

Important Information for RSVP 2015

Documentation

Please have all of your documents in order for crossing the border into Canada and back to the U.S. If you are a Canadian or U.S. citizen a passport or enhanced ID are sufficient for crossing the border in either direction. If you are not a citizen, but have a visa or green card please ensure that your travel documents are in order and that you are able to leave and reenter the country in which you live! Find out more at the [Canadian](#) and [U.S.](#) border protection websites.

If you have not used your passport in awhile please double-check the expiration date! If you are in need of a new passport pay close attention to shipping and turnaround times.

Your Account Must Match!

The name and birthdate you have entered into your account when you registered on www.cascade.org must match the name and birthdate on your passport or enhanced ID. The list generated for the border agent is created from the information you entered when registering.

Please [login](#) to your account and be sure that your name and birthdate are correct. You will not be allowed through our dedicated lane if they do not match and will be forced to cross as a regular citizen, not as part of the event. Save yourself some time and double check!

All information must be updated by Monday, August 3rd. Avoid delays at the border and get your account updated.

New Route Due to Construction at the Border

This year we will be crossing at the Pacific Highway Border Control Station. Due to construction and traffic conditions at the Aldergrove border crossing we will not be able to use our traditional route. Due to the condition of the road through the Aldergrove crossing, safety concerns, and an inability to service 1,300 riders in an orderly fashion, the CBSA is requiring that our event cross at Pacific Highway. At Cascade, safety and rider experience are a top priority, in addition to keeping a great relationship with the border allowing RSVP to turn 35 next year!

The new route will add 17 miles to your Day 2 ride, so enjoy a few extra pedal strokes through Whatcom County and thank the border agent as you cross the border in your own dedicated RSVP bike lane!

The border will work the same as in past years. You will need to have your passports and any other necessary documents with you on your bike. Wear your helmet sticker (provided in your packet) facing forward and enter the dedicated RSVP bike only lane (follow signs for commercial trucks and/or event signage). This lane will be open from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. on Day 2 of your ride. If you choose to cross the border outside of these times you will need to cross as a regular bicycle, not as part of the event, follow the appropriate signage for bicycles.

Official Route Maps

Due to this late change, official route maps and cues will be available at the Start Line instead of in your mailed packet. Maps will also be available for download from the [RSVP website](#) two weeks prior to the event. These can be printed in full 8.5" x 11" pages or if you have a multifunction printer you can print your own booklet by choosing the booklet option in your printer settings.