



## The Durrell Challenge 13K Race Information (FAQs)

*Updated on 7 May 2021*

### When and where will the race be held?

The Durrell Challenge 13K race will be held on Sunday 23 May 2021. 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 will operate with three mixed (male / female) wave starts, based on predicted finish times, where the fastest runners will be allocated to in Wave 1. The confirmed wave start times are as follows:

**09.00 – Wave 1** x200 Runners (mixed male / female)

**09.30 – Wave 2** x200 Runners (mixed male / female)

**10.00 – Wave 3** x200 Runners (mixed male / female)

**RUNNERS SHOULD ARRIVE AT VICTORIA PARK NO EARLIER THAN 30 MINUTES BEFORE AND NO LATER THAN 10 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR WAVE START TIME.**

You will be checked in on the day of the event, before entering the start pen.

Organisers expect to email the confirmed wave allocation list to runners before noon on Tuesday 19 May 2021. Please note that no changes to the wave start times will be permitted.

### 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 from the Durrell Challenge marquee on Saturday 22 May at the times displayed below:

**10.00 – 12.00: Wave 1 Runners Only**

**12.00 – 14.00: Wave 2 Runners Only**

**14.00 – 16.00: Wave 3 Runners Only**

We kindly ask all Runners to collect their Race Packs by themselves. Any friends and/or family should wait well away from the Race Registration Marquee.

Runners must also show their ID on collection of their Race Packs

## COVID-19 Considerations

- The Durrell Challenge 13k 2021 live race has been organised for Jersey Resident runners only.
- Any competitors that have been off-island within the last two weeks must be able to present a negative test result and not be displaying any COVID-19 symptoms.
- Any competitor who may be experiencing any symptoms on the day or have experienced in the last 14 days **must not attend the race** and to notify event organisers immediately.
- Check out our local guidelines on COVID-19 [Government of Jersey](#)
- Ensure that a minimum of 1m physical distancing is always followed in Jersey, unless fleeting proximity on the run itself.
- Minimize interactions with other competitors, please do not share food items as this could cause the virus spread.
- Avoid touching such race infrastructure such as crowd control barriers on the start and finish lines.
- The details of all competitors, staff and volunteers will be required for track and tracing purposes.
- **Runners must stick to their allocated wave times.**
- Please do not bring personal items with you as there will be no bag drop at the race start.
- To comply with our event plans and covid risk management, **Victoria Park will be a controlled zone for each separate wave of 200 runners only**. Please register with our marshal on the day by yourself only. Friends or family should remain outside of Victoria Park.

## Is there a warm up?

Unfortunately, there will not be an organised warm up in Victoria park this year. However, Lucy O'Sullivan (Team GB) will conduct a short virtual warm up which can be found on our social media on Saturday 22 May 2021. This warm up will give you tips and advice which you can use on the morning of the race in your own warm up.

## Where does the race number go?

Your race bibs will include a timing chip inside and 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.



Please complete all the details below in BLOCK CAPITALS using ball point pen in waterproof ink. By displaying this number you are agreeing to abide by the terms and conditions and rules of this 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? Yes  No

If you please detail below:  
Allergies / Medication details:  
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If you have any allergies or medical conditions please mark a large cross in Pen on the front of the number using a felt 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 on Sunday 23 May 2021. 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. Please be aware that if you drop out of the race for any reason other than medical, you will have to find your own transport to your destination.

### How are race times recorded?

For 2021 Gun Times will be recorded by chip technology.

- ❖ 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'.

### How are winners determined?

**Winners will be determined from the fastest male and female runners of Wave 1 only. Therefore, if you wish to be in it to win it, you must ensure you are starting in Wave 1. Please contact organisers before 9am on Monday 17 May 2021, if you wish to be in Wave 1 and they will try their best to accommodate your request.**

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?**

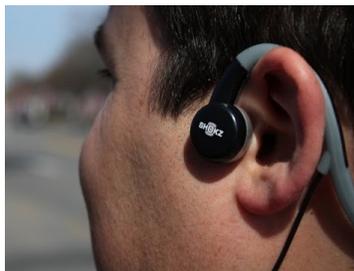
Yes, official times will be published on the website within 48hrs of the race.

### **Is there a race cut-off time?**

Yes, the race cut-off time is 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, in ear headphones/earphones are not allowed on the course. However, bone conductor headphones are permitted (see image below), as they do not block the ears, they sit outside 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?

No, due to ongoing Covid-19 mitigation event planning, there will be no water stations around the course or at the start of the race. Runners are instructed to run with their own water and nutrition if required. There will be canned water available for runners at the finish line.

### Will there be energy drinks provided?

No.

### Are there toilets on the course?

There will be no toilets available on the course. Toilets will be available at the start and finish of the race only. Toilets will be cleaned between each wave on the race start and will be cleaned regularly at the zoo.

### What are the race categories?

There are three race categories and trophies will be awarded to runners in **Wave 1** as follows:

- ❖ Open Male      1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- ❖ Open Female    1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>

### When will the prizes be given out?

First, second and third place Male and Female winners of **Wave 1** only will be notified at the finish line and will be asked to stay at Jersey Zoo to receive their prize. Winners will be invited to meet at a location in Jersey Zoo to receive their prize and have a photograph taken.

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

Please note that due to the potential risk of virus transmission from runner bag to bag, we are unfortunately not able to offer a bag drop service and ask runners to plan appropriately for race start and finish. Runners should arrive ready to run and should arrange for friends or family to collect them after the race, from Jersey Zoo. Please do not arrive too early for race start, keep warm and be prepared.

### 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?

No, there will be no changing areas or showers at the race finish.

## Will there be massage therapists available after the race?

No, unfortunately there will be no massage therapists available after the race for 2021.

## 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, so please plan ahead for your drop off point. Please allow plenty of time to make your way to Victoria Park for your allocated Wave Start time. For full information, please visit the Transport and Parking guide on the website [www.doitfordurrell.com](http://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. For full information, please visit the Transport and Parking guide on the website [www.doitfordurrell.com](http://www.doitfordurrell.com)

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

- Runners are encouraged to arrange their own transport from Jersey Zoo, via family/friends.
- **Liberty Bus** shall be running its normal Sunday service on the Number 3, Number 13 and Number 23 routes. To view the schedule, please visit <http://m.libertybus.je/Timetables>  
*Runners using the Liberty bus will be required to wear a face mask. If runners do not have their own masks, they can purchase masks from the Durrell reception or gift shop.*
- **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 minimize 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 be open from 09:30 – 06:00pm. After the race, runners, their loved ones, and members of the public are invited to spend the day at Jersey Zoo. There is no pre-booking required and normal admission prices apply.

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

All competitors will receive their medal at the finish line on Sunday 23 May. Those who pre-ordered t-shirts or vests will receive this when collecting their race packs on Saturday 22 May. Please kindly note runners who registered and ordered a t-shirt or vest after Wednesday 12 May will have to wait until after the event to receive it. Runners will receive the exact size of the t-shirt or vest that they 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, please visit <http://www.doitfordurrell.com>

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