

# No Refund Policy

Runners who register under general registration can be moved to a charity team, however they will NOT be refunded and they will not count towards the charity's prepaid entries. If someone who registered under General Registration would like to join a charity team, please contact the charity directly so that they can move the registration to their team. Refunds cannot be processed for these entries. Please take all precautions to ensure that you use the charity's unique registration link.

**Race entry fees and ancillary purchases are non-refundable and non-transferable under any and all circumstances.** All runners are required to follow event rules as outlined by the Los Angeles Marathon.

Please note the following:

The Los Angeles Marathon adheres to the standard marathon running industry policy. All entry fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. This is noted on our registration application, and when participants register for any of our events they must agree to this policy. Participants may not give or sell their race number to another individual – doing this will result in their disqualification as well as the runner who uses their race number. The entry fee for this year's event will NOT transfer to next year's event.\* This policy stays in effect whether you are injured, have an unexpected business or family emergency, pregnancy, etc.

*\*Please see Covid-19 Policy updates (page 4)*

# Event Rules & Regulations

The charity must make sure its team members are aware of all event rules at the point of registration and prior to their participation on race day.

All charity runners must comply with Los Angeles Marathon Event Rules and all Official Charity Program regulations and deadlines including but not limited to:

- All participants must be advised that the Los Angeles Marathon has an age requirement of 16 years or older (on race day).
- All participants must be advised that the Los Angeles Marathon has a course net time limit of six and a half hours (6:30:59), and that early starters are not allowed.
- Individuals not starting with the official start will be disqualified and participants who do not complete the full course or do not finish before the course time limit may not receive an official time, result listing, finish line items or other amenities.
- Entries are non-refundable, non-transferable and may not be donated or deferred to future years.
- LAM issued bib numbers and timing devices must be worn only by the participant to whom they are assigned. No exceptions.
- No un-official vehicles, bikes, inline skates, skateboards allowed.
- Animals are not allowed on the course.
- ALL participants are required to show a school or government-issued photo ID upon picking up their own Participant Packet at the Health & Fitness Expo during the scheduled hours of operation.

# Athletes with Disabilities

The Los Angeles Marathon Rules applicable to general participants apply to those competing in Athletes with Disabilities (AWD) divisions unless replaced or supplemented by the AWD rules found here: <https://www.mccourtfoundation.org/pages/awd-rules>

Note: The Los Angeles Marathon aggregate Rule Book, including AWD, general and Elite Open rules, are intended to successfully produce a large scale mass-participation event, to ensure the safety of all participants, to meet the requirements of local government permits, and to comply with applicable USA Track & Field (USATF), International Association of Athletics Federation (IAAF) regulations for participant performance records and event liability. The Professional Wheelchair Program's division rules are adopted from the International Paralympic Committee (IPC).

If you have a participant who needs assistance, please let our team know, and send an email to: [awd@mccourtfoundation.org](mailto:awd@mccourtfoundation.org)

# Covid-19 Policy

## The 2021 Los Angeles Marathon

If the 2021 Los Angeles Marathon is cancelled due to Covid-19, athletes will have the option to defer their race entry until the 2022, 2023 or 2024 event. Specific policies regarding deferrals will be set around the date of any cancellation. Athletes will be advised of our deferral policy if the event is postponed, at the time a postponement is announced. We want the Marathon to go ahead as much as you do and are planning for, and will do, whatever is reasonably possible to produce it safely and within then-current COVID-19 guidelines. We will implement measures, including reducing start line, finish line, and on-course densities, if these measures are compatible with the Los Angeles Marathon experience and feasible for our organization and our host cities. If the Marathon is cancelled, we are not considering a virtual race as the only option. While circumstances are ever-changing, we believe that is not a desired option for the athletes nor would it do justice to an event that is one of the world's great landmark marathons.

## LA Big 5K

For the 2021 LA Big 5K, athletes will be automatically transferred to our world-class virtual event if this event cannot be held in any capacity. At this time, we intend that the LA Big 5K will occur on its scheduled date. Like the Marathon, it is likely that changes will need to be made to the traditional formats of these events to comply with then-applicable COVID-19 guidelines. Our planning includes measures to reduce start line, finish line, and on-course densities that may involve additional wave starts over longer hours and supporting course adjustments.