

Event Guide



Cotswolds Lake 62 Summer Triathlon

Sunday 23rd July 2023

Lake 62, Ashton Keynes, Wiltshire, SN6 6QX

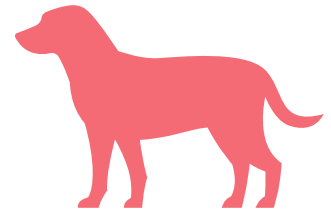
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Dogs are welcome at this event, they must remain on a lead at all times and and mess cleared up anywhere on site.

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Please read this event guide in conjunction with the information available on the dedicated event page at www.lpsevents.co.uk along with any information emails which arrive in your inbox.

Whilst we strive to ensure all details are correct, there may be inaccuracies or omissions due to late changes in the event delivery plan.

Following the event, please leave us a great review on [Racecheck](#) and share your experience with others. It helps us to make an even better experience for athletes like you.



Welcome



Venue

Lake 62, Ashton
Keynes, Wiltshire, SN6
6QX

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Follow the blue car
park signs.

Parking

Free parking is
available 5 minutes
walk from the venue.

Please do attempt to
park in the venue as
there is no capacity
for vehicles.

Travel

Public transport to this
event is possible.

The nearest bus stop
is in South Cerney,
with links from the
closest train stations
in Swindon or
Kemble.

Prior planning will be
required for public
transport journeys.

General Information

This guide will help you understand more about the event.

Welcome to the Cotswolds Lake 62 Summer Events, based at a private venue in the Cotswolds. For an exclusive race, join others in taking part in one of the options of multisport racing.

Choose from a Triathlon, Duathlon, Aquabike or Aquathlon event. All the swimming takes place in the private lake, with cycling on the Cotswolds roads and running within the venue.

We have something for all the family, whether you are competing or supporting. Join in with the free family fun run, or enjoy a picnic.

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Event Guide

A few days before the event, read through this guide and the event page on our website to help you understand the event.

2

Start List

Find your exact start time in the start list, we aim to have this available a couple of days prior to the event.

3

Rules & Check List

Familiarise yourself with the rules of the event, pack your kit using the included check list so you have everything.

Athletes

Registration

The event site is open from 07:45 on the day of the event. You can register between 07:45 - 09:00, Athlete registration can take place on Saturday evening 17:00-18:00.

Please arrive with your race licence or photo ID to collect your number pack which includes a wristband, bib number, helmet sticker, bike sticker and your timing chip for your left ankle. **Please ensure you immediately put your timing chip on to avoid accidental mixing it up with a friend.**

Transition

Once you have attached the relevant numbers and timing chip, please put your helmet on and fasten, then head to transition where you will have a visual bike check carried out and shown to your racking location.

Transition is restricted to event staff and athletes only, spectators will not be permitted to enter. Each athlete will have an allocated space with odd numbers on the left, even on the right.

Your bike should be racked by your seat post with the handlebars facing outwards. Any equipment should be placed under or to the side of your front wheel.

Boxes and large bags will not be permitted in transition and will have to be returned to your vehicle.



Helmets

At all stages during the event where you are in contact with your bike, you should have your bike helmet on and correctly fastened. You are only permitted to remove your helmet once your bike is racked in transition.

Littering

Is prohibited on the event course and on the event site, unless it is a designated waste point or drop zone.

Drafting

Is not permitted during the cycle element at any time during this event. Please refer to the poster 'Drafting Rules Explained' for a full explanation.

Electronic Equipment

Is not permitted during the event, this includes headphones, mobile phones & video recording devices.

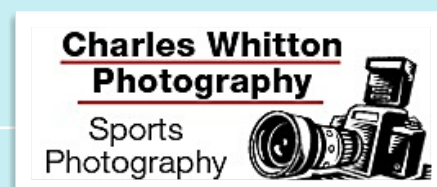
Photography & Filming

Our designated event photographers for this event are Charles Whitton Photography. Photos will be available shortly after the event.

Our media team will be capturing photos and videos throughout the event which may include the use of drones for advertising and publicity use.

