

23. VVO OBERELBE MARATHON

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Eligibility

The 23. VVO Oberelbe-Marathon is officially measured and is organised according to the German Athletics Federation (DLV). Categories are also established according to the rules of the DLV.

Routes/starting times/start places

VVO Oberelbe marathon » 09:20 am
Königstein, Elbe banks below the railway station

Lichtenauer half marathon » 9:10 am
Pirna, Glashüttenstraße, property of of KTSN Pirna (at road B 172). The start takes place in two waves.

schulz aktiv 10-km-run » 9:10 am
Dresden, restaurant Schillergarten close to bridge Blaues Wunder on the Elbe river banks

Sachsenmilch 5-km-run » 9:10 am
Dresden – bridge Waldschlößchenbrücke – at Elbe cycling route (Elberadweg)
(Minimum 10 years of age or reaching this age in 2021)

AOK PLUS 2,7-km-Minimarathon » NEW: 8:50 am
Dresden, Finish area Heinz-Steyer-Stadium (start+finish)
(Minimum 7 years of age or reaching this age in 2021)

NEW 2021 – Bambini run (1/1000 marathon – ca. 420 m) » 8:35 am
Dresden, Heinz-Steyer-stadium

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Every child that can run but is too young for the Mini marathon can participate. Registration is not necessary but recommended. All participants get a medal and a personal certificate. Participation is free of charge.

Registration fee

Date	MA	HM	10-km-run	5-km-run
bis 31.12.20	48,- €	36,- €	24,- €	14,- €

The graduation for all further entry fees is currently calculated and will be published online in the next weeks.

Participation in the Minimarathon costs 5 EUR whenever the registration takes place. 1 EUR is donated to the ambulant children hospice Dresden.

Payment of organisation fee

Payment is done via SEPA. The respective bank details have to be added at the end of your online registration. Participants from foreign countries can use Papypal, SEPA or credit cards.

Closing date for registrations/late registrations

Closing date for registrations is the 18th of April 2021.

Late registrations and changes afterwards are only possible at the marathon fair in the BallsportArena (NEW 2021 – see Marathon fair/race packs) at 23th/24th of April 2021. There is an additional fee of 5 EUR for late registrations for all distances (except Minimarathon). Payment via Debit and Credit card is currently being planned.

Race pack delivery via postal mail / late registration on race day

We offer to send your race number via postal mail. In order to optimise the handling of luggage on the race day we also add the luggage bag. Both items are sent together appr. 14 days before the race as parcel for a fee of 7 EUR. Who wants to register on race day can do so for an additional fee of 10 EUR.

Confirmation of registration

Confirmations are not sent out via postal mail. If registering online with an email-address, an electronic confirmation is sent out, which must be presented when collecting the race number. A list of all registered participants is available online. Please note that the registration is only valid after the payment is completed.

Changes/No participation

A change of distance can be done at the marathon fair. When you change to a shorter distance or you do not participate at all, the organisation fee is not refunded, whatever the reason. All information can be found at www.oberelbe-marathon.de/Service/FAQ

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Cancellation of the event

If the run has to be cancelled again due to Covid 19 all participants receive an email. Three opportunities will be offered: refund, a voucher for 2022 or a donation to the society.

New location: Race packs / Marathon fair

For the first time the marathon fair and the handing out of race packs takes place in the BallsportArena Dresden (Weißeritztalbahn 4, 01067 Dresden). The BallsportArena is located right next to the finish area in the Heinz-Steyer-Stadium.

Friday, 23rd of April 2021: 15:00 – 19:00

Saturday, 24th of April 2021: 10:00 – 18:00

Awards

The first three finishers of the VVO marathon (men and women) receive a financial award (500, 300 and 200 EUR resp.). For a new record (men: 2:22:52h, women 2:38:41h) the winner receives 300 EUR. For a new record under 2:22h resp. 2:35h additional 300 EUR are awarded. The first three female and male finisher of the Lichtenauer half marathon are awarded 200 EUR, 100 EUR and 50 EUR respectively. For a new record additional 150 EUR are awarded (men: 1:07:46h, women: 1:16:25h).

Special award

At the market square of Pirna at kilometre 18, intermediate times are taken (presented by Energieversorgung Pirna GmbH). The first men and women receive 300 EUR, under the condition that they finish among the first six of each gender.

