feel you can make up the time*, let us know.

Ride Finish

Finish is at the Fruita Comfort Inn. We'll be there mid-afternoon on May 18th until dinnertime (see below). **If you finish when there is no event staff present:** e-mail, phone, or text your name and finishing time to me. Then have motel staff validate your finishing time, on your brevet card.

Après-Finish Dinner

Riders traditionally adjourn in groups to a neighboring restaurant. There are numerous restaurants nearby, including an El Tapitio in the next block.

Jerseys and Vests

[Order](https://www.voler.com/custom/ordering/li/56214) CFL jerseys and vests from Voler through **May 24** (<https://www.voler.com/custom/ordering/li/56214>).

Medals

We have custom finishers' medals for this event. Finishers can also purchase Randonneurs Mondiaux 1200 or ACP 1000k Brevet medals from the RUSA Store.

Bonne Route!

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