

PRESS RELEASE

"Weserrunde" or "Bremer Runde" - Routes of the TK Cycling Tour are ready

The grand finale Sunday of the Deutschland Tour begins again this year with cycling fans riding themselves. On August 27, the TK Cycling Tour will take place in Bremen. 3,000 participants can choose from two routes - both of which start in the shadow of the iconic floodlight masts of the Weser Stadium. From there, it's 106 or 67 kilometers on flat courses out to Lower Saxony and back.

Where SV Werder sparks emotions in the Bundesliga, all cycling enthusiasts experience the start of a great day. After starting at the Weser Stadium, both the long "Weser Runde" and the shorter "Bremen Runde" first head south and cross the Stadtwerder peninsula before passing the borders of the federal state via the districts of Habenhausen, Obervieland and Arsten.

Flatland course with small mountain highlight

Both routes of the TK Cycling Tour then set course for Syke. Near the small town, the route planners have found something that is almost unique around Bremen: an ascent. After about 20 completed kilometers, the route goes slightly uphill. Just under 50 meters of elevation have to be overcome in about 2 kilometers. It doesn't get any hillier. But perhaps windier. Because outside the city limits, the participants can look forward to the Lower Saxony countryside with meadows, fields and long avenue sections.

Way back in the footsteps of the professionals

The two routes separate at Emtinghausen. While the "Bremer Runde" starts its way back, the "Weserrunde" really picks up speed. Via Schwarme and Martfeld, the route heads southeast to Hoya, the furthest point of the race. Half time for the long distance! There, the ambitious amateur athletes will not only encounter the river that gives the race its name, but also the course of the professionals. Back to Bremen it goes through Blender and Thedinghausen. There the "Weserrunde" reunites with the "Bremer Runde". Only a few kilometers later, familiar terrain is reached between Ahausen and Dreye. Just as it went out of Bremen, it goes back in again.

Through the old town to the finish in Überseestadt

Past the Weser Stadium, the last kilometers continue down the Osterdeich. First in the direction of flow directly along the Weser and past the Schnoor, the oldest quarter of the city, whose narrow streets have their roots in the Middle Ages. Then the course changes sides in the middle of the old town and leads past the old ramparts to the Überseestadt and the Europahafen. Cheered on by the visitors, the participants of the TK Cycling Tour ride onto the long home stretch in Konsul-Smidt-Strasse.

The TK Cycling Tour offers a unique experience on closed-off roads. If you would like to ride in the Deutschland Tour finale yourself, book your starting place at <u>cycling.deutschland-tour.com</u>.