

OFFICIAL RULES

The amateur sports club RCS Active Team, affiliated with the Italian Athletics Federation (FIDAL) with MI814 code, with the approval of FIDAL Regional Committee of Lombardy and the World Athletics, organizes the twenty-third edition of the Milano Marathon, officially called “**Wizz Air Milano Marathon 2026**”, road race of top international level of 42,195 km. The race will take place Sunday, **April 12, 2026** in Milano, and will take place in all weather conditions.

The Wizz Air Milan Marathon is certified with the “**FIDAL Oro**” and the “**World Athletics Label**”.

PARTICIPATION RULES

Under the provisions of Art. 34 of the Rules for the Organization of Events issued by FIDAL, the race is open to all athletes who belong to one of the following categories.

1) Italian and foreign male and female athletes registered with a club affiliated to FIDAL and belonging to the categories Promesse (20-22 years old), Seniores (23-34 years old), Senior Masters (35 years old and following).

2) Male and female athletes registered with a foreign Athletics Federation affiliated to World Athletics (IAAF), submitting, in case they are not enrolled by their Federation or Club or Assistant, a special form for self-declaring their membership.

Non-EU athletes must submit a residence permit or a visa.

Athletes of foreign Federations that require the authorization to race abroad (Rule 4 of the International Technical Regulations) must submit the authorization itself.

3) Italian and foreign male and female athletes registered with a club affiliated to a Sports Promotion Authority (EPS) that has signed an agreement with FIDAL, only if in possession of a RUNCARD-EPS.

Participation is allowed for Italian citizens and foreigners living in Italy, aged at least 20 years old (born in the year 2006 or before), members of a Sports Club affiliated with a Sports Promotion Authority that has signed an agreement with FIDAL, owning a valid (not expired) RUNCARD-EPS directly issued by FIDAL (www.runcard.com).

N.B. The RUNCARD-EPS card is renewable. The validity period is shown on the card. If, during the control of the card, it is determined that the card has expired, the athlete may NOT participate, unless he is able to show the receipt of on-line renewal.

Their participation is subject to the possession of a valid medical certificate of eligibility for the practice of competitive “Athletics” (no other indications), which must be checked by the organizer and kept as a copy of by the organizing committee.

These athletes will be regularly included in the rankings, but are not entitled to receive prizes, bonuses and refunds.

4) Italians (residing in Italy or abroad) and foreign athletes residing in Italy in possession of a RUNCARD.

Participation is allowed for Italian citizens and foreigners living in Italy, aged at least 20 years old (born in the year 2006 or before), **non-members of a Sports Club affiliated with FIDAL or of a foreign Sports Club affiliated with World Athletics**, owning a valid (not expired) RUNCARD directly issued by FIDAL (www.runcard.com).

N.B. The RUNCARD card is renewable. The validity period is shown on the card. If, during the control of the card, it is determined that the card has expired, the athlete may NOT participate, unless he is able to show the receipt of on-line renewal.

Their participation is subject to the possession of a valid medical certificate of eligibility for the practice of competitive “Athletics” (no other indications), which must be checked by the organizer and kept as a copy of by the organizing committee.

These athletes will be regularly included in the rankings, but are not entitled to receive prizes, bonuses and refunds.

5) Foreign athletes residing abroad in possession of a RUNCARD. Participation is allowed for foreign citizens living abroad, aged at least 20 years old (born in the year 2006 or before), **non-members of a Sports Club affiliated with FIDAL or of a foreign Sports Club affiliated with World Athletics (IAAF)**, owning a valid (not expired) RUNCARD directly issued by FIDAL (www.runcard.com).

N.B. The RUNCARD card is renewable. The validity period is shown on the card. If, during the control of the card, it is determined that the card has expired, the athlete may NOT participate, unless he is able to show the receipt of on-line renewal.

Their participation is still subject to the submission of a valid medical certificate of eligibility for the practice of competitive "Athletics". The certificate has to be **shown in original** to race organizers, which will **archive a copy** of it.

These athletes can submit a **medical certificate issued in their own country**, but **complying with all diagnostic tests (see below) prescribed by Italian law** for those that perform competitive athletics, or use the special "**health form**" prepared by the organization, which can be downloaded from the site. In accordance with Ministerial Decree 18/02/82 those who practice competitive sports activities must undergo, in advance and periodically, a medical exam to check the suitability to the specific sport. Italian laws require that the interested parties must submit to the following health tests:

- Medical examination
- Complete Urinalysis
- Electrocardiogram at rest and after exercise
- Spirography

All statements and the reports of the examinations must be authentic, or the originals.

