

Entries open  
31 January 2015

# the Deloitte Challenge

Marathon 2015



## Race details

Date:	Friday, 1 May 2015
Start time	06h30
Start venue	Lifestyle Centre, Ballito, KwaZulu-Natal
Finish venue	Growthpoint Kings Park Stadium, Durban, KwaZulu-Natal
Distance	42,2 km
Age restrictions	The minimum age for participants is 18 years on the day of the race

## Important Race information

### Pre-race

#### Runner information

- It is not compulsory to run a marathon prior to entering.
- All runners must be licenced and must be a member of a running club.
- The maximum field for the Deloitte Marathon Challenge is 3000 runners.

#### Race packs

At registration you will collect your race envelope, which will contain:

- two race numbers,
- champion chip (should you not already own one)
- final race instructions.

## Registration

Entries open in 2015

Entry forms will also be available from the following outlets:

### **KwaZulu-Natal**

- Durban Runner (Glenwood)
- Durban Runner (Morningside)
- Sports Zone (Durban North)
- Poobie Naidoo's Sports (PMB)

### **Gauteng**

- The Sweat Shop Group
  - Bedford Arcade
  - Southdowns Centre
  - Dunkeld West Centre
  - Fourways Crossing

### **Cape Town**

- The Sweat Shop Group
  - Vinyard Road (Cape Town)

Closing date for entries is 10 April 2015

### **Champion chip information**

- The Deloitte Marathon is a Champion Chip race. All runners participating in the Marathon are required to wear a Champion Chip. If you do not own a Champion Chip, you will be required to either purchase one at an additional cost of R120.00 or hire one for the day at an additional cost of R45.00. If you are purchasing or hiring a Champion Chip, it will be distributed in your envelope at registration.
- No Chip = No Result
- Prize winners will need to wear a valid Champion Chip.

### **Rules**

The race will be run in accordance with the rules of ASA and AGN.

### **Licence Requirements**

Athletes must wear the official race number on front and the 2015 licence/temporary licence number on the back of their running shirt.

SA entrants must hold a valid Athletics South Africa (ASA) licence to enter and run the Deloitte Challenge Marathon. Should you not have a license, it is compulsory to buy a temporary licence when entering the race at a cost R35 each and it is valid for race day only.

### **Club Colours and Running Gear**

All South Africans must wear the clothes of the athletics club (affiliated to ASA), they belong to (as indicated in their entry). Temporary licence holders must run in plain colours without advertising on their attire.

### Road closures

The following roads will be closed from 04h30 – 12h30 and will be opened in stages by the Metro Traffic

- M4 Northern Carriage (Ballito to Durban)
- Masabalala Yengwa Avenue from Smiso Nkwanyana Road (Gobal Road) to Battery Beach Road)
- Jacko Jackson Drive

### Parking

Adequate parking is available at the start of the Deloitte Marathon Challenge at Lifestyle Centre, Ballito as well as at the finish at Growthpoint Kings Park Stadium, Durban. Traffic Officers and Race Officials will direct you to these designated areas.

### Wheelchair participation

Due to safety restrictions, wheelchairs will not be allowed on any routes of the Deloitte Challenge.

### Tog Bag facility

Tog Bags can be handed in at the designated Tog Bag trucks which will be stationed at the start of the race at Lifestyle Centre, Ballito. Tog Bags can be collected at the Tog Bag tent positioned at the finish at Growthpoint Kings Park Stadium. Runners will be given an identification wrist band when they hand in their Tog Bag to present at the Tog Bag tent for collection.

### Cut off time for the Marathon

The time cut off for the Marathon is 6 hours (finish by 12h30). The halfway time cut off is 3 hours (09h30). Runners who have not reached the halfway point (positioned just before Sibaya Circle) in 3 hours will be instructed by traffic officials to leave the road. These runners will be transported to the finish venue.

***\*Note: The time cut off for Comrades Marathon Qualification is 5 hours.***

### Timing of the Marathon

Runners will be timed by their Champion Chip on the finish line at Growthpoint Kings Park Stadium.

**Please note: No chip = No result.**

### Medical assistance

- It is of utmost importance that runners complete the medical information on the back of their race number. In the event that an athlete requires hospital treatment, they will be charged according to the hospital tariff rate or according to their Medical Aid status.
- In case of a medical emergency, please call ER24 084 124
- Information regarding runners who have been admitted to the Medical Tent will be available at the Information Tent at the finish.

## Route information

### Course information (route)

#### Route description

- The start of the Deloitte Marathon Challenge takes place at Lifestyle Centre, Ballito, looping around the centre before turning right at Ashton College onto the M4 Northern freeway (running south on the northbound carriage way). The M4 hugs the coastline with spectacular sea and forest views. (The M4 Northern carriage way is closed to traffic between Ballito and Durban.)
- The route then dips gently from Ballito to the beautiful Umdloti lagoon and continues up the only real hill between the bridge and continuing over the Umdloti River.
- Once the halfway mark has been reached, which lies just before the traffic circle at Sibaya Casino, a fast section down to the Umhlanga lagoon follows.
- A gentle climb up to Umhlanga is followed by a very fast run into the city where the beachfront skyline and the iconic Moses Mabhida stadium forms the backdrop to the finish.
- The first turn off of the M4 is at Durban Country Club. A short run down Masabalala Yengwa Avenue will lead you into Growthpoint Kings Park Stadium via Jacko Jackson Drive.

## Post-race information

### Post-race

- Race results will be available at [www.championchip.co.za](http://www.championchip.co.za) from 15h00 on 1 May 2015.
- All Deloitte Challenge Marathon runners who finish within the cut-off time, will receive a medal.
- Prize giving ceremonies will commence at 10h30.