

Bull City Race Fest and Food Truck Rodeo! 1/2 MARATHON • 5 MILE RUN • 1 MILER

# **Participant Guide** Durham, NC | Sunday, October 17

RUN Bull City

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# **General Information**

#### Note to Participants

Welcome to the 9th annual Bull City Race Fest & Food Truck Rodeo! We know that you work hard to train for race day, and we work hard to ensure that your preparation is rewarded with an exceptional race experience. We hope your time running with us at the Bull City Race Fest is your best race experience yet!

If we can ever do anything to improve your experience, we encourage you to <u>contact</u> <u>us</u> and let us know!

#### **Race Rules & Regulations**

#### What are the COVID-19 safety protocols in place?

All participants are strongly encouraged to wear a mask at the start and finish area and social distance whenever possible. Do not attend the event if you are currently infected by COVID-19 or have knowingly been in contact with someone experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.

**Health and safety protocols are subject to change** leading up to the event as we will continue to follow all guidelines set forth by the host venue, local and state government. In the event new regulations are put into place, we will update all of our participants as soon as possible via our website, email and Participant Guide.

#### Can I wear headphones?

It is unsafe to wear headphones while running. Event organizers will not restrict headphone use and leave it up to the athlete on their ability to follow direction while wearing headphone devices. If you do choose to wear headphones, please keep the volume level down so you are able to hear and follow the direction of course volunteers.

#### Can someone else run in my place?

No, you are not allowed to transfer bib numbers to another person.

#### Can I register on race day?

No, there will be no race day registration. Registration will close at 5:00 PM on Saturday, October 16, 2021. Please plan to register in time to attend packet pick-up before Saturday, October 16 at 5:00 PM. *Please register at home on your computer or on your phone as we will NOT have equipment available for registration at Packet Pick-Up*.

# **General Information**

#### **Race Rules & Regulations**

#### Is there Race Day packet pick-up?

No, there will be no race day packet pick-up. Packet pick-up will close at 5:00 PM on Saturday, October 16, 2021. If you will be unable to attend Packet Pick-Up, you may have someone pick up your packet in your place. They must show a picture of your photo ID (a picture on a phone is fine).

#### Am I allowed to walk?

Yes, however, you must meet the requirements of completing each race distance at a 15-minute per mile pace. The course will officially close at 11:00 AM. Any runners remaining on the course after the time limit will no longer be considered race participants and will be required to follow pedestrian laws. Official times and post-race amenities cannot be guaranteed for runners who finish after the time limit.

#### Are strollers and baby joggers allowed?

No, strollers are not allowed in any event at the Bull City Race Fest. Thanks for understanding.

#### Is there bag check?

There will be a baggage check area available in Runner's Village across Aloft Hotel between Diamond Way and Vivian Street. The race is not responsible or liable for items placed in your bags and left at the bag check. Runners are encouraged to leave large items in their cars. Parking is conveniently located in close proximity to the finish line.

## Packet Pick-Up

#### When & Where

Packet Pick-Up will be available for runners who did not take advantage of bib delivery. **Runners will sign up for reserved time slots** to pick up their packets to ensure adequate social distancing at American Tobacco Campus. **Runners will have the opportunity to reserve their packet pick-up time closer to the race date.** There will be NO race day packet pick-up; you must pick up your race packet at Packet Pick-Up or have bib mailing.

# Packet Pick-Up

#### When & Where (contd...)

Date: Saturday, October 16 Time: 9AM - 5 PM; Runners will reserve a time slot closer to race day Location: American Tobacco Campus - <u>Down Under</u> Parking: Free parking will be available at the South Deck at American Tobacco Campus (705 Willard St, Durham, NC 27701)

**Please note:** Masks and social distancing are strongly encouraged whenever possible while attending Packet Pick-Up and exploring the American Tobacco Campus.



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#### **Runners with Bib Mailing**

Runners that have added Bib Mailing to their registrations do not need to attend Packet Pick-Up. Bibs should arrive by October 10 and swag can be picked up after the race at the finish line festival.

**If you did not receive your bib in the mail in time for race day**, you need to pick up your bib in person at Packet Pick-Up.

