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AZORES BRAVOS TRAIL® 2024 REGULATIONS

VERY IMPORTANT

- It is necessary to have the appropriate physical condition for the characteristics of this tough race, which combines at the same time high mileage, long duration, mountainous and muddy terrain, unevenness, wet and rainy climate, etc.
- By registering, you fully agree to these rules.
- It is essential to drink from all supplies and eat properly.
- Registration is personal and non-transferable and is accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.
- The veracity of the data provided is the responsibility of the athlete, including for insurance purposes.
- In case an athlete is unable to participate in the event, the Organization will comply with the refund that is defined in the regulation.
- After September 5, 2024, it is not allowed to change data in the registration, nor is the Organization obliged to return any registration fee.
- Stay on the track.
- Preserve the flora and avoid disturbing the fauna.
- Do not throw garbage or other traces of passage.
- Be friendly to the people you meet throughout the race.
- Given the imperative need to preserve a natural heritage of enormous richness, we want them to enjoy it, respecting and protecting it in full communion with nature. For the same reason, we inform you that liquid supplies will not be supplied through plastic bottles or cups. Each athlete is responsible for taking with them the container(s) they deem most suitable for their hydration (preferably also serving for hot drinks).
- The Organization reserves the right to accept last-minute registrations.
- This Regulation is subject to change.
- This race is part of the Trail Running Circuit of Terceira Island, organized by the Athletics Association of Terceira Island; the National Circuit, of the Trail Running Association of Portugal; score for the National League, from the International Trail Running Association; and for the INDEX score of the Ultra Trail Mont-Blanc race.

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1. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

- The Azores Bravos Trail® (AzBT®) is a competitive *Trail-Running event* organized by the Athletics Association of Terceira Island (AAIT), in partnership with the Regional Government of the Azores and the Municipalities of Angra do Heroísmo and Praia da Vitória, and which includes five races: **Azores Bravos Trail® 100K (AzBT®_100)**, **Azores Bravos Trail® 65K (AzBT®_65)**, **Azores Bravos Trail® 35K (AzBT®_35)**, **Azores Bravos Trail® 15K (AzBT®_15)** and **Azores Bravos Trail® Walk (AzBT®_C)**, all of them in linear, **non-stop** format.

- This event consists of the following events:

Approximate distance	Start (starting location)	D+	D-
101 km (AzBT®_100)	Viewpoint of Facho - Praia da Vitória	+3.952 m	-3.972 m
68 km (AzBT®_65)	Church Street - Agualva	+2.754 m	-2.856 m
36 km (AzBT®_35)	Natural pool - Biscoitos	+1.590 m	-1.550 m
15 km (AzBT®_15)	Largo do Terreiro - Posto Santo	+660 m	-830 m
15 km (AzBT®_C)	Largo do Terreiro – Posto Santo	+660 m	-830 m

Table 1 – Generic test description

1.1 Minimum age of participation in the different events

- The minimum age to participate in the event is 14 years old in the AzBT®_C; 16 years in AzBT®_15; and 20 years old in the remaining races, done until December 31, 2024.

- Youth or Junior athletes, as minors, must provide proof of the authorization of the guardian in a signed statement, available for download in www.azoresbravostrail.com and to be delivered, at the event secretariat when picking up the kit.

1.2 Athlete's Commitment to Register

- By subscribing to AzBT® I agree to the following:

- I declare that I have read and understood the AzBT® Regulation (available at www.azoresbravostrail.com);
- I understand and approve the conditions of participation set out in the AzBT® Regulation.
- I agree to respect all items of the AzBT® Regulation;

- I agree to scrupulously respect and promote ethics.
- I declare to be aware of the medical contraindications that this test may trigger, and consequently release the Organization from any responsibility for any medical problem that may arise during the event due to negligence on my part.
- I have read and understood and agree that in the event of a false declaration in my ITRA profile, the Organization reserves the right to cancel my registration without refunding the fees paid;
- I agree to the processing of my personal data as mentioned in Data Protection.
- I acknowledge that I will receive from the Organization, communications that are essential for my participation in the event and for my safety, whether by correspondence, e-mail, messages, or any other electronic communication services.
- In fact, by clicking on the registration confirmation field, the athlete expresses the respective agreement (**Term of Responsibility**) regarding the conditions, terms and rules of registration and participation in the races, in accordance with the provisions of this regulation, which is equivalent to declaring the following:

Term of responsibility

I have read and agree with the Azores Bravos Trail® Regulations, available on the www.azoresbravostrail.com website .

I am aware of my state of health and confirm that I have all the physical and psychological conditions to participate in the race.

I declare to be aware of the medical contraindications that this event may trigger, and consequently release the Organization from any responsibility for any medical problem that may arise during the event, due to negligence on my part.

By participating in the race, I freely and unconditionally authorize the Organization and the partners of the race to use my image. As such, I surrender all rights to use my image, namely captured in photographs and filming that will take place during the tests, renouncing the receipt of any amount that may be earned with its disclosure in support communication pieces.

I participate in the race of my own free will, exempting the Organization, partners, directors, employees, and other companies linked to the Organization from the proof of any liability resulting from my participation, before, during and after it, namely about the loss or deterioration of personal belongings due to theft, damage, or any other reasons not attributable to the Organization.

I acknowledge that I will receive from the Organization, communications that are essential for my participation in the event and for my safety, whether by correspondence, e-mail, messages, or any other electronic communication services.

I know the conditions for canceling the race that I accept in full.

1.3 Application Requirements

- Registration is made exclusively on the website of the platform indicated by the Organization, and the [link for registration](#) is evident on the website of the Azores Bravos Trail® event.
- Payment is made through an ATM reference or another method available on the electronic registration platform.
- The Term of Responsibility is mandatory for all athletes and is accepted by the athlete during the registration process.

1.4 Physical conditions

Athletes must:

- The competitive course of the competitions requires from the athletes a specific experience and previous training in this type of variant of athletics, as well as a good physical condition and an adequate management of the physical and mental effort that allows them to complete the challenge.
- Be aware of the exclusive responsibility of each athlete in the evaluation of their physical condition, reinforcing that this must be appropriate to the characteristics of the extremely demanding races, which combine the high hardness of the terrain with a considerable unevenness and a long mileage to be fulfilled, in weather conditions that may be adverse, and must also adopt special duties of care when passing areas with precipices and uneven and slippery surfaces.
- Assess their real self-sufficiency skills in the mountains that allow them to react appropriately in the management of problems intrinsic to this type of events, such as changes in atmospheric conditions, as well as in the ability to be autonomous between two supply points, not only in food, but also in clothing and safety.
- Athletes will have to know how to face physical and mental problems resulting from extreme fatigue, digestive problems, joint problems, and muscle pain, etc.
- Be aware that it is not the Organization's role to help a participant overcome these problems and that this depends mainly on their ability to adapt to the problematic situations arising from this type of event.
- For your safety, the Organization suggests carrying out a sports medical examination that attests to your fitness to perform this type of physical activity.

1.5 External Help / Personal Assistance

- External aid to athletes is allowed only at the official supply sites and in order not to interfere with the access of other athletes to the supplies.
- It is forbidden to accompany the athletes during the course.
- All outside help outside the properly signposted places is strictly prohibited.

1.6 Harness placement

- The bib number is personal and, as such, is non-transferable, and must be placed and kept in a very visible way throughout the race, on clothing in the chest, abdomen, or waist area, and cannot be fixed on the leg, back or backpack.
- Failure to comply with these rules is subject to penalties, according to article 2.11.

