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## Virtual Event FAQs

We know participating in a virtual event isn't the same as taking it all in, in person, and we would much rather you be here on race day with all of us to cheer you on! But we understand that not everyone has that option or the ability to do so. So we're working to create an memorable virtual experience for you that will help encourage you all the way across your finish line.

If you're debating whether or not you should join us in Pensacola or run across your own finish line, see below for helpful information regarding our virtual event and what to expect if you choose to embark on the Pensacola Women's Half Marathon or 5K virtual experience.

Please email [amarquez@pensacolasports.org](mailto:amarquez@pensacolasports.org) with additional questions.

### WHAT IS A VIRTUAL EVENT?

A virtual event allows participants to complete the race on their own. You will run or walk the race distance at your own pace and at a time and location of your choosing. You choose your own race day and your own starting line, whether it's a treadmill, a park or your neighborhood street. This option will allow those, who want to invest heavily in their training and want to be part of the Pensacola Women's Half Weekend despite where you live, to be rewarded for their efforts with the shirt, medals and all the swag.

### DO I HAVE TO RUN MY VIRTUAL EVENT ON A SPECIFIC WEEKEND?

We suggest completing the race between 11/8 and 11/15.

### WILL IT BE A SET COURSE OR ONE WE CAN MAKE UP?

Participants will be choosing their own route for the virtual event. It would be unsafe for us to provide a route that all could use at any specific time. Additionally, the geographic nature of our participants being in different places would make that difficult.

**WE ASK THAT YOU DO NOT USE ANY OF OUR RACE DAY ROUTES AS THESE ARE NOT PEDESTRIAN SAFE WITHOUT THE USUAL STREET CLOSURES AND POLICE ASSISTANCE WITH TRAFFIC. PLEASE DO NOT ATTEMPT A GROUP RUN ON RACE WEEKEND.**

## **WILL I HAVE TO USE MY PHONE, RUNNING WATCH OR OTHER DEVICE TO RECORD IT AND UPLOAD RESULTS?**

We're going to be on the honor system for completing the event. As a virtual runner you are not eligible to receive any awards or place in any age categories.

We ask that participants upload their finish time so we have a results/leaderboard page for you to view. Follow the leaderboard to see where you stack up against other virtual runners. You will be able to manually upload your results on RunSignUp. Instructions on how to submit your times will be sent via email before race week or you can see them at the link below:

[Submitting your times!](#)

## **WILL THERE BE AWARDS FOR THE VIRTUAL EVENT?**

As everyone will be on the honor system and submitting their own finish times, we will not be offering awards for the virtual event.

## **WHAT PARTICIPANT AMENITIES WILL I RECEIVE FOR THE VIRTUAL EVENT?**

You will receive a race shirt, finisher's medal, race bib, an Emily Ley Planner (Half Marathon), Emily Ley Mini Notebook (5K), and an online bag with discounts for local restaurants and businesses for the event(s) you completed virtually. We will attempt to have an in-person pickup for local residents to pick up these items when it's safe to do so. For non-local residents and those unable to make an in-person pickup, we will mail to the address provided during the registration process. *Please note that the estimated shipping time may take longer for participants living outside the U.S.*

Downloadable race bibs will be available.

## **HOW CAN I REGISTER FOR THE PENSACOLA WOMEN'S HALF MARATHON & 5K VIRTUAL EVENTS?**

Registration is now open, click [here](#).