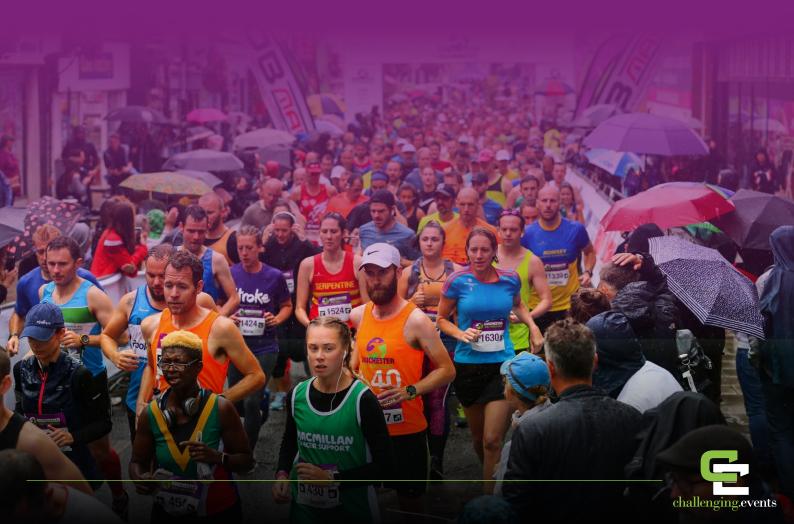


# Participant Information

Winchester Guildhall, The Broadway, Winchester SO23 9GH







Welcome to The Winchester Half!

Thank you for signing up! We hope you are looking forward to taking part in the Winchester Half Marathon.

This booklet will provide you with important information about the event day, so please take the time to read carefully through it.

If you do have any other questions not answered in this booklet, please email <u>contact@challenging.events</u> or visit our website FAQ's and we are happy to help!

Good luck with your training and we look forward to seeing you at The Winchester Half!

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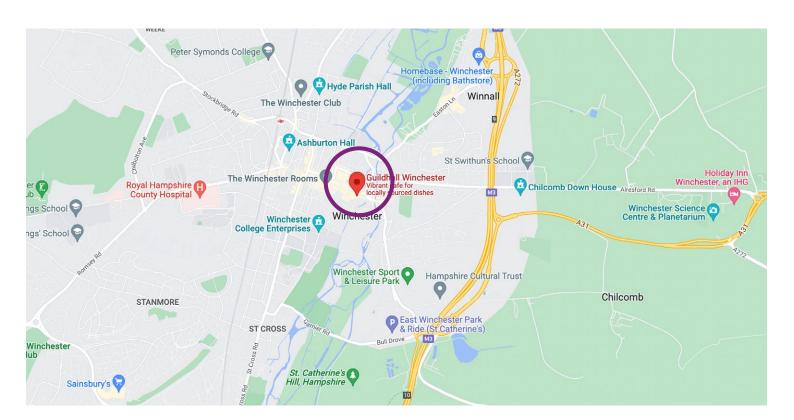


## How to get here



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### **Parking**

There are many car parks available in Winchester. Please see <a href="https://www.winchester.gov.uk/parking/parking-and-car-parks">www.winchester.gov.uk/parking/parking-and-car-parks</a> for more information.

#### **Public Transport**

By Train - The nearest train station is Winchester. Please check in advance with South West Trains before travelling and for updates on any rail works etc. Walking from the station is 0.7 miles away from the race village area (approximately 15 minutes).

#### By Bus/Taxi

Please check with local operators before making your journey.



## **Event Day Timings**



### **Upon Arrival**

- Registration If you have not received your race pack, please visit the Registration Desk in F45 Gym located in the Race Village to collect your race pack.
- Attach Race Bib Once you have received your race pack, please affix your bib!
- Visit our Baggage Drop Race Village If you have any items that need storing, please visit our baggage drop in the Race Village.
- Once you are all ready to run have a look around our Race Village or attend our warm up!

We recommend that you aim to be on site at least 45 minutes - 1 hour before your official start time.

Please note that there may be queues for parking, toilets and registration so please allow plenty of time to prepare before your start time.

Race Village	Opens: 07:00 am
Registration	Opens: 07:00 am
Warm Up	Starts: 08:45 am
Half Marathon	Starts: 09:00 am
Winner Awards Presentation	Starts 11:30 am



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#### At the event





#### **Toilet Facilities**

There will be toilets available in the Race Village and around the route at the following locations:

Water Station 1 = Sarum Road (SO22 5QS)

Water Station 2 = Kings Head Pub Car Park (SO21 2JW)

Water Station 3 = Oliver's Battery Dental Surgery (SO22 4EZ)

Water Station 4 = Garnier Road Car Park (SO23 9PA)



#### **Changing Facilities**

Please note that there are NO changing facilities available. We recommend that you arrive ready to run.



#### **Baggage Drop**

Our baggage drop will be located in the Race Village and run from our Challenging Events van.



#### **Catering**

There will be no catering/refreshments in the Race Village itself however the Race Village is based in the heart of Winchester and the surrounding areas are full of fantastic restaurants/cafes, so do make sure you take full advantage of all that Winchester has to offer!



#### **First Aid**

Medical and First Aid facilities will be located on site. If you need medical assistance at any point, please notify a marshal immediately and they will be able to call for assistance. If you do feel unwell on the day or have been ill in the lead up to the event, please consider carefully if you are fit to compete.



#### **Lost Property**

Please visit Please visit the info tent in the Race Village for any lost/found property or email <a href="mailto:contact@challenging.events">contact@challenging.events</a> post event.



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#### At the event





#### **Spectators**

Bring your friends/ family along to support you! We recommend the best place for supporters to spectate is the start/finish line located outside the Winchester Guildhall. There is a real buzz around this area and plenty to get involved with in the Race Village.