1.7 Rules of Sporting Conduct

- AzBT® is an event that promotes and privileges, above all, fair play and absolute respect for the environment.
- It is critical that athletes help anyone in distress and alert the nearest checkpoint or contact the Organization.
- The Organization reserves the right to exclude from the race, even before its start, any athlete who, through his/her behavior, conditions the management and/or proper functioning of the event. If this occurs, the athlete will not be refunded.
- Unsportsmanlike conduct shall be sanctioned according to its degree of seriousness, as stipulated in Article 2.11.

2. EVENT

2.1 Presentation of event / Organization

- AAIT, with the NIPC 512056412 and headquarters in the Corte Reais 30-F Building, located at Estrada Gaspar Corte-Real, 9700-030, parish of Sé, in Angra do Heroísmo, is the organizing entity of the event called 'Azores Bravos Trail®', 5th edition, which will take place on October 5, 2024, on Terceira Island, with absolute respect for the environment.
- The official website of the event and the contacts of the Organization are as follows:
 - Website oficial: www.azoresbravostrail.com;
 - E-mail for registration-related matters: geral@stopandgo.com.pt;
 - E-mail for various subjects: azoresbravostrail@gmail.com;
 - AAIT general telephone number - 295 217 623.
- The number of athletes in AzBT® will be approximately 600 athletes, in total for the five events.

- The number (rounded) of entries per race:
 - AzBT®_100: approximately 50 athletes;
 - AzBT®_65: approximately 120 athletes;
 - AzBT®_35: approximately 230 athletes;
 - AzBT®_15 and AzBT®_C: approximately 200 athletes.
- The Organization reserves the right to exceed the number of vacancies, to meet its commitments to members and organizers of AzBT® and to the official partners of the event.
- The Organization also reserves the right to reduce the number of places for security reasons or for any other reason that may affect the proper functioning of the race. All changes will be announced, in advance, on the *event's* official website and social networks.
- The routes of the five AzBT® races cross areas belonging to the municipalities of Angra do Heroísmo and Praia da Vitória.
- For reasons of force majeure, routes and timetables may be altered.

2.2 Program / Schedule

- **February 01, 2024**
 - Registration opens.
- **September 15, 2024**
 - Registration closes (if not previously sold out).
- **September 18, 2024**
 - Broadcast of the Azores Bravos Trail® 2024 briefing through social media.
- **October 3, 2024**
 - **2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.** – Check-in (location: *Manuel Coelho Baptista de Lima Military History Museum Center* – Angra do Heroísmo)
- **October 4, 2024**
 - **13:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.** – Check-in (location: *Manuel Coelho Baptista de Lima Military History Museum Center* – Angra do Heroísmo)
 - **10:00 p.m.** – Concentration in Angra do Heroísmo (Cerrado do Bailão) for transfer of the AzBT®_100;
 - **10:15 p.m.** – Bus transfer from Angra do Heroísmo (Cerrado do Bailão) to Praia da Vitória, with the Athletes of the AzBT®_100 race (approximately 30m trip), only for athletes who check this option at the time of registration.

- **October 5, 2024**

- **00:00 a.m.** – Start of the AzBT®_100 race, at Miradouro do Facho, in Praia da Vitória;
- **05:45 a.m.** – Concentration in Angra do Heroísmo (Cerrado do Bailão) for transfer of the AzBT®_65;
- **06:00 a.m.** – Transport by bus from Angra do Heroísmo (Cerrado do Bailão) to Agualva, with the athletes of the AzBT®_65 race (trip of approximately 30m), only for athletes who tick this option at the time of registration);
- **06:00 a.m.** – Concentration in Praia da Vitória (Hotel Praia Marina) for transfer of the AzBT®_65;
- **06:15 a.m.** – Transportation by bus from Praia da Vitória (Hotel Praia Marina) to Agualva, with the athletes of the race AzBT®_65 (trip of approximately 15m), only for athletes who check this option at the time of registration);
- **07:50 a.m.** – Concentration in Angra do Heroísmo (Cerrado do Bailão) for transfer of the AzBT®_35;
- **07:50 a.m.** – Concentration in Praia da Vitória (Hotel Praia Marina) for transfer of the AzBT®_35;
- **08:00 a.m.** - Start of the AzBT®_65 race, at Rua da Igreja, in Agualva;
- **08:00 a.m.** - Transport by bus from Angra do Heroísmo (Cerrado do Bailão) to the Bathing Area of Biscoitos, with the athletes of the AzBT®_35 race (journey of approximately 40m), only for athletes who check this option at the time of registration);
- **08:00 a.m.** – Transport by bus from Praia da Vitória (Hotel Praia Marina) to the Biscoitos Bathing Area, with the athletes of the AzBT®_35 race (approximately 40m trip), only for athletes who check this option at the time of registration);
- **09:00 a.m.** – Concentration in Praia da Vitória (Hotel Praia Marina) for transfer of the AzBT®_15 and AzBT®_C;
- **09:10 a.m.** – Transport by bus from Praia da Vitória (Hotel Praia Marina) to Largo do Terreiro, in Posto Santo, with the athletes of the AzBT®_15 and AzBT®_C race (approximately 40m trip), only for athletes who check this option at the time of registration);
- **09:30 a.m.** – Concentration in Angra do Heroísmo (Cerrado do Bailão) to transfer the AzBT®_15 and AzBT®_C;
- **09:40 a.m.** – Transport by bus from Angra do Heroísmo (Cerrado do Bailão) to Largo do Terreiro, in Posto Santo, with the athletes of the AzBT®_15 and AzBT®_C race (approximately 15m trip), only for athletes who check this option at the time of registration);
- **10:00 a.m.** - Start of the AzBT®_35 race, in the Biscoitos Bathing Area.
- **11:00 a.m.** - Departure of the AzBT®_15 and AzBT®_C races, at Largo do Terreiro, at Posto Santo.
- **to be announced** – Awards ceremony at the Relvão Municipal Park (Angra do Heroísmo).

- **NOTE:** For reasons of force majeure, times and locations may change.

2.3 Distances / Altimetry / Categorization

Races	Distance	D+	D-	Category ATRP	ITRA Points	UTMB INDEX
AzBT®_100	101,5 km	+3.952 m	-3.972 m	Ultra Trail Long	ITRA 4	100 km
AzBT®_65	67,8 km	+2.754 m	-2.856 m	Medium Ultra Trail	ITRA 3	50 km
AzBT®_35	36,5 km	+1.590 m	-1.550 m	Long Trail	ITRA 2	50 km
AzBT®_15	15,5 km	+660 m	-830 m	Trail Sprint	ITRA 0	20 km
AzBT®_C	15,5 km	+660 m	-830 m	Hike	-	-

Table 2 – Description of distance, race altimetry and categorization

2.4 Map / Altimetry profile / Route description

- Maps, altimetry and technical data are set out in the Annexes to this Regulation.
- AzBT® routes are mostly composed of paths, trails, holm oaks, unpaved forest roads and asphalt extensions. The routes use public roads, whether on-road or off-road, cross sites and towns and use utility accesses that pass through private properties. The courses will not, therefore, be closed for the races and in this sense the athletes must consider the fact that there may be vehicles, people and animals circulating in one direction and the other on the courses of the races.
- The race routes cross some roads and sometimes cross them perpendicularly. The crossing should deserve the utmost attention from the athletes.
- There will be places on the courses where there may be gates or gates that athletes will have to jump, cross, open and close. Whenever an athlete comes across a gate or gate closed, they must leave it the way they found it, that is, closed.
- The Organization will make available *the tracks* of the race routes, in GPX and KML format. However, the signage placed on the ground will always prevail.
- The Organization will mark the route with signal tapes, flags and vertical signs. It is imperative to follow the signposted paths without taking shortcuts. Athletes, if they fail to see the signage for approximately 200 meters, must turn back until they find the respective signage again. Common sense must prevail.

