

Rules Arctic Marathon Finland – Wildmarathon Series

Overview

The Arctic Marathon Finland is a race featuring 42K, 21K, and 10K distances. Organized by Geo-Planet Events in partnership with Makalu Adventure Travel & Tours and Santa Claus Holiday Villages, the event takes place in the spectacular surroundings of the Arctic Circle at Santa Claus Village (Rovaniemi, Finland).

Start and Finish

- **Full Marathon (42K):** Starts at the Arctic Circle line in Santa Claus Village.
- **21K and 10K:** Start locations to be determined.
- **Finish Line:** All three distances conclude at the Arctic Circle in Santa Claus Village.

Participation Requirements

- **Age:** Minimum 18 years old on race day. Minors under 18 must provide written authorization signed by a parent or guardian.
- **Licensing:** A federal athletics license is not mandatory.
- **Categories:** Participants may compete individually or as a Team/Company (pairs or teams of up to 5 people). For teams, the times of the first three members to cross the finish line will be counted.

Mandatory Equipment

Participants must carry:

- Official bib number (provided by the organization).
- GPS tracker (provided at the destination, if applicable).
- Race track downloaded to a mobile device or GPS watch, and a physical map.

Timing and Cut-offs

- The maximum time to complete the race is **6 hours**. After this limit, a sweep vehicle will collect any remaining participants.
- To qualify for trophies, participants must pass all checkpoints within the established time limits.

Award Categories

- **General Full Marathon (42K):** Top 3 Men and Women.
- **General Half Marathon (21K):** Top 3 Men and Women.

- **General 10K:** Top 3 Men and Women.
- **Team/Company Category:** 1st Place (Men, Women, or Mixed).
 - *Note:* Teams consist of up to 4 people. The final team time is determined by the last member to cross the finish line. The last member must finish within 30 minutes of the rest of the team.

Course Marking and Support

The course will be marked with arrows and vertical signs. GPS tracks will be provided to all runners. The organization will provide support and safety vehicles, a lead vehicle, a sweep vehicle, ambulances, and medical services.

- Digital certificates of completion will be available upon request for those who finish within the time limit.

Safety and Liability

- **Gear Drop-off:** A clothing drop-off point will be available in case of changing weather conditions.
- **Traffic:** The route avoids main roads, but participants may encounter vehicles. Prudence is required; runners are responsible for any traffic infractions.
- **Insurance:** The event has Civil Liability coverage; however, it is **highly recommended** that participants obtain private accident insurance. The organization is not liable for accidents caused by participants or for any personal debts or damages incurred.
- **Right to Modify:** The organization reserves the right to modify the itinerary, checkpoints, schedules, and aid stations due to force majeure.
- **Medical Authority:** Medical staff may withdraw any participant for safety reasons. The Race Director may disqualify participants for unsportsmanlike conduct or rule violations.

Claims and Ethics

Any claims must be submitted in writing and handled discreetly at the end of the event. Wildmarathon promotes fair play; any grievances must be addressed directly with the organizers and not shared publicly.

Registration and Payments

Registrations must be made through **Wildmarathon.com** or authorized partners (World's Marathon, Finishers, UltraSignup, Findarace, Runedia, etc.). A deposit is required at registration, with the remaining balance paid in two installments on the official website.

- A percentage of the registration fee is donated via "The Hope Path" to local development and environmental conservation.
- **Passports and Visas**
Documentation: Participants must hold a valid passport. A copy must be submitted to the organization to facilitate Natural Park permits.

The organization provides:

- **Airport Transfers** from the designated airport.
- **Accommodations** and all **meals**.
- **Official Briefing** session.
- **Personalized race jacket** and **custom bib number**.
- **Multilingual guide** services.
- **Local activities** and support services throughout the marathon.

*Personal Training program as an option.

- **Entry Requirements:** It is the participant's sole responsibility to secure necessary visas and meet all entry requirements for the destination country. The organization is not liable for any expenses or losses resulting from denied entry, regardless of the cause.
- **Schedule Adherence:** Any costs or complications arising from a participant's late arrival or early departure (prior to the official program's conclusion) are the exclusive responsibility of the participant. The organization will not cover any associated expenses.
- **Compensation Policy:** While the organization is not obligated to offer refunds for the above circumstances, it may, as a gesture of goodwill, evaluate potential credit or compensation for future events on a case-by-case basis.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

Cancellations by the participant are subject to the following fees:

- **More than 3 months notice:** 25% cancellation fee.
- **2 months notice:** 50% cancellation fee.
- **1 month notice:** 100% cancellation fee (no refund).

Dropouts: Runners who withdraw from the race **must** notify the organization via the provided emergency numbers. Failure to do so will result in the participant being billed for any search and rescue costs.

Weather & Force Majeure:

- If a catastrophe occurs **prior** to the trip, registrations will be refunded.

- If an event occurs **during** the trip or race, the organization reserves the right to change the date. Refunds are not guaranteed but may be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Environmental Protection

The Arctic Marathon takes place in a pristine and vulnerable area of Lapland.

- **Littering is strictly prohibited.** Waste must be disposed of in containers at aid stations.
- Any damage to the natural environment or lack of eco-ethics may lead to immediate disqualification.

Image Rights

By registering, participants agree to grant the organization rights to use any photos or videos from the event for promotional purposes. Personal data will be used for event-related communications.

Disclaimer

The Arctic Marathon requires excellent physical condition. By registering, the runner confirms they are fit to compete and assumes all risks associated with the event, releasing the organization from liability for accidents, incidents involving third parties, or loss of personal property.

Registration for the event constitutes the participant's full acknowledgment and acceptance of all race terms and rules