These athletes will be regularly included in the rankings, but are not entitled to receive prizes, bonuses and refunds.

6) Participation for sport tourism purposes for foreigners residing abroad.

Based on the provisions of Art. 26 paragraph 4, 4.1 and 4.2 of the Rules for the Organization of Events issued by FIDAL, foreign citizens residing abroad can participate for sport tourism purposes, limited to people aged at least 20 (born in the year 2005 or before) and non-members of a Sports Club affiliated with FIDAL or of a foreign Sports Club affiliated with World Athletics.

These athletes will participate in a non-competitive event that does not fall under the regulations of FIDAL, although taking place at the same time as the competitive marathon.

These athletes **will be identified with a different bib** and **placed in an alphabetical order of arrival distinct from the rankings of the competitive event** and will not be able to benefit from prizes in kind, in cash,

vouchers, bonuses, engagements, reimbursements of any kind. To participate, these athletes **must carefully read and accept the liability waiver and health information present in the registration form.**

DOPING CONTROLS:

Participants in the Events **can be subjected to doping controls.**

CAN NOT PARTICIPATE:

- Athletes affiliated with **other Federations** (i.e. Triathlon)
- Athletes affiliated with **Sport Promotion Authorities** recognized by CONI, but not affiliated with FIDAL, who don't have a valid RUNCARD;
- Athletes in possession of **Mountain & Trail RUNCARD.**

WARNINGS ABOUT MEDICAL CERTIFICATES:

- Medical certificates must be specifically issued for "Athletics"
- Medical certificates issued **for other sports** will not be accepted.
- Italian citizen (even if living abroad), must provide a medical certificate issued in Italy.

ENTRY FEES

The registration fee refers to a variable amount giving a benefit to those who register before. Registration fee is published on the event website.

*Registration fee does not include service fee.

REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

- race number;
- insurance against civil liability;
- technical and medical assistance;
- goody bag containing products from sponsors;
- voucher Wizz Air (for all participants);
- refreshments stations along the route;
- finish bag with food and beverages;
- official program and information materials (digital format);
- timing service;
- official commemorative t-shirt (for runners that register to the marathon);

- finisher's medal (for runners that complete the marathon);
- personal clothes deposit (in the special "container bag" provided by the organization);
- transport service to the finish area for withdrawn athletes.

HOW TO REGISTER

There are two registration methods:

General Entry:

Registration must be made **on-line**, following the instructions available on the milanomarathon.it website.

The cost of the on-line registration service -equal to 5 euros- is not included in the entry fees. Service fee is not applied on free entries.

Service fee includes:

- sending communications with technical information about the event;
- management of registration and any changes requested by the participant;
- registration platform usage cost.

Payment can be made by VISA or MasterCard credit card.

Charity Entry:

Registration must be made **on-line**, following the instructions available on the milanomarathon.it website.

The fee is fixed at €155 and includes:

- €70: race bib fee
- €80: donation to the selected Charity
- €5: service fee

The cost of the on-line registration service -equal to 5 euros- is not included in the entry fees. Service fee is not applied on free entries.

Service fee includes:

- sending communications with technical information about the event;
- management of registration and any changes requested by the participant;
- registration platform usage cost.

Payment can be made by VISA or MasterCard credit card.

ENTRY CONFIRMATION

It will be possible to verify the entry status by following the directions on milanomarathon.it website. The assignment of the bib number will take place just a few days before the race.

OFFICIAL “CONFIRMATION LETTER”

A few days before the race, all athletes enrolled will receive an **e-mail valid as official "letter of confirmation"**.

This email will contain all the basic instructions for the bib number pick-up and race participation. **You do not need to print a hard copy of the email itself; you can bring it on a device like a smartphone or tablet.**

REFUND OF ENTRY FEES

The registration cannot be postponed to the following year or transferred to another person.

During the **General Entry** application process, it is possible to buy **insurance**, at the cost of only 10 euros, which will enable to obtain a **refund of the entry fee in case of inability to participate or in case of postponement / cancellation of the event due to force majeure or incompatibility with current regulations.**

It is not necessary to provide any proof of the reason for inability to participate, but reimbursement must be requested by sending an e-mail to info@milanomarathon.it. The request must be submitted no later than March 30, 2026. In case of a refund request, bib and race pack should NOT be collected.

If a refund is requested by **February 6, 2026**, the registration fee will be refunded 100%; if a refund is requested between **February 7, 2026** and 30 March 2026, the registration fee will be refunded 75%. **The refund will be made by April 30, 2026.** If it is not possible to make the refund on the same credit card used by the user to register, making it necessary to make a bank transfer, the refund time will be extended until September 30, 2026.