#### Merchandise

Our range of merchandise will be available to buy on event day from our info tent in the Race Village or visit the Challenging Events online shop. Pop over and get yourself kitted out!



#### **Medal discounts**

All medal holders will have access to our Medal Discount Scheme offers! Please visit our Medal Discount Page on our website to see what medal discounts you can claim after your event!



#### **Awards ceremony**

Our winner awards ceremony will be held at 11:30 in the Race Village.



#### **Photos**

Our event day photographer will be around to capture you in action! All photos will be available for FREE <u>Here</u> after the event.



#### Results

All results will be available via our results page found on our website.



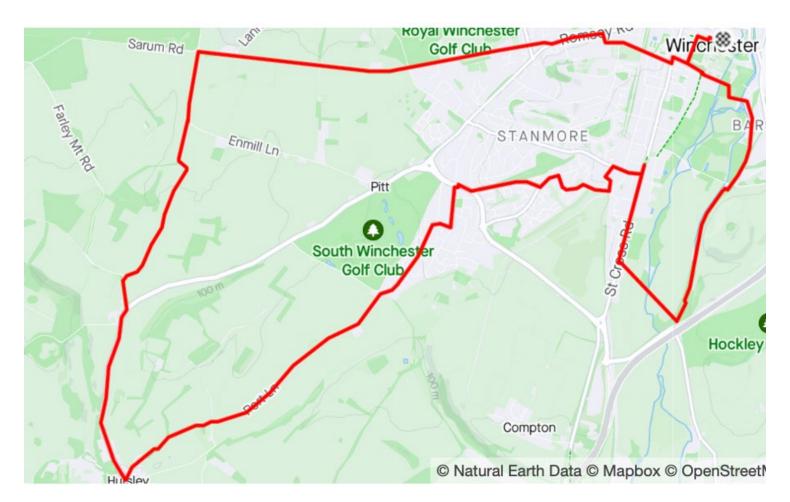
#### **Route Information**



#### Winchester Half Marathon Route

The Winchester Half Marathon is a beautiful route that starts and finishes in the centre of Winchester outside the Guildhall. The Winchester Half Marathon is set in the scenic Hampshire countryside and takes in landmarks such as St Catherine's Hill, Winchester Cathedral and King Alfred the Great.

View the route: Here



#### **Water Stations:**

There will be 4 Water Stations on the Half Marathon Route. Our water stations are led by our fantastic volunteer groups, who will be there to hand out water! All water stations will also have portable toilets available.

Water Station 1 = Sarum Road (SO22 5QS)

Water Station 2 = Kings Head Car Park, Hursley (SO21 2JW)

Water Station 3 = Oliver's Battery Dental Surgery (SO22 4EZ) (Gels will be available)

Water Station 4 = Garnier Road Car Park (SO23 9PA)

Please note gels will only be available at Water Station 3 - should you require extra, please bring any gels, nutrition or sports drinks with you.



## FAQ's





#### When will I receive my race pack?

If you signed up before 4th September, your race pack will arrive by 15th September. If you signed up after 4th September, there are 2 options:

- Collect your bib (and any last minute race essentials) from Alexandra Sports, SO22 4EZ between Monday 18th Friday 22nd September (10:00 16:00)
- Collect your race pack from the Registration Desk on race day morning at F45 Training Gym, Winchester, SO23 9JX

#### What do I do if I haven't received my race pack?

If you have not received your race pack a week before the event, please email <a href="mailto:contact@challenging.events">contact@challenging.events</a> with the title RACE PACK and your name and the address you expected the pack to be delivered to. We can arrange for a new pack to be available for collection on event day.

#### Where is the chip in the race pack?

The chip is fixed to the rear of your race number.

#### What's included in my event entry?

Finishers Medal – Once you have crossed the finish line and passed through the finish gantry, you will enter our Finish Distribution Area outside Winchester Guildhall and be given your medal!

Finishers T-Shirt – All participants who purchased a finisher tee in their entry can pick this up in the Finish Distribution Area.

Race Results - All results will be available via our website post-event.

Race Photos - Race Photos will be available from Here

Training Guides – We have 12- week and 10-week training plans available. Please visit our website to download your free training plan or email <u>contact@challenging.events</u>.

#### What do I do if I am injured /ill or unable to run on event day?

If you are injured or unable to run on event day, please email <u>contact@challenging.events</u> as soon as possible and our team will be happy to help.

If you volunteer to marshal at the event instead, we will postpone your entry to next year! If you are interested in volunteering, please get in touch with <u>contact@challenging.events</u>.

## FAQ's



#### What do I do if I need medical assistance on event day?

Please ensure that you have updated all your medical information on your registration form prior to event day. If you need any help with this, please email <a href="mailto:contact@challenging.events">contact@challenging.events</a>.

On event day our medical team will be on site to deal with any issues. Our marshals will also be around in High – Vis - if you need help, please notify one of our marshals or medical team.

#### Can I wear earphones or use an iPod etc?

If you are NOT competing for a podium place, then you are allowed to wear earphones. If you are aiming to be one of the fastest runners in your event, then the race rules (UKA and BARR) do not allow the use of earphones and you may be disqualified.

Please note that whilst this is a closed roads event, we strongly recommend that you have 1 earbud out at all times so that you can hear the marshal's directions, as well as awareness of other runners around you.

#### Will there be pacers?

Yes - our team of pacers will be in bright coloured bibs with the time on, so you won't miss them!





## **Good Luck!**

Good luck with the rest of your training...we can't wait to see you on the start line!

If you have any questions that aren't answered in this booklet, please email <a href="mailto:contact@challenging.events">contact@challenging.events</a> and our team will be happy to help.

Good Luck!

From,
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