

Registration

I've just found out I won't be able to run. Can I get my money back?

As stated during registration, race fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Do you offer a deferral program for the Publix Georgia Marathon, Half Marathon & 5K?

Atlanta Track Club does not offer a deferral option for the Publix Georgia Marathon, Half Marathon & 5K.

How much is entry into the 2018 Publix Georgia Marathon, Half Marathon & 5K?

Please visit the [event website](#) for all entry fee details.

Will you be offering gender specific sizing?

We are pleased to announce that all participants will receive a high quality Mizuno performance shirt. Marathoners will receive a long sleeve shirt and half marathoners and 5K a short sleeve. The marathon and half marathon will receive gender specific shirts, while the 5K will receive unisex shirts.

Will you be personalizing race numbers if I register early?

For 2018, race numbers will not be personalized but will take into consideration for future events.

What is the minimum age to run the Publix Georgia Marathon, Half Marathon & 5K?

You must be at least 18 years old on the day of the race to run the marathon, 14 years old to participate in the half marathon and 8 years old to participate in the 5K .

I am a Publix Georgia Marathon or Half Marathon Streaker and have completed every Publix Georgia Marathon or Half Marathon since 2007. Will you still recognize Streakers?

Atlanta Track Club happily continues to celebrate those special runners who have kept their streak going! Benefits include:

- Feature on Publix Georgia Marathon, Half Marathon & 5K website
- Special line at race number pickup
- Unique race bib
- Special race-day gear check line
- Special commemorative item

Is will call an option for picking up my race number?

Yes, registrants unable to attend the expo or who simply prefer to pick up their number on race morning can purchase the will call option during registration for a \$20 fee. Must be pre-purchased by March 11.

Race Numbers

Where can I pick up my race number?

Race numbers are available at the Publix Georgia Marathon Race Number Pickup at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta. It will take place on Friday, March 16 (11:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.) and Saturday, March 17 (9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.).

If you purchased “Will Call” during registration (\$20), you will pick up your race number on event morning.

I am a stalker; do I have a special line at the Publix Georgia Marathon Race Number Pickup?

Yes, the stalker pickup line will be designated with signage.

I am in Ultimate Peach; do I have a special line at the Publix Georgia Marathon Race Number Pickup?

Yes, the Ultimate Peach pickup line will be designated with signage.

I can't run, so I'd like to give my number to a friend. Is that OK?

No, race numbers are non-transferable and non-refundable. Race numbers worn by a non-registered participant will be disqualified and removed from results. Additionally, we do not offer a deferral program.

What will I need to bring with me when I pick up my race number?

Participants will receive a confirmation email with a unique QR code on March 15. You will need to print this email or show it on your phone to pick up your race number. No ID required.

I cannot make it to the Publix Georgia Marathon Race Number Pickup; can someone pick up my number for me?

For those who are unable to make it to the Publix Georgia Marathon Race Number Pickup, a third party may pick up your race number for you. If someone is picking up your number for you, simply give them a copy of your race number confirmation email containing the QR code.

What start wave am I in?

Your bib will have a label on the front that indicates your start wave. The marathon and half marathon have start waves A-E and the 5K has start waves 1-3. Start waves are assigned based off the pace submitted in registration. Start waves will be fenced, and volunteers will control access to the start corrals. Participants can enter a start wave later in the alphabet/numerically than their assigned start wave, but will not be permitted to enter a start wave that is earlier in the alphabet than their assigned start wave. For example, if you are assigned to Start Wave F and your friend is assigned to Start Wave G, you can both run in Start Wave G. If you are assigned Start Wave 1 in the 5K you may move back to Start Wave 2 or 3. Marathon and half marathon participants are only allowed to move between Waves A-E and 5K participants may only move

between Waves 1-3. You must have your bib on the front of your shirt and clearly visible to enter your start wave.

What if I run a faster time after registering for the 2018 Publix Georgia Marathon Half Marathon & 5K?

Unfortunately, we are not able to update your estimated finish time but you can visit our pace table at the Publix Georgia Marathon Race Number Pickup on March 16-17 to sign up for a pace team. More details [here](#).

Can I run the race without a race number?

No, you must have an official race number. Participants without a race number will be removed from the course.

Expo

Where is the Publix Georgia Marathon Race Number Pickup located?

Race Number Pickup will take place at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta, 265 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, Georgia, USA, 30303 on Friday, March 16 (11:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.) and Saturday, March 17 (9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.).

Do I have to attend Race Number Pickup?

You or a third party will need to pick up your race number at the Publix Georgia Marathon Race Number Pickup unless you selected Will Call during registration. Race bibs will not be available on race morning unless you selected Will Call.

Is there a cost to attend Race Number Pickup?

No, Race Number Pickup is free and open to the public but applicable MARTA or parking fees apply.

Course

Is water available on the course?

Yes, water, POWERADE, fuel and food stations will be located approximately every two miles along the course.

Is there a course time limit?

The course time limits are as follows:

- Marathon (15 min/mile), 6 hours 30 minutes
- Half Marathon (16 min/mile), 3 hours 30 minutes
- 5K (25 min/mile), 1 hour 15 minutes

Is the course closed to traffic?