Safeguarding

If you do not wish for any of your photos to be published, please ensure you request this at registration, an additional wristband will need to be worn for identification. During registration you will be agreeing to our policy.



Welfare Facilities

Toilets will be located near to transition.

There will be no baggage store for this event.

Sanitising stations will be located throughout the event site and we encourage to use these where possible.

Medical Provisions

The main medical centre will be next to transition check in, should you get into difficulty or require attention anywhere on course, you should request help from the nearest marshal or another competitor.

If you are asked for help from another athlete, please do your best to help them and provide your location as best as you can. Our medical team are able to provide immediate attention and are just as equipped as calling an ambulance.

Covid-19

Whilst face masks are no longer mandatory, we fully support the use of these should you wish to wear them. Please be considerate of others before shaking hands, hugging or coming into close contact with them as they may prefer to be more cautious.

Permit

We will be following the rules outlined by Triathlon England at this event. Please familiarise yourselves with them prior to attending to ensure you know what to do. Each competitor will be issued with a day licence (unless you are a member of the home nation), this will act as your insurance for the event.

If you have not purchased a day licence during registration and are unable to provide your race licence at registration when you collect your race pack, you will be required to pay for a day licence prior to racing.

To protect the event and the staff associated with it, any verbal or physical abuse from the athletes or their supporters will not be tolerated under any circumstances and disqualification will be instant. Any penalties referring to breaches of the rules will be awarded in line with the guidance.

Run Course

Due to the extended wet weather recently, it is likely the run course will be muddy so please choose the correct footwear accordingly. Our long term works programme will mean this run route is nicely grassed once it has bedded in. You may wish to bring an extra pair of shoes or boots for the walk in should rain continue.





Athletes Briefing

Please ensure you are ready to go 15 minutes prior to your start time and arrive to swim check in.

The athletes welcome briefing will be verbal and compulsory.

You will be provided with a swim cap once you are checked into the swim start area.

Start Times

All start times below are approximate, you will be assigned a wave and each wave will trickle start to begin your race.

07:45 - Registration open

09:00 - Wave 1 Triathlon

09:20 - Wave 2 Triathlon

09:30 - Wave 3 Duathlon

09:40 - Wave 4 Triathlon &
Team Relays

10:00 - Wave 5 Aquabike &
Aquathlon

12:30 - Free family fun run

13:00 - Presentations

**See details on the website
for presentation categories.**

Distances

Triathlon [no of laps]

1500m Swim [2], 39km Cycle [1], 10.5km Run (trail) [7]

Duathlon [no of laps]

4.5km Run [3], 39km Cycle [1], 6km Run (trail) [4]

Aquabike [no of laps]

1500m Swim [2], 39km Cycle [1], 100m Run

Aquathlon [no of laps]

1500m Swim [2], 10.5km Run (trail) [7]

Free Family Fun Run

1.5km Run (trail) [1]

It is the responsibility of the athletes to ensure you complete the correct course during the event. If you do not complete the correct course or enough laps you will be registered as DNF (did not finish).



Spectators & Supporters

Spectating

Whilst we wish for you to enjoy the event, the safety and fairness of all athletes is as much importance as the enjoyment.

Spectating of the swimming is only available from the banks of the lake, whilst the whole run route is accessible, please do not impede anyone racing if you walk around, you will be able to view transition from the barrier line, please ensure crossing points are used to get across the course.

The full bike course is possible to spectate, however if you are travelling to points on the course, be mindful of residents and other road users. Ensure if you are travelling by vehicle that you do not park in a location that obstructs or provides a risk to you, or others.

On site please stay behind the rope or barrier and only cross where crossing points are set up, due to site changes for the bike mount and dismount - safety is paramount and you will not be able to stand the road side of the fence.

Refreshments

Carle's Coffee will be serving hot & cold drinks along with light refreshments.

Hire, Bike Shop & Massage

Discover Bikes & Performance Cycles will be at this event and are able to offer bike & wheel hire for the event. If you require any of these items, please find more information [here](#). Performance Cycles will be able to assist with minor bike tweaks on the day.

