

Sunday 17 May 2020

The Durrell Challenge 13K Race Information (FAQs)

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When and where will the race be held?

The Durrell Challenge 13K race will be held on Sunday 17 May 2020. The start line is on the road in between People's Park and Victoria Park, St Helier, and the finish line is at Jersey Zoo, Trinity. The race starts at 09:00.

Is the race licensed by UK Athletics?

Yes, the Durrell Challenge 13K race has a restricted license issued by UKA. This restricted license means that whilst the race will operate under UKA guidelines, an official course measurer accredited to UKA does not measure it.

Where do I collect my race pack?

Please note, we do not post race packs to runners. Race packs must be collected from Victoria Park at the times displayed below.

- **Saturday 16 May: 10:00–16:00;** Collect from the Durrell / 3D Events marquee in Victoria Park.
- **Sunday 17 May: 07:30–08:30;** Collect from the Durrell / 3D Events marquee in Victoria Park.

Is there a warm up?

Yes, Lucy O'Sullivan (Team GB) will conduct a short race warm up at Victoria Park at 08:40.

Where does the race number go?

You must pin your race number on the front of your race top and the full bib must be visible at all times. Under no circumstances should the bib be cut or folded. Safety pins will be available for collection when you pick up your race pack at registration. Please note, on the reverse of your runner bib there is the option to add medical details. If you do suffer from any medical condition or have any allergies, please do write this information down in the space provided. VIP runners will have a blue race bib that will be different to the example below.



Please complete all the details below in BLOCK CAPITALS using ball point pen / waterproof ink. On displaying the number you are agreeing to abide by the terms and conditions and rules of the event. Only the runner to whom it is registered must wear this race number. The swapping of race numbers is strictly prohibited.

IMPORTANT RUNNER INFORMATION
In case of Medical Emergency on Race Day

Surname..... First Name.....
Home Address.....
What Hotel are you staying at (if applicable)?.....
Name of Contact (who can be contacted on Race Day).....
Home Telephone Number of Contact.....
Mobile Telephone Number of Contact.....
Is anyone with you at today's event? Yes No
Name..... Mobile Number.....
Do you have any medical conditions such as heart disease, epilepsy or diabetes? Yes No
Do you have any allergies that you are aware of? if yes please detail below. Yes No
Allergies / Medication details:.....
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If you have any allergies or medical conditions please mark a large cross in Red on the front of the number using a ball pen.
If you are in doubt please contact your local doctor for advice and / or medical check up.

IMPORTANT: Your race bib is also your free ticket into Jersey Zoo for the Really Wild Day. Keep it with you if you need to leave the zoo and return at a later time.

Which side of the road do I run on?

Runners **MUST** stay on the left-hand side of the road unless directed otherwise by the police or by a race official. Your safety is paramount and failure to comply with this rule will not only put yourself and others at risk but will also potentially lead to your disqualification from the race as per Rule 215 of the UKA.

What do I do if I have to drop out?

If you have to drop out of the race for any reason, please contact the nearest race marshal. If you need medical assistance they will arrange this for you. It is vital that you let us know that you will not be completing the course and that you are fine.

How are times recorded?

Times will be recorded in two ways – gun time and chip time.

- ❖ The 'gun time' is the time from the sound of the starter's signal to the time when the runner crosses the finish line. Also known as the 'official time'.
- ❖ The 'chip time' is the time from when the runner crosses the starting mats at the start line, to the time when the runner crosses the finishing mats.

These two times will vary. To find out more about how ChampionChip® works, go to www.championchip.com.

Where do I attach my chip?

You must attach your chip to your ankle using the strap provided. Failing that, runners can attach the chip to their shoelaces. The chip needs to be close to the ground so that the timing mat can pick up the chip's signal at the start and finish of the race. Please remember to remove your chip and deposit it in the collection buckets after the finish line.



How are winners determined?

Gun time is the official time and all awards will be based on gun time. This is based on the International Associations of Athletics Federations (IAAF) Road Race Handbook, an excerpt explains the decision: "For road races and road walking events, the official time will be the time elapsed between the start gun and the athlete reaching the finish line. However, if an athlete crosses the start line after the start gun, his time elapsed between the start and finish line can be made known to the athlete but will not be considered as official time. The order in which athletes reach the finish line will be considered as the official finish position."

Will my time be on the website?

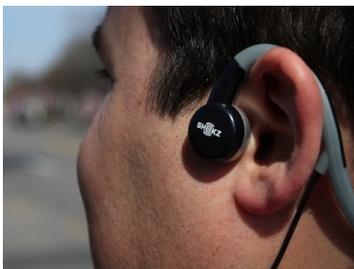
Yes, chip times will be published on the website within 48hrs of the race.

Is there a race cut-off time?

Yes, 11:15 is the race cut-off time, giving 2 hours and 15 minutes to complete the 13K course. At this time the authorities will open the roads, honorary police and marshals will stand down, however, all directional signage will remain in place. The finish line will remain open for longer should there still be runners on the course, however, please note that any runners continuing to run after the cut-off time will be doing so at their own risk and must follow the normal rules of running on a road.

Can I run with my headphones/earphones in?

No, headphones/earphones are not allowed on the course. However, bone conductor headphones are permitted (see image below), as they do not block the ears. This is for your safety, as the race is not on entirely closed roads. If you are listening to music you may not hear traffic or the instructions of the police and race officials. This is clearly stated in the Official Race Rules displayed on the website and you may face disqualification if you do wear such equipment, as this is not covered in the event insurance policy. Police and marshals are instructed to remind you to remove any headphones, so please respect their actions. Any reported mistreatment of marshals by runners will likely lead to disqualification.



Can I rollerblade or cycle during the race?