Winners ceremony

VVO marathon:

Places 1 – 6 women/men + awards in all age groups female/male

Lichtenauer half marathon:

Places 1 – 6 women/men

schulz aktiv 10-km-run:

Places 1-6 women/men

Sachsenmilch 5-km-run:

Age groups 10/11, 12/13, 14/15, over 16 years

Places 1-3 female/male each

AOK PLUS 2,7-km-Minimarathon:

Age groups 7/8, 9/10, 11/12, places 1-3 female/male each. Nevertheless, all age groups are allowed to participate in the run.

Certificate

Each finisher can get his/her personal certificate in the finish area. There is no postal delivery of the certificate afterwards.

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Results/results brochure

Preliminary results are published online at race day. After a thorough examination official times are published. The distribution of ordered result brochures follows in the end of June 2021.

Medals

Each finisher receives a medal for his/her distance in the finish area.

Timing

In all competitions (except Bambini run; Minimarathon only personal time) time measurement is done exclusively by a small transponder that is integrated into your race number. Please do not bend your start number as otherwise time measurement cannot be guaranteed.

Only the first ten finishers over each distance will be ranked according to clock time (except Minimarathon), all other participants are ranked according to net time. Furthermore all age group valuations over all distances are based on net times, except for the first 10 finishers.

Race number

The race number has to be worn visibly at your front near your chest. Logos of sponsors must not be covered.

Race escort

Escorting a runner with a bike is not allowed. In case of violation the runner will be disqualified. The whole course is under surveillance.

Finish

All competitions finish at the Heinz-Steyer Stadium close to the Semper opera house and the Frauenkirche church in the centre of Dresden.

Changing rooms/showers/toilets

Showers and changing rooms are available in the finish area, the old fencer hall and at the luggage retrieval area in the BallSportArena (next to the stadium).

Timelimit

15:20 = 6 hours after start of marathon

Pacemakers

There will be pacemakers for the VVO marathon (3:00 (2x), 3:15, 3:30 (2x), 3:45, 4:00 (2x), 4:15 and 4:30 and 5:00) and the Lichtenauer half marathon (1:30, 1:45, 2:00 (2x)). They will be marked by balloons and wear Salomon shirts with respective times.

Fluids and Nutrition

App. every 5 kilometres along the course you will be offered tea and Lichtenauer drinks. After km 10 additionally fruits are provided and from km 20 additional isotonic drinks and ultra

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sports power bars. At km 38 Feldschlößchen beer is offered. Additionally water is available at km 24 and km 40,5. In the finish area water, tea, coke, isotonic drinks and Feldschlößchen non-alcoholic shandy are provided as well as apples.

Pasta party and beer for free in the finish area

All participants can get a pasta dish in the finish area after the run. The voucher is attached to your race number. Furthermore, when collecting your race pack multiple pasta dishes can be purchased. Additionally a voucher for a Feldschlößchen non-alcoholic shandy is attached to your race number which can be redeemed in the finish area.

Medical care

The OEM team works in cooperation with the Malteser first aid organization to monitor the course and provide medical care as soon as necessary. Doctors are placed in the finish area (2) and at km 35 (1). All service points along the course can be contacted in case of an emergency. Emergency numbers can be found on your race number.

Luggage transfer

We take care of the transfer of your luggage from all starting points to the finish area. Please note the instructions at your starting point.

Luggage retrieval

The retrieval of your luggage takes place at the BallsportArena which is situated next to the Heinz-Steyer-stadium. Showers and changing rooms are also available there.

Massage

Additionally, massages are offered at the new BallsportArena right next to the Heinz-Steyer-stadium.

No stopping for the marathon

The German railway (DB) pauses train operations so that all marathon runners can cross the rail tracks at km 5 and 7 without stopping.

Steamship escort

For friends and families of participants as well as for everybody interested we have chartered a steamship to escort the runners from Königstein to Dresden. Prices range from 15 EUR to 24 EUR, boarding takes place from 8:45 am, departure 9:10, arrival at Dresden Terrassenufer 12:00. Shuttle buses take you to the finish area. Tickets and further information at www.oberelbe-marathon.de.

Souvenirs

At the marathon fair and in the finish area a large selection of high-quality Salomon shirts with long and short sleeves and further products is offered.

