



Club National Championship  
Myrtle Beach, SC

Transportation FAQ:

**Q: How much will taking the bus cost and what is included?**

A: Transportation for you and your bike will cost \$150. This includes the bus fee, the use of a U-Haul if needed, bus driver's food, room and tip.

**Q: When will the bus leave and return?**

A: Based on the poll, a majority of the people preferred leaving Friday morning and returning Sunday evening. To make sure we have enough time to travel down there, we anticipate leaving DC at 7:00am. To speed up the process, we are looking into a bike drop off on Thursday, and securely storing the bikes over night. The bus will return on Sunday, leaving Myrtle Beach around 10am.

**Q: How will my bike be transported?**

A: Bikes will either be loaded underneath the bus, which would require removing the front wheel and possible the seat. The handle/aero bars may need to be adjusted or loosened for space efficiency. To prevent bikes from moving around, the fork will be mounted to a 6-foot long rod, acting as the wheels axel and skewer. ( see Fig. 1) When multiple bikes are mounted to a single rod, it forms a stable "bike



Figure 1: Fork Mounted to 6' Rod, Secured with Washers and Nuts

rack" (see Fig 2).



**Figure 2: Bikes Mounted on 6' Rod, Forming a Stable Platform**

**Q: Where will the bus take me in Mytle Beach?**

A: The bus will take the group directly to packet pick-up and bike drop-off. We need to rack our bikes the day before the race. Once everyone's bikes are racked, we will board the bus to be taken to the DC Tri organized hotel, Horizon on 77<sup>th</sup>. The bus will take everyone to the transition area the morning of the race (time TBD) and return us to the hotel. The bus will also transport us to the DC Tri team dinner on Saturday. On Sunday, the bus will depart the hotel around 10am to return to DC.

**Q: When do I need to purchase my space on the bus?**

A: We have to have enough people registered and paid before Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> to guarantee the bus. If we do not receive enough people by the 1<sup>st</sup>, you will receive a refund on your money.

**Q: How many seats are available?**

A: The bus is has a capacity for 55-59 people. Unfortunately, bikes are the biggest constraint, so we are limiting the number of seats to 40. This will also allow more room on the bus to stretch out.

**Q: What if I purchased a seat on the bus, but no longer wish to use it?**

A: Unfortunately, due to the nature of reserving a bus we cannot refund your money. You are more than welcome to sell your seat on the bus to another club member.

**Q: What if my bike gets damaged while being transported?**

A: The Club is going to ask people to sign a waiver releasing it of liability for damage to equipment. We are all triathletes and love our bikes as much as you, so we will take as many steps as necessary to protect your bike, but cannot guarantee anything.