

# GOODYEAR HALF MARATHON & 10K AUGUST 9-10, 2024 FINAL INSTRUCTIONS



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## IMPORTANT ADDRESSES

Packet Pickup: John S. Knight Center - 77 E. Mill St, Akron

Race Day Parking: Goodyear Parking Deck - 160 S. Seiberling St, Akron

Start: Goodyear Proving Grounds (Test Track) - S. Seiberling St

Finish: The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company - Innovation Way



## RACE WEEKEND AT A GLANCE

Friday, August 9

11:00 a.m. - Packet Pickup opens

7:00 p.m. - Packet Pickup closes

Saturday, August 10

5:30 a.m. - Race Announcements

6:30 a.m. - Half Marathon & 10k  
Start

10:10 a.m. - Course Closes

11:00 a.m. - Venue Closes

## RACE SERIES APP - NEW!

Download the app in the [Apple](#) or [Google](#) store by searching Akron Marathon Race Series. The new app features bib lookup and tracking. Be sure to enable Event Announcement notifications.



# PACKET PICKUP

## SCHEDULE

Date: Friday, August 9, 2024  
Time: 11:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m.

## LOCATION

John S. Knight Center  
77 E. Mill St, Akron

### Bib Information

Your race number is linked to your registration data, so it MUST be yours. Running under someone else's number could create serious consequences for participants and organizers alike. Correct information allows medical staff to identify and treat participants if necessary, and it also helps ensure accuracy in race results and awards.

Make sure to pin your bib on the front of your shirt with the provided safety pins. This is crucial for accurate timing and the best race photos. And remember: take care of your bib! Any creases or cuts could ruin your timing device.

**Akron Marathon &  
Goodyear Merchandise will  
be available to purchase at  
Packet Pickup!**

Participants must pick up their race packet, including race bib, on Friday, August 11. There will be no race-day packet pick up available. Each participant should pick up their own bib and confirm registration information is correct. However, if you are unable to attend, race packets may be picked up by a friend or family member who must verify your information.

## Race Day Parking - Where to Park - Map on page 8

All lots and decks located at The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company are free of charge race morning. There will be parking attendants on-site to help guide you where to park.

\*NO DROP-OFF AT THE GOODYEAR DECK/LOTS due to the one-way traffic pattern into the deck until 6:30 a.m. race morning. NO cars can exit the deck/lots until after 6:30 a.m. race morning.

### Direction of Travel

\*From the east (Youngstown): From I-76 West - Take exit 26 for E. Market St./OH-18 toward OH-241/Mogadore Rd. Take a slight right onto OH-18 W/E. Market St. Turn left onto S. Seiberling St.

\*From the north (Stow): From Route 8 South: Take exit 1B toward Perkins. Continue straight onto Goodkirk St. Turn left onto Market St. Turn right onto S. Seiberling St.

\*From the west (Fairlawn): I-77 South: I-77 / I-76 E. Take exit 25B toward General St./Brittain Rd. Continue straight onto Englewood Ave. Turn right onto S. Seiberling St. Note - Medina/Route 18 east to I-77 S is closed. The detour route is SR21 S to I-76 E to I-77 N.

\*From the south (Canton): From I-77 North: Take I-76 East. Take exit 25B toward General St./Brittain Rd. Continue straight onto Englewood Ave. Turn right onto S. Seiberling St.

### Drop Off Location

From Market St, take Massillon Rd south to Seiberling Way. Turn right and drop off at the first circle at Eagle St and continue driving around the circle to exit the way you came. Participants will walk down Eagle St and turn left on S. Seiberling St to head to the start.



# WELCOME TO THE PROVING GROUNDS

## START LINE

### Corrals

Both the 10k and Half Marathon participants will line up in the corral together based on pace. Pace signs will be along the corral indicating where to line up. There will be various entrance points along the corral.

### Wave Start

The Half Marathon and 10k will have a combined start. The race will start in 8 separate waves. There will be 300 participants per wave. Each wave will be walked up to the start line, held for 1 minute, and have their own starting commands. Waves are based on pace. There will not be a separate start for the 10k.

### Restrooms

Portable restrooms will be located inside the test track and at the finish line. Portable restrooms will also be located after each fluid station along the course.

