
REGULATIONS OF PKO GDYNIA HALF MARATHON (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS: EVENT")

ORGANIZER

The organizer of the event is Sport Evolution Group Sp. z o.o., located at 12/23 Jana Kochanowskiego Street, 01-864 Warsaw, registered in the National Court Register under the number 0000779253, with the registration court: District Court for the capital city of Warsaw, XIII Economic Department of the National Court Register, NIP (Tax Identification Number): 1231431002, REGON (National Business Registry Number): 382960037, **correspondence address: Falencka 1B, 05-090 Raszyn (hereinafter referred to as the "organizer")**.

I. OBJECTIVE

1. Promoting running as the simplest form of exercise.
2. Promoting Gdynia in Poland and worldwide.
3. Promoting physical activity among residents of Gdynia and the surrounding areas.
4. Building a civic society based on the idea of volunteering.

II. DATE AND PLACE

1. The event will take place on April 25, 2026, in Gdynia at 20:30.

III. ROUTE & TIME LIMIT.

1. Distance of the route: 21,0975 km. The route will have the approval of the Polish Athletics Association (PZLA) and will be marked every 1 km. The Organizer reserves the right to change the route and its length in justified circumstances. Such a change does not result in any additional claims or obligations.
2. The detailed race route will be posted on the website www.gdyniapolmarathon.pl (hereinafter referred to as the "event website").
3. The time limit for finishing the race is 3 hours.
4. After the time limit expires, the athlete is obliged to immediately leave the race route.
5. The time limit for completing individual segments of the running competition will be published on the event's website no later than 14 days before the event.
6. Apart from the Organizer, individuals authorized by them, and public services, individuals without a race number are not allowed on the route. Individuals violating this prohibition may be removed from the race route by appropriate services.

7. As runners move, the route will be gradually closed to vehicular traffic. This closure also applies to bicycles, rollerblades, skateboards, and other mechanical devices.
8. Electronic time measurement checkpoints will be located along the race route. Bypassing a checkpoint or running on the sidewalk, lawn, or any part of the road that is not part of the race route may result in disqualification.
9. There will be three refreshment points located along the course of the event.
10. After the time limit expires, the athlete is obliged to immediately leave the race route.
11. person who remains on the route after the time limit does so at their own risk and may be penalized for violating traffic regulations and the Civil Code.

IV. SAFETY

1. In the interest of the safety of athletes, volunteers, and organizers during the event, all participants and spectators must adhere to the current epidemic guidelines available on the website www.gov.pl (if applicable).
2. Persons under quarantine, under epidemiological supervision, or exhibiting symptoms of infection (fever, cough, shortness of breath) are prohibited from attending the event.
3. The athlete declares awareness of the level of risk associated with being in a crowded place during the event, including the risks of viral infection.
4. The athlete declares that they will not make any claims against the organizer in the event of any infection acquired during the event.
5. By standing at the starting line, the athlete confirms that they are participating solely at their own risk. The athlete acknowledges the associated risks, understanding that participating in the event involves significant physical exertion and entails inherent risks and the possibility of accidents, potential bodily injuries, and physical harm (including death), as well as property damage and losses. The athlete voluntarily chooses to assume these risks. The above does not exempt the organizer from liability arising from the mandatory provisions of the law. The organizer provides personal accident insurance (NNW) to athletes who have been correctly verified at the race office. Each athlete will be covered by insurance for personal accident protection, covering bodily injury or health impairment resulting in permanent disability or death of the insured, occurring during the insurer's liability period in the territory of the Republic of Poland. The premium is paid by the Policyholder, i.e., the Organizer.
6. Athletes are obliged to strictly follow the instructions of the Organizers, traffic management services, including the Police, Municipal Guard, judges, and other services securing the race route.
7. Medical service decisions regarding the continuation of the race are final and indisputable. The medical transport of an athlete results in disqualification.

8. If an athlete decides to withdraw from the race at any point in the event, they are obligated to report this fact to the judges or the organizer. Failure to report this fact to the judges or the organizer may result in the athlete being disqualified and suspended from participating in events organized by Sport Evolution Group Sp. z o.o. for 2 years.

