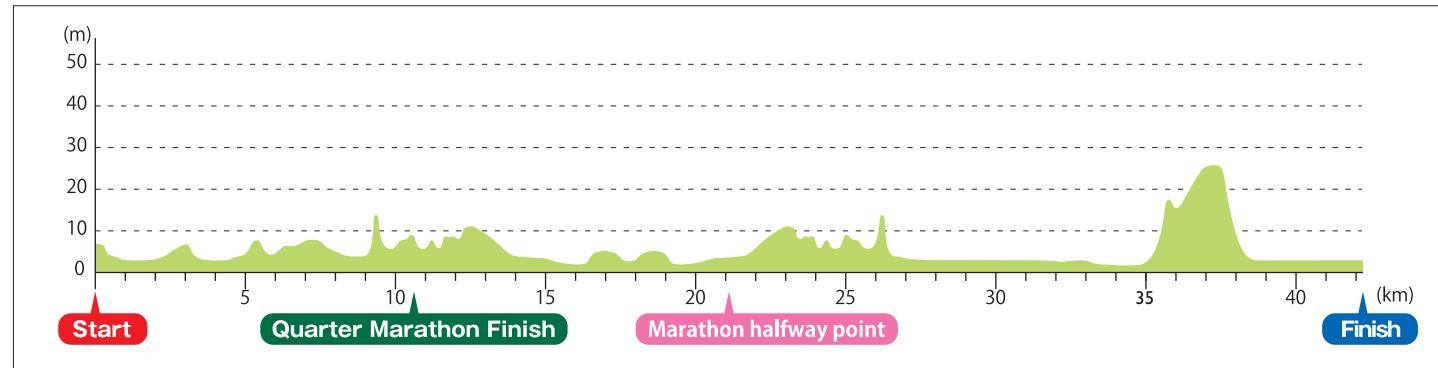


Kobe Marathon Course Map



Course Profile Map



Kobe Marathon Friendship Bank

The Kobe Marathon has established a bank to provide a range of support, including personnel, material, and financial aid, to regions affected by earthquakes and other natural disasters in Japan and overseas. We are seeking to reinforce the bank in its various efforts associated with the Kobe Marathon and to provide comprehensive support.

Inquiries

Entry Inquiries	
Kobe Marathon Entry Center <i>[The center will be open from Monday, April 22 onwards]</i> "Kobe Marathon Entry Center" Kinki Nippon Tourist Co., Ltd. (Kobe Branch), 8th Floor, Kobe Ito-Machi Building, Ito-Machi 121, Chuo-ku, Kobe 650-0032, Japan	TEL.+81-78-321-0644 Hours: 10 am - 5 pm (JST) (except Saturdays, Sundays, and public holidays) E-mail: kobe-marathon@gp.knt.co.jp
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Sunday, November 17

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Event Outline

■**Event**
Kobe Marathon 2013

■**Organizers**
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■**Co-organizers**
The Kobe Shimbun / The Asahi Shimbun Company

■**Managing Organization**
Hyogo Amateur Athletic Association

■**Supporting Organizations**
Japan Association of Athletics Federations / Hyogo Amateur Sports Association / Kobe City Education and Sports Association / Community Sports Commissioners Hyogo / Community Sports Commissioners Kobe / Hyogo Sports Association for the Disabled / Kobe City Council of Social Welfare / Hyogo Association of Sports Club 21 Hyogo / The Federation of Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Hyogo Prefecture / Kobe City Shopping Street Federation / The Hyogo Prefecture Medical Association / Kobe Medical Association / Hyogo Nursing Association / Hyogo Firefighters Association / Kobe Fire Brigade / Hyogo Volunteer Association / Hyogo Tourism Association / Kobe Convention & Visitors Association / West Japan Railway Company / Kansai Railway Association / Hyogo Bus Association / Hyogo Trucking Association / Hyogo Taxi Association / Hyogo Economic Research Institute / Japan Broadcasting Corporation, KOBE Broadcasting Station / Sun-TV / Radio Kansai (Planned)

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■**Date & Time**
Sunday, November 17, 2013 9:00 Marathon begins
9:30 Quarter marathon begins
11:02 Quarter marathon finishes
16:00 Marathon finishes

■**Competition Rules**
The races are conducted in accordance with the FY2013 rules and regulations set forth by the Japan Association of Athletics Federations (JAAF), and the rules and regulations set forth for this event.