2.5 Timeout

- AzBT® is an event that integrates five single-stage tests, with an execution time limit of:

Distance	Time limit
101,5 km (AzBT®_100)	24h00
67,8 km (AzBT®_65)	15h00
36,5 km (AzBT®_35)	8h00
15,5 km (AzBT®_15 e AzBT®_15C)	6h00

Table 3 – Description of test time limit

- The time barriers are calculated to allow the athletes to reach the finish line within the time limit imposed, already accounting for possible stops (rest, supplies, etc.). All Supply and Control Stations (PAC) will have time barriers, as shown in the table:

Time Controls Refueling and Control Stations		AzBT®_100	AzBT®_65	AzBT®_35	AzBT®_15 AzBT®_C
PAC1	Serra do Cume	9,3 km » 02h30	---	---	---
PAC2	Passagem das Bestas	19,8 km » 05h00	---	---	---
PAC3	Golf	31,7 km » 08h00	---	---	---
PAC4	Algar do Carvão	41,4 km » 10h00	8,2 km » 10h00	---	---
PAC5	Mistérios Negros (Pico Gaspar)	50,4 km » 12h00	17,2 km » 12h00	---	---
PAC6	Biscoitos → Life Base	61,7 km » 15h00	28,5 km » 15h00	---	---
PAC7	Cova do Vimieiro	72,5 km » 17h30	39,3 km » 17h30	8,1 km » 12h00	---
PAC8	Furnas do Enxofre	85,7 km » 20h30	52,5 km » 20h00	21,3 km » 15h00	---
PAC9	Nasce Água	95,6 km » 23h00	62,4 km » 22h00	31,2 km » 17h00	10,1 km » 15h30
PAC10	Finish (Relvão)	101,5 km » 24h00	67,2 km » 23h00	36,5 km » 18h00	15,5 km » 17h00

Table 4 – Description of time control and refuelling and control stations (approximate distances)

- To be allowed to continue in the race, athletes must leave the PAC before its closure, otherwise they will be prevented from proceeding and, consequently, will be disqualified.
- Any athlete excluded from the race and who wishes to continue, can only do so by cancelling their bib number with the Organization, proceeding under their own responsibility and in complete autonomy.
- For reasons of force majeure (weather and/or safety), the Organization reserves the right to change the time barriers.

2.6 Time control methodology

- An electronic time control system will be used. In several Checkpoints there may be an electronic station that will register the passage of the athletes.
- The *chip* delivered at *check-in* makes it possible to register the athlete's ticket.
- In addition to the electronic control, there will also be electronic/manual control of the passage at the control and security posts that will be at some strategic points of the route.
- The starting area will be demarcated with metal barriers. Athletes will have to enter this area in the places marked for chip control. No athlete may enter the starting area without checking the *chip*.
- At the beginning of the match, the race direction clock will start counting at the established time, with or without the presence of the athletes. Athletes who are not present until 15 minutes after the start or who present themselves beyond this period, will be prevented from starting and, as such, will not be classified.

2.7 Supply and Control Stations (PAC)

- The Checkpoints are mandatory crossing points and are in places delineated by the Organization. In each of these controls there will be a person in charge of the Organization.

- Failure to control one or more checkpoints will lead to the disqualification of the athlete.
- During the race there may be "*surprise controls*" to ensure full compliance with the course. Their position, of course, will not be communicated by the Organization.
- Abandonments must be made solely and exclusively in the PACs referred to in point 2.5 – Table 4. In the event of an accident or injury in which the athlete is immobilized and cannot reach a PAC, he/she must activate the rescue operation by contacting the Organization.
- The Organization's contact number, for emergency purposes, will be printed on the athlete's bib and must also be recorded in advance on the athlete's mobile phone.
- The Organization reserves the right to change the course and position of the PACs at any time without prior notice. In case of severe weather conditions, the start may be delayed by a maximum of two hours, after which the race is canceled. There will be no right to a refund.
- During the race, in case of adverse weather, and for safety reasons, the Organization reserves the right to modify the time barriers and/or to suspend, reduce, neutralize, or stop the race. There will be no right to a refund.

2.8 Locations of supplies

- The PAC will provide athletes with food and drink to be consumed on site. Although other drinks will be available on site, only water and isotonic will be provided to fill the athletes' tanks.
- There will be first aid positioned in all PAC. It is essential that athletes help anyone in danger by alerting the nearest PAC and/or contacting the Organization.
- Athletes must abide by the decisions of the medical staff and may be eliminated from competition if their injury or physical/psychological wear and tear compromises their health or life.

2.9 Required and Recommended Material / Material Checks

- During the competition, all athletes must be accompanied by all the mandatory material that they can use (if necessary). At any time during the race, the Organization may verify the same. The athlete must accept these controls peacefully, without contesting, under penalty of being excluded from the race, according to the list of penalties in article 2.11.
- The first 5 (five) athletes in the general, male, and female, of all events may be inspected after the conclusion of the same.
- All athletes must be accompanied by all the mandatory material and the one they started with, throughout the race. Depending on the weather conditions, the Organization may announce which mandatory material may be recommended, or vice versa.

- In the AzBT®_100K the sticks can be left or lifted in the Life Base. In all AzBT® races, the poles can also be handed over to your personal assistance at the PACs.
- For safety reasons, it is recommended that athletes check their material to confirm that it is in perfect condition for the race.

MANDATORY MATERIAL	AzBT®_100	AzBT®_65	AzBT®_35	AzBT®_15 AzBT®_C
Bib number (provided by the Organization and visible)	X	X	X	X
Backpack or similar equipment	X	X	X	
Water tank(s) (1 litre minimum combined capacity)	X	X	X	
Water tank(s) (0.5 litre minimum combined capacity)				X
Thermal blanket (min. 100x200 cm)	X	X	X	X
Functional mobile phone	X	X	X	X
Waterproof with hood (10k Schmerber*minimum)	X	X	X	X
Cup	X	X	X	X
Whistle	X	X	X	X
Front + replacement battery(s)	X	X		

Table 5a – Description of mandatory test material

(*) - Waterproof measurement indicator

RECOMMENDED MATERIAL	AzBT®_100	AzBT®_65	AzBT®_35	AzBT®_15 AzBT®_C
Backpack or similar equipment				X
Power reserve	X	X	X	
Elastic band or bandage (min. 100x6 cm)	X	X	X	X
Medications (e.g., sun lotion, anti-friction lotion)	X	X	X	X
Change of clothes	X	X		
Identification document	X	X	X	X
Canes	X	X	X	
Backup front	X	X		
Rear red light	X	X		
Head protection (buff, hat or cap)	X	X	X	X

Table 5b – Description of recommended test material

2.10 Information on the passage of places with road traffic

- Since there will be no road traffic cut, athletes must comply with traffic rules in localities and roads for public use, as well as respect agricultural areas and private properties, under penalty of having to assume potential damages and compensation resulting from their non-compliance.

2.11 Penalties and Sanctions / Disqualifications

- The implementation of the rules and penalties that govern AzBT® so that it runs normally will be the responsibility of the following entities: staff, doctors, nurses, organizers, supervisors, and managers/heads of the PAC.

- The race director, based on his own judgment, has the right to disqualify or not allow the permanence in the race of athletes who, at any time, are in one of the following situations:

- Physical or mental health problems.
- Abuse or intentional violation of these regulations.
- Unsportsmanlike behavior.
- Excessive alcohol intake.
- Participation in the race under the influence of hallucinogenic drugs.
- Express gross disdain for laws, religions, and customs.
- Show signs of gross contempt against traffic regulations.