The deadline to add Bib Mailing is **September 24 at 12 PM ET**. Add bib mailing at checkout, or <u>click here</u> to add it to an already existing registration.

#### **Pick-Up for Someone Else**

We allow you to pick up bib and swag for someone else other than yourself with a copy of their photo I.D. or registration confirmation. Showing either forms of identification on a phone or printed out will be accepted.

# Packet Pick-Up

#### **Switching Race Distances**

You may increase or decrease your race distance prior to the race. There is no charge to go down in distance, but you will need to pay the difference when going up in distance.

*Please note*: If you do not change your race distance either online or in person with a Bull City Race Fest staff member prior to the race start, or you use a mailed bib that was sent before you changed distance, and run a distance for which you do not have a bib, you will be disqualified from the event.

**Runners without bib mailing:** You can change your distance by completing the <u>Change Distance Form here</u> until **24 hours** before the race. If you need to change your distance after this deadline, please see Customer Service at Packet Pick-Up.

**Runners with bib mailing:** The deadline to change your distance and have it reflected on your mailed bib is **September 24 at 12 PM ET**. **You can still change your distance after this deadline, but will need to pick up your new race bib** at Packet Pick-Up. Please complete the <u>Change Distance Form here</u>.

# **Race Morning: Pre-Race**

### **Race Day Schedule**

6:30 - 11:30 AM - Gear Check open

- 7:30 AM Half Marathon starts
- 8:00 AM 5 Mile Run starts
- 8:05 AM 1 Mile Run starts
- 11:00 AM Race finishes and all roads reopen
- 12:00 PM Bull City Race Fest & Food Truck Rodeo ends

### Getting to the Start/Finish Area

The start/finish line is located at 318 Blackwell St., Durham, NC 27701.

# **Race Morning: Pre-Race**

### Parking

There are two parking decks available within a 5-minute walk of the start/finish area for runners and spectators.

The best parking is available at:

- ATC North Parking Deck: <u>305 West</u>
   <u>Pettigrew Street</u>
- ATC South Parking Deck: <u>705 Willard</u> <u>Street</u>

• Uber/Lyft/Drop-off Location: Please direct your Ubers / Lyfts / people dropping you off to the parking deck addresses above.



Click image to enlarge.

#### **Gear Check**

There will be a baggage check area available in Runner's Village across Aloft Hotel between Diamond Way and Vivian Street. The race is not responsible or liable for items placed in your bags and left at the bag check. Runners are encouraged to leave large items in their cars. Parking is conveniently located in close proximity to the finish line.

Bag Check will **open at 6:30 AM** and **close at 11:30 AM** Any remaining bags will be taken to the American Tobacco Campus lost-and-found at the security desk located inside the ATC lobby.

#### **Bibs**

Please wear your race bib on the front of your shirt. If you are not wearing a shirt, pin your bib on the front of your shorts. *Please do not bend or fold the timing chip!* Each race distance will have a specified bib color listed below and mile markers throughout the course.

Bib Colors: Half Marathon - Red | 5 Mile Run - Yellow | 1 Mile Run - Blue

### **During the Race**

#### **Course Maps**

<u>Click here</u> to view course maps with elevation and hydration stations.

#### **Course Information**

Half Marathon and 5 Mile runners will enjoy a run through American Tobacco Campus, Downtown Durham, Trinity Park and more as they navigate the course in route to the finish line.

The 1 Mile course will utilize four streets near the American Tobacco Campus including: Blackwell for the start and finish line, Vivian, Mangum, and Jackie Robinson! Please note this distance option is designed for families and casual runners, and is not a full mile in length.

#### **Hydration Stations**

Water station #1: On W Trinity Ave (Half Marathoners & 5 milers)
Water station #2: Aid station located at the corner of Englewood Ave. & Clarendon St. (Half Marathoners)
Water station #3: Aid station located at the corner of Yancey St. & Carroll St. (Half Marathoners & 5 Milers)
Water station #4: Aid station located at the corner of Bivins St, Chapel Hill Rd and Jersey Ave. (Half Marathoners) *Gu nutrition provided*.
Water station #5: Aid station located at the corner of Morehead Ave. and Vickers Ave. (Half Marathoners & 5 Milers)

Runners are strongly encouraged to bring their own hydration source on race morning as they run along the course to avoid crowds and social distance at water stations.