The following are excluded from the refundable fee:

- the cost of the insurance itself (10 euros);
- the cost of the online registration service (5 euros);
- the cost of other paid options.

Registration fees for the **Charity Entry** are **non-refundable**.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Registration will close at 11:59 pm on April 7, 2026. Applications received after that term will not be accepted. The organization reserves the right to close registration in advance or to accept registrations after the closing date at its sole discretion.

In any case, entries will not be accepted on the day of the event.

WHEELCHAIR ATHLETES' REGISTRATION

A maximum of **20 wheelchair + pusher pairs** are allowed. Interested participants must send a request to info@milanomarathon.it and complete the **dedicated online form**. The athlete in the wheelchair is entitled to **free registration**, while the pusher must register normally and pay the applicable fee.

ASSIGNMENT OF RACE NUMBERS

Race numbers **will be assigned automatically in steps** (i.e., those who register first will have a lower start number compared to those who register later). **At each athlete will be assigned a specific start sector**. The sector will be indicated on the bib number, through the use of specific colors, to facilitate entry in their respective "corral".

The starting sectors will be determined **on the basis of the "qualifying time"** declared by the applicants, according to the chart below. For the allocation of the starting areas will be accepted the **net times recorded from January 1, 2024 onwards** on the **marathon** and half **marathon distance**, on FIDAL / World Athletics approved routes.

sector	qualifying time MARATHON		qualifying time HALF MARATHON	
	from	to	from	to
1	2h30'00"	2h59'59"	1h09'00"	1h20'59"
2	3h00'00"	3h08'59"	1h21'00"	1h24'29"
3	3h09'00"	3h17'59"	1h24'30"	1h27'59"
4	3h18'00"	3h26'59"	1h28'00"	1h31'59"

5	3h27'00"	3h35'59"	1h32'00'	1h35'29"
6	3h36'00"	3h47'59"	1h35'30"	1h39'59"
7	3h48'00"	3h59'59"	1h40'00"	1h44'59"
8	4h00'00"	4h21'59"	1h45'00"	1h53'29"
9	4h22'00"	4h44'59"	1h53'30"	1h59'59"
10	4h45'00"		2h00'00"	

Sector 0 is reserved by the organization for:

- **male athletes** with a qualifying time **under 2h30' on the marathon** or **under 1h09' on the half marathon**;
- **female athletes** with a qualifying time **under 3h00' on the marathon** or **under 1h21' on the half marathon**.

NUMBERS AND GOODY BAGS PICK-UP

Race numbers and goody bags can be collected at the Milano Running Festival, in the following days: **Thursday, April 9** (4pm to 8pm) **Friday, April 10** (10am to 8pm) and **Saturday, April 11** (9am to 7pm). There is no bib shipping, no race numbers and goody bags will be delivered on the morning of April 12, 2026, the day of the marathon.

The race number is strictly personal, it cannot be tampered with or reduced and is not transferable to anyone, under penalty of disqualification. The bib incorporates the timing chip (which must not be tampered with in any way) and must be applied with the appropriate pins.

DELEGATE A THIRD PARTY TO COLLECT THE RACE NUMBER

The race numbers and goody bags can also be picked up by a third person, showing the specific authorization form signed by the legitimate owner of the number. The delegate must be able to present all the documents (health certificates, Green Pass, etc.) necessary for participation.

SAFETY PROCEDURES

In compliance with the provisions of the official communicate by the Ministry of the Interior NR. 555/0P/0001991/2017/1 (so-called "Circolare Gabrielli") special safety procedures will be implemented. In particular:

- access to the starting grids from 7:00 a.m. onward;
- the marathon runners must show their bib number to access;
- to gain access, marathoners must compulsorily show their bib number;
- the organization does not guarantee access to the starting sectors in time for the athletes who will present themselves after the starting sector closing time;
- it will not be allowed to bring inside the service area any container (bag, backpack, etc.) other than the bag provided by the organization (and marked with the appropriate label with your bib number), inside which the individual items must be placed in bulk, to allow an accurate and fast control by security officers.

BAG DEPOSIT

Alongside the bib number at each athlete will be given a label (bearing the race number) to be placed on the bag provided by the organization in which personal clothes can be stored. **The bag appropriately numbered will be the only container accepted by the organization. It should be delivered to the employees at the bag deposit in the designated area, where it will be kept and where it can be withdrawn by the athlete at the end of the race.** It is advisable not to leave personal belongings (mobile, wallet, etc.) inside the bags. While ensuring the utmost care in the custody of the bag, the organization will not be responsible for any theft.

CHANGING TENTS

Changing tents will be available for men and women at **Via Iacini** and **Via Beretta**, near the bag deposit.