### Arrival to the Start Line

For a hassle free arrival to the start line, plan to be in the parking deck prior to 5:30 a.m. to give ample time to walk to the start line located inside the test track, which is approximately 1/2 mile south of the parking deck.

### Information

For our participants' convenience, an Information Booth can be found in the Goodyear parking deck on the ground level, inside the test track, and at the finish line on the plaza, post race.

### Lost and Found

All items left at the event will be taken to the Information Booth located in the plaza. Items will be held for two weeks following the event. The Akron Marathon is not responsible for lost items.



# SPECTATORS & ACCESSIBILITY

## Spectator Information

Spectators have many great opportunities to see participants multiple times with very little walking.

Spectators who choose to go to the start line have two options.

Option one: Spectators can watch the start inside the test track and see participants again as they exit the test track at mile 1. Please note if you choose to stay inside the test track for the start you have to remain inside the test track until the last runner exits (approximately 20 minutes after the start)

Option two: Exit the test track just prior to the start and watch participants as they exit at mile 1.

Spectators can remain outside the track to watch your participant again at mile 4.1.

Head .3 miles north to see your participant cross the finish line.

Spectators who choose not to watch the start of the race can remain near the finish line. You will see participants at mile 1.3. Walk .2 mile south to the traffic circle to see them again at mile 4 and then head back for the finish.

Visit any of the Food Truck options at the Finisher Festival. Food Trucks will be available starting at 6:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

\*Participants and spectators should choose a meeting location prior to the race, to meet up at after the race.

## Accessibility Information

### Guide Dogs & Service Animals

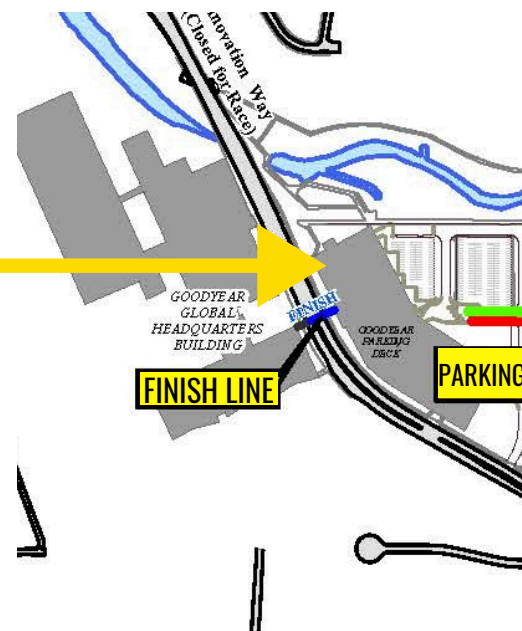
Pets are not permitted on the course or at the Finisher Festival, however, approved guide dogs and service animals are permitted.

### Parking Accommodations

Accessible parking with a wheelchair accessible elevator is available in the Goodyear parking deck.

### KultureCity: Sensory Inclusion

The Akron Marathon has teamed up with KultureCity to help those who may need additional support in the race environment. Sensory bags will be available at the Information Booth located at the Start Line & Finish Line.





# COURSE

## Details

The Goodyear Half Marathon & 10k are certified USA Track & Field sanctioned courses. The course is run on paved asphalt and concrete streets. Participants are responsible for knowing the course. Please note the 10k will split off from the Half Marathon on Triplett (mile 4.9) while the Half Marathon will continue straight.

## Provisions

Restrooms: Portable restrooms will be available at the start and finish lines. Portable restrooms will also be located on the course just past each fluid station.

Fluid: There are 9 fluid stations, 4 for the 10k. As you approach a fluid station, lemon lime Gatorade will be available first followed by water. It is recommended to carry your own fluid. There will be an area to refill bottles at the end of each fluid station. We do not recommend taking food or fluids from non-official locations.

Gel: Salted Caramel & Tri-Berry (w/caffeine) & Raspberry Lemonade (no caffeine) GU Energy Gel and Blueberry Pomegranate (no caffeine) GU Energy Chews will be provided at mile 9 along the Half Marathon course. Plan to be self-supported if you require energy gel at different times.

Medical: There will be medical at the start and finish lines. There will also be 3 medical stations along the half marathon course, 2 on the 10k route. Summa Health will provide all medical assistance during this event.