V. PARTICIPATION

1. Persons who are at least 18 years old on the day of the event (born before April 25, 2008) are eligible to participate in the event.
2. Every athlete in the event must undergo verification at the race office. Details about the check-in at the race office can be found in Chapter XI.
3. For safety reasons, the following are prohibited:
 - a. Bringing items onto the race course that may pose a threat to other athletes.
 - b. Participating in the event wearing an outfit that covers the face and prevents the identification of the athlete.
 - c. Starting with animals and pets.
4. The Organizer may prohibit participation with an item not described in point 3 of Chapter V if it affects the safety of athletes, volunteers, and the organizer.
5. For safety reasons, the Organizer recommends starting with baby strollers in the last starting zone.
6. Only athletes who have been properly check-in at the race office and have a race number may be on the race route. There is no possibility of starting with a companion.
7. The athlete is responsible for covering the costs of the entry fee, accommodations, transportation, and personal meals.
8. The Organizer allows athletes in wheelchairs with direct-drive systems to participate. These athletes, after completing the registration form and expressing their intention to race in a wheelchair, should send a scan of their disability certificate to biuro@gdyniapolmaraton.pl. The Organizer does not permit athletes using wheelchairs with indirect drive systems (e.g., hand-bikes) or rim-push types to participate.

VI. REGISTRATION

1. Registration for the event will take place via the registration form available on SlotMarket.pl and will be conducted in two phases:
 - a. First phase: June 17, 2025 – June 30, 2025, for participants registered for the PKO Gdynia Half Marathon 2025 and PKO Gdynia 5K 2025
 - b. Second phase: July 1, 2025 – April 19, 2025 – open registration for all

2. The athlete limit for the events is 10000 entries. In case of reaching the limit, the Organizer reserves the right to close registrations earlier.
3. The Organizer reserves the right to invite individuals to athlete in the event after the limit is reached or after the deadline specified in point 1 of Chapter VI.
4. The Organizer reserves the right to change the participant limit, with the guarantee of athlete for everyone registered before the announcement of such a change.
5. Registration is considered successful upon submitting a correctly filled registration form and payment of the current entry fee available in the registration profile for the event on the SlotMarket.pl website.
6. Confirmation of successful registration includes:
 - a. Confirmation of event registration from the SlotMarket.pl website (confirmation from the email address contact@slotmarket.pl);
 - b. Confirmation of payment from the Przelewy24 portal;
 - c. Registration information in the Registration History on the user's SlotMarket.pl account (status: "Registered").

VII. ENTRY FEE

1. The entry fee for participating in the event, depending on the order of payment, is as follows:
 - a. First 1000 entries – 149,00 PLN
 - b. Next 1500 entries – 170,00 PLN
 - c. Next 1500 entries – 190,00 PLN
 - d. Next 1500 entries – 210,00 PLN
 - e. Next 1500 entries – 230,00 PLN
 - f. Next 1500 entries – 250,00 PLN
 - g. Last 1500 entries – 270,00 PLN
 - h. In the race office – 300,00 PLN (subject to availability)
2. The entry fee must be paid through the Przelewy24 transaction service. All data provided in payments is entered on a secure encrypted page.
3. The fee must be settled during registration; otherwise, the registration will be canceled.
4. The entry fee includes pre-race athlete support (email communication and through social media channels), maintenance of servers and the event website, purchase and rental of equipment for organizing the event, race package, organization, and promotion of the event.
5. Athletes who wish to receive an invoice for the paid entry fee should select the appropriate option in the registration form and enter the required data for issuing the document. The invoice will be generated automatically after the payment is credited and will be available for download from the participant's profile on the SlotMarket.pl website.

6. The organizer does not issue paper invoices.
7. To receive an invoice after making the payment, please contact faktury@sporteolution.pl.
8. Invoices for individuals will be issued within three months of payment.
9. Invoices for business entities will be issued by the fifteenth of the following month after the payment is made.

VIII. ADDITIONAL SERVICES

1. During registration for the Event and after its conclusion, the Athlete may purchase additional services.
2. The purchase of services is not mandatory and is not a condition for completing the Race. Services can be purchased up to 7 days before the Race, unless they are sold out earlier.
3. The price for each service is listed in the registration form for the Event on the SlotMarket.pl portal.
4. Insurance policies are purchased from UNIQA via the SlotMarket.pl and UDAO portals. In this relationship, the Organizer acts as an intermediary, not the insurer.
5. The Organizer is not responsible for the quality or timeliness of the additional services. Any complaints should be directed to the service provider.
6. Fees for additional services purchased through Slotmarket.pl are refundable until March 11, 2026.
7. Purchased insurance from UNIQA is non-refundable.
8. In the case of hotel reservations made via Slotmarket.pl, the refund deadline is specified in the service description.