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Finisher text service, Finisher video

When adding a mobile phone number at registration or on the attached form, a short text message with your time will be sent after finishing. Furthermore a video of your finish can be seen the day after the race online at "Ergebnisse".

Music and entertainment

Along the course and in the finish area more than 10 music groups (Samba, Jazz, Dixie) entertain you.

Parking spaces at the finish area

Close to the Heinz-Steyer stadium sufficient parking space is available. Please follow the signs and pay attention to advice given by volunteers and policemen.

Your way to the start

Public transport

VVO Oberelbe Marathon/Königstein

Regional train S 1 from Dresden main station, journey time ca. 40 minutes, additional seats are provided on the race day.

Start Lichtenauer half marathon in Pirna

Additional trains of the S 2 go from Dresden to Pirna, journey time ca. 20 minutes. Shuttle buses between Pirna station and the start area, alternatively get off the train at Heidenau-Großsedlitz, and walk ca. 500 meters

Start Schulz aktiv 10-km-run & Sachsenmilch 5-km-run in Dresden

Shuttle buses of Taeter tours take you from the Heinz-Steyer stadium to the starting points SchillerGarten (10 km) and Waldschlößchenbrücke (5km). Departure time 8:00.

Alternatively you can use public transport. Timetable at www.vvo-online.de/en

Race number = ticket for public transport

Your race number is valid as a ticket for all trains, buses, trams and ferries within the public transport authority Upper Elbe (Verkehrsverbund Oberelbe - VVO) on the 25th of April 2021. This excludes special and historic services.

Your way to the start

By car

Start VVO Oberelbe-Marathon/Lichtenauer half marathon

B 172 from Dresden towards Saxon Switzerland/Bad Schandau. Due to limited parking space in Königstein and Pirna and the included ticket we strongly recommend using the regional train lines S 1 and S 2.

Start schulz aktiv 10-km-run/Sachsenmilch 5-km-run

Limited parking space available in roads in the respective area. We recommend taking the shuttle bus from the finish area (departure time 8:00)

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Start AOK Plus 2,7-km-Minimarathon + profi.com-Bambinirun

Close to the Heinz-Steyer stadium sufficient parking space is available. Please follow the signs.

Getting to the marathon fair/race pack distribution (WTC Dresden)

Public transport

Train lines RB34, 60, 61, RE 1, 2, 15, 18, 50 as well as S 1 and S 2 from Dresden main station to Dresden Mitte and five minutes by foot

Tram: From Dresden main station 4 stations with tram 10 to Bahnhof Mitte and three minutes by foot or tram 11 from Dresden main station to Kongresszentrum

By car

Motorway A 4 from Chemnitz: Exit Dresden-Altstadt -> B 6 towards Zentrum, after appr. 6,5 km you will pass the BallsportArena

Motorway A 4/ A 13 from Berlin: Exit Dresden-Hellerau -> B 170 towards Zentrum, change to B 6 at Bahnhof Neustadt and you will arrive at the BallsportArena appr. 5 km after having left the motorway

Parking spaces available directly at the BallsportArena, at Parkaus Mitte Dresden (distance 100 m) and at the Weißeritzstraße (50 m)

The course

The marathon starts in Königstein, right in the heart of the Saxon Switzerland National park. The runners experience the fascinating and unique rock formations of the Elbe sandstone mountains (www.elbsandsteingebirge.de) during the first 15 kilometres. In Pirna (www.pirna.de) the course takes a loop through the historic old town before it leads the runners on the cycling route along the Elbe river (www.elberadweg.de) towards Dresden (www.dresden.de). Past the „Blaues Wunder“, Dresden's famous suspension bridge nicknamed „Blue wonder“ the course passes the three castles Eckberg, Lingnerschloss and Albrechtsberg built along the river. With a view at the rebuilt church Frauenkirche (www.frauenkirche-dresden.de) as well as other great sights in the heart of Dresden the course finishes in the Heinz-Steyer stadium.

The half marathon starts in Pirna and enters the cycling route along the Elbe river after half a kilometre. The 10-km run starts below the „Blaues Wunder“ bridge and the 5-km run starts at the „Waldschlößchenbrücke“ bridge direct on the cycling route along the Elbe river.

The mini-marathon and the Bambinirun starts and finishes at the Heinz-Steyer-stadium.

The cycling route along the Elbe is officially closed on the day of the run.