#### **Time Limit**

There is a 15 minute mile time limit for the Half Marathon & 5 Mile Run. There is no time limit for 1 mile. Participants must finish by 11:00 AM as course support will disappear and runners cannot be guaranteed a finisher medal after the time limit.

# **During the Race**

### **Medical Support**

We will have medical professionals on site throughout the race, including at the start/finish area. If you have a medical emergency while on the course, please notify the nearest volunteer or police officer so that we can dispatch proper assistance to you as quickly as possible.

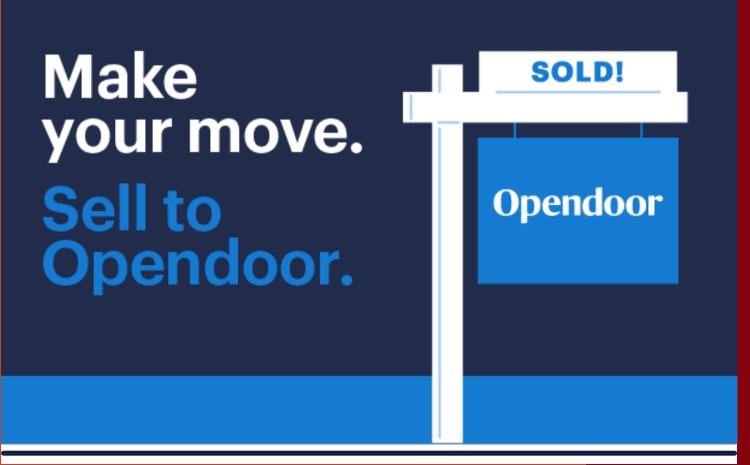
### **Spectator Information**

The best place for spectators to watch the race and cheer on runners is Diamond View Park (<u>318 Blackwell Street</u>).

# After the Race

#### Swag

All participants will receive an official race shirt and finisher medal. <u>Click here</u> to see the swag!



# After the Race

#### Awards

Overall Awards are given to the top three finishers male and female in the Half Marathon and 5 Mile Run. Overall Awards will be announced over the speaker system. All overall and age group awards can be picked up at the Customer Service table.

# Overall and age group awards can be picked up at the Customer Service tent after the following times:

HALF MARATHON: Pick up at the Customer Service tent after 10 AM 5 MILE RUN: Pick up at the Customer Service tent after 9:30 AM 1 MILE RUN: There are no awards for the 1-Mile Run. \*Overall award bouquets generously provided by <u>Floral Dimensions</u>.

Runners who do not pick up their awards at the finish line can pick theirs up at Fleet Feet (6807 Fayetteville Rd #105, Durham, NC 27713) following the event. Runners must go in-store to pick up these awards, as **no awards will be mailed**.

#### **Publix Post-Race Party**

After the race, meet up with friends and family and enjoy the Food Truck Rodeo in Diamond View Park, directly next to the finish line! Interact with sponsors, grab a beer from the beer garden, and get a bite to eat from one of the on-site food trucks!

We are pleased to welcome Get Crackin', Mr. A's Beignets, 454 Grill, Medi Bites and Buoy Bowls food trucks to the 2021 event.

#### Results

**There will be no results tent at the finish line.** Runners will receive a text message with a link to their individual results upon crossing the finish line.

Runners can also check results at <u>BullCityRaceFest.com/results-photos</u>.

### **Participant Photos**

Professional photographers will be along the course as well as at the start/finish area to take pictures of every runner throughout the race. A link to purchase and view photos will be emailed to you from our photographer within 7-10 days of the race.



Evan Pilchik Photography

# After the Race

#### **Official Race DJ & Announcer**



#### **Post-Race Survey**

You will receive a link within a few days after the race for a post-race survey. Your feedback helps us make improvements for future races so that we can continue to provide first-class events! To show our appreciation for you taking the time to fill out the survey, we will randomly select two runners to receive a **FREE RACE ENTRY** to next year's event! Thanks in advance!

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