



## OFFICIAL RULES & REGULATIONS

### HARMONY GENEVA MARATHON FOR UNICEF 2018

#### Article 1 – Organisation

The 14th edition of the Harmony Geneva Marathon for Unicef will take place on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2018, and is brought to you by the Geneva Marathon Association (Chemin des Sarments 4, 1222, Vesenz, Switzerland) in partnership with Swiss Athletics and OC Sport.

#### Article 2 – Race Schedule

Race Schedule 2018:

Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018:

- Junior Races: Ranging from 1 to 5km in length: these 5 races are for all licensed and non-licensed runners born between 2003 and 2012.
  - Category 1: 1km, (born in 2011 and 2012)
  - Category 2: 2km, (born in 2009 and 2010)
  - Category 3: 2.5km (born in 2007 and 2008)
  - Category 4: 3km (born in 2005 and 2006)
  - Category 5: 5km (born in 2003 and 2004)
- La Genevoise (female participants only): 6,5km race (open to all licensed and non-licensed female runners aged 14 and over on May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018)
- 10km Race (open to all licensed and non-licensed runners aged 15

and over on May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018)

- 10km Walking and Nordic Walking (open to all licensed and non-licensed runners aged 15 and over on May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018)

### Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> 2018:

- Marathon: 42.195km (open to all licensed and non-licensed runners aged 18 and over on May 6<sup>th</sup> 2018)
- Half-Marathon: 21.095km (open to all licensed and non-licensed runners aged 17 and over on May 6<sup>th</sup> 2018)
- Relay Marathon: Teams of 4 to 6 Runners sharing legs of 4.7 to 10km (open to all licensed and non-licensed runners aged 14 and over on May 6<sup>th</sup> 2018)
- Wheelchair race: 21,095km (open to all licensed and non-licensed participants aged 17 and over on May 6<sup>th</sup> 2018)

## **Article 3 – The Course**

The courses for both the Marathon and Half Marathon are measured in compliance with national and international standards (Swiss Athletics and IAAF). Nonetheless, this course isn't certified for participants to qualify for the World Championships or the Olympics.

- The Junior Races will start on the afternoon of Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018 from the Jardin Anglais in Geneva. The finish line will also be in the Jardin Anglais, in Geneva.
- The Genevoise will start on Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018 late afternoon on Avenue de Bel-Air in Chêne-Bourg. The finish line will be in the Jardin Anglais in Geneva.
- The start for the 10km Race and Walking/Nordic Walking races will be given on Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018 early evening, on Avenue de Bel-Air in Chêne-Bourg. The finish line will be in the Jardin Anglais in Geneva.
- The start for the Half Marathon and Wheelchair race will be given on Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 8.30am, on Avenue de Bel Air in Chêne-Bourg. The finish line will be on the Pont du Mont-Blanc in Geneva.

- The start for the Marathon and Relay Marathon will be given on May 6<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 9.45am, on Avenue de Bel-Air in Chêne-Bourg. The finish line will be on the Pont du Mont-Blanc in Geneva.

Please see <http://www.harmonygenevemarathon.com/fr/> for more details on each of the race courses.

The organising committee reserves the right to modify the schedule and/or the courses up until the eve of the event.

## Article 4 – Entries

- The Marathon is open to all licensed and non-licensed participants born before May 6<sup>th</sup> 2000.
- The Half Marathon and Wheelchair race are open to all licensed and non-licensed participants born before May 6<sup>th</sup> 2001.
- The Relay Marathon is open to all licensed and non-licensed participants born before May 6<sup>th</sup> 2004.
- La Genevoise is open to all licensed and non-licensed female participants born before May 5<sup>th</sup> 2004.
- The 10km Race and 10km Walking/Nordic Walking are open to all licensed and non- licensed participants born before May 5<sup>th</sup> 2003.
- The Junior Races are open to all licensed and non-licensed kids born between 2003 and 2012.

All participants taking part in the Harmony Geneva Marathon for Unicef races agrees to do so after undertaking sufficient training and being in good health. It is highly recommended for all participants to carry out a medical check up and get a doctors certification.

Participants are entered based on the order in which payments are received. Nonetheless the organising committee reserves the right to set a maximum number of participants for each race, beyond which no more entries will be accepted.

You can enter the event via our website on:

<http://www.harmonygenevemarathon.com/en>

## **Article 5 - Ranking**

Your official time for the race will be the time elapsed between passing over the start line and passing over the finish line (apart from the top 10 in each race, ranked in order of their passing over the finish line). The ranking will be established based on these times. A ranking for each age group will also be established. Timing mats will be placed along the course to ensure all ranked participants cover the full course distance.

## **Article 6 – Commitment**

Entering the event is a personal and definitive decision. No refunds are available regardless of circumstances. No registration transfers are available under any circumstances (transfer to the following year and/or transfer to another person are not allowed).

Your bib will have to be fully visible and worn on the front of your shirt during the race.

## **Article 7 – Doping**

Swiss Olympic have authority over all matters in terms of doping. Tests could be administered. Participants can visit [www.antidoping.ch](http://www.antidoping.ch) for more information regarding doping.

## **Article 8 – Bib Collection**

Bib collection will take place at the following times:

- Friday May 4<sup>th</sup> 2018 between 10am and 7pm at the Marathon Village.
- Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018 between 9am and 6pm at the Marathon Village.