■**Course**
(1) Marathon
Start: Kobe City Municipal Office.
Turning point: Akashi-Kaikyo Bridge (near Maiko Park).
Finish: Port Island (near Shimin Hiroba).
Course certified by the Japan Association of Athletics Federations and the Association of International Marathons and Distance Races (AIMS)
(2) Quarter marathon
Start: Kobe City Municipal Office.
Finish: Sumaura Park

■**Events / Number of Entrants / Time Limits / Entry Fee**

Event	Type of Entry	Category	Maximum Number of Entrants	Time Limit	Entry Fee
Marathon (42.195km)	Individual entry *1	1) Registered athletes 2) General runners	18,000 *3	7 hours *4 *5	¥10,000 per person (Entry fee includes a ¥100 donation to charity) *6
	Team entry (2-3 persons)*1*2	General runners			
Quarter marathon (10.6km)	Individual entry *1	General runners	2,000 *3	1.5 hours *4 *5	¥5,000 per person (Entry fee includes a ¥50 donation to charity) *6

*1 Please refrain from applying both as an individual and as a team member.
*2 Team entry applications can only be made via the Internet. Team entry can be made only through the Japanese site. Only individual entries will be accepted via the English website.
*3 Includes disabled entrants (those carrying disability cards), entrants residing overseas and those affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake.
*4 Time limits are based on signal gun time.
*5 Cut-off times are set at each checkpoint due to the limited duration of traffic control, security, and event operation. Athletes who arrive at a checkpoint well behind the cut-off time will be disqualified.
*6 1% of the entry fee will be donated to the Kobe Marathon Friendship Bank.

Checkpoint Closing Times (Tentative)			
Checkpoint		Distance(km)	Closing time
1	Otabi Park	4.0	10:06
2	Tenjinbashi Higashizume	9.0	10:50
3	Sumaichinotani Plaza	10.6	11:02
4	Maiko Station Intersection	17.6	12:00
5	Tarumi Wastewater Treatment Plant	20.8	12:30
6	Suma Station	25.5	13:15
7	Home's Stadium Kobe	31.6	14:12
8	Minato Elementary School	34.2	14:37
9	Kobe Gakuin University	38.5	15:20

■**Awards**
<Marathon>
(1) Awards will be presented to the top eight men and the top eight women runners.
(2) Awards will be presented to the top three men and the top three women runners for each five-year age group(excluding recipients of the awards in (1) above). Certificates will be mailed at a later date.
<Quarter marathon>
No awards will be presented for the quarter marathon.

■**Qualifications**
1. Marathon: Athletes born on or before April 1, 1995
(1) Registered athletes: Athletes registered with the Japan Association of Athletics Federations
(2) General runners: Athletes not registered with the Japan Association of Athletics Federations
* Categories (1) and (2) are both open to men and women (including those from Japan and abroad recommended by the organizers) capable of completing the race within 6 hours, 40 minutes.
* This event is limited to non-wheelchair users.
* Those with disabilities (holders of disability cards) who would have difficulty competing alone may designate one escort runner. (Runners may not be accompanied by a seeing eye dog.)
2. Quarter marathon: Athletes born on or before April 1, 1998
General runners: Open to those capable of completing the race within 1 hour, 30 minutes.
* This event is limited to non-wheelchair users.
* Those with disabilities (holders of disability cards) who would have difficulty competing alone may designate one escort runner. (Runners may not be accompanied by a seeing eye dog.)
* **The quarter marathon is a "fun run."**

■**Check-in**
Check-in Dates: Friday, November 15, and Saturday, November 16, 2013
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. (latest time for admission)
Place: Expo Venue, Kobe International Exhibition Hall (Tentative)
* Note that check-in will be closed on marathon day (November 17).
* Entrants may not check in outside the times stated above.
* At the time of check-in, the entrant's identity will be confirmed by identification documents, etc. (the entrant must present in person).
* Escort runners should also check in at the above times.
* Check-in will be refused if the entrant fails to show identification documents.

■**Personal Information**
The organizers recognize the importance of entrants' personal information and will handle it in accordance with laws and regulations relating to the protection of personal information based on the organizers' personal information protection policy. Any personal information submitted will be used to provide participation guidelines, notices of records achieved and related information, services from Kobe Marathon sponsors, supporters, co-organizers and related organizations, and for the announcement of records (including rankings) with the aim of improving service to entrants in this event.

*Note that the organizers or the Kobe Marathon Entry Center may use your personal information to contact you and confirm information related to your application.
*Minors must obtain the consent of a parent or guardian for entering.

