

# **23. VVO OBERELBE MARATHON**

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## **24. 04. 2022**

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### **Auspices**

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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 » 09:250am  
Königstein, Elbe banks below the railway station

Lichtenauer half marathon » 9:10 am  
Pirna, Glashüttenstraße, property of Minda KTSN GmbH (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 2020)

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 2020)

NEW 2020 – Bambini run (1 stadium round) » 8:35 am  
Dresden, Sportpark Osta, Finish line area

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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
until 31.12.21	48,- €	36,- €	24,- €	12,- €
until 28.02.22	55,- €	43,- €	28,- €	15,- €
until 19.04.20	60,- €	48,- €	32,- €	18,- €

Participation in the Minimarathon costs 5 EUR whenever the registration takes place. 1 EUR is donated to the ambulant children hospice Dresden. \* Date of postmark or online registration.

### Payment of organisation fee

The payment is done via SEPA debit charge or credit card. Respective bank data have to be added at the end of the registration form. Foreign participants can also use SEPA or credit card.

### Registration via postal mail

If you want to register via postal mail please send an email to [kontakt@oberelbe-marathon.de](mailto:kontakt@oberelbe-marathon.de) and we will send you the registration form. Please send the form back to the address printed on the form.

### Closing date for registrations/late registrations

Closing date for registrations is the 17th of April 2022. If you register by postal mail, the closing date is the 16<sup>th</sup> of April (postmark).

Late registrations and changes afterwards are only possible at the marathon fair in the BallsportArena (NEW 2022 – see Marathon fair/race packs) at 22nd/23rd of April 2022. 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 7,50 EUR. We strongly recommend to register earlier but who only 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.

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### Changes/No participation

A change of distance can be done. Please write an email to [kontakt@oberelbe-marathon.de](mailto:kontakt@oberelbe-marathon.de) and inform us about your wish to change the distance. We forward your email to our partner Baer service who completes the change and sends a confirmation email directly to you. Furthermore, a change can be done at the marathon fair. Fees apply.

When you change to a longer distance you only pay the difference between your original payment and the new fee. When you change to a shorter distance the organisation fee is not refunded.

A change of distance is free of charge until 31.03.2022. Between 01.04.2022 and the day before the race changes cost a fee of 6 EUR. Further information can be found online at [www.oberelbe-marathon.de/Service/FAQ](http://www.oberelbe-marathon.de/Service/FAQ)

### Cancellation of the race

If the OEM has to be cancelled again all registered participants will receive an email with a link which offers three alternatives: A refund (also only partially\*), voucher for 2023 or a donation.

\*In contrast to other events we offer you a full refund. As the planning and preparation of the event is costly (advertisements, IT, rental costs, external services....) we ask you to donate a part of your registration fee.

### New location: Race packs and 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 Sportpark Ostra.

Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> of April 2022: 15:00 – 19:00

Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> of April 2022: 10:00 – 18:00

### Important note for the race packs

**You will only receive a confirmation for your registration via email which has to be presented in order to pick up the race pack.**

### 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 2:21 h 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).

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### **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 / results brochure**

Each finisher can get his/her personal certificate in the finish area. There is no postal delivery of the certificate afterwards. Only if you ordered a results brochure, a missing certificate will be posted together with the brochure at the end of June 2022.

### **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 2022.

### **Medals**

Each finisher receives a medal for his/her distance in the finish area. As always you can have your time engraved on the back of your medal.

The engraving (6 EUR) can be ordered

- when registering online
- after your run in the finish area (payment in cash only)

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### **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.

Since 2018 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 now 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 Sportpark Ostra close to the Semper opera house and the Frauenkirche church in the centre of Dresden.

### **Changing rooms/showers/toilets**

1. Showers and changing rooms are available near the finish area, in the JOYNEXT Arena t and at the luggage retrieval area in the BallSportArena (next to the stadium).
2. Separate building right next to the finish area

### **Timelimit**

15:15 = 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)).

### **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 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.

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### **Pasta party and beer for free in the finish area**

All participants (except Bambinis) can get a free 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 (only for participants older than 14 years of age).

### **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 is still being planned. Showers and changing rooms will nevertheless also be available there.

### **Massage**

We are currently planning if a massage service can be offered.

### **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.

### **Health check**

In cooperation with the university hospital Dresden we offer an extensive physical examination before the race. Please register at [www.oberelbe-marathon.de](http://www.oberelbe-marathon.de) » Service

### **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 16 EUR to 26 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](http://www.oberelbe-marathon.de).

### **Souvenirs**

At the marathon fair and in the finish area a large selection of 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".

If you forgot to add a phone number you can send, up to one week before the race, an email to [kontakt@oberelbe-marathon.de](mailto:kontakt@oberelbe-marathon.de) and we will add it.

### **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 Sportpark Ostra sufficient parking space is available. Please follow the signs and pay attention to advice given by volunteers and policemen. We will publish an overview in the weeks before the OEM.

### **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 the corner Pieschener Allee/Rudolf-Harbig-Weg 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](http://www.vvo-online.de/en)

This link helps you to find direct connections to your departure sport:

<https://www.oberelbe-marathon.de/dein-oem/anreise-fahrplan/>

### **Race number = ticket for public transport**

Your race number (except Minimarathon and Bambinis) is valid as a ticket for all trains, buses, trams and ferries within the public transport authority Upper Elbe (Verkehrsverbund Oberelbe - VVO) on the 24th of April 2022. This excludes special and historic services

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### **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 (departure time 8:00)

Start AOK Plus 2,7-km-Minimarathon

Close to the Sportpark Ostra sufficient parking space is available. Please follow the signs.

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

#### Public transport

Train lines RB 60, 61, RE 1, 2, 15, 18, 50 as well as S 1, S 2 and S 8 from Dresden main station to Dresden Mitte and five minutes by foot

Tram: From Dresden main station with tram 10 to Bahnhof Mitte and five 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 Parkhaus Mitte Dresden (distance 100 m) and along the Pieschener Allee, close by the arena.



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### 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](http://www.elbsandsteingebirge.de)) during the first 15 kilometres. In Pirna ([www.pirna.de](http://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](http://www.elberadweg.de)) towards Dresden ([www.dresden.de](http://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](http://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 starts and finishes at the Heinz-Steyer stadium.

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