

52,9 km of cobblestones : The marks

According to the last examinations by Christian Prudhomme and Jean-François Pescheux on April, 6th, the organisation has given a difficulty mark to each of the 27 cobbled zones, based on their length, kind cobbles and position in the race. The arrangements realised on the 2009 route mainly concern the zone in Bersée, which is back this year in the race after two years out. The zone between Wallers and Helesmes has been taken out of the race because of safety reasons. The city of Wallers will have it repaired as soon as possible to make sure it will back in the 2010 race. What's more, you can notice that it is the first time since 1995 that there will be so many cobbled zones in the race.

The 27 cobblestones zones of Paris-Roubaix

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| 27. Troisvilles (km 98 - 2200 m) +++ | 13. Beuvry-la-Forêt à Orchies (km 194 – 1400m) +++ |
| 26. Viesly (km 104,5 - 1800 m) +++ | 12. Orchies (km 198,5 – 1700 m) +++ |
| 25. Quievy (km 107 - 3700 m) ++++ | 11. Auchy-lez-Orchies - Bersée (km 205 – 2600 m) +++ |
| 24. Saint-Python (km 112 - 1500 m) ++ | 10. Mons-en-Pévèle (km 210,5 – 3000 m) +++++ |
| 23. Vertain (km 119,5 - 2300 m) +++ | 9. Mérégnies – Pont-à-Marcq (km 216,5 – 700 m) ++ |
| 22. Capelle-sur-Ecaillon – Le Buat (km 126,5 – 1700 m) +++ | 8. Pont-Thibaut (km 219,5 – 1400 m) +++ |
| 21. Verchain-Maugré - Quérénaing (km 138 – 1600 m) +++ | 7. Templeuve l'Épinette (km 225 – 200 m) +
Le Moulin de Vertain (km 225,5 – 500 m) ++ |
| 20. Querenaing - Maing (km 141 – 2500 m) +++ | 6. Cysoing - Bourghelles (km 232 – 1300 m) ++++ |
| 19. Monchaux-sur-Ecaillon (km 144 - 1600 m) ++ | Bourghelles – Wannehain (km 234,5 – 1100 m) ++++ |
| 18. Haveluy (km 155,5 – 2500 m) ++++ | 5. Camphin-en-Pévèle (km 239 – 1800 m) ++++ |
| 17. Trouée d'Arenberg (km 163,5 – 2400 m) ++++ | 4. Le Carrefour de l'Arbre (km 242 – 2100 m) +++++ |
| 16. Hornaing - Wandignies (km 176,5 – 3700 m) +++ | 3. Gruson (km 244 – 1100 m) ++ |
| 15. Warlaing - Brillon (km 184 – 2400 m) +++ | 2. Hem (km 251 – 1400 m) + |
| 14. Tilloy - Sars-et-Rosières (187,5 – 2400 m) +++ | 1. Roubaix (km 257 – 300 m) + |

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