



RACE INSTRUCTIONS

RACE DAY: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2019

We are pleased to welcome you to the 42nd Annual Santa Monica- Venice Christmas Run. Please read the below information carefully as answers to many of your questions can be found here.

For more information, visit www.christmasrun.com.

IMPORTANT RACE DAY TIMES

5K START TIME: 7:30AM

10K START TIME: 8:30AM

5K COSTUME CONTEST: 8:30AM (contest will take place at the Finish Line Expo)

10K COSTUME CONTEST: 10:00AM (contest will take place at the Finish Line Expo)

KIDS FUN RUN START TIME: 10:00AM

START LINE: OCEAN VIEW PARK 2701 BARNARD WAY, SANTA MONICA

FINISH LINE: WINDWARD AVE & PACIFIC AVE, VENICE

KIDS FUN RUN START LINE: located at Windward Ave & Pacific Ave

PACKET PICK-UP

FRIDAY DEC. 6

HOURS: 12:00PM-5:00PM

LOCATION: Ocean View Park (Race Start Line Area)

2701 Barnard Way, Santa Monica, CA 90405

PARKING: 2600 Barnard Way, located across the street from Ocean View Park – Cash Only Lot

SATURDAY DEC. 7

HOURS: 6:30AM-8:30AM

LOCATION: Ocean View Park (Race Start Line Area)

2701 Barnard Way, Santa Monica, CA 90405

PARTICIPANT PACKET PICK-UP

All participants are required to pick up race packets during scheduled Packet Pick-Up hours only.

VERY IMPORTANT:

- **All participants are required to PICK UP THEIR OWN packet.**
- **Individuals WILL NOT be allowed to pick up Bibs, Shirts or Medals on behalf of others. This includes friends and family members.**
- **Without proper identification, packets will not be released**
- **Only parents/guardians can pick up packets for their children under the age of 18.**
- **You MUST bring a valid photo ID to receive your packet.**
- **For the safety of all runners, there will be NO EXCEPTIONS made to these rules. Please plan accordingly.**

Packet Pick-up will include:

- Bib Number
- Timing Chip
- Long Sleeved T-Shirt

RACE DAY PARKING

Start Line:

2600 Barnard Way, Santa Monica- Cash Only Lot

Lot opens at 5:00AM

Approx. 1 mile from Finish Line

Finish Line:

200 N. Venice Blvd & 2150 Dell Ave., Venice – Cash Only Lot

Lot opens at 5:00AM

Entrance is off N. Venice Blvd only. All vehicles are required to exit onto Dell Ave.

Approx. 1 mile from Start Line

PARKING MAP (CLICK HERE)

NOTE: Main road closures for the race begin at 5AM. There will be thousands of runners arriving on race day at the same time, so please plan accordingly. Allow yourself enough time to find parking either at the start or finish line.

DISTANCE CHANGE

The deadline to edit your registration has passed. If you need to switch your race distance you can do so by visiting the Solutions booth during scheduled packet pick up hours. **As a reminder, this is a timed race. If you would like to switch your race distance, you must visit the Solutions booth during packet pick up so we can update your timing chip.**

GEAR CHECK

Gear Check will **NOT** be provided for this race. Please plan accordingly. The Christmas Run is not responsible for any personal belongings left unattended.

SHIRT INFO

All registered Christmas Run participants will receive (1) Christmas Run long-sleeved t-shirt as part of their packet. Because this race will sell out, we unfortunately CANNOT accommodate any size exchanges. *** For your convenience, race shirts not picked up by 8:30AM, may be picked up at the finish line between **9:00AM-10:30AM**. You must present your bib to claim your shirt. After 10:30AM, any unclaimed shirts will **NOT** be mailed after the race.

FIRST RESPONDERS

All first responders will receive an additional bib that recognizes them as our heroes. These bibs are first come first serve when you pick up your packet. **You must state that you are a first responder and you will receive your additional bib.**

RESULTS

Official race results will be posted on the race website within 24 hours. **NO** age division awards will be given.

KIDS FUN RUN

The Kids Fun Run, will take place at the finish line adjacent to the Venice Pavilion at 10:00AM. The Kids Fun Run starts after the 5k and 10k have finished. Participants will receive a bib number, long sleeved shirt and finishers medal. Bibs and shirts will be available during scheduled packet pick up hours.

COSTUME CONTEST

The costume contest is scheduled for **8:30AM for the 5k Race and at 10:00AM for the 10k Race** and will take place at the Finish Line at Windward Ave & Pacific Ave.

Awards will be given for the following categories:

- Christmas Spirit Award – for Best Christmas Themed Costume
- Most Original Award – for Most Creative/Artistic Costume
- Santa's Little Helpers Award – for Best Women's Group of 3+ and Best Men's Group of 3+

Good luck runners! We look forward to seeing you at the start line!