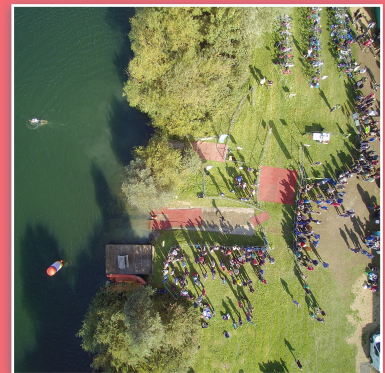
Massage therapy will not be available at this event.

Volunteering

We are always looking for additional volunteers to help deliver this event, if you would like to get involved please let us know.

Event credits and refreshments are provided in return. Please email info@lpsevents.co.uk if you are interested.

Results online following the event,
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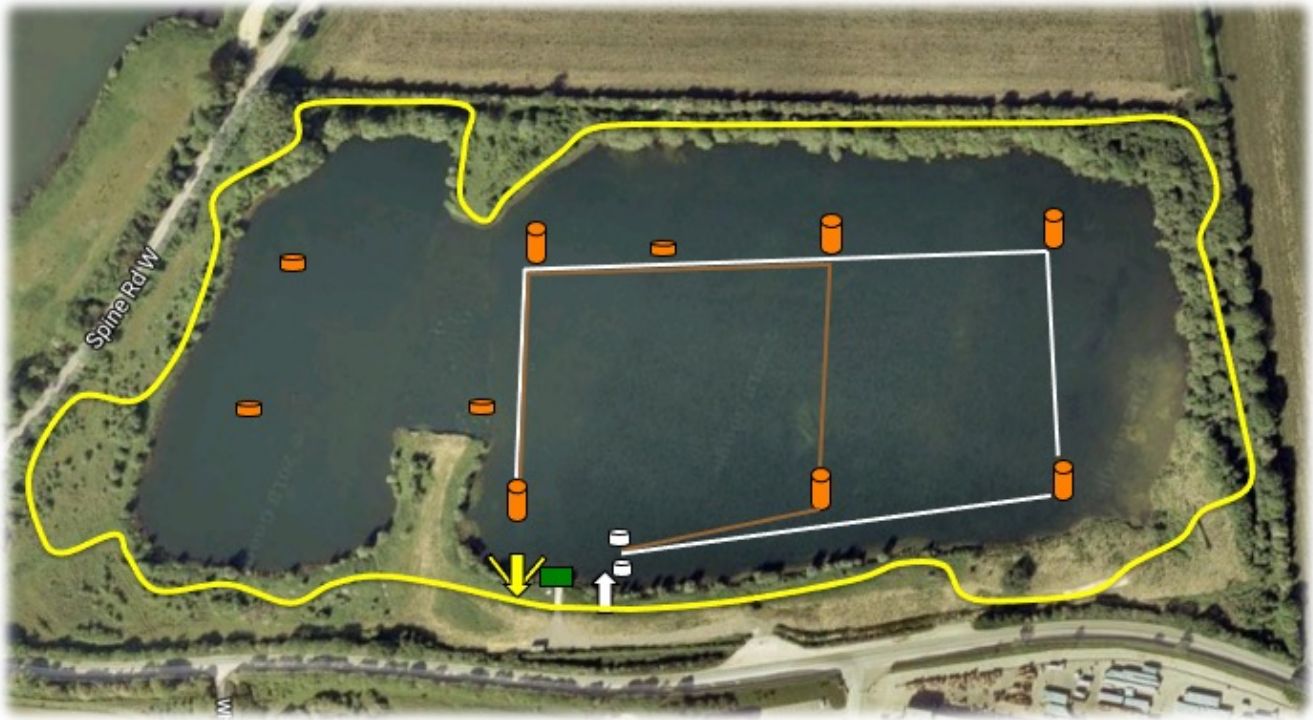


In 2022 we pledge to plant a tree for every athlete who crosses the finish line. We have partnered with [Ecologi](#).

We are looking forward to making the step towards a greener future and fully support every aspect we can.



