

# Surf City USA® Marathon Race Day Information

## MARATHON PACKET PICK UP

You must pick up your packet at the Active Lifestyle Expo on Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup> (3-7 p.m.) or Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> (9 am to 5 pm). There is no race day packet pick up. To pick up a packet for a family member or friend, you must bring a copy of their ID and a note giving you permission to do so.

## START TIME, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

**6:50 a.m.** (this is just a few minutes after sunrise)

**START LINE** – Pacific Coast Highway at Huntington Street in front of the Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort. See map. The half marathon starts in the same location at 7:45 a.m. Note: The 5K start line is at Main Street, about ½-mile north in downtown Huntington Beach. See Course Map.

**GEAR BAG STORAGE** – Turn-in your gear bag before the race in the large white tent in the finish line festival (same location as pre-race expo). You will pick-up your bag in the same place after the race. Do not store anything valuable (keys, wallet, etc.). We are not responsible for lost or stolen items.

**FINISH LINE** – The finish line is a few hundred yards south of the Start Line on Pacific Coast Highway. The Finish Line Festival is in the beach parking lot across from the Hilton, close to the Start Line, in the same area as the pre-race expo. The full marathon, the half marathon, and the 5K all finish at the same place.

**FINISH LINE FOOD** – Race recovery food for marathon participants will be pre bagged and available for pick up in the finish area chute right after you pick up your medal. Only half marathon food will be inside the expo.

## ARRIVAL & PARKING CLOSE TO START LINE

The early start time allows for marathon participants to get to the beach lots closest to the start and finish area (SEE MAP). Marathon runners should plan to be parked by 6:00 a.m. The lot at Beach Blvd. and Pacific Coast Highway is the closest to the start line. This is near the footbridge that crosses over Pacific Coast Highway near Beach Blvd. See below for detailed instructions.

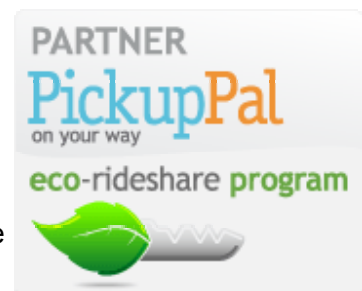
**Parking Fees** - The city beach lots north of Beach Blvd on PCH are **free for expo parking on Friday and Saturday ONLY**. On Race Day, these lots and the downtown city lots charge a \$10 fee upon exit. The city beach lot at Beach Blvd. is close to the start line and is well worth the \$10 if you get there early enough to get a spot.

The state beach lots south of Beach Blvd., including Newland, Magnolia, and Brookhurst are all **FREE on RACE DAY ONLY**. Other free areas include much of the street parking between Beach Blvd and Huntington Street, east of Pacific Coast Highway. Look on the map and plan your street parking location while visiting the expo **NOTE**: If you park at a metered parking spot, you must pay the parking fees or expect to be ticketed.

**CLOSEST TO START LINE - GET DROPPED OFF** - Convenient drop off areas are located on Pacific View and Atlanta, behind the Hilton Hotel and close to the start line.

**RIDESHARE with PICKUP PAL** – Use this great service to find carpools, share rides, costs, and make it easier to park. Sign up from the web site at [www.runsurfcity.com](http://www.runsurfcity.com).

**BIKE RACKS - NEW THIS YEAR** - Non-monitored bike parking is available on Friday, Saturday and race day. Bike parking is located on the beach path behind the expo (close to the start line) and downtown at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and PCH. Local residents are encouraged to ride their bikes. Bring your own lock. We are not responsible for your bike. Please locate them on the parking map.



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**PRIMARY PARKING FOR ALL MARATHON PARTICIPANTS IS THE  
CITY BEACH LOT AT BEACH BLVD. AND PACIFIC COAST HWY**

**DIRECTIONS to BEACH BLVD. City Beach Parking – Closest to Start Line  
\$10 on Race Day – Pay as you exit.**

**TIP: Review the map and drive your race day parking route when you pick-up  
your race packet so you know where you are going on race morning.**

## **Driving South on 405**

Exit at Beach Blvd. Turn right (south) on Beach Blvd (toward the beach). You can follow Beach Blvd. all the way to PCH, cross PCH, and enter the Beach Blvd. city lot. Turn right as you enter the lot.

**IMPORTANT:** If you hit traffic on your way down Beach Blvd, you can turn left on Atlanta and take either Magnolia or Brookhurst to PCH into the beach lot.

**Please Note: Newland access to the beach lot may be closed for construction.**

## **Driving South on PCH – (PCH will be closed at Warner)**

Turn left (inland) at Warner. Follow Warner all the way to Beach Blvd. Turn right (south toward the beach) and follow Beach Blvd. all the way to PCH to the beach lot. Turn right as you enter the lot.

## **Driving North on 405**

Exit at Warner toward the beach. Follow Warner all the way to Beach Blvd. Turn left (south) on Beach Blvd and follow to the beach lot (**recommended**). Turn right as you enter the lot.

## **Driving North on PCH**

Turn left into the beach lot at Newland, before you get to Beach Blvd. You can take a shuttle to the start area. Find the Shuttle Stop on the map.

**Shuttles** - Free round trip shuttle service will be available from most major parking areas (not right by the start line) as shown on the map. Post race shuttles will pick up in the same location where you are dropped off.

## **RESTROOMS**

Expo Area – portable toilets and public restrooms available in the expo area and the parking lot.  
Beachfront Running Path – Public restrooms all along the path are open for use.

**DOWNLOAD MAP WITH PARKING AND SHUTTLE LOCATIONS FROM WEB SITE**