



## Frequently Asked Questions

### RACE DAY

- **Where do I park?**
  - Participant parking will be available in the South Kirby BLUE Lot, accessible by Gate 8 (located on Kirby Dr.)
  - To avoid race delays, race participants and attendees are strongly encouraged to arrive early or carpool.
- **Do I have to pay for parking?**
  - No, parking will be free for race participants during this event.
- **What is the timeline for Race Day?**
  - 6:00 AM Packet Pick-Up Opens
  - 7:00 AM Packet Pick-Up Closes
  - 7:30 AM TORO'S Kids 1K presented by Texas Children's Hospital starts
  - 8:00 AM Running of the Bulls Run/Walk starts
  - 10:00 AM Post Race Party Closes
- **What time do I need to arrive at the race if I have already received my runners bib and t-shirt?**
  - We would suggest that you arrive by 7:00am if you have already picked up everything from one of our Packet Pick-Up locations. This will give you enough time to park, stretch, and hydrate.
- **What if I am late to the race?**
  - We will allow race participants to cross the starting line as late as 8:20 AM.
- **What happens if it rains?**
  - The race will happen rain or shine! However, if weather conditions threaten the safety of participants, the race will be canceled.
  - In the event of inclement weather on race day, please call 832.667.2383 for updates.

### REGISTRATION & PACKET PICK-UPS

- **Can I register on-site?**
  - No. We expect a sellout crowd so there will be no on-site registration. Everyone is encouraged to register online by November 16<sup>th</sup>.
- **Where can I pick up my packet on race day?**
  - Packet pick-up will be open on race day from 6am – 7am in Blue Lot 17 near the Start Line.

### COMPETITIVE, NON-COMPETITIVE and KIDS 1K

- **Is there a Competitive race this year?**
  - Due to parking lot closures at NRG Park, we will unfortunately not be able to orchestrate the 3.1 mile route as originally planned. The course will be shorter than an official 5K, so all participants will now start at the same time in pace groups. We apologize for this inconvenience.
- **Can I run in the Kids 1K with my child?**
  - Parents who want to run with their kids must also register for the Kids 1K. **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO REGISTER FOR THE KIDS 1K IF YOU ARE ALREADY REGISTERED FOR THE 5K COMPETITIVE OR NON COMPETITIVE.** It is not required for a parent to run with their child as we will have a secure process for parents to pick up their kids once they cross the finish line.
  - Parents of children with special needs participating in the 1K do not have to register.



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- **Can I just sign my child(ren) up for the Kids 1K? Do I have to run with them?**
  - While running with your child is strongly encouraged, it is not required. We will have a secure process for parents to pick up their kids once they cross the finish line.
- **If I am running in the 5K, what does my child do while I am running?**
  - There is no area for children to be dropped off, so please bring someone else to watch them during your run.
- **What time does the Kids 1K start?**
  - 7:30 AM
- **What time does the Run/Walk start?**
  - 8:00 AM
- **Where do I pick up my child after the Kids 1K?**
  - Any children who cannot immediately find their parent following the 1K will be placed in the Kids Corral, located on the stadium floor.
  - Inside each Kids 1K packet there are wristbands – one for the parent, one for the child. Please write your phone number on each wristband. Parents can pick up their children at the Kids Corral by showing their matching wristband number.

### POST RACE PARTY

- **Where can I meet a race participant if I'm not running in the race?**
  - You can meet your race participant at the Post Race Party in Bud Light Plaza.
- **Will there be food and water available for race participants?**
  - Yes. In addition to water stops along the race route, food (fruit, snack bars, Papa John's pizza) and drinks (water, Bud Light) will be provided at the Post Race Party, redeemable with the tabs located at the bottom of your race bib. The bottom attachment of your race bib will be used as your food/drink voucher.
  - Only race participants will receive free food and water.
  - If you want beer, please remember to bring your photo ID.
- **What other activities will take place at the Post Race Party?**
  - After the Race, please join us at the Post Race Party in Bud Light Plaza where there will be inflatables in the Kids Zone, autographs from Houston Texans Cheerleaders, Ambassadors and TORO, sponsor vendors and live music.

### MISCELLANEOUS

- **Are strollers allowed?**
  - Yes, strollers are allowed in the Non-Competitive Walk and will be allowed to start after the runners. Please be respectful of other runners/walkers and stay to the right so other participants can pass you.
- **When and where is the awards ceremony?**
  - Unfortunately, due to the changes along the route, there will not be an awards ceremony this year
- **What if I forget my race bib?**
  - Participants who forget their race bib will still be allowed to participate, but we will not re-issue the bib.
- **How do I exchange my shirt if it doesn't fit?**
  - Participants can switch out their shirts on Race Day **ONLY** by visiting the Texans Information Kiosk near Packet Pick-Up. Exact location will be provided as we get closer to Race Day.



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- **Can I bring my dog?**
  - No animals are allowed on the course. Except for TORO!
- **What if I get hurt?**
  - There will be first aid at the race in case of injuries. There will also be paramedics at the finish line.
- **Will there be restrooms along the course?**
  - Yes. Restrooms will be located along the course as well as at the start and finish lines.
- **Will there be an official race photographer and an opportunity to purchase the photos?**
  - Yes. We will have a photographer taking photos at the start and finish lines and along the route. An email with information on how to purchase the photos will be sent within a few days of the race.
- **Will the Houston Texans Team Shop be open on race day?**
  - YES! The Houston Texans Team Shop, located inside of Bud Light Plaza, will be open on race day from 6:00AM – 10:30AM. Participants are encouraged to use the coupon offer included in the race details email.

If you have any additional questions about this race, please contact the race director at [texascare@houstontexans.com](mailto:texascare@houstontexans.com)