

2021 AthHalf Half Marathon & 5K

Health & Safety Protocols for Participants and Volunteers

AthHalf Health & Fitness Expo

The AthHalf Health & Fitness Expo takes place in The Classic Center's 440 Foundry Pavilion. The Classic Center will have a designated entrance for the Pavilion which will be managed by the Classic Center staff. In accordance with the Classic Center's requirements, at this entry, all guests will need to provide one of the following three options:

- Complete an [online health affidavit screening](#) and have their temperature checked upon entry. The online screening is a Classic Center tool that takes about 20 seconds to complete and may be completed in advance of your arrival at the Classic Center. Classic Center staff will have mobile devices available for participants to complete the affidavit upon arrival if needed
- Negative COVID test within 72hrs of the event with matching photo ID
- Fully completed vaccination card with matching photo ID

The Classic Center strongly encourages all those in the Pavilion area to wear masks at all times except when actively eating or drinking.

To expediate your admission into the Pavilion, we strongly encourage all AthHalf participants and volunteers to wear their own mask and complete the online health affidavit screening in advance if needed.

AthHalf 5K

The Athens-Clarke County (ACC) Policy for Special Events requires masks to be worn by all participants when staging in the corral before the start of the race and masks to be worn in the post-race areas and at post-race activities that occur on public property. So, in accordance with ACC Policy, the AthHalf 5K will adhere to the following:

- Masks are required to be worn by all participants when staging in the corral except when actively eating or drinking.
- Masks are strongly encouraged for all participants attending the 5K Awards Ceremony at 3:30 pm in the Pavilion unless the participant is actively eating or drinking. Masks will be included in the snack bag all participants receive at the end of the race.
- Participants will not be required to wear masks while actively competing on the race course.
- Participants will use the full corral area when staging for the start of the race. Corral areas have been expanded to allow for greater distance between participants. Finish times will be recorded based on chip time, so there is no advantage to those who cross the start line earlier than others.

As extra precaution, the AthHalf 5K will require:

- Volunteers handling food or drink items intended for the 5K participants to wear gloves at all times.
- Masks to be worn by all AthHalf 5K volunteers, including water station volunteers, at all times unless the volunteer is actively eating or drinking.

Note: Personal hydration devices such as water bottles and hands-free hydration packs are strongly encouraged for the 2021 AthHalf. Participants carrying their own hydration container will not be permitted to use the AthHalf coolers or pitchers located at each water station to refill their personal containers. Participants may take cups of water from the water station and pour the contents into their personal container.

AthHalf Half Marathon

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- Masks are required to be worn by all participants when staging in the corrals before the start of the race unless the participant is actively eating or drinking.
- Masks are strongly encouraged for all participants attending the Finish Line Celebration and Awards Ceremonies on UGA's West Lawn unless the participant is actively eating or drinking. Masks will be included in the snack bag all participants receive at the end of the race.
- Participants will not be required to wear masks while actively competing on the race course.
- Participants will use the full corral area when staging for the start of the race. Corral areas have been expanded to allow for greater distance between participants. Finish times will be recorded based on chip time, so there is no advantage to those who cross the start line earlier than others.
- Masks are required to be worn by all those using the Finish Line Shuttle that drives participants back to the start line area.

As extra precaution, the AthHalf Half Marathon will require:

- Volunteers handling food or drink items intended for the half marathon participants to wear gloves at all times.
- The half marathon water stations will be expanded to allow for greater distancing during water stops. We encourage participants to use the extra space and separate as much as possible from their fellow runners.
- Masks to be worn by all AthHalf half marathon volunteers, including water station volunteers, at all times unless the volunteer is actively eating or drinking.

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