No, wheeled transport is not allowed on the course. The Official Race Rules outline the details of what is permitted.

Can my friends follow me on their bikes?

No, this cannot be allowed for two reasons:

- It's dangerous – the race is for runners and bikes get in the way!
- It's a competitive advantage – if you run with a friend on a bicycle they are acting as a pacer and you will face disqualification from the race.

Can I bring along my dog to run with me?

No, pets are not allowed on the course.

Will there be medical assistance?

Yes, Normandy Rescue is supporting the event and will have two ambulances allocated to the race to support the first aid team. In addition, the Jersey Ambulance Service is aware of the event taking place.

Will there be water stations round the course and where?

Yes, there will be two water stations on the course at approximately 4.5km and 9km. There will also be complimentary water provided at the end of the race. Please note, should you wish to have water at the start of the race you must bring this with you. If you choose to run with your water, please dispose of your bottles in the bins provided at each water station and at the finish line.

Will there be energy drinks provided?

No.

Are there toilets on the course?

Yes, there are toilets at the start and finish of the race and a limited number at both the water stations.

What are the race categories?

There are three race categories and trophies will be awarded as follows:

- ❖ Open Male 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- ❖ Open Female 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- ❖ Corporate team 1st

When will the prizes be given out?

All prizes will be awarded at 11:30 on the Main Stage in Zone 1.

Is there a bag drop at the race start and does it get transferred to the finish at Jersey Zoo?

Yes, there is a bag drop at the race start and runners' bags will be transferred to the finish marquee, near the finish line at Jersey Zoo. All bags should be clearly labeled with the numbered luggage label that is inside your race pack (see picture below). We recommend that you do not leave any valuables in your bags, as the organisers cannot accept responsibility for bags left in their care.



THE DURRELL CHALLENGE
BAGGAGE LABEL



Will there be changing areas at the race start?

No, all runners are asked to arrive in their running gear.

Will there be changing areas and showers at the race finish?

There will be a dedicated toilet block for runners to change and freshen up. Unfortunately, the zoo does not have shower facilities so we suggest that all runners bring a towel and toiletries to freshen up.

Will there be massage therapists available after the race?

Yes, Lorna Jackson and team from Heath Point Clinic will be donating their time to provide those in need the required attention.

What Parking facilities are available at the race start?

Runners should use the surrounding public car parks in St Helier (free on Sunday) before walking to Victoria Park. There is no parking available on site at Victoria or People's Park. It is anticipated that traffic will be busy on the morning of the race, so please leave sufficient time to get into town, parked, and to the start of the race.

Please note that St Aubin's Road, which runs in between Victoria Park and People's Park, will be closed from approximately 08:00. If you are being dropped off at People's Park, please arrive before 08:00 or use the marshaled drop-off lane on the Inner Road, which will be coned off in the left-hand lane (approaching from the West) as it nears the 'Inn on the Park' roundabout. Please allow plenty of time to make your way to People's Park. For full information, please visit the Transport and Parking guide on the website www.doitfordurrell.com

What parking facilities are available at the race finish for my family and friends?

Parking is available at Jersey Zoo however, parking is limited so we suggest people car-share if possible. Additional parking is available at the RJA & HS where we have a Park and Ride service that shall be in operation from 10:30–18:30 at a cost of £2/car. For full information, please visit the Transport and Parking guide on the website www.doitfordurrell.com

How can I get back to St Helier if I do not have access to a car?

- **Liberty Bus** shall be running its normal Sunday service on the Number 3 and Number 23 routes. To view the schedule, please visit <http://m.libertybus.je/Timetables>
- **Shuttle Bus** Jersey Zoo shall be operating a 39-seat shuttle bus departing from Liberation Station every hour from 10:35 to 15:35, and returning from Jersey Zoo to Liberation Station at 11:00, 12:00, 13:00, 14:00, 15:00 and 16:00. For runners wishing to return to St Helier, tickets will be free – just show your official race bib as you get on board. Tickets for non-runners cost £2 each way. This scheduled service is subject to traffic conditions on the day.
- **Taxi** access is right outside Jersey Zoo's Visitor Centre.

Are the roads on the course going to be closed?

Not all of them. The roads in St Helier town will be closed during the start of the race. On other areas of the course the honorary police will control traffic to minimise the impact on the runners and to ensure that the race is safe for participants and the public alike. Whilst the majority of the course is on quiet 'green lanes' or low traffic volume roads, runners must appreciate that at times they will be running with the traffic. Please ensure that you stay aware of the traffic and follow the instructions of the honorary police and race officials – they are there for your safety.

How do my friends and family access Jersey Zoo to watch me finish the race?

Jersey Zoo will follow the same entry system as last year's event for spectators to watch friends and family finish the race. This is to ensure the safety of all runners. Please advise friends and family planning to watch the race to allow at least 15 minutes to enter the zoo and get to the finish line.

What goodies do I receive at the end of the race?

You will receive your medal at the finish line. All competitors who have pre-ordered t-shirts or vests receive this when collecting their race packs. Please note, you will receive the exact size of the t-shirt or vest that you pre-ordered when registering. Those who opted to make a donation to Durrell Wildlife Conversation Trust will not receive a t-shirt or vest.

What do I do with my sponsorship money (not raised online)?

Please bring your sponsorship money in the form of a cheque, made payable to 'Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust', with you to registration when you collect your race pack. If you are unable to collect your sponsorship money by race day, please arrange for a cheque made payable to 'Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust' to be sent to Race Organisers, The Durrell Challenge, C/O 3D Events, 1 Waterloo Street, St Helier, JE2 4WT.

Good luck and thank you for running with Durrell! #doitfordurrell

For further information on the Really Wild Day, please visit <http://www.doitfordurrell.com>

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