- The race direction and the PAC leaders are responsible for the application of the rules and regulations that govern the race, and are therefore authorized to apply the penalties and disqualifications established in the table below:

INFRACTION (from the most to the least burdensome)		SANCTION TO BE APPLIED
Not helping an athlete who needs help		Disqualification and eradication of future editions
Abandon the race without notifying the Organization		Disqualification and eradication of future editions
Sharing the bib number with someone else		Disqualification and eradication of future editions
Use paths other than those marked for the race, intentionally shortening the route		Disqualification and eradication of future editions
Using unauthorized transportation (hitchhiking)		Disqualification and eradication of future editions
Serious disrespect for this regulation, the Organization, rescue agents, security agents or other athletes (aggression or insult)		Disqualification and eradication of future editions
Remove signs from the route		Disqualification and eradication of future editions
Doping		Disqualification and eradication of future editions
Falsification of any element at the time of registration		Disqualification and eradication of future editions
Disobey the security measures indicated by the Organization and associated entities		Disqualification
Refusing to submit to medical evaluations		Disqualification
Refuse to submit the mandatory material when requested by the Organization		Disqualification
Not having mandatory material		Disqualification
Exceeding the time limit in PACs with a time barrier		Disqualification
Miss one or more Checkpoints		Disqualification
Loss of chip and/or bib number		Disqualification
Asking for help without a well-founded need		Disqualification
Be accompanied by animals		Disqualification
Throwing garbage on the ground and/or damaging the environment		Disqualification
Use paths other than those marked for the race if they do not represent intentional shortcuts		1 Hour Penalty
Receive external help outside the areas defined by the Organization		1 Hour Penalty
Modifying, folding, or concealing advertising material		1 Hour Penalty
Front and/or rear light off at night		1 Hour Penalty
Bib number not visible		30 Minute penalty

Table 6 – Infractions and associated sanctions

2.12 Responsibilities to the Athlete

- Athletes registered in AzBT® agree to participate voluntarily and under their own responsibility in the competition. Therefore, they release, waive, and agree not to claim or demand from the Organization, employees, authorities, sponsors and other athletes, any liability towards them and their heirs, in everything that exceeds the coverage of their responsibilities, that of their employees and athletes.
- The Organization will not be responsible for accidents caused by sudden illness, negligence or negligent ignorance of rules and regulations, as well as for accidents that may occur during the journey to reach the start of the race or after the end of it.

2.13 Insurance

- The Organizer takes out a civil liability insurance for the duration of the event. The purpose of this insurance contract is to guarantee liability which, under civil law, is attributable to the Insured in its capacity as organizer of the event. This insurance guarantees the minimum coverage of your responsibilities, those of your employees and athletes, only in the event of an accident occurring during the race.
- The Organizer contracts a personal accident insurance for all athletes during the duration of the event. Personal accident insurance covers the risk of bodily injury occurring, Permanent disability or death of the athlete, because of an accident that occurred during the race (from the moment the athlete starts the race until he crosses the finish line).
- In the event of an accident, the athlete must first contact the Organization, which will arrange for the referral to the medical institution most appropriate to his/her state of health, along with the claim form with the respective policy number, stamped and signed by the club (policyholder). Sometimes, given the urgency/seriousness of some accidents, it becomes impossible to try to fill out the claim at the time of the accident. In these circumstances, the claim may be dealt with after the athlete has completed first aid.
- The claim must be reported to the insurer within a maximum of eight working days on the date of the claim. After this date, the insurer reserves the right not to accept such participation.
- All expense documents related to a claim already reported will be previously settled by the respective victim (athlete) and their originals sent to the insurer for later reimbursement.
- All expenses are paid by the victim and are then reimbursed by the insurer according to the insurance coverage (except the deductible amount) if the insurance claim is duly made and accepted by the insurer.
- The Organization will not assume the expense of claims of which it did not become aware in a timely manner to activate the insurance. If the athlete is on his own to seek hospital assistance without any knowledge of the Organization, the insurance will not be activated, and the athlete will have to assume 100% of the expenses incurred.

- Although the Organization provides insurance for all athletes, it is advisable that they have a personal insurance that covers the practice of *Trail-Running* and that at the time of assistance, they check which insurance is most advantageous to cover the expenses arising from the situation.

2.14 Changing the route

- The Organization also reserves the right to change or adjust the routes according to possible difficulties that you may encounter until the week of the event, such as not being allowed to pass through private areas, parts of the route that are damaged, and it is not possible to recover them in a timely manner. The Organization will try to preserve as much as possible the distances and unevenness, announced before the opening of registrations. All changes will be announced on *the event's* official website or on the event's social media.

2.15 Cancellation of the event, race or races

- At any time, the Organizer may have to cancel the event, one or more races, due to adverse weather conditions or unsafe conditions; landslide; fire; earthquake; natural disaster; lack of water; power outage; closure of local parks, roads or parts of the route; protests or blockades along the route; mutiny; Strikes; outbreak, escalation of diseases or epidemics or pandemics (including Covid-19); imposition of quarantine or travel bans; acts or threats of terrorism; blockages or clutter; other industrial action; civil commotion; and any legislation, regulation, decision or omission (including failure to grant any required permission) of any government, court, competent national authority or Administrative Body.

- If the cancellation occurs until September 5, 2024, athletes will be partially refunded the amount paid at the time of registration. The amount of the refund will be decided in such a way as to allow the Organization to meet the expenses already incurred and also the irreparable expenses incurred from the date of cancellation. Athletes will be reimbursed as follows:

Cancellation Date	Cashback Percentage
Until 31 July 2024	Maximum of 60%
01 August to 4 September 2024	Maximum of 40%
After 5 September 2024	No refunds

Table 7 – Cancellations and refunds

- If this cancellation occurs after September 5, 2024, the Organization will not refund any amount.

2.16 The following is not allowed

- Defer the subscription to future editions.
- Participate in another AzBT® distance than the one in which the athlete is registered.

- Change of bib number or use of it by someone other than the registered athlete.
- Any athlete who is found with the bib of another athlete during the event, both this one and the real holder of the bib, will both be disqualified and banned from participating in future AzBT® editions.

3. INSCRIPTIONS

- The registration period will run from February 1st to September 5th, 2024 (if they are not sold out).

3.1 Application Process

- On the *Azores Bravos Trail*® website there will be a link to the registration platform. Only registrations made on this platform will be accepted.
- Each athlete must correctly fill out the registration form and pay the registration fee, and the athlete is responsible for the veracity of their data.
- The Organization is not responsible for any denials of responsibility by the insurer(s) resulting from the incorrect insertion of the data in the registration form by the athlete.
- The payment of the registration fee implies a reservation of a place.
- Available means of payment: ATM reference or other payment method applied by the digital registration platform.
- After payment confirmation, the athlete's name will be on the registration list.
- Entries will not be accepted from athletes who are punished by their respective federations due to sanctions applied following anti-doping controls.
- Any further clarification should be requested by e-mail to: azoresbravostrail@gmail.com.
- On the electronic registration platform, in the "extras" tab, in addition to identifying the size of the technical t-shirt, each athlete will be able to associate merchandising products alluding to the event to their registration.