START

The start of the Wizz Air Milan Marathon 2026 is scheduled from 8:15 a.m., with a meeting in the start area up to 20 minutes before the start of each wave. There will be three waves:

- 8:15 a.m.: first wave start – starting sector closes at 07:55
- 08:30 a.m.: second wave start - starting sector closes at 08:10
- 08:45 a.m.: third wave start - starting sector closes at 08:25
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It is noted that small variations are possible due to technical and organizational needs.

TIMING

Time measurement and processing of the rankings will be electronically made with technology Chip **GUN TIME** (from gunshot) and **REAL TIME** (for statistics purpose) using an active transponder ("chip") attached to the race number. It is forbidden to tamper with the chip and the support that fixes it to the bib. Athletes who in any way loose and/or damage the "chip" will not be timed and will not be in the rankings. For each athlete will be taken: **official time** (from gunshot to finish line), **net time** (from the moment you cross the start line to the finish line), **intermediate** times at km 5, km 10, km 15, km 20, at the **half marathon** (km 21.097), km 25, km 30, km 35, and km 40.

For athletes in the "elite" field, the official classification and awarding of overall prizes will be based exclusively on the GUN TIME (from the starting signal). For all other athletes, the official classification will also be determined by REAL TIME.

Results and rankings will be validated by GGG's delegate.

COMPETITION SHOES

The requirements for shoes used in the competition must correspond to the Athletics Shoe Regulation WA. For compliance, the GGG conducts spot checks on the shoes used in the event. If the shoe is not certified in the WA Shoe Compliance List or has not been identified, the result will be classified as UNC (Uncertified) pending further investigation (in which case the shoe may be withdrawn by the Judges). Thereafter, if the shoe is not approved, the result must be cancelled and the athlete may be disqualified.

TIME LIMITS

Time limit to finish the marathon is 6h30'. There will also be two intermediate "gates":

- at the **21,1 km** mark, after **3h15'** from the start (approximately at 12:05 am)
- at the **27,8 km** mark, after **4h20'** from the start (approximately at 1:10 pm)

Athletes who do not respect the passage times at the gates will be asked by officials to board the buses for the withdrawn athletes or to continue by running on the sidewalk adhering to the traffic rules. The participant who decides to continue along the marathon route voluntarily accepts and assumes all risks in case of accidents, contact with vehicles, falls and damage to third parties.

These measures are necessary to ensure the safety of athletes. After the times indicated above, in fact, a progressive reopening of the roads will occur, on basis of the authorization granted by the Municipality.

REFRESHMENT STATIONS

As per WA / FIDAL rules, **there will be refreshment stations with water after the finish line and every 5 kilometers along the course.** Beginning on the 20th km, fruit and cookies will also be available. In addition to the 8 refreshments provided in the regulations, there will be 2 additional refreshments. A number of sponging stations will also be available at the refreshment stations.

WITHDRAWN ATHLETES

Athletes with an injury or who want to leave the race can get on the “sweep bus” following the last runner to reach the next collection point (km 12,8 - km 22,30 - km 28). These athletes will be transported to the finish area, from where they can proceed to the bag depot in Piazza Castello. Athletes who are able to walk can reach the nearest collection point. Transportation to the finish area will start from the three collection points, respectively, at: 11:15 – 12:30 – 13:30.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

With the coordination of I-HELP by BSO, the organization will provide the runners with a timely and qualified medical service, to help all athletes in difficulty. An advanced medical post (PMA) will be located few meters after the finish line. Along the course, aid stations, ambulances and medical cars will be available approximately every 4 kilometers.

PACERS

Various groups of pacers will be at the runners’ disposal. These are athletes trained to run the marathon at a constant pace to complete the course within a specific time.

Pacers will be offered to run the marathon in:

3h00’ 3h10’ 3h20’ 3h30’ 3h40’ 3h50’ 4h00’
4h15’ 4h30’ 4h45’ 5h00’ 5h30’ 6h00’ 6h30’

Note: Indicated times refer to net time.

FINISH

After the finish line, athletes will be channeled into special corridors to receive the finisher's medal and access to the various services (refreshment station, bag deposit, dressing rooms, toilets, etc.).

RESULTS AND STANDINGS

Partial and final results will be available in real time by following the appropriate link on milanomarathon.it website. Similarly, you can download the finisher's certificate.

PRIZE PURSE OVERALL AND ITALIAN RANKINGS

The prizes of the overall ranking can be combined with those of the overall ranking of Italian athletes. The prizes of the Italian athletes' rankings will not be awarded for chronometric performances over 2h30'00" for men and over 2h55'00" for women.