Cotswolds Lake 62 Venue



- 400m course
- 750m course
- Run course
- Start Buoys
- Turn Buoys
- Safety Boom
- Entrance Steps
- Exit Steps
- Rescue Platform
- Swim anti clockwise, run clockwise**

Cotswolds Lake 62 Standard Triathlon



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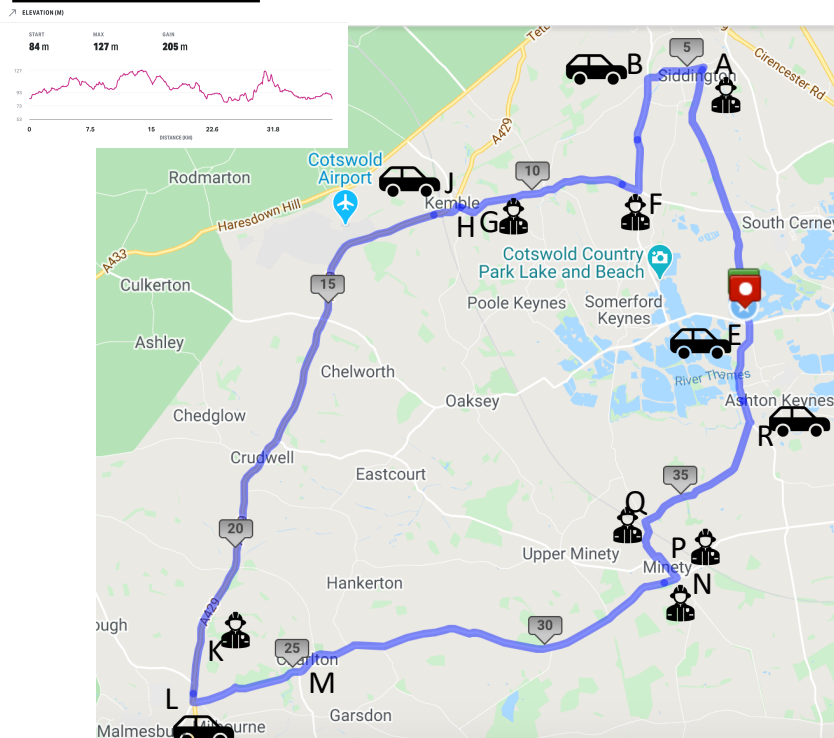
This bike course is measured at 39km. The course is mainly flat with a couple of gentle slopes with fantastic scenery.

Reference Locations:

- A
- K
- B
- L
- E
- M*
- F
- N
- G
- P
- H*
- Q
- J
- R

To view an interactive version of this route, please visit our website.

Bike Course



Additional items to bring;

Hand sanitiser or anti bac wipes

Enough fluids to self support you during your race

Only 1 bag of equipment, additional bags and boxes will be refused and you will have to take back to your car.

Only equipment you require to race

Race ID, text message or email with your entry for registration.

Break down on the bike course

We will have some static marshals on course and also motorcycle officials on course too.

They will aim to get you back up and running to be able to finish the cycle element.

Should a medical emergency occur, if possible first contact one of our event marshals, and a medical unit will be deployed to your location.

We will have the facility to collect you if you are unable to complete the cycle element however please bear in mind that this may take considerable time.

Please carry at a minimum a spare tube or puncture kit, small pump and tyre levers.

Course Signage

The directional signage on the bike route will be signed in pink and black.

The warning signage on the bike route will be signed in yellow and black.

Additional signage may be used.

Race Licence

Don't forget your Triathlon England race licence if you are a member. If you forget or haven't purchased a day licence you will have to buy one at pack collection.



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Racecheck

Place a review within 30 days of the event to be in with a chance for a free entry for 2024.



The Fizz Box

Champagne bar with premium beers & luxury hot chocolate.

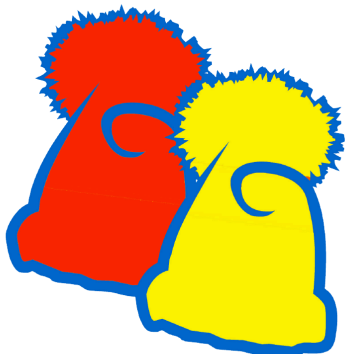


Carle's Coffee

Freshly brewed coffee and hot drinks, along with some tasty snacks and cold drinks too.

