



STATEMENT

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Women's Tour 2020 cycle race postponed

Following consultation with stakeholders, sponsors and partners, organisers of the Women's Tour have decided to postpone the upcoming seventh edition of the annual professional cycle race (8-13 June) due to the current international uncertainty surrounding the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

The decision has been taken early in light of the worsening global situation, following discussions with event stakeholders and partners, in order to provide certainty to the many parties involved in the planning and organisation of the event, including local authorities, police and health services in the UK.

As a part of the UCI Women's WorldTour, the Women's Tour attracts a significant international presence from teams, riders, officials, staff, media and spectators, and it is felt that the risk of increased restrictions on international travel would be detrimental to the future of the race should an early, and conclusive, decision not be made.

Organisers hope to work with the UCI and British Cycling to find an alternative date in the international cycling calendar for the race to take place should conditions permit.

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NOTES TO EDITORS

About the Women's Tour

Created by SweetSpot Group in 2014, the Women's Tour is the UK's first international stage race for women, bringing the world's top riders to compete in Great Britain as a part of the UCI Women's WorldTour.

The race, which has been won by the likes of Marianne Vos (2014), Lizzie Deignan (2016, 2019) and Coryn Rivera (2018), attracts an annual roadside audience of 300,000, as well as over three million fans through linear and online platforms.

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