



Runner Guide

Welcome! We can't wait to see you for the 20th anniversary running of the Novant Health Charlotte Marathon, half marathon, relay, and Chick-fil-A 5k events. Below you'll find everything you need to know in order to make your experience safe, fun, and hassle-free. Please review all of the information below, as we have many changes that will affect every participant.

If you are not able to participate with us or need to defer or transfer your event entry, you can manage your registration [here](#). Still need help? Please reach out to registration@runcharlotte.com

Friday, November 15

Packet Pickup is at the **2024 Novant Health Charlotte Marathon Expo**. Make time to visit with our Sponsors and Partners at the Expo.

Location: Charlotte Convention Center, Hall C1, 501 S College St, Charlotte, NC 28202

Parking Info: Check out parking info [here](#) or take [Light Rail!](#) We recommend avoiding the NASCAR Hall of Fame deck as it gets congested quickly.

Time: Friday 11/15 - 10am - 7pm

Bib Pick up: Bring your registration code and ID - pick up at any open bib pick up counter! Family and friends must have a copy of your photo ID to be allowed to pick up your packet (a photo on your phone is fine). Pin this on the FRONT of your shirt on Race Morning!

Relay Team Bib Pick Up: One team member should pick up your packet of bibs and timing tag. Please go to the counter marked *Relay*

T-shirts: Grab your shirt at Expo. Shirt exchanges are not available until after Saturday's race. Check out the Solutions tent on Mint Street if you need assistance

[Check out our vendors here](#)

There is NO Packet Pickup available on race day unless you pre purchased the Will Call Packet Pickup.





Race Day Details

Saturday, November 16

[Check out the Event Map here!](#)

Arrive Early - With MANY changes this year and + 9,000 participants with you, please give yourself extra time. We suggest the following:

- **6:00 am - In your chosen parking spot**
- **6:30 am – Check your bag with Gentle Giant on the corner of MLK and Mint Street using the clear bag and sticker given to you at Packet Pickup.**
- **6:45 am – Use the restroom INSIDE the Baseball stadium or at the Porto Johns on 3rd & Tryon or MLK & Tryon**
- **7:00 am – Be in your corral!**
- **7:20 am – Full, Half and Relay start!**

NEW THIS YEAR! The Start Line for all distances is located at [525 S Tryon Street](#) between Brooklyn Village Ave and Levine Ave of the Arts.

- Corrals go back to Third Street and open at 6:30am and close 15 minutes before your start time
- **Full and Half Marathon, Ruckers and Relays:** 7:20am start time and will close at 7:30am.
- **5K:** 7:35am start time and will close at 7:45am.

If you miss the start time for your registered distance and start after your distance start line has closed, you will receive the gun time as your start time.

Corse Maps:

- Marathon – [Map](#) – [Turn By Turn](#)
- Half Marathon – [Map](#) – [Turn By Turn](#)
- Relay – [Map](#) – [Turn By Turn](#)
- Half Relay – [Map](#) – [Turn By Turn](#)
- 5k – [Map with Turn By Turn](#)

Find Uptown [parking here](#) or take [Light Rail!](#) Light Rail is a great option, avoid the traffic and get off just 2 blocks from the Start Line!





Will Call: If you selected Concierge Will Call at registration, you will find your packet at the Solutions Tent on Mint St. Saturday, November 16 starting at 6:00 AM.

- **Will Callers:** You may also grab your packet at the Expo but, **please, go to the Solutions Desk as opposed to the regular pick-up line.** Your packet will be at the Solutions table.

Restrooms and Portable Toilets: Please use the restrooms inside the Knights’ baseball stadium – warm seats and 2-ply paper!! Portable toilets will also be available on streets adjacent to Tryon St. near the start line. Of course, if you’re staying in a hotel in Uptown Charlotte, please feel free to use the restroom in your hotel room (warm seat and 2-ply!).

Race Day Bag Check is located at the Corner of S Mint and MLK. Look for the HUGE Gentle Giant truck, fill your Novant Health Charlotte Marathon Bag given to you at Expo, fill out and stick on your bib number, check it, and pick it up when you finish. This is located at least two blocks from the start line and one block from the end of the finish corral.

Corrals: For ease of congestion at the start line, we will be utilizing start corrals at the start line this year for the marathon, half marathon and relay teams. On race week you will be assigned a corral based on the time you entered for your Estimated Finish Time. You are able to move back in corrals, but you will not be able to move forward into a faster corral. You are able to edit your estimated finish time within your registration portal up until the week of the event.

Pace Team: If you’re after that Personal Best, Boston Qualifying Time, or just want to find a group running your speed, look for the Novant Health Charlotte Marathon/Charlotte Running Club Pace Team in the starting corral. Pacers will lead groups to finish at the following times:

<u>Marathon</u>	<u>Half Marathon</u>
3:00:00	1:30:00
3:15:00	1:37:30
3:30:00	1:45:00
3:45:00	1:52:30
4:00:00	2:00:00
4:15:00	2:07:30
4:30:00	2:15:00





4:45:00	2:22:30
5:00:00	2:30:00
5:15:00	2:37:30
5:30:00	2:45:00
5:45:00	2:52:30
6:00:00	3:00:00

Clothing Drop: Wear your goods and toss them in the Clothing Drop boxes pre- and post-start. All clothing donations will go to [Project Outpour](#).

Aid Stations: Locations are [here](#) and each feature Midas water, Gatorade, GU at Miles 8, 14, and 20, and all aid stations have porto johns! Hiccups will be the silicone water cup at the first half of the marathon so make sure you toss those in the black bins! Gatorade cups have, well... Gatorade.

The Finish line is located on [4th street](#). Join us to cheer on the runners -

- First finisher’s **estimated** times -
 - 5k - 7:51am
 - Half - 8:32am
 - Full - 9:45am

Finishers' Medals: Volunteers will have them for you just past the finish line!

Publix Runner Bag: Grab your Publix food bag just after medals and enjoy it in the Finish Line Festival area in Romare Bearden Park!

Medical: Novant Health Medical Tent is open and available to all runners just past the finish line.

Finish Line Festival: Join us for the Finish Line Festival at Romare Beardon Park - Vendors, Food Trucks, DJ Rosice, Run Club Way, giveaways 2 amazing live bands and More!

Overall and Age Group Awards: Join us in front of the Main stage in Romare Beardon Park for Awards! Must be present to claim your amazing award!

- 5k - 8:30am
- Half - 10am
- Full - 12pm





Results: Scan the QR code on your bib for direct link to your results!

Pictures: FinisherPix is the official photographer at the Novant Health Charlotte Marathon 2024.

- Your personal race photos will be available [here](#).
- Access your FREE Finisher picture [here](#).

Map: Looking for water stops, mile markers, relay points and anything else race map related - [look here](#).

Questions? Look for the Solutions Tent on Mint St. after the event-- we can help!