■**Miscellaneous**
1. Entry fees will not be refunded in the event the Kobe Marathon is cancelled due to reasons beyond the control of the organizers.
2. Entrants are expected to train sufficiently, receive a physical checkup, and otherwise be well prepared for the event.
3. The organizers will transport entrants' baggage from start to finish locations. Please note that road traffic conditions may delay arrival of baggage.
4. The organizers will not be responsible for entrants tardiness due to public transport or road traffic conditions on marathon day.
5. At the event, including on the course, entrants are prohibited from wearing or displaying logos or trademarks representing a company or product name for the purpose of advertising.
6. The organizers may permit the commissioned sale of photographs and other approved products.
7. For event-related matters not covered above, please follow the instructions of the organizers.
8. Receipts for entry fees
·Payment via credit card
Receipts will not be issued. Entrants are asked to substitute the credit card company's account or billing statement for an official receipt.
·Payment via the dedicated money transfer form or a convenience store
Receipts will not be issued. Entrants are asked to substitute the transaction receipt for an official receipt.
9. These application guidelines are for the 3rd Kobe Marathon.

■**Information on charity goods**
Those who wish to should select their original charity goods (see the following options) when entering.
① ¥500: Charity number card
② ¥3,000: Charity number card and original goods
*You may display the charity number card printed with your own name on your back.
*The money collected from selling the charity goods will be donated, after deduction of costs, to the Kobe Marathon Friendship Bank.
*Athletes registered with the Japan Association of Athletics Federations may not display a charity number card on their backs.
*Details will be released on the official website at a later date.

Reference: Entry fee, transfer charges, etc.

Event	Application Method	Admin. Fee (at time of application)	Deposit Fee (at time of application)	Entry Fee Payment Procedure	Payment (upon selection)	Admin. Fee (upon selection)	Deposit Fee (upon selection)	Total
Marathon	Internet	¥0	¥0	Online credit card payment	¥10,000	¥500	¥0	¥10,500
				Online payment at convenience store				
	Dedicated money transfer form	¥500	* ¥120	Pay by dedicated money transfer form	¥10,000	¥500	* ¥120	¥11,240
				Pay at convenience store			¥105	¥11,225
Quarter marathon	Internet	¥0	¥0	Online credit card payment	¥5,000	¥500	¥0	¥5,500
				Online payment at convenience store				
	Dedicated money transfer form	¥500	* ¥120	Pay by dedicated money transfer form	¥5,000	¥500	* ¥120	¥6,240
				Pay at convenience store			¥105	¥6,225

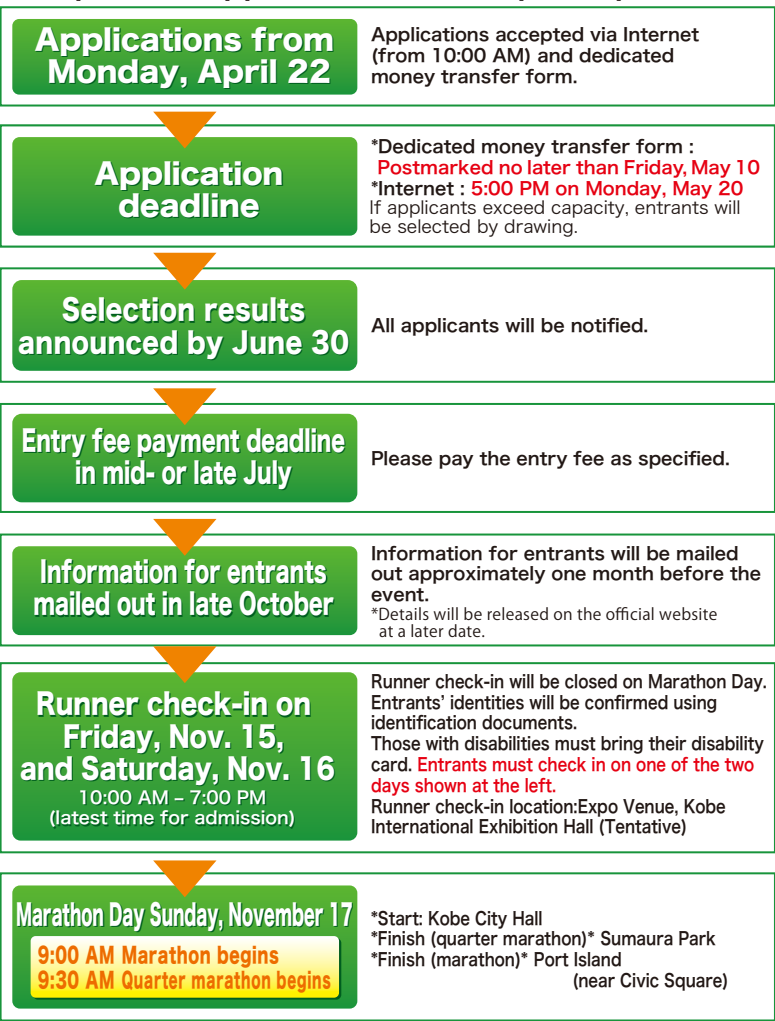
●When applying by dedicated money transfer form, be sure to pay no more than the ¥500 administration fee.
*This is the amount to be paid at a Japan Post Bank or post office. The amount may differ if using an ATM. For further details, please inquire at a Japan Post Bank or post office.