The medical aid stations will be equipped to assist participants with any basic medical needs and will also have a supply of Band-Aids and Vaseline, if needed. For medical emergencies, an ambulance will be called to transport the participant to a local hospital.

There will be NON-MEDICAL aid shuttles to transport participants, who choose not to continue, from the aid tents to the Finish.

NSAID's (Non-Steroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs such as Advil, Aleve, Ibuprofen, etc.) are not recommended the few days before the race and will NOT be provided at the aid tents. NSAIDs, especially in a dehydrated person, can adversely affect the kidneys and can increase the risk of hyponatremia (low blood sodium). Tylenol will be available.

## Course Limit

The 10k course is open for 2 hours; 19:19 per mile pace. The Half Marathon course is open for 3.5 hours; 16:00 per mile pace. Course closure is based on when the last person crosses the start line. Those who fall behind course closure times will be asked to move to the sidewalk or board the SAG (end of race vehicle). The finish line, medical aid stations and fluid stations will remain open for a 19:19/16:00 pace and close on schedule.

## Prohibited

For the safety of our participants, the Akron Marathon Race Series does not permit: pets, skateboards, scooters, strollers, baby carriers, bicycles, roller blades, or any other types of vehicles (other than official race vehicles) on the course. With the exception of service dogs, pets are not allowed in the start/finish line area. Please do not bring or carry any of these items with you. The Akron Marathon Race Series reserves the right to disqualify and remove anyone from the course who has any of the above items or does not act in a safe manner.

## Unauthorized Participants:

Non-registered participants are not permitted to run or walk within the boundaries of the official race course. It is important that family and friends NEVER cross the finish line or enter the finish zone which begins approximately 2/10 mile before the finish. Course monitors and police will be stationed throughout the course; ensuring only registered participants are on the course. Please be sure your race number is visible from the FRONT at all times during the race.

## Signage

There will be a Blue Line on the streets to mark the entire course. Critical turns will be manned by police or volunteers. Please look for color coded signage which corresponds with bib color, blue for Half Marathon and yellow for 10k, at the split for the Half Marathon and 10k. There will also be signage along Seiberling and Innovation Way to keep finishing 10k participants to the left and Half Marathon participants to the right. Feather flags will mark each mile.



# FINISH LINE

## Finish

The finish line awaits in the middle of Goodyear World Headquarters.

After participants cross the finish line, they will receive a commemorative medal, water, sports drink, banana, and chocolate milk.



## Race Photos

Photos will be taken at the finish line. An email will be sent to participants the week following the race when photos are ready to be viewed.



## Results and Awards

### Awards Presentation

The awards will be presented at approximately 8:30 a.m. for the 10k and 9:00 a.m. for the Half Marathon. For both the Half Marathon and 10k, the overall top three men and women and top three master's men and women will receive awards. Those who win an overall award will be taken out of the age group division. Masters athletes who place in the top three overall will be taken out of the masters division. You are eligible to win awards only for the event in which you are registered.

### Age Group Awards

Top three male and female finishers in all age categories will receive awards for both the Half Marathon and 10k: 19 and under, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, and 70+. You can win only one award, those who win an overall award will be taken out of the age group division. Awards will be mailed 6-8 weeks after the race.

### Non-Binary Awards

Top three overall finishers, based on chip time, will receive an award. Awards will be mailed 6-8 weeks after the race.

## Lost and Found

All items left at the event will be taken to the Information Booth at the Finisher Festival. Items will be held for two weeks following the event. The Akron Marathon Race Series is not responsible for lost items.

# FINISHER FESTIVAL

Once you clear the chute and receive your finishing items, you'll enter the party at the finish! You'll have room to cheer on other finishers, jam out to the band, and redeem food, ice cream, and drink tickets.

Participants receive a drink ticket that can be redeemed for two drinks- beer or soda. Beer cannot be taken outside of the Finisher Festival area.

Redeem your ice cream ticket at the ice cream tent.

Participants will receive a food ticket valid for one item at our food trucks inside the Finisher Festival. Participants may pick from a Galley Boy, Cheeseburger, or Salad Boy from Swensons, a 6 oz. Acai Smoothie Bowl from Sandy Bottom Bowls, or an egg and cheese breakfast sandwich from American Chuck Wagon; additional items may be purchased.