IX. RACE PACKAGE

1. As part of the event, each athlete receives:
 - a. BIB number / race number
 - b. Chip
 - c. Deposit bag
2. Athlete who finish the race within the time limit are entitled to a medal.
3. A athlete who transfers the race package to another person, and a person who acquires a race package without reporting this fact to the organizer, may be disqualified and suspended from participating in events organized by Sport Evolution Group sp. Z o.o. for 2 years. Additionally, a participant using another person's package will not be covered by personal accident insurance.

4. Packages not collected during the race office's working hours may be sent to the athlete upon their request via courier to the address: biuro@gdyniapolmaraton.pl, within 7 days from the race day. Shipping costs are as follows:
 - a. Poland – 20 PLN
 - b. European Union countries – 10 EUR,
 - c. Countries outside the European Union – 50 EUR
5. The participant covers the shipping cost before the shipment is processed.

XI. RACE OFFICE, START LINE, FINISH LINE, DEPOSIT

RACE OFFICE / CHECK-IN

1. The race office will be located at Kościuszko Square in Gdynia on April 24 - 25, 2026.
2. The opening hours of the race office will be published on the event's website.
3. The athlete must check in at the race office during its opening hours.
4. Positive check-in at the race office requires presenting the registration confirmation in the form of a QR code and an identification document.
5. Collection of the race package by an authorized person (a third party) is possible by presenting the athlete's QR code and, for inspection, a copy of the first page of the identification document with the visible first and last name (a photo on the phone is accepted).
6. The QR code necessary for check-in at the race office will be provided to the athlete a maximum of 3 days before the race to the email address provided during registration and will be published on the Slotmarket.pl portal in the athlete's account.
7. The opening hours and location of the race office may be subject to change. Such changes do not give rise to any additional claims or obligations. The exact opening hours and location of the race office will be provided on the event's website.

START LINE

1. The start will take place at Kościuszki Square in Gdynia at 20:30 and will be organized in waves.
2. Athletes are required to position themselves at the start in zones designated by the organizer.
3. Assignment to a specific zone is based on the declared finish time in the registration form.
4. Athletes competing in wheelchairs will be assigned to the so-called "Zone Zero," which will start ahead of all other participants.
5. Athletes registering after 22 March 2026 will be assigned to the last starting zone and will not receive a personalized bib number. Changes to the declared time are possible until 22 March 2026.

6. The nature of the start, as well as its time and location, may be subject to change. Such changes do not give rise to any additional claims or obligations. Exact information about the start will be provided on the event's website.

FINISH LINE

1. Only athletes who have crossed the finish line are allowed in the finish area. Upon crossing the finish line, the athlete will receive a commemorative medal.
2. Entering the finish area with a companion, an animal, or items that may pose a threat to the safety of the athlete or others is prohibited. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification.

DEPOSIT

1. The location and opening hours of the deposit will be provided on the event's website.
2. Items for the deposit will only be accepted in the deposit bags. Athletes must affix the race number sticker to the designated area on the bag at the assigned location.
3. There is no option to leave items in the deposit that are not placed in the deposit.
4. The organizer is not responsible for valuable items left in the deposit.

XII. TRANSFER & WITHDRAWALS

The Flex30 program applies to individuals who register for the competition within 30 days of the registration opening, i.e., until October 16, 2025. Athletes who register for the event on October 17, 2025, and later are not covered by the Flex30 policy

In accordance with Article 38(1)(12) of the Consumer Rights Act, the athlete is not entitled to the right of withdrawal from the agreement to participate in the race.

FLEX30 COVERED BY THE FLEX30 PROGRAM

1. In the event of withdrawing from the event, the organizer will refund the entry fee according to the following schedule:
 - a. 100% of the entry fee until March 11, 2026
 - b. From March 12, 2025, the entry fee is not refunded.
2. Until April 11, 2026, there is an option for a free deferral of the entry fee to 2027. In the case of transferring the entry fee, there will be no possibility of transferring it again to the following year, receiving a refund, or transferring to a different distance.
3. Persons who registered under a sponsorship pool or were invited to participate in the event by the organizer cannot transfer their registration to the next year.
4. To withdraw or request a transfer, please send an email to biuro@gdyniapolmaraton.pl.

ATHLETES NOT COVERED BY THE FLEX30 PROGRAM

1. In case of withdrawal from the race, the organizer will refund a portion of the entry fee according to the following schedule:
 - a. 50% of the entry fee until January 25, 2026.
 - b. 25% of the entry fee from January 26 2026, to March 11, 2026.
 - c. From March 12, 2026 onward, the registration fee is non-refundable.
2. There is no possibility to transfer the entry fee to another year.
3. To withdraw, please send an email to biuro@gdyniapolmaraton.pl.