3.2 Registration fees and phases

RACES	Promo Phase Days 01 and 02/02/2024 Or First 300 registrations	Phase 1 03/02/2024 to 02/05/2024	Phase 2 03/05/2024 to 04/08/2024	Phase 3 05/08/2024 to 5/09/2024
AzBT®_100	65,00€	70,00€	85,00€	100,00€
AzBT®_65	40,00€	45,00€	60,00€	80,00€
AzBT®_35	30,00€	35,00€	45,00€	50,00€
AzBT®_15 AzBT®_C	15,00€	20,00€	25,00€	30,00€

Table 8 – Registration fees

- The promotional price will only be considered once payment has been confirmed by 11.59 p.m. on the closing date of the respective phase.
- After the deadline, registrations that do not have a confirmed payment will be updated to the monetary value of the next phase.
- In the same race or distance, for every 5 registrations of the same team with formal payment, the next registration is free.
- The Organization reserves the right to promote other promotional moments of registration in AzBT®.

3.3 Alteration of Race, Cancellation of Registration and Exchange of Registration

- No telephone requests will be accepted. All requests must be made by email: azoresbravostrail@gmail.com.
- The Organization will not "freeze" registrations for future editions.

3.3.1 Conditions of Alteration of Evidence

- Until August 15, 2024, it is allowed to change the test, if there are vacancies available.
- Between August 16 and September 5, 2024, the requested changes have a Administrative fee plus €20.00.
- After September 5, 2024, no race changes are allowed.
- If the change is for a test with a higher registration fee, there will be a payment of the differential, in the values referenced in article 3.2, plus the value of the administrative fee. If the change is for a race with a lower registration fee, there will be no refund of the differential, however, you will always have to pay the administrative fee of €20.00, when carried out in the taxed period.

3.3.2 Unsubscribe

- The athlete may, at any time, request the cancellation of his/her registration.
- Athletes registered in the 2024 edition are entitled to a refund according to the following conditions:

Cancellation Period	Refund Amount
Until 30 June 2024	75% of the application fee will be refunded
01 July to 31 July 2024	60% of the registration fee will be refunded
01 August to 5 September 2024	45% of the registration fee will be refunded
After 6 September 2024	No refund

Table 9 – Cancellation Values

- Commissions paid at the time of registration are not refunded.
- By canceling the registration, the athlete is no longer entitled to the participation kit.

3.3.3 Trial Trade-In

- It is not possible to change races between two athletes registered in different distances.

3.3.4 Material included with the inscription

- Personalized bib with integrated chip.
- Supplies.
- Timing.
- Sports insurance (personal accidents).
- Transportation to the departure (if requested at the time of registration) and to the finish line in case of withdrawal.
- Assistance at a medical center (doctor and nursing team).
- Bag for change of clothes and/or other belongings, for the AzBT®_100 race (same bag for PAC 6 - Biscoitos and finish); Bag only for the finish of the AzBT®_65, AzBT®_35, AzBT®_15 and AzBT®_C races.
- Gift alluding to the event.
- Athlete's Guide - A guide to the race will be made available in digital format. The guide includes practical information such as: route, elevation change, time barriers, checkpoints and refueling, etc.
- Finisher *Award* (only for those who complete the race in which they are registered).

3.4 Race Check-in / Schedule and Venue

3.4.1. The Secretariat of the race will operate in a place defined in the official program [of the Azores Bravos Trail®](#) website and on the social networks of the race ([Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)), on October 3rd and 4th, at the following times.

- 2 p.m. to 9 p.m., October 3, 2024.
- 1:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., October 4, 2024.

(*) In the event of late arrival on Terceira Island, please send an email to azoresbravostrail@gmail.com informing us that you will be checking in late.

3.4.2. Documents/Material to be presented at check-in

- To pick up the bib, athletes must present the following documents/material:

- Identification Document (ID or Passport) used in the registration process.

3.4.3. In-person check-in

- *Check-in* must be done by the athlete.
- Athletes who are unable to *check-in* within the scheduled time, due to late arrival on Terceira Island, may do so after closing time, simply by sending a timely email to the Organization requesting late check-in for the reason of late arrival (azoresbravostrail@gmail.com).
- The athlete, before leaving the Secretariat, must confirm that the material received is correct, namely: bib, gift alluding to the event, etc.

3.4.4. Third-party athlete kit pick-up

- If the athlete is unable to go in person to the Secretariat or cannot participate in the race and without having cancelled the registration, the athlete may authorize a third party to pick up the participation kit. To do this, you will need to download the form from the website, fill it out and sign it. This must be presented at *check-in* along with a copy of the ID used for registration.
- The Organization may also facilitate the sending of the participation kit by postal mail or other means of distribution, if requested by the athlete until October 15, 2024, and after paying all the expenses inherent to said shipment (postal packaging + postage) plus an administrative fee of €15.00. The shipment will be made within seven working days.

3.5. Services Offered

3.5.1. Services included in the registration

- Personal accident insurance in accordance with the conditions described in article 2.13.
- Supply of solids and liquids, while in competition, at the designated stations.
- Medical assistance during the race.
- Transport from Angra do Heroísmo and Praia da Vitória to the starting point of your race. (As requested at the time of registration if you need transportation for the match);
- Transportation to the arrival from a PAC, in case of withdrawal or being prevented by the Organization from continuing in the race.

- Arrival meal (subject to the restrictive measures to combat the Covid-19 pandemic that may exist on the date of the event).

4. CATEGORIES & AWARDS

4.1 Definition of the date, place and time of the awards ceremony

- The awards ceremony will take place on Saturday, October 5, at a time to be decided, in the Relvão Municipal Park (Angra do Heroísmo).

Rankings and Awards

- The different four races will be won by the competitors who add up the shortest time at the end of them, plus the appropriate penalties, if any.
- For the four races, only the athletes who prove their passage through all the Checkpoints (manual registration and/or timing system) and cross the finish line within the stipulated time, will be classified.
- The team classification will be determined based on the three best classifications of the respective athletes. To determine the collective results, it is important that the name of the team is uniform among all the athletes of that same team! No changes will be made after the start of the race.
- There will be no cash prizes.
- The Organization may facilitate the receipt, at AAIT, or sending trophies, arrival prizes or other elements by postal mail or other means of distribution, provided that it is requested by the athlete until November 30, 2024 and after paying all expenses inherent to said shipment (postal packaging + postage) plus an administrative fee of €15.00. The shipment will be made within seven working days.
- For each race there will be an individual female and male classification overall, by class and collective, as follows:

AzBT® Races	Male	Female
General	Trophy for the top 3	Trophy for the top 3
All Tiers	Top 3 Prize	Top 3 Prize
Collective	Trophy for the top 3 teams	

Table 10 – Prizes

4.2 Definition of age categories, gender, individuals, and teams

- The age categories will be defined automatically according to the data provided by the athletes at the time of registration, and with reference to the age that the athlete will be on October 31, 2024.
- To obtain collective classification, the teams must be formed by 3 practitioners. To determine the collective results, it is important that the name of the team is uniform among all the athletes of that same team! No changes will be made after the start of the race.
- In the AzBT®_C race, age groups will not apply.

4.2.1. Categories AzBT®_15:

- Juveniles M/F – 16 to 17 years old.
- Juniors M/F – 18 to 19 years old.
- Under-23 M/F – 20 to 22 years old.
- Seniors M/F - 23 to 34 years old.
- Vet. M35 / F35 - 35 to 39 years old.
- Vet. M40 / F40 – 40 to 44 years old.
- Vet. M45 / F45 - 45 to 49 years old.
- Vet. M50 / F50 – 50 to 54 years old.
- Vet. M55 / F55 – 55 to 59 years old.
- Vet. M60 / F60 – 60 to 64 years old.
- Vet. M65 / F65 – 65 to 69 years old.
- Vet. M70+ / F70+ - from 70 years old (inclusive).