Vegan and gluten free bags are available at the ice cream tent.

## Food Trucks at the Finish

Items listed at each truck can be purchased by participants and spectators.

Credit card accepted at all trucks.

Food tickets are only redeemable for items marked with a \*, one ticket per participant.

### American Chuck Wagon

Also accept cash



\*Egg & Cheese Breakfast Sandwich



### Swensons

Also accept cash



\*Cheeseburger

\*Galley Boy

\*Salad Boy

Sides: Onion Rings, Teezers

### Sandy Bottom Bowls

Also accept cash & Apple Pay



\*The Original (6oz): smoothie base (açai, banana, strawberry, apple juice) topped with granola, banana, drizzle of Ohio Honey (Gluten-free option available upon request)

The Original: smoothie base (açai, banana, strawberry, apple juice) topped with granola, banana, drizzle of Ohio Honey

The PB&A: smoothie base (açai, banana, strawberry, apple juice) topped with granola, creamy peanut butter, banana, strawberries, cacao nibs, drizzle of Ohio Honey

Sandy Bottom Bowl: smoothie base (açai, banana, strawberry, apple juice) topped with granola, banana, strawberries, blueberries, goji berries, drizzle of Ohio Honey

Red, White, & Blue: smoothie base (açai, banana, strawberry, apple juice) topped with granola, strawberry chunks, coconut flakes, blueberries, drizzle of Ohio Honey