TRANSFER ENTRY FEE TO ANOTHER PERSON

1. The transfer of the entry fee to another person is possible until April 11, 2026.
2. Transferring the entry fee to another person is possible after paying a handling fee of PLN 15. The handling fee is paid by the person registered for the event through the Przelewy24 portal.
3. To transfer the registration to another person, log in to the account on SlotMarket.pl, where the registration was made, then go to the Registration History tab (after selecting the "Account" tab) and click the "TRANSFER" button. In the final step, provide the email address of the person to whom the participant wants to transfer, and pay the handling fee.
4. The person who received the email with the registration link is required to register for the event within two days from receiving the email with the link. To register, log in or create a new account using the same email address that was provided earlier.
5. Once the entry fee has been transferred, it is not subject to further transfers or refunds.

XIII. CALSSIFICATION & RESULTS

1. The OPEN classification will be based on net times (measured from crossing the start line). An exception applies to the first 100 finishers, who will be ranked according to official gross times (from the starter's gun). If fewer than 8 men or 8 women are among the first 100 finishers, the number of athletes classified by gross time will be increased accordingly to include them. Additional classifications (age groups, Best Pomeranian Woman, and Best Pomeranian Man) will be based on net times (measured from crossing the start line).
2. The following categories will be conducted as part of the event:
 - a. OPEN (for women and men)
 - b. Age Group:
 - i. W/M 18-29 (born in 1997 – 2008)
 - ii. W/M 30-39 (born in 1987 – 1996)
 - iii. W/M 40-49 (born in 1977 – 1986)

- iv. W/M 50-59 (born in 1967 – 1976)
 - v. W/M 60-69 (born in 1957 – 1966)
 - vi. W/M 70 and above (born in 1976 and older)
 - c. Athletes using wheelchairs with direct drive propulsion (these athletes are excluded from all other categories)
 - d. Best Pomeranian Woman/Man
3. Athletes participating in the Elite category will be classified only in the OPEN category
 4. The athlete's year of birth determines their eligibility for the age category.
 5. Awards in the OPEN classification and in the age category are duplicated.
 6. To be qualified for the categories of Best Pomeranian Woman and Best Pomeranian Man, you must select the “Pomeranian province” during registration.
 7. The results will be published on the event's website and provided to media outlets for information.
 8. Winners of 1st to 3rd places in the age categories for both women and men, as well as in the OPEN category, will receive commemorative statuettes.
 9. In the event of absence at the award ceremony, prizes can only be collected at the Organizer's headquarters within 30 days after the conclusion of the event.
 10. The Organizer reserves the right to introduce additional awards in categories of their choosing.

XIV. PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION

1. The personal data of athletes is administered by Sport Evolution Group Sp. z o.o., Jana Kochanowskiego 12/23, 01-864 Warsaw, contact regarding personal data at: daneosobowe@sporteolution.pl.
2. The personal data of athletes will be processed for the purpose of organizing and conducting the event, determining the winner, awarding, issuing, receiving, and settling the prize, as well as other activities related to the conducted business.
3. To perform time measurement, create results, send information about the start number, and the achieved result, athlete data will be provided to the company responsible for timekeeping during the event.
4. The athlete has the right to access and correct their data. Providing personal data and giving consent to their processing is voluntary but necessary to achieve the above-mentioned purposes. Failure to provide data or lack of consent to their processing prevents participation in the competition. Please note that the given consent can be revoked at any time; however, revocation does not affect the lawfulness of data processing prior to withdrawal.

5. The processing of athlete data, in connection with participation in the event, also includes the publication of the athlete's name, year of birth, club affiliation along with the name of the place of residence—in any way the project will be published.
6. All information about participants obtained by the organizer and included in the registration form will be electronically stored and used in accordance with applicable legal regulations.
7. The organizer reserves the right to conduct interviews with each participant, take photos and film them for advertising, promotional, internet, radio-television broadcast, and other commercial purposes.
8. The organizer reserves the right to use free of charge worldwide all photos, film materials, interviews, and sound recordings depicting competition participants. They may be used by the organizer by placing them on CD-ROMs, DVDs, portable devices such as pendrives or external drives, cloud services, in catalogs, and media, on websites, in newspapers, and exhibitions, as well as for promotional and advertising purposes related to the organizer's activities.
9. The data retention period is as follows:
 - a. For data processed for the purpose of pursuing potential legal claims—until the claim is time-barred or the proceedings related to pursuing claims are concluded.
 - b. For data processed to document conducted activities and inform about them—no more than 5 years from the date of the documented event, unless the data is processed for archival purposes in the public interest.
 - c. For data processed to ensure the security of networks and IT systems—no more than 5 years from the date of registration.
 - d. For data processed based on the participant's consent—until the consent is withdrawn.
10. To withdraw consent for the processing of personal data, the participant should complete the form available at <https://slotmarket.pl/document/polityka-prywatnosci> and send it to contact@slotmarket.pl.