4.2.2. Categories AzBT®_100 / AzBT®_65 / AzBT®_35:

- Under-23 M/F – 20 to 22 years old.
- Seniors M/F - 23 to 34 years old.
- Vet. M35 / F35 - 35 to 39 years old.
- Vet. M40 / F40 – 40 to 44 years old.
- Vet. M45 / F45 - 45 to 49 years old.
- Vet. M50 / F50 – 50 to 54 years old.
- Vet. M55 / F55 – 55 to 59 years old.
- Vet. M60 / F60 – 60 to 64 years old.
- Vet. M65 / F65 – 65 to 69 years old.
- Vet. M70+ / F70+ - from 70 years old (inclusive).

4.3 Deadline for Claiming Ratings

- All complaints must be made in writing and sent to the race director, accompanied by a security deposit of €30.00 (non-refundable if the complaint is rejected) within two hours of the arrival of the athlete in question. The complaint must include the name of the complainant, ID number or passport, name of the athlete(s) affected, bib number and alleged reasons. Provisional ratings can also be complained about within 30 minutes of their publication.
- The Appeal Jury, which will analyze the complaint, will consist of:
 - Director of Competition;
 - Juiz Referee;
 - A representative of a trail running association/federation. In their absence, a personality of recognized merit in the field of Trail Running will be chosen.
- The list of people who make up the Jury will be posted in the Secretariat before the start of the competition.
- The Jury will pronounce before the official results are posted.

5. IMAGE AND PUBLICITY RIGHTS

- The athlete authorizes the processing of voice and/or image data captured during the event, assigning the rights over them to the Organizer for ten years, free of charge and without the need for prior consultation on the forms of use, the Organizer always acting in good faith and in accordance with its Law and Principles. The purpose of the processing is the historical archive, promotion, and dissemination of the event in the various media available, namely posters, *flyers*, exclusive merchandising products of AzBT®, social networks, websites, television, radio, and other equivalents. Only the Organization can pass this image right to the Media via an accreditation or adapted license.
- The Organization exclusively owns the advertising and commercial rights of the races and is responsible for negotiating and administering such rights on behalf and in the interest of all athletes, sponsors, partners, and other entities. The Organization has the exclusive right to receive, retain and distribute all revenues from the exploitation of commercial and advertising rights. All contracts or commercial agreements relating to the commercial exploitation of events must be scrupulously respected by the athletes. Athletes must make every effort to ensure the fulfilment of the obligations assumed in this area by the Organization.
- There will be accreditation of journalists, photographers, and audiovisuals, which grants them access to restricted locations and limited image capture, as stipulated by the Organizer.
- It is mandatory to use the advertising material provided by the Organization, (bibs, stickers, etc.). Modifying, folding, or concealing advertising material will be subject to penalty.
- Unless expressly authorized by the Organization, it is expressly forbidden for the athlete, during the period of the Race,

to display advertising, in any form, and to promote companies, products, goods, equipment or services.

- The athlete is responsible for any charges arising from the personal use, during the race and at its end, of trademarks, patents, or licenses of intellectual property rights.
- If the Organization is sued for having infringed any of the rights mentioned in the previous point, the athlete is obliged to indemnify the Organization for all expenses that, as a result, it must make and all the amounts that it must pay for any reason.

6. DATA PROTECTION

- Collection and processing of personal data – (Art. 13(1)(a) of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR))

The athletes' data collected within the scope of the registration in one of the AzBT® events through the platform of the company contracted for this purpose, will be registered for the needs of the Organization and to identify each athlete, to be communicated information related to their participation before, during or after the event. Filling in the data indicated as mandatory is necessary to be able to participate in the event.

- Data Protection Officer – (Art. 13 para. 1 lit. b GDPR)

The contact details of the Organization's Data Protection Officer (DPO) are: azoresbravostrail@gmail.com.

- Purpose of the processing of personal data – (Art. 13(1)(c) GDPR)

The data processing operations carried out by the Organization are part of one or more specific purposes, and the consent of the data subject and the processing is considered necessary to:

- Communication of informational, promotional, and commercial information to the athlete before, during or after the event.
- The personal data collected may also be processed for statistical purposes, for information dissemination or promotional actions and for communication actions, through direct communication, whether by correspondence, email, messages, or any other electronic communications service. However, prior information and the collection of express authorization for the latter purposes are always ensured, and users may, at any time, exercise their right to oppose the use of their personal data for other purposes that go beyond the management of the relationship with the Organizer within the scope of the event.

- Data retention – (Art. 13(2)(a) GDPR)

The athlete's data is kept in the database for a maximum period of 3 years. This period is renewable for each registration, relating to matters of the insurance of the race. After 3 years, and unless the runner authorizes the Organization to keep their data, all data is deleted except the athlete's surname, first name, date of birth, gender, and nationality to maintain the classification.

- Recipients of personal data – (Art. 13(1)(e) GDPR)

For the purposes of sports insurance, personal data will be transferred to the insurance company that the Organization has contracted, namely: name, gender, NIF, citizen card, date of birth, nationality, address, email, and mobile phone.

For timing the race, personal data will be transferred to the timing entity that the Organization has hired, namely: name, gender, category, date of birth, citizen card, email, mobile phone, emergency contacts and nationality.

- Your rights – (Art. 13(2)(b) GDPR)

In accordance with the GDPR (EU GDPR 2016/679), any athlete can exercise their right to access, rectify or cancel their personal data by sending an email to azoresbravostrail@gmail.com.

- Any request for access to or modification of personal data will be processed as soon as possible and within 1 month of receipt.

7. INFORMATION

Bags for changing clothes and/or other belongings

- Athletes in the **AzBT®_100** races will be provided with a tag to identify the change bag and/or other belongings, which will be forwarded to the PAC that will be located in Biscoitos and later to the finish area.

- For the **AzBT®_65**, **AzBT®_35** and **AzBT®_15** the bag, duly identified with the test label, will be sent directly to the finish area. The athlete's hand over the bag at the starting area, which will be returned to them at the finish area upon presentation of the bib. It can be picked up earlier if it is already in the bag collection area.

- It is not allowed to put sticks inside the bag.

- The Organization does not assume any responsibility for the contents of these bags.

- The Organization will not carry anything other than the bag that will be provided by the Organization.

- The collection of the bag must be done until 00:30 am on October 6 at the Municipal Park of Relvão (Angra do Heroísmo). Those who do not collect the bag, the Organization may facilitate its shipment by postal mail or other means of distribution if it is requested by the athlete and after paying all the expenses inherent to said shipment (postal packaging + postage) plus an administrative fee of €15.00. The deadline for the request to send the bag will be October 30, 2024. After this date, the material that is in good condition will be donated, and the rest will be thrown in the trash. The shipment will be made within seven working days.

Modifications

- These rules may be edited, amended, or improved at any time by the organizer, without prior notice until August 31, 2024. Each time this regulation is modified, it will be indicated in the line reserved for the version of the document and its updated date, as ex: Regulation (v.02.24 – 2024-07-16).

Other

- The Jury will decide on all matters related to the event and that have not been subject to regulation or on misinterpretations of these regulations.

