

2020 Badwater 135 COVID-19 Mitigation Plan

All runners, support crew, and staff MUST follow at all times!

Pre-Race Meeting

- This will be held online in 2020 instead of in person. Viewing is mandatory for all runners and crew.

Start Line

- There be approximately seven waves of 10 runners in 30-minute intervals.
- Waves will be assigned. Arrive exactly 25 minutes ahead of your designated start time. Do not arrive early. (It is 17.5 miles from Furnace Creek to Badwater Basin with a speed limit of 45mph - sometimes less - but we recommend driving more slowly and cautiously as there will be runners on the road. Allow 30 minutes for the drive.)
- At the race start, Support Crew may NOT go down to the Badwater Basin boardwalk. Stay near vehicle.

Post-Race Pizza Party in Lone Pine

This will NOT be held in 2020.

Spectators

Spectators are not allowed along the course or at the finish line. Please spread the word. (Immediate family who aren't on the support crew may be at the finish line during their runner's finish.)

Facial Coverings

- All individuals must wear a facial covering if six feet of distance from individuals who are not a member of their race team cannot be maintained.
- All individuals must wear a facial covering when indoors in public places (restaurants, stores, hotel lobbies, etc.) This includes during Racer Check-In.
- Runners (Racers and Pacers) must carry a mask at all times while racing, but only must wear it when near others, such as in a restroom or business.

Social Distancing

- Maintaining Social Distancing is required during Racer Check-In, and when near others and in gathering spots such as Furnace Creek and Lone Pine businesses.
- Runners and their personal support crew members are considered "family" or "co-habitants" and need not wear masks nor social distance while together within just their group.
- Racers may not run with other racers; social distancing must be maintained along the race course.

General Health, Hygiene, and Attestations

- All runners, crew, and staff are encouraged to put extra effort into staying COVID-free in the weeks leading up to the race, and to wear a facial covering at all times while in airplanes, airports, and traveling.
- In the two weeks leading up to the event, all runners, crew, and staff who test positive for COVID-19, live with someone who is positive, or exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 must refrain from attending the event.
- Runners and Support Crews must prioritize personal hygiene and hand-washing (or use of hand gel) at all times during the race and race activities. Hand gel or hand-washing supplies must be brought by each runner's support team and used frequently.
- Hand gel will be available at Racer Check-In, start line, and timing checkpoints along the route. (But all teams must also bring their own to use throughout the event and their travels.)
- The location of restrooms along the route will be provided to all participants (in the magazine, P29.)
- During Racer Check-In, the "Check-In Form" required for each Racer will require that each Racer and each Crew Member self-certify that they are currently not sick with COVID-19, nor displaying symptoms, to be reviewed by the Race Medical Staff.
- Race staff are required to self-certify that they are currently not sick with COVID-19, nor displaying symptoms, to be reviewed by the Race Medical Staff.