Application Procedures

If the number of applicants exceeds capacity when application is made by the following methods, a drawing will be held. Only those selected in the drawing will be required to pay the entry fee. Please select an application method and follow those procedures. Applicants choosing to use the dedicated money transfer form will be required to pay ¥500 at the time of application as an administration fee.

Marathon/Quarter marathon		
Application Method	Internet: http://www.kobe-marathon.net/	Dedicated money transfer form available at your nearest Japan Post Bank or post office
Application Administration Fee (at time of application)	None	¥500
Application Start Date	Monday, April 22 * (From 10:00 AM via the Internet site)	
Application Deadline	5:00 PM on Monday, May 20	Postmarked no later than Friday, May 10
Entrant Selection	If applications exceed capacity, entrants will be selected through a drawing. * Depending on circumstances, an additional drawing may be announced.	
Notification of Drawing Results	The results of the drawing will be announced via email by June 30.	The results of the drawing will be announced via post by June 30.
Payment of Entry Fee	Successful entrants are required to deposit their entry fee to a designated account by a designated date. Failure to do so will invalidate entry. Some payment methods may incur a fee.	
Notes	* Entry as both an individual and as a team member is not allowed. Those wishing to apply with a dedicated money transfer form should refer to the "Kobe Marathon Entry Center" section on the reverse side. * When applying via the dedicated money transfer form, a separate administration fee of ¥500 must be paid at the time of application. If the form is incomplete or illegible, the application will not be processed. Internet applications are therefore recommended. * Disabled applicants (those carrying disability cards) should complete the necessary parts of the application.	

Steps from application to event participation



■Entrants will be given T-shirts as participation prizes.
For sizes, please refer to the chart below. (JASPO standard)

Size	SS	S	M	L	O	XO	2XO
Height (approx.)	160cm	165cm	170cm	175cm	180cm	185cm	190cm
Chest measurement (approx.)	84cm	88cm	92cm	96cm	100cm	104cm	108cm

* If shirt size is not noted on the application, an S size will be sent to women, and an M size to men.

■**Terms of Kobe Marathon application**
* All applicants must agree to the following terms:

- In the event of illness, loss, or other incident, the organizers accept no responsibility other than to take emergency measures.
- After applying, entrants cannot change events or cancel due to personal circumstances.
- False representation of age or sex, or entry by a person other than the applicant (false entry) are not allowed.
- If the event is cancelled due to earthquake, wind or flood damage, snowfall, some sort of incident, accident, or disease, the entry fee and/or other charges will not be refunded.
- Over-payments or double payments cannot be refunded.
- The organizers will retain publication and portrait rights for such media as television, newspapers, magazines, or the Internet with respect to images, photos, articles, entrants' names, ages, addresses (name of country, name of prefecture or equivalent administrative unit, or name of city, ward, town, or village), etc.
- The organizers will handle the personal information of the entrants in accordance with laws and regulations relating to the protection of personal information.
- This event shall be implemented in compliance with all the relevant laws of Japan.
- The organizers shall stage this event in compliance with the event stipulations as well as the terms of application.
- Minors must obtain the consent of a parent or guardian for entering.

■**Cautions When Applying**
1. Multiple applications by the same individual will result in rejection of the applications.
2. Entrants may not simultaneously apply for, or simultaneously participate in, the marathon and quarter marathon. Be sure to apply for one event only. **If the same individual is found to be applying for more than one event, he or she will be disqualified and no refund will be made after the application.**
3. False declaration of age, sex, records or other information, and entry by a person other than the applicant (false entry) are not allowed. **If an individual or team is found to be entering regardless of ineligibility, that individual or team will not only be barred from participating in this year's race but will also be banned from registering for this race in the future.**
4. No change, amendment, or cancellation can be made to the application after the application has been made. The secretariat will contact the applicant via applicant's email address or telephone number only in the case of a problem with the content of an application.
5. Please note that the Registration Center or secretariat will not respond to telephone questions or inquiries about the status of an application or results of the drawing.
6. All applicants will be notified of the results of the drawing by email or post by June 30. However, please be aware that the organizers will not be able to reconfirm the drawing results if the notification fails to arrive or goes astray due to a problem with the email or contact address provided by the applicant.
7. **Substitute entry or transfer of entry rights is not permitted and will result in disqualification.** In such cases, the organizers can make no indemnity or refund whatsoever.
8. The organizers bear no responsibility for late applications resulting from problems with the postal service or the Internet.
9. When applying via the Internet, the computer terminal, operating system, or browser used by the applicant may prevent the applicant from being able to file his or her application.