ANNEX I

AzBT®_100 – TECHNICAL FEATURES

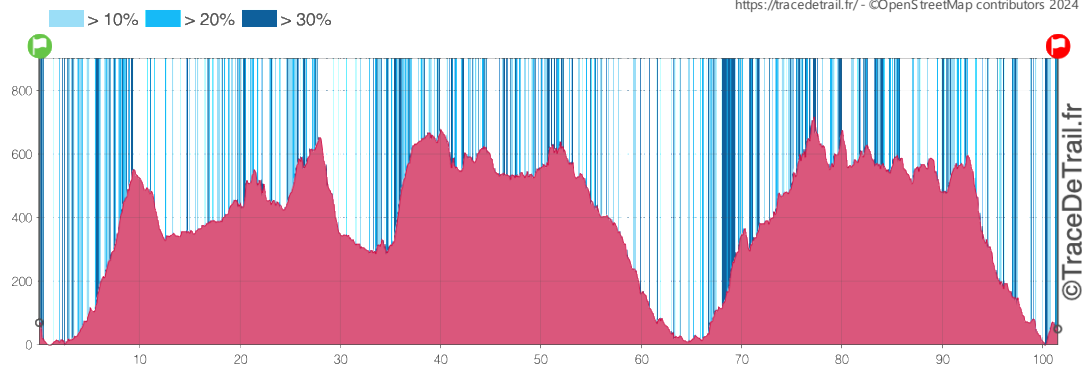


Azores Bravos Trail 2024 - 100K

101.53 km 3952 m 3972 m



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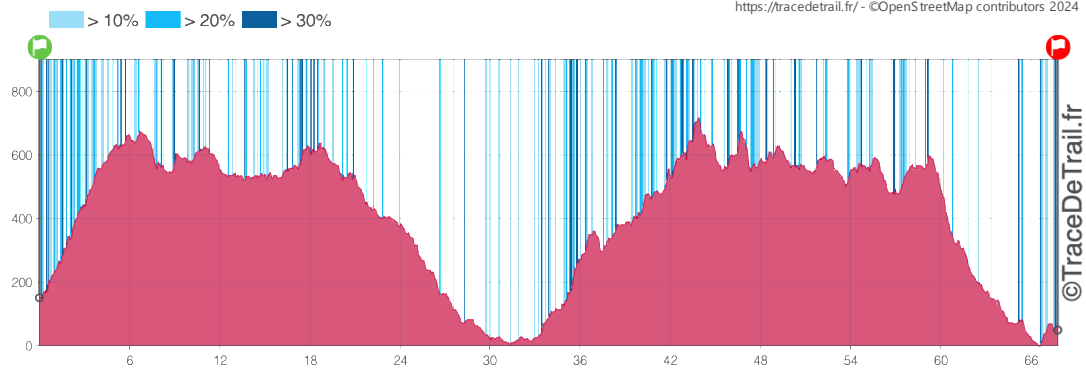
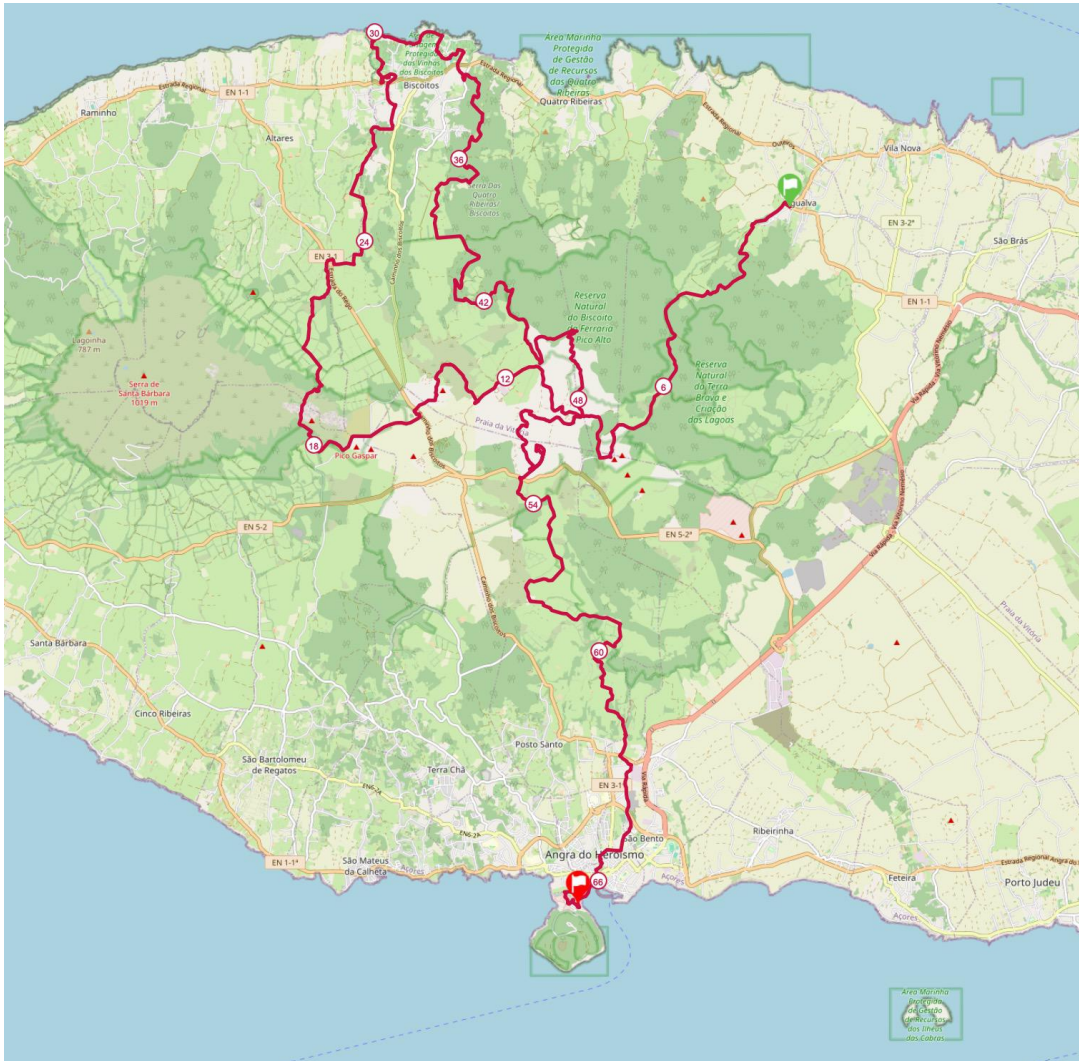
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AzBT®_65 – TECHNICAL FEATURES