# 2024 Half Marathon & 10k Course



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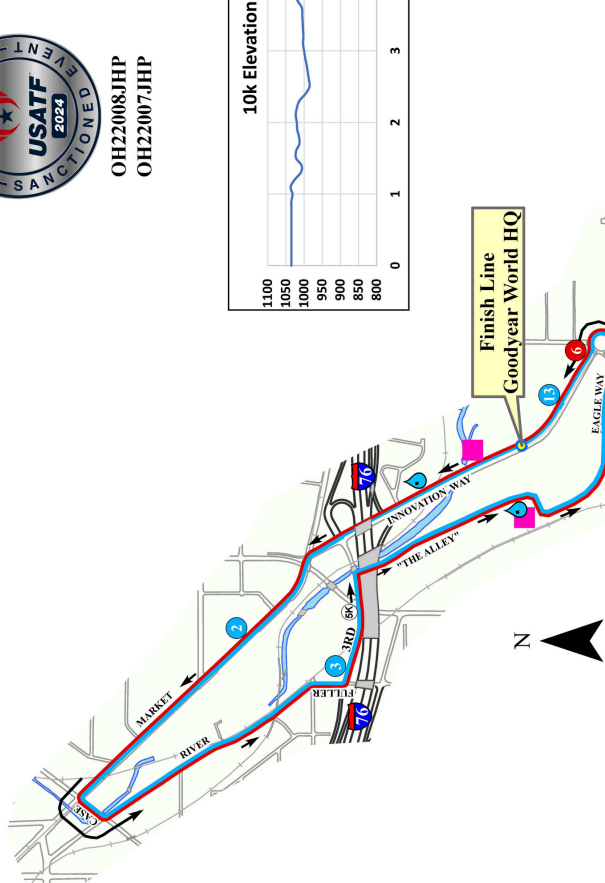
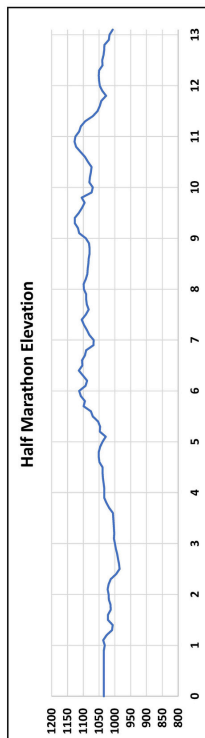
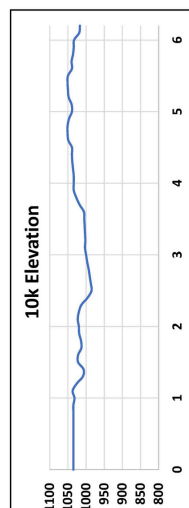
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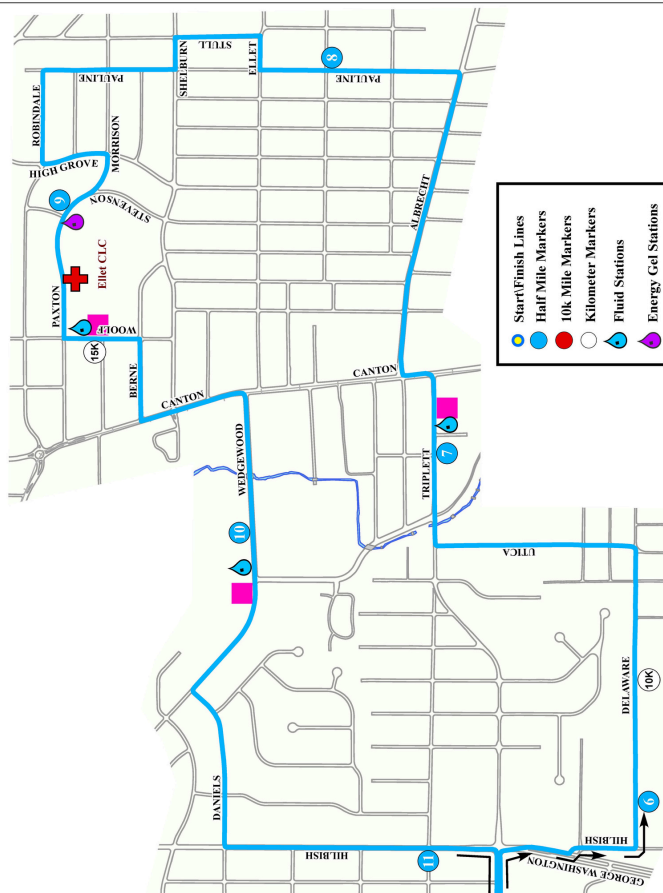
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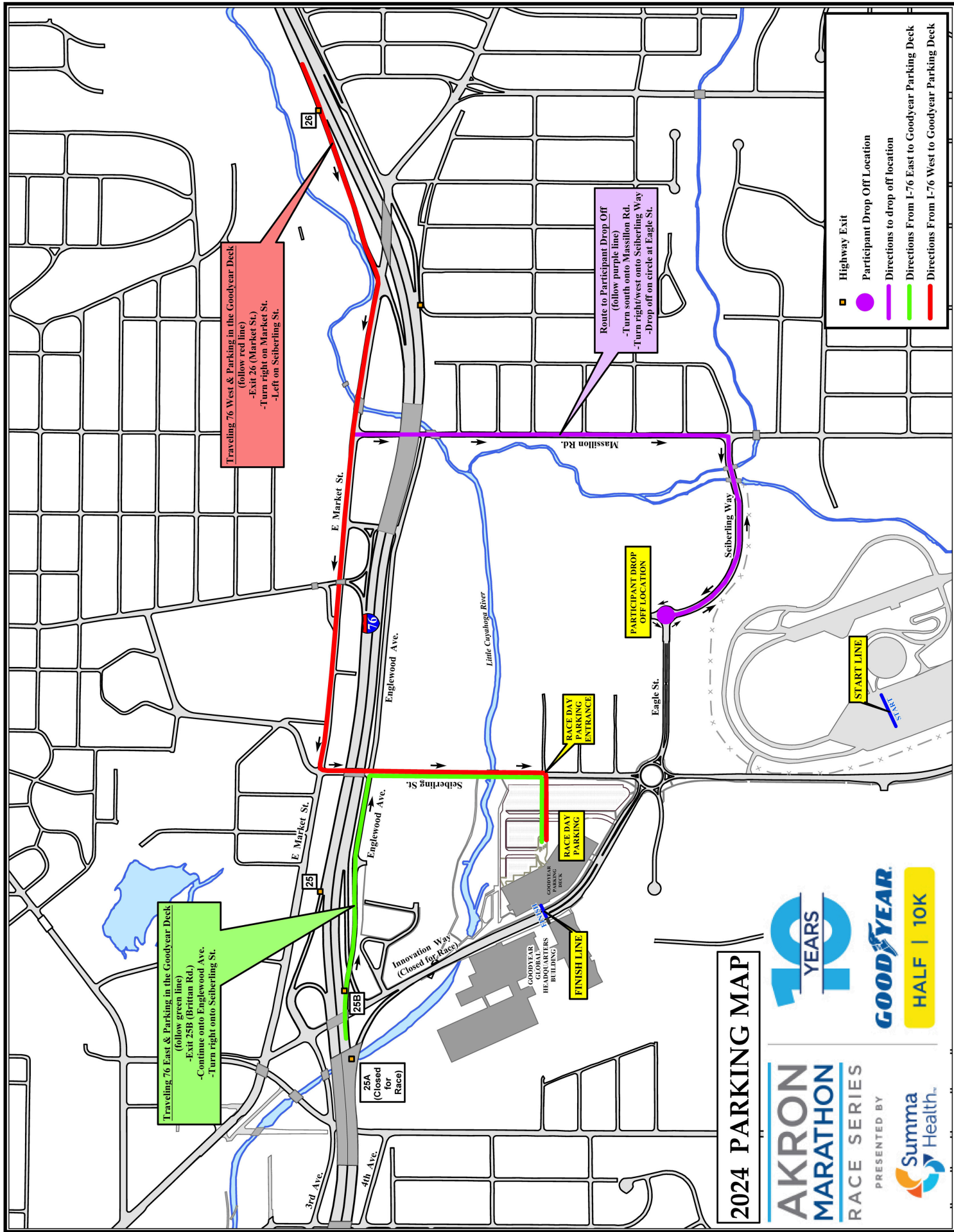