The course is not closed to traffic but for the safety of our runners we have designated runners' lanes marked by traffic cones. Please follow the directions of police officers and course monitors.

Are there any items that aren't allowed on the course?

For your safety and that of others, we do not allow the following items on the course: any pets, wheeled conveyance including baby strollers, inline skates, skateboards, bicycles, skateboards, scooters, iPods or mp3 players.

Which streets will be closed for the race, and when will they close?

Visit atlantatrackclub.org for details.

I live along the course, will I be able to enter or exit my residence?

Police will be located at each intersection to direct traffic. Visit atlantatrackclub.org for details.

Timing/Results**Is the Publix Georgia Marathon, Half Marathon & 5K a timed event?**

Yes, the Publix Georgia Marathon, Half Marathon & 5K is a timed event. The ChronoTrack B-Tag affixed to the back of your bib is your timing device for this event. This is a single use bib tag. The lightweight timing tag stays attached to the back of the race bib and must not be removed. The timing tag precisely records each runner's gun time and chip time. Participants MUST cross the start line during the official start time. Participants who begin before the official start or cross after the start timing mats have been removed will not receive an official time. Your bib MUST be clearly visible and worn on the front and outside of all clothing during the entire race. Do not cover your bib with any layers, including a fuel belt. Do not alter, fold or wrinkle the bib in any way. Participants with missing or irregular split times at official timing checkpoints will be reviewed and may be disqualified.

When will race results be posted?

Unofficial race results will be posted at atlantatrackclub.org by the afternoon of Sunday, March 18. Results inquiries will be accepted up to 2 weeks after the event at which time they will be made official. For questions about your results, email results@atlantatrackclub.org and include your name, bib number, and start wave.

Why do my results show two different times? What is chip time vs. gun time?

Chip time is the actual amount of time it takes a runner to go from the start timing mats of a race to the finish timing mats. Chip time is recorded using the ChronoTrack B-tag affixed to the back of your bib. This is why it is important you wear your bib correctly. Gun time is the amount of time it takes a runner to finish the race from the moment the gun (or horn) went off.

Why do the official results show me running slower than the time I recorded on my watch?

The quality of different GPS units can vary, but all of them can be affected by conditions such as buildings or large crowds which can interfere with reception of satellite signals and cause them to be inaccurate. The chip time is your official time.

Are there age group awards?

Age group awards for the top three men and women in each age group (14 & under, five-year increments up to 80+) are mailed to participants after results are finalized two weeks following the event.

Why are overall standings based off gun time while age group standings are based off chip time?

As a USATF sanctioned event, Atlanta Track Club follows their guidelines in determining standings within the different divisions. Our overall categories include open male and female, masters male and female, and grandmasters male and female. Per USATF policy, overall standings are ranked off of gun time, the order in which participants crossed the finish line. Age group standings are ranked by chip time. If you look at your individual ChronoTrack results you are able to see both gun and chip time. If you sort it by the different divisions, you will see your time listed based off how that category is ranked.

Transportation

How do I get to the start area?

Avoid traffic and parking when you ride [MARTA](#) to the Publix Georgia Marathon & Half Marathon. MARTA will begin rail service one hour earlier than usual on Sunday morning (5:00 a.m.) in order to get runners and spectators to the start line at Centennial Olympic Park. Go to www.itsmarta.com for station locations and regular Sunday schedules. If you plan to drive to the start/finish area, please prepare for heavy traffic on race morning. Try to carpool if possible, and allow extra time to drive, park, drop your bag at gear check and walk to your start corral. Plan to arrive downtown by 6:00 a.m. Most downtown Atlanta hotels are within a 5-10 block walk to the start/finish area. Ask your hotel for walking directions to Centennial Olympic Park.

What time does the event start?

- 6:45 a.m. - Wheelchair Race*
- 7:00 a.m. – Publix Georgia Marathon & Half Marathon
- 7:30 – 5K

*If you are a wheelchair athlete and interested in registering for the 2018 Publix Georgia Marathon, Half Marathon or 5K please email ltanner@atlantatrackclub.org.

Miscellaneous

Will training be available for the Publix Georgia Marathon, Half Marathon and 5K?

We are pleased to be offering the Atlanta Track Club's Spring Half Marathon Training. The 16 week program includes weekly pace group runs, mid-week workouts, monthly clinics, and more. For more information on Training, [click here](#). We will only have group training for the half marathon distance this spring due to scheduling and resource availability.

I am a very slow runner. Can I still run the race?

Runners and walkers of all abilities are welcome. If you're relatively slow, however, you should stay towards the right hand side of the course. Be sure not to stop suddenly or veer into the paths of other runners. If you are running with friends, run no more than two abreast. Doing this will keep traffic on the course moving smoothly. The marathon has a course time limit of 6 hours 30 minutes and the half marathon has a course limit of 3 hours 30 minutes.

I am not able to run the race. Can I still get my T-shirt?

Shirts are available for pickup at Race Number Pickup. You or a third party can pick up your shirt even if you cannot run the race.

Do you have a list of items that are discouraged at the event?

Yes, please click [here](#) for a complete list of all Atlanta Track Club policies.

Will you be offering Gear Check at this event?

Yes, gear check will be available on race morning.