Event rules

EVENT RULES APPLICABLE TO ALL PARTICIPANTS

The following event rules are intended to help produce and direct a large scale event, to ensure the safety of all participants, to meet the requirements of local government permits and to be compliant with applicable (AIMS) and International Association of Athletics Federation (IAAF) regulations for participant performance records and event liability.

Participation

- Registrants must be capable of completing the full distance, start line to finish line, within the event time requirement of 3 hours and 30 minutes.
- To register, you must be 16 years of age or older for half marathon, and 13 years and older for 8km on event day. Registrants under 18 years of age must have the applicant wavier signed by a parent or legal guardian.
- The event time requirement and age minimum apply to all forms of entry and event participation.
- Participant race number bibs are specific personal identifiers and may not be exchanged, transferred or sold to any other person.
- The sale and/or transfer of race entries/bibs is strictly prohibited and will result in the disqualification and/or banning of any individuals involved from future events.
- Race entries and ancillary purchases are non-refundable and nontransferable under any and all circumstances.

Packet (bib number) pick-up

- Participants must pick up their own packets at the Act Hotel Corniche 110, Sharjah during regularly scheduled hours that start from the 30th of November to 1st December from 10am to 9pm. No exceptions.
- Participants must provide photo identification upon picking up their packets to verify their identity as the registrant to whom the bib number is assigned.
- Participants are responsible for verifying that the timing device attached to the bib number is worn correctly during the race.

Event day

- Participants must follow instructions as given from all event officials including race staff, volunteers, medical personnel, security officers and city officials throughout the duration of the event.
- All participants are expected to conduct themselves in a professional and courteous manner during their participation in the event. This means, for example, that urinating or defecating anywhere on or near the course shall be strictly prohibited except in toilet facilities. Anyone violating this rule of conduct shall be disqualified from the event and will be asked to leave the course.
- All participants will be provided with a personally assigned event bib number, which must be conspicuously worn on the front (and back when applicable) of their running attire throughout the duration of the event. The event bib number is to be worn as issued. No participant shall be permitted to participate in the event without his/her appropriate bib number.
- Participants must begin the event during the official recognized start times.
- The event has a course time limit of 3 hours and 30 minutes.

The start

- All participants are responsible for knowing the race's start time and checkin method for their start corral. All participants must be present at the appointed time to receive instructions and to participate in the official start of the race.
- All participants must be positioned behind the official start line prior to the start of the race.

Course monitoring

Any participant who refuses to obey the directions of event officials, city
officials or course marshals, or who conducts himself/herself in an
unsportsmanlike manner, or who is offensive by action or language to
officials, volunteers, participants or spectators, may be disqualified from the
event and from future participation at the discretion of race officials.

- No participant, after leaving the course, will be allowed to rejoin the race either for the purpose of gaining a place or to pace or to assist another participant.
- Any participant who has been found by a course marshal, event official or surveillance equipment to have gained an unfair advantage by intentionally shortening the route of the race ("cutting the course") will be disqualified from the event.
- Any person participating in the event without a current official event bib number or timing device or a bib or timing device not officially assigned to him/her is subject to removal and disqualification from future events.
- No persons are authorized to be on the course unless they are registered
 participants or authorized event staff. Therefore, no person shall be allowed
 to accompany a participant if he/she is not registered in the event, nor shall
 any participant be allowed, without the permission of the event
 management, to receive assistance or refreshment from anyone during the
 progress of the event. Any person not properly displaying an official event
 bib number will be directed to leave the course.