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0 - Start	6:30 AM	6:40 AM	
1	6:34 AM	6:59 AM	
2	6:39 AM	7:18 AM	
3	6:44 AM	7:38 AM	
4	6:49 AM	7:57 AM	
5	6:54 AM	8:16 AM	
6	6:59 AM	8:36 AM	
6.2	7:00 AM	8:40 AM	

Mile	Time	First Runner	Last Runner
0 - Start	6:30 AM	6:40 AM	
1	6:35 AM	6:56 AM	
2	6:40 AM	7:12 AM	
3	6:45 AM	7:28 AM	
4	6:51 AM	7:44 AM	
5	6:56 AM	8:00 AM	
6	7:01 AM	8:16 AM	
7	7:06 AM	8:32 AM	
8	7:12 AM	8:48 AM	
9	7:17 AM	9:04 AM	
10	7:22 AM	9:20 AM	
11	7:27 AM	9:36 AM	
12	7:33 AM	9:52 AM	
13	7:38 AM	10:08 AM	
13.1	7:39 AM	10:10 AM	

- Start/Finish Lines
- Half Mile Markers
- 10k Mile Markers
- Kilometer Markers
- Fluid Stations
- Energy Gel Stations
- Medical Aid Stations
- Restrooms
- Half Marathon
- 10k Course





Traveling 76 East & Parking in the Goodyear Deck  
(follow green line)  
-Exit 25B (Brittan Rd.)  
-Continue onto Englewood Ave.  
-Turn right onto Seiberling St.

Traveling 76 West & Parking in the Goodyear Deck  
(follow red line)  
-Exit 26 (Market St.)  
-Turn right on Market St.  
-Left on Seiberling St.

Route to Participant Drop Off  
(follow purple line)  
-Turn south onto Massillon Rd.  
-Turn right onto Seiberling Way  
-Drop off on circle at Eagle St.