Azores Bravos Trail 2024 - 65K

67.8 km  2754 m  2856 m



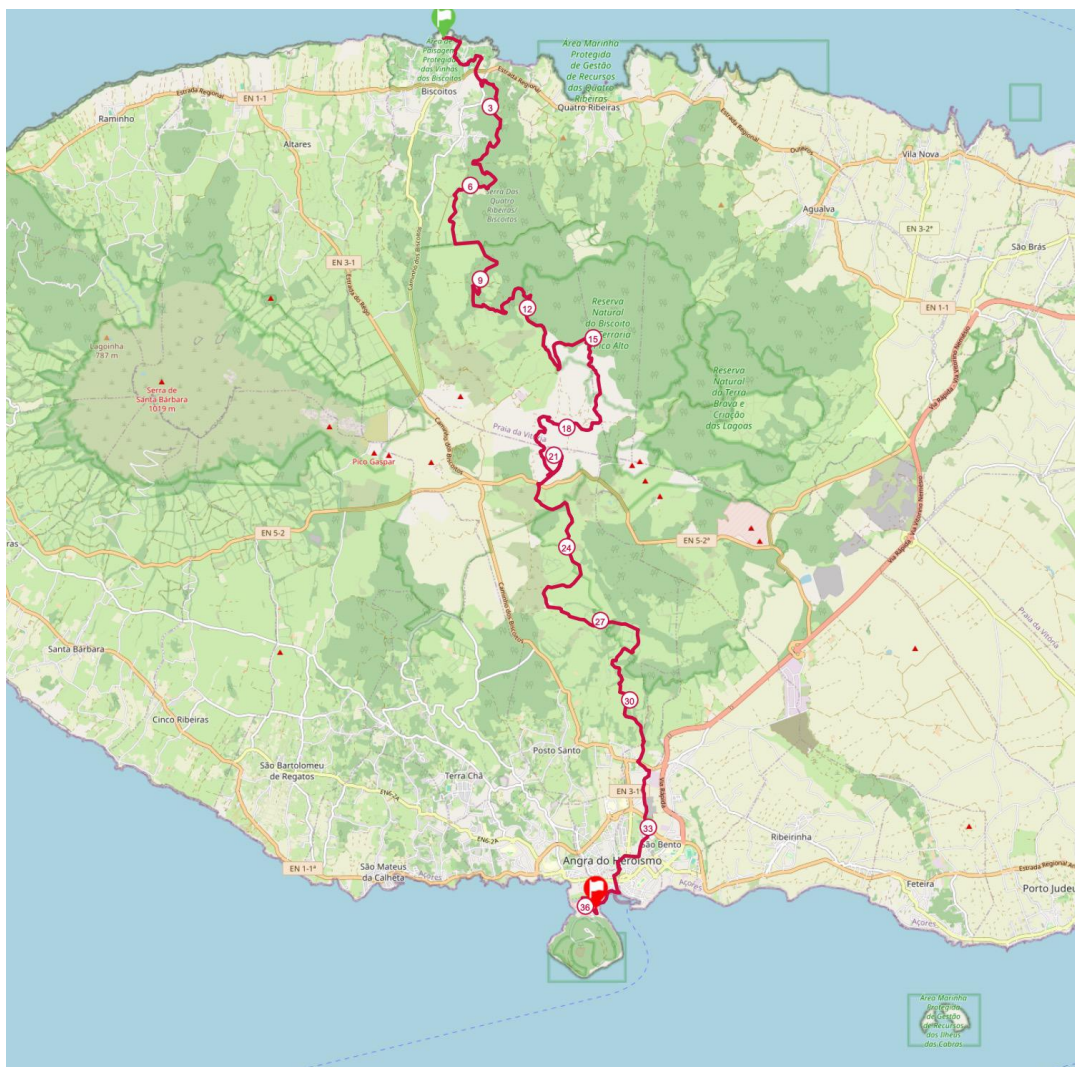
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AzBT®_35 – TECHNICAL FEATURES

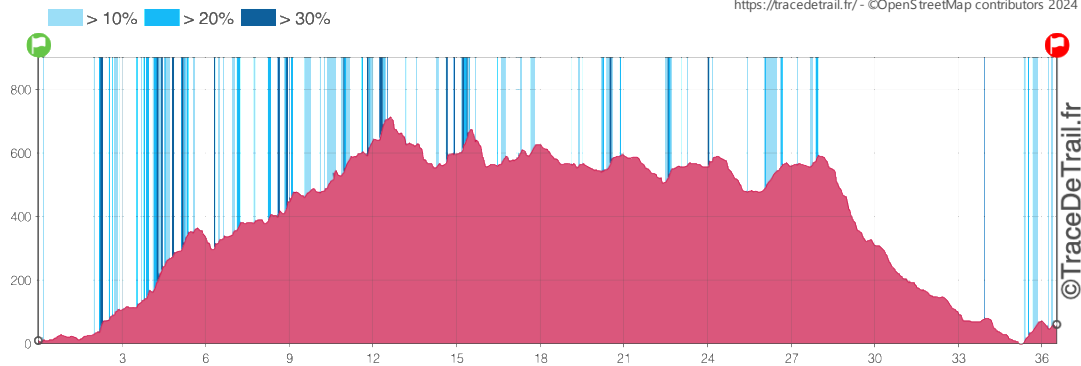


Azores Bravos Trail 2024 - 35K

36.5 km 1590 m 1550 m



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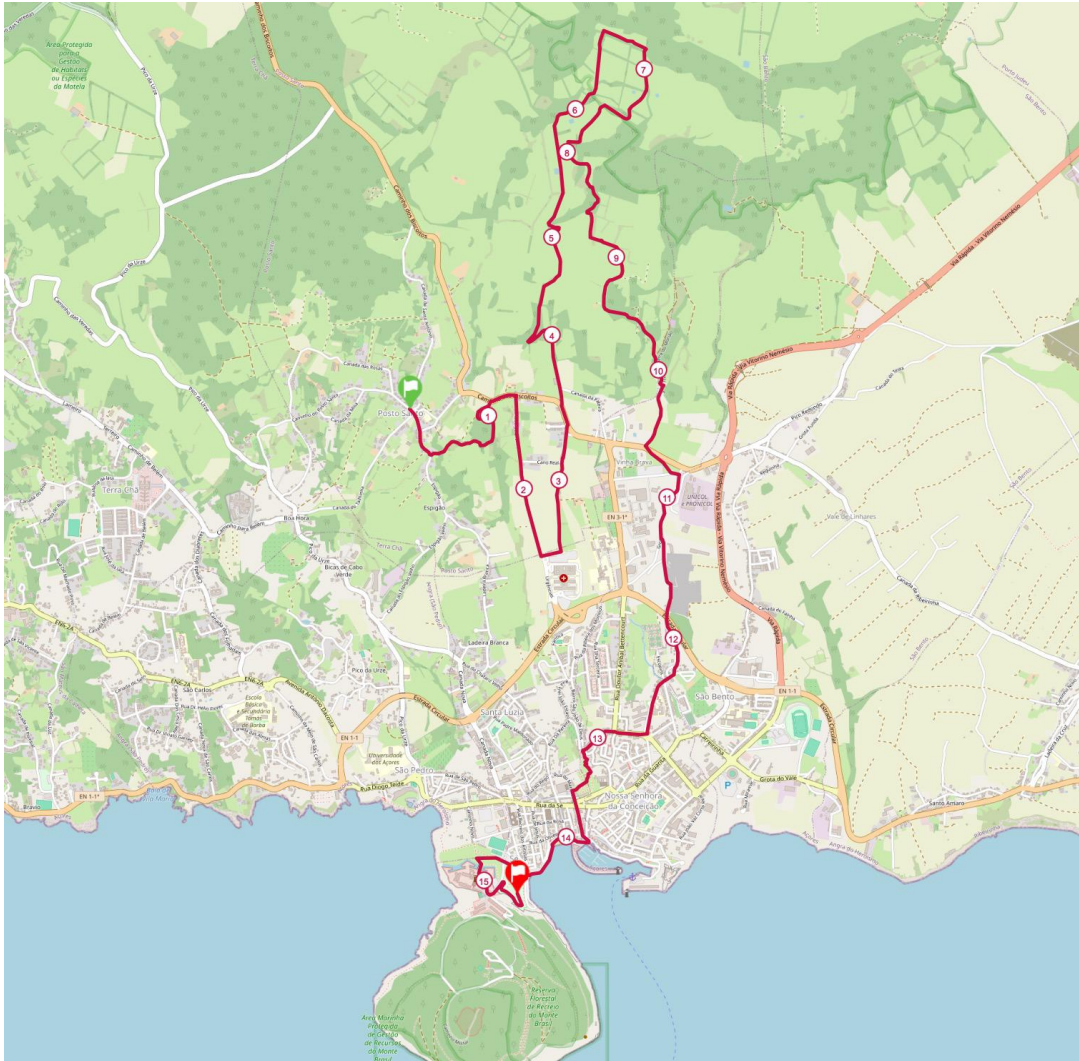


ANNEX IV
AzBT®_15 and AzBT®_C – SPECIFICATIONS



Azores Bravos Trail 2024 - 15K

15.5 km  660 m  830 m



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