All the prizes and bonuses are subject to taxes under the provision of Italian laws. Prizes will be awarded after the results of anti-doping exams.

The amount of the prizes should be understood to be gross of withholding taxes provided by Italian tax regulations. Prizes will be awarded after the results of doping tests.

OVERALL RANKING		
Place	Prize - Men	Prize - Woman
1st place	13.000 €	13.000 €
2nd place	6.500 €	6.500 €
3rd place	3.000 €	3.000 €
4th place	2.000 €	2.000 €
5th place	1.500 €	1.500 €
6th place	1.000 €	1.000 €
7th place	500 €	500 €
8th place	500 €	500 €

ADDITIONAL BONUSES

Additional time bonuses, exclusively provided to the winners of men's / women's race, are established as follows:

Men's race: course record 2h02'57" 10.000 €

Women's race: course record 2h19'35" 10.000 €

NOTES

Prize money will be paid in full if the final time will be under 2:10.00 for the men and 2:27.00 for the women, otherwise it will be reduced by 50%.

All the prizes and bonuses are subject to taxes under the provision of Italian laws. Prizes will be awarded after the results of anti-doping exams.

COMPLAINTS

All claims must be submitted verbally to the Finish Judge within 30' from the publishing of the rankings, in first instance, and in second instance in writing to the Judge of Appeal, accompanied by a fee of € 100.00, which will be returned if the complaint is upheld. For all matters not expressly provided for in this Regulation the general FIDAL regulations are applicable. Race judges may disqualify athletes not having passed the detection points located along the route.

SANCTIONS PROVIDED IN CASE OF FRAUDULENT PARTICIPATION TO RACE

The participant is responsible for the ownership and custody of their bib number, acquiring the right to use all the services mentioned in this Regulation and subsequently communicated.

- a) Any person who, without regular entry, participates without bib, in addition to being held liable for damage to persons or property, including himself, will incur disciplinary measures of competence of the federal bodies and may be liable for criminal sanctions for the crime of "theft"(art. 624 cp).
- b) Any person who, without regular entry, participates with a counterfeit bib or otherwise not in accordance with the number assignment, in addition to being responsible as mentioned above, will incur the sporting sanctions and, in addition, will be liable to the penal sanctions provided for the crime of "theft "(art. 624 cp), or, alternatively, for the crime of "fraud" (art. 640 cp).

In cases a) and b) participants may be subject to the penalties provided for the crime of "failure to comply with the authority measures" (art. 650 C.P.). The above case will be seen only after verification of photographic documentation and / or video.

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

By subscribing to the Wizz Air Milano Marathon 2026, the athlete declares to know and to oblige these rules and to entirely accept the following waiver of liability.

"I am aware of the facts that participating in the Wizz Air Milano Marathon and/or sport events in general is a potentially risky activity. I also declare to having entered the race consciously and I assume responsibility for all risks arising from my participation like falls, contacts with vehicles, other participants, spectators or otherwise, any weather conditions including extreme heat, cold and/or humidity, traffic and road conditions, any type of risk well-known and evaluated by myself.

Being aware of this, considering the acceptance of my entry application, I, for myself and on behalf of anyone else, waive the Organizing Committee of the Wizz Air Milano Marathon 2026, S.S.D. RCS Active Team a r.l., the promoters, the Municipality of Milan, the Provincial Administration of Milan, the Regional Administration of Lombardy, FIDAL, the G.G.G., the Official Time Keeper, all the sponsors, the representatives, successors, officers, directors, members, agents and employees of the companies mentioned above, from all present and future claims for liability of any kind, known or unknown, deriving from my participation in the event."

PRIVACY

It's possible to download the complete privacy policy from our website or directly from the registration portal.

RACE CANCELLATION

If the race is canceled and/or otherwise not carried out for any reason not related to and beyond the will of the organizers, including the revocation of race authorization by competent Public Authorities, the enrolled athlete will have nothing to claim from S.S.D. RCS Active Team a r.l. or other co-organizers, even in the form of reimbursement of the costs incurred and to be incurred. The enrollment itself is valid as a waiver of any claim for financial damages already suffered and to be suffered in the future.

FINAL REMARKS

The Organizing Committee reserves to modify these rules at any time for reasons it deems appropriate for a better organization of the race, after having obtained approval from FIDAL. For matters not covered by this Regulation the statutory technical regulations of FIDAL and G.G.G. are applicable. Modifications to services, venues and timetables will be communicated to registered athletes or will be posted on the website milanomarathon.it. In addition to the documentation containing the information required for taking part in the race it will be handed out alongside the bib.

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