PARTICIPANT DROP OFF LOCATION

START LINE

RACE DAY PARKING

FINISH LINE

# 2024 PARKING MAP



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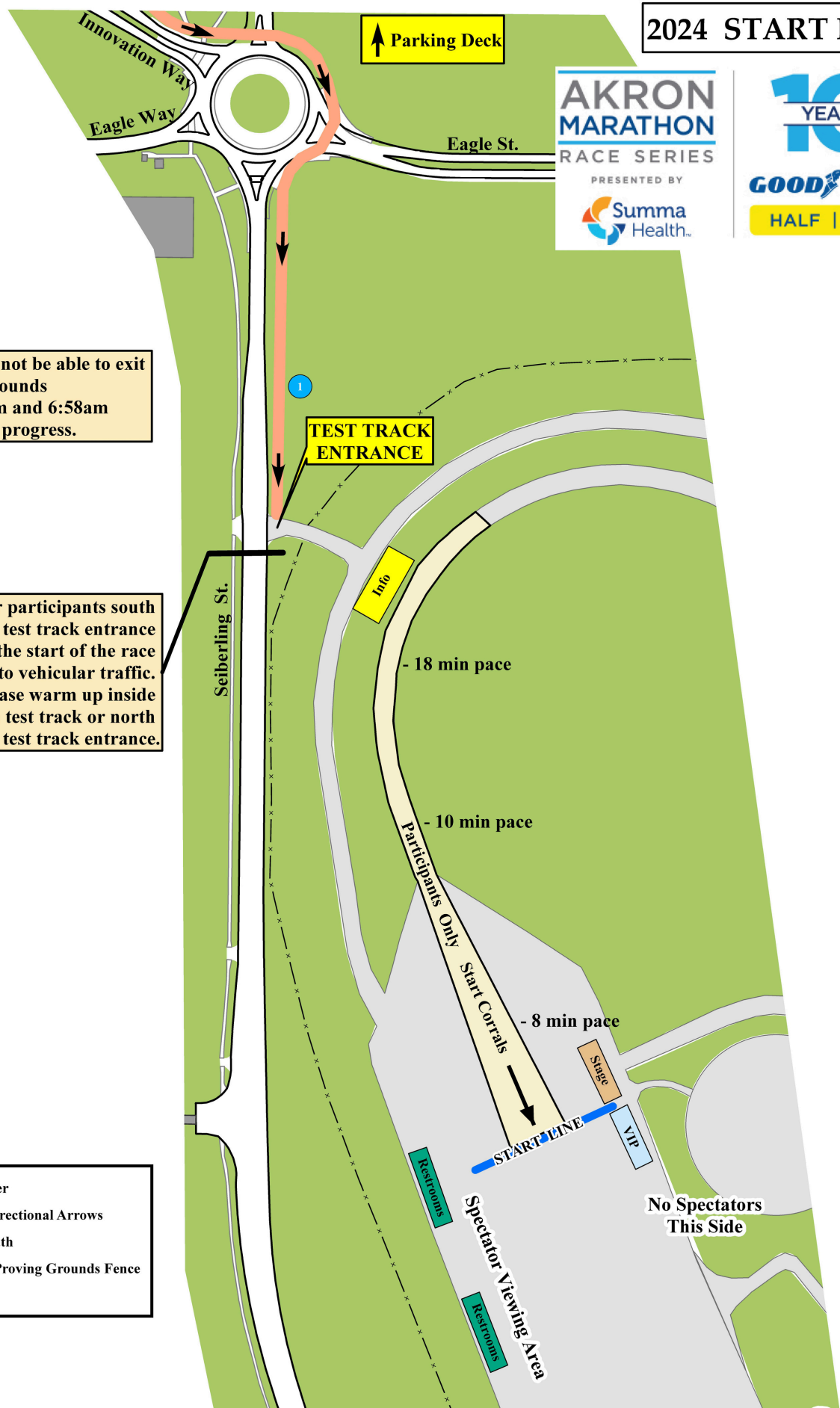
# 2024 START MAP



\*Spectators will not be able to exit the Proving Grounds between 6:34am and 6:58am while race is in progress.

No spectators or participants south of the test track entrance prior to the start of the race due to vehicular traffic. Please warm up inside the test track or north of the test track entrance.

- Mile Marker
- ➔ Walking Directional Arrows
- Walking Path
- × — × Goodyear Proving Grounds Fence
- Restrooms





# 2024 FINISH MAP

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HALF | 10K



**INNOVATION CENTER-A**

Restrooms

Restrooms

Covered Walking Path

**PARKING GARAGE**

**MEDICAL**

**RUNNERS ONLY**

Chocolate Milk  
Bananas  
Sports Drink  
Water  
Medals

Chocolate Milk  
Bananas  
Sports Drink  
Water  
Medals

PR Bell  
Goodyear Merchandise

Info  
Water Refill  
Roll by Goodyear

Swensons  
American Chuck Wagon  
Sandy Bottom Bowls  
Ice Cream

Timer

Info  
Volunteer Check-In

BRIDGE / VIP

FINISH

To Start Line  
inside test track

**GLOBAL HEADQUARTERS BUILDING**

Band

Beer / Pop

Goodyear One Lap Car Winner

- Tables
- Restrooms
- Medical Tent
- Show Stage
- Food Vendors
- Runner Services
- Vendors
- Half Marathon & 10k Course

