



RACE DIRECTOR'S CHECKLIST

Race			Date	
INITIAL	PRE-RACE	RACE DAY		
			Course	
			Start	
			Finish	
			Measured - Sanction Number:	
			Maps, Markings	
			Critical Points	
			Traffic Control	
			Parade Permit	
			Police/Sheriff	
			Emergency Vehicle	
			Major Intersections	
			Workers	
			Registration	
			FLYER	
			Race Packet	
			Pre-registration/By computer or hand	
			Race Day Registration/By hand T-Shirts	
			Workers	
			Workers	
			Aid Stations/Start/Finish	
			Water, Gatorade, food, etc.	
			Tables, Cups & Ice	
			Port-a-johns/Restrooms	
			Workers	
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			Volunteers	
			T-Shirts	
			Registration	
			Finish Line	
			Aid Stations	
			Traffic Control (Including police) Split Timers	
			Pre-race Set up & Post-race Clean up	
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			Awards	
			Categories agree w/ flyer	
			Location	
			Trophiesset-up	
			Door Prizes	
			A dy a wtip in a	
			Advertising	
			MTC Newsletter	
			Local Health Clubs	
			Newspaper/Radio/TV Flyer Mailout/Handouts	
			National Publications	

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RACE DIRECTING HINTS

Course: The course should be safe from dangerous traffic conditions. The Starting Line should be well marked. It may be in the middle of the street with entrants kept out of the street until race starting time. The Finish Line should be out of the street or on a blocked street. There should be room for our finish clock stands, finish chutes and MTC equipment van. The course should be accurately measured and marked. The MTC can measure and mark your course for a fee. The starting line, finish line, mile splits and all turns should be well marked. If possible, provide a map of the course, for the runners/walkers and volunteers(splits, aid stations & traffic). Critical points (major intersections, rail crossings, etc.) need special attention. The police may be needed to control dangerous intersections. Make sure of train schedules if the course crosses the tracks. MTC has stop signs and traffic vests available, if needed.

Traffic: Check with local police to see if you need a parade permit and get their clearance and assistance for your event. If possible have an emergency vehicle with EMTs available on race morning (stays at finish area). All major intersections and turns will need a volunteer to direct traffic and runners/walkers. **MTC** has stop signs and orange vests available from our equipment van.

Registration: Race day registration should be set-up and completely ready at least ONE HOUR before race starting time. Have at least 4 tables, one for each event and one for filling out late entry forms. Each event table should have 2 workers, registering male and female entries. The **MTC** has up to eight tables available if needed. You will need plenty of **BALL POINT PENS** (not felt tip) and 3-6 staplers, plus a money box. The **MTC** does not provide pens or staplers, although we do carry emergency numbers, pins, baggies and registration sheets.

T-Shirts: You will need enough t-shirts for entrants, volunteers and sponsors. Pre-registered entrants are guaranteed a t-shirt. On race day, if you run out of t-shirts you can either not guarantee a t-shirt, offer a discount for registering without a t-shirt, or mail a t-shirt after reordering. Race packets not picked up are usually forfeited - NO REFUNDS! Put it on flyer.

Flyers: For free publication in *The Magnolia Runner* the race flyer **must** be 8½ X 11 inches, one or two sided, **unfolded**. It should include the name of the race, all events, starting times, date, location, entry fees, contact person and phone number. A small map of the course and/or race location is very helpful for out-of-towners. Also include all sponsors, award categories, entry fees and the entry form. The entry form portion should contain the mailing address, entry fees and Name to go the on check. **MTC** needs at least 1000 copies of flyer (800 for each newsletter entry and rest to hand out at races).

Aid Stations/Start/Finish: You will need approximately 1 cooler (5 gallons) of water per 75 entrants at each aid station and at the Start/Finish. You will also need ½ bag of ice for each cooler and cups. MTC can provide cups for \$3.00 per tube of 100. You will want to have some sports drink, food or other refreshments at the finish. MTC can provide Gatorade mix for \$7.00 for 5 gallons. You should have Port-a-johns or other restroom facilities available before and after the race. Each Aid Stations should have 2-3 workers per 100 entrants, minimum of 2. Workers should plan to have cups of water ½ filled and ready to hand out before race starting time. Be sure to clean up area when finished.

Awards: The overall and age group awards should agree with the flyer. The trophies should be set-up to check overalls and age groups and define awards ceremony area. If you have door prizes, they may be given out while results are being tabulated, saving the biggest door prizes for after the awards.





WORKERS NEEDED ON RACE DAY

Male	Female	
AID STATIONS - At least 3	people per aid station to fill and hand out	cups of water.
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SPLITS - One person per sp Mile 1	Mile 2	
	ach turn and police at major intersections	
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	<u> </u>	people are needed, some may be provided by MTC Timer1
DBoard1	Cards2	Timer2
Board2	Tag Puller1	Tag Puller4
Board2	Tag Puller2	Tag Puller5
Board3	Tag Puller3	Tag Puller6

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REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

NOTE: In your packet you have a certain number of competition numbers and labels with the same numbers on them. Each competition number has a label to match. Certain number sequences will be assigned to women only and those matching labels will be printed in red.

Please adhere to the following instructions and attached example when registering your race applicants. If you run out of numbers in one group, move some from one of the other groups, KEEPING FEMALES ON RED LABELS AND MALES ON BLACK LABELS.

- PRINT clearly the runner's or walker's competition number, name, age and hometown on the label and the registration sheet. If entering information into a computer, save registration sheets for race day and provide us with a numerical printout of pre-registered entrants.
 NOTE: Use a person's simple name, no middle initials or reversed name order. 'JOHN DOE'
- 2. Put the assigned competition number on the race entry form in case you need to cross check any information or look up an entrant later.
- 3. Put the competition number, name, age and T-shirt size(if you want to use this info for next year's T-shirt order) on the registration form. [Once the race starts, these forms must be turned over the MTC for race scoring.]
- 4. Fill out thestick-on labels with the name, age and hometown to match the competition number. USE BALL POINT PENS! Ink from felt-tipped pens will run when it gets wet. If using a computer, print mailing labels with the required information and put them over our labels. Remember that there will be separate sequences of numbers with red labels for women. If you mistakenly enter a Female on a Male number use a Pink Hi-Lighter to mark it.
- 5. Put the label in the plastic bag, fold and staple twice as in the example. Be careful to not staple the label itself as it will be difficult to pull from the runner's competition number at the end of the finish line chute.
- 6. Put the competition number with label, 4 safety pins, T-shirt and any maps, local coupons, advertisements, etc., in an envelope or bag. This will make-up the Pre-registration Packet. Print the entrant's name, last name first, at the top of the packet and alphabetize in boxes for easier packet pick-up on race day. You do not need to separate packets by event.
- 7. If scoring teams, write Team Name or Team Number in 'Hometown' area and use blue, green or orange a hi-lighter to mark "Hometown" area across entire label. Use a different color hi-lighter to mark locals or other special groups. Example: Orange=All Team Members, Green=All Church Members, Blue=All State Employees. Write Team members on Team Registration sheets only.
 Do Not use Yellow or Pink hi-lighters, please. Pink indicates Female and yellow doesn't show up well outside.

ON RACE DAY: Have on hand extra registration forms, numbers, pins, pencils, staplers, tables and plenty of help to register the late entrants.

Also, have on hand necessary money to make change for late entrants.

If you have any questions or problems please call:

Jack Ward at 601-847-4190 between the hours of 8:00am and noon,
or cell 601-201-1629 anytime except Saturday morning.

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