Performance Cycles

Precision tuning and bike hire, to get you racing your best.



Big Bobble Hats

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Oversizes Bobbles, we have over 100 styles of Big Bobble Hats!

Check List

Personal Items

- Required medication (inhalers)
- Spare contact lenses or glasses
- Hand sanitiser or wet wipes
- Small transition bag (no boxes)
- Personal ID/race licence (registration)
- Phone or camera for post race selfie (not in transition)

Useful Items

- Post race clothing
- Sun screen (check weather)
- Water
- Watch
- Heart rate monitor

Nutrition

- Pre race energy (banana)
- Race energy (bars or gels)
- Post race recovery
- Water bottle (pre filled)



Run

- Suitable running shoes
- Cap or visor
- Sunglasses
- Talc

Swim

- Goggles
- Swim suit (tri suit)
- Ear plugs & nose clip
- Swim cap (provided by LPS Events)
- Small towel
- Anti-chafe prevention
- Wet suit (if open water)

Bike

- Bike
- Suitable bike shoes
- Helmet
- Race belt (available to purchase)
- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Spare inner tube/small pump
- Small multi tool
- Cycling gloves
- Rubber bands (for cleated shoes)
- Gilet or jacket (check weather)

Additional Items

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KNOW THE RULES

All the below are taken from the British Triathlon Competition Rules, available to download from the British Triathlon website.

RULE
2.1

Littering



All litter must be placed in bins or elsewhere specified by the Event Organiser – keep hold of it until you can dispose properly.

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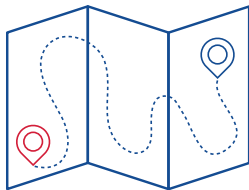
Racing Conduct

Everyone involved in your race is there to ensure you have a safe and enjoyable experience, so we ask that you respect your fellow competitors and treat all Technical Officials, Event Organisers, volunteers and spectators with courtesy. Any abuse towards these people will not be tolerated.



RULE
2.1

Know the Course



Make sure you know which route to take – check out course maps and if it's unclear, ask the Event Organiser before race day. Marshals are there to ensure the safety of the event, not just to point you in the right direction!

RULE
2.9

Race Numbers

During the cycle stage, race numbers must be visible from the back; during the run stage, race numbers must be visible from the front. Race numbers do not need to be worn during the swim segment. Take care not to fold or damage your number!



RULES
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Illegal Equipment

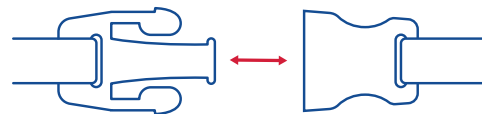
Certain items are banned during the race – this includes MP3 players, mobile phones and personal video recording devices. Leave these outside transition.



RULE
5.2

Helmets

Helmets must be clipped before the bike is touched, and remain done up until the bike is racked after the cycle stage.



RULE
5.5

Drafting

Competitors must keep their distance from the cyclist in front of them, so as not to gain an advantage.



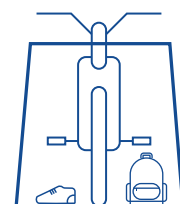
In standard distance and shorter events, the gap between the front wheel of the leading bike, to the front wheel of the following bike should be 10 metres – if overtaking a competitor, you have 20 seconds to pass through their draft zone.

In middle and long distance events, the gap is 12 metres and the time allowed to pass through is 25 seconds.

RULE
7.1

Transition

Competitors should only bring into transition what is needed – a small bag can remain but large, bulky boxes are to be taken out of transition whilst the race is live.