# ROAD CLOSURES

## ROAD CLOSURES - Friday, August 9, 2024

Road Closures	Restrictions	Approximate Times
*Interstate Route 76 East / Innovation Way Exit Ramp	Total closure	Beginning at 1:00 p.m.
*Innovation Way	Between Englewood Ave. and S. Seiberling St.	Beginning at 1:00 p.m.

\*Friday closures to re-open Saturday August 10, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

## ROAD CLOSURES – Saturday, August 10, 2024

Road Closures	Restrictions	Approximate Times
S. Seiberling St.	Between Innovation Way and Archwood.	5:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Innovation Way	Between Englewood Ave. to E. Market St.	6:25 a.m. – 6:40 a.m.
E. Market St. (eastbound lanes)	Between Innovation Way and Case Ave.	6:30 a.m. – 7:25 a.m.
Case Ave.	Between E. Market St. and River St.	6:35 a.m. – 7:25 a.m.
River St.	Between Case Ave. and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ave.	6:35 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.
Fuller St.	Between 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. and 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	6:40 a.m. – 7:35 a.m.
3 <sup>rd</sup> Ave.	Between Fuller St. and Innovation Way	6:40 a.m. – 7:35 a.m.
S. Seiberling St.	Between Archwood and Triplett blvd.	6:40 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Triplett Blvd. (eastbound lanes)	Between S. Seiberling St. and George Washington Bl.	6:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
Triplett Blvd. (westbound lanes)	Between S. Seiberling St. and Hilbish Ave.	6:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
George Washington Blvd. (southbound lanes)	Between Triplett Blvd. and Hilbish Ave.	6:55 a.m. – 8:25 a.m.
Hilbish Ave.	Between George Washington Blvd. and Delaware Ave.	6:55 a.m. – 8:25 a.m.
Delaware Ave.	Between Hilbish Ave. and Utica Ave.	6:55 a.m. – 8:35 a.m.
Utica Ave.	Between Delaware Ave. and Triplett Blvd.	6:55 a.m. – 8:40 a.m.
Triplett Blvd. (eastbound lanes)	Between Utica Ave. and S. Canton Rd.	6:55 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.
S. Canton (southbound lanes)	Between Albrecht Ave. and Triplett Blvd.	7:00 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.
Albrecht Ave. (eastbound lanes)	Between S. Canton Rd. and Pauline Ave.	7:00 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.
Pauline Ave.	Between Albrecht Ave. and Robindale Ave.	7:05 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.
Ellet Ave.	Between Pauline Ave. and Stull Ave.	7:05 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.
Stull Ave.	Between Ellet Ave. and Shelburn Ave.	7:05 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.
Shelburn Ave.	Between Stull Ave. and Pauline Ave.	7:05 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.
Robindale Ave.	Between Pauline Ave. and High Grove Blvd.	7:10 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.
High Grove Blvd.	Between Robindale Ave. and Morrison Ave.	7:10 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.
Morrison Ave.	Between High Grove Blvd. and Stevenson Ave.	7:10 a.m. – 9:25 a.m.
Stevenson Ave.	Between Morrison Ave. and Paxton Ave.	7:10 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Paxton Ave.	Between Stevenson Ave. and S. Canton Rd.	7:10 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Woolf Ave.	Between Paxton Ave. and Berne St.	7:10 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Berne St.	Between Woolf Ave. and S. Canton Rd.	7:10 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
S. Canton Rd. (southbound lanes)	Between E. Market St. and Wedgewood Dr.	7:10 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.
Wedgewood Dr. (westbound lanes)	Between S. Canton Rd. and Daniels Ave.	7:15 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.
Daniels Ave.	Between Wedgewood Dr. and Hilbish Ave.	7:15 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.
Hilbish Ave. (southbound lanes)	Between Daniels Ave. and Triplett Blvd.	7:20 a.m. – 10:05 a.m.

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