To collect your bib, you will need to provide proof of identity and your bib collection voucher. The bib collection voucher will be sent via email as of

April 28<sup>th</sup> 2018 to the email address supplied during the registration process. For all Junior Races, bib collection requires the presence of a parent/guardian. Bibs for the Marathon Relay will need to be collected by the team captain. No bibs will be sent via post.

## **Article 9 – Categories**

There will be a prize for the three first to finish in each category and distance except for the 10Km Walking & Nordic Walking as those races are not ranked:

### Marathon:

- Men H18 from 18 to 29 years old
- Men H30 from 30 to 39 years old
- Men H40 from 40 to 49 years old
- Men H50 from 50 to 59 years old
- Men H60 60 years old and above
- Women F18 from 18 to 29 years old
- Women F30 from 30 to 39 years old
- Women F40 from 40 to 49 years old
- Women F50 from 50 to 59 years old
- Women F60 60 years old and above

### Half Marathon:

- Men H17 from 17 to 29 years old
- Men H30 from 30 to 39 years old
- Men H40 from 40 to 49 years old
- Men H50 from 50 to 59 years old
- Men H60 60 years old and above
- Women F17 from 17 to 29 years old
- Women F30 from 30 to 39 years old
- Women F40 from 40 to 49 years old
- Women F50 from 50 to 59 years old
- Women F60 60 years old and above

### Wheelchair:

- Wheelchair men
- Wheelchair women

### 10KM Race:

- Men H15 from 15 to 29 years old
- Men H30 from 30 to 39 years old
- Men H40 from 40 to 49 years old
- Men H50 from 50 to 59 years old
- Men H60 60 years old and above
- Women F15 from 15 to 29 years old
- Women F30 from 30 to 39 years old
- Women F40 from 40 to 49 years old
- Women F50 from 50 to 59 years old
- Women F60 60 years old and above

#### La Genevoise:

- Juniors from 14 to 17 years old
- Women F18 from 18 to 29 years old
- Women F30 from 30 to 39 years old
- Women F40 from 40 to 49 years old
- Women F50 from 50 to 59 years old
- Women F60 60 years old and above

#### Junior Races:

- Category 1 boy - 1 km - born in 2010 and 2011
- Category 2 boy - 2 km - born in 2008 and 2009
- Category 3 boy - 2.5 km - born in 2006 and 2007
- Category 4 boy - 3 km - born in 2004 and 2005
- Category 5 boy - 5 km - born in 2002 and 2003
- Category 1 girl - 1 km - born in 2010 and 2011
- Category 2 girl - 2 km - born in 2008 and 2009
- Category 3 girl - 2.5 km - born in 2006 and 2007
- Category 4 girl - 3 km - born in 2004 and 2005
- Category 5 girl - 5 km - born in 2002 and 2003

## Article 10 – Time Limit

Any participant overtaken by or stopped by the broom wagon bus will have their bib taken off them and will no longer be part of the race. Security will be progressively removed after the passage of the broom wagon; anyone behind the broom wagon will have to respect the rules of the road and run on the sidewalk to complete the course. On top of this, the organising committee will not take responsibility for medical assistance or

refreshments for anyone behind the broom wagon.

## **Article 11 – Timing**

A professional timing company will be responsible for timing the event. All participants will have a timing chip (at the back of the bib number – it must not be removed, cut or modified) that will be used to time their race. This chip interacts with an electronic system on the start line and finish line, as well as on several timing mats throughout the race. Thus any participant who doesn't take the right course will not be ranked.

## **Article 12 – Insurance**

Personal Accident - The organising committee recommends that all participants who don't have personal insurance covering physical injury, especially non-licensed participants, should sign up for personal accident insurance.

Material Damage – The organising committee declines all responsibility for any damage to, or theft of personal belongings even if they are under our care. The organisation cannot be liable for any damage to or theft of participants' equipment. Each participant will require personal insurance to cover damage to, or theft of personal goods.

## **Article 13 – Environmental Sustainability**

Participants are asked to respect the environment before, during and after the race by using the bins and recycling facilities provided.

## **Article 14 – Image Rights**

By signing up for the event, each participant expressly allows the Harmony Geneva Marathon for Unicef (or subsequent organisers) to use, reproduce or have reproduced his name, image, voice and sports performance through the race for any direct use or as a derivative of the race and this, in any material, in the world, by any means known or unknown to date, and for the duration of protection currently granted for such use direct or derived by the law or regulations, judicial decisions and/or arbitration of any country and by current or future international agreements, including any extensions that may be made at this time.

## **Article 15 – Data Protection**

In line with the federal law on data protection from June 19<sup>th</sup> 1992, you have the right to access and rectify any personal data you provide.

Participants accept that the organising committee transfers personal contact details to their official charity, Unicef, with the sole aim of seeking awareness of programmes established to improve global access to drinking water.

## **Article 16 – Traffic on the race course**

All bikes, motorised modes of transport and modes of transport on wheels, as well as strollers are prohibited on the race course. This excludes all vehicles driven by members of the organisation.

## **Article 17 – Withdrawal**

Any participant seeking to withdraw has to present himself or herself to a feed station or medical station in order to hand over their bib and timing chip.

## **Article 18 – Cancellation of the Event**

If the race has to be cancelled for reasons beyond the organising committee's control (including extreme weather) no refund of entry fees will be available and no indemnities will be paid.

## **Article 19 – Communications from Organiser**

The participant agrees to receive newsletters and other communications from the organiser relating to other sports events the organiser manages.

***Participation in the Harmony Geneva Marathon for Unicef implies the acceptance of all articles in the above race regulation.***