Available to download from www.britishtriathlon.org





DRAFTING RULES EXPLAINED

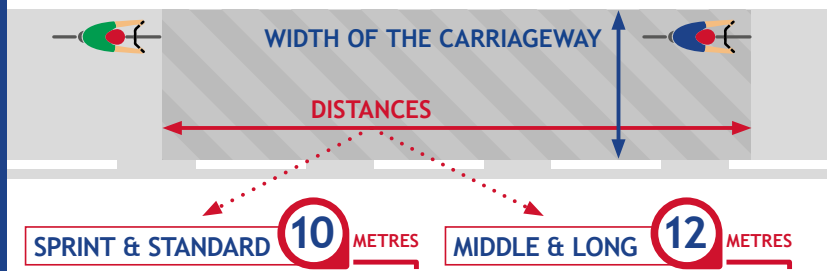
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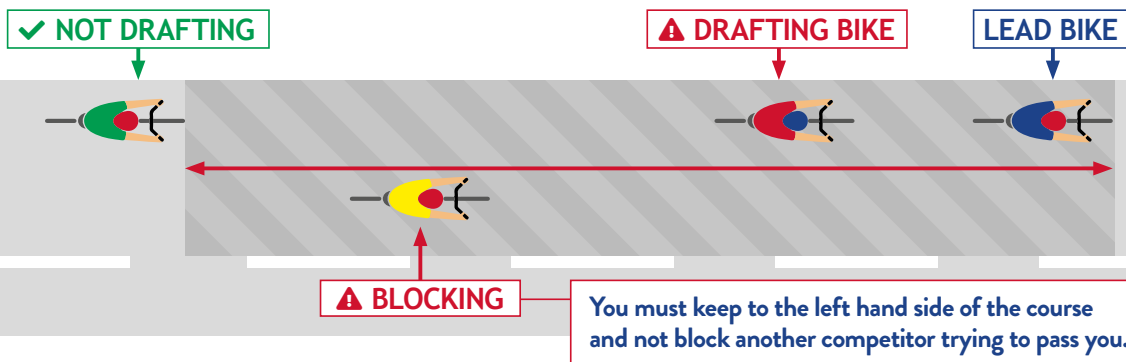
IT'S AGAINST THE RULES

Taking shelter behind another competitor or motor vehicle during the bike phase to gain a competitive advantage.

THE DRAFTING ZONE



DRAFTING & NOT DRAFTING



MAKING A PASS

You may enter the draft zone to make a pass within the time allowed.



If the pass cannot be made you must drop back. Any overtaken cyclist must drop back once passed.



OTHER VEHICLES

You must remain **12 metres** behind motorcycles and **35 metres** behind other vehicles to prevent drafting.

PENALTIES

	1st Offence	2nd Offence	3rd Offence
SPRINT	1 MIN PENALTY	DISQUALIFICATION	N/A
STANDARD	2 MINS PENALTY	DISQUALIFICATION	N/A
MIDDLE / LONG	5 MINS PENALTY	5 MINS PENALTY	DISQUALIFICATION

! Motorcycle Officials do not have to provide a warning about drafting for safety reasons.

What is Age-Group Triathlon?

The non-elite format of the sport is known as Age-Group competition. Age-Group allows athletes to compete for medals and titles against fellow competitors within pre-defined age group categories. These age group categories are divided by gender and age and are set apart by five year age bands, from 20-24 upwards to 80+.

There are also Tri Stars, Youth and Junior categories from ages 8 through to 19, with international competition starting at age 16 for sprint distances and 18 for standard distance and long distance. For international age-group competitions and age-group qualification all 16-19 year olds will be grouped as one Under 20 age category.

The age band category that you fall into depends on your age on December 31st in the year of competition. Example: If you are 35 on December 29th 2019 then for the whole of 2019 you will compete in the 35-39 age groups.

Key Category	Age	Key Category	Age
TSS Tri Star Start	8	H Veterans 1	40-44
TS1 Tri Stars 1	9-10	I Veterans 2	45-49
TS2 Tri Stars 2	11-12	J Veterans 3	50-54
TS3 Tri Stars 3	13-14	K Veterans 4	55-59
		L Veterans 5	60-64
A Youth A	15-16	M Veterans 6	65-69
B Youth B	17	N Veterans 7	70-74
C Juniors C	18-19	P Veterans 8	75-79
		Q Veterans 9	80+
D Seniors 1	20-24		
E Seniors 2	25-29		
F Seniors 3	30-34		
G Seniors 4	35-39		



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