XV. COMPLAINTS

1. Complaints related to event matters should be submitted in writing along with a justification to the organizer's correspondence address, marked "Gdynia Półmaraton - Complaint," within 7 days from the date of the event—either in person, by registered mail (postmark date determines), or to the email address: biuro@gdyniapolmaraton.pl with the subject "Gdynia Półmaraton – Complaint”.
2. Complaints submitted after the deadline specified in point 1 of Chapter XV will not be considered.

3. The organizer will review complaints about the event within 60 days from the date of their receipt.
4. The Organizer's decision on complaints about the event will be final.
5. The above does not limit the Consumer's rights to pursue claims based on the absolutely applicable provisions of the law before the common courts.

XVI. FINAL PROVISIONS

1. This regulation applies to all participants of the event.
2. The regulation is effective from September 2, 2025.
3. Each participant in the event is obligated to familiarize themselves with the regulation.
4. Lack of knowledge of the competition regulation does not exempt the participant from the rules specified by the organizer in this regulation.
5. In case of non-compliance with any point of the regulation, the athlete may be denied entry to the event or disqualified during the competition or after its event.
6. Bringing intoxicants, illegal performance-enhancing substances, and alcohol to the event venue is prohibited. Athletes are prohibited from taking such substances both before and during the event, under the threat of exclusion. In the event that an athlete is found to violate this prohibition, the organizer reserves the right to deny them participation in the event or exclude them during the event.
7. The organizer provides emergency medical care on the course and at the finish line.
8. Each athlete is required to place the race number on the front, at chest height, under the penalty of disqualification.
9. The reverse side of the race number will contain a table that each athlete should fill out for easier identification in case of an accident. The table includes information about taken medications, possible allergies, and a phone number of a person the organizer should contact in case of an accident.
10. The organizer is not responsible for items lost during the event.
11. The organizer reserves the right to change the name of the event.
12. The binding and final interpretation of this regulation belongs solely to the organizer of the event. If any provision of the regulation is partially or entirely changed, all other provisions remain valid.
13. Matters not covered by the regulation are decided by the organizer based on applicable legal regulations. The above does not limit the right to legal action in the event of a dispute.

XVI. REGULATIONS RELATED TO FORCE MAJEURE

1. In the event of cancellation due to a pandemic or other state of threat or emergency, as well as due to factors beyond the organizer's control (so-called "force majeure"), the athlete will receive a voucher, equivalent to the paid entry fee, to be used for event held in the following year, or the participant will have the option to receive the entry fee within the timeframe specified by the organizer.
2. In the event of a change in the event date due to a pandemic or other state of threat or emergency, as well as due to factors beyond the organizer's control (so-called "force majeure"), the athlete will be transferred to the new competition date based on the agreement concluded with the organizer. The athlete will have the opportunity to apply for a refund of the entry fee within the timeframe specified by the organizer.
3. In the event of the cancellation or rescheduling of the event due to a pandemic or other state of threat or emergency, as well as due to factors beyond the organizer's control (so-called "force majeure"), money for purchased additional services will be refunded to the participant within 180 days. The purchased insurance is not subject to a refund.
4. Force majeure, within the meaning of these Regulations, encompasses all unforeseeable situations or events of an exceptional nature beyond the control of the organizer, preventing the fulfillment of any of the obligations specified in these Regulations, not resulting from the organizer's error or negligence, and remaining insurmountable despite exercising all due diligence, in particular: events of natural disasters such as floods, hurricanes, extraordinary force winds, tornadoes, earthquakes, exceptionally intense and prolonged downpours, or extraordinary and external events that could not be prevented (such as war, martial law restrictions, uprising, revolution, riots, terrorist attacks), epidemic threats, states of epidemic threat, epidemics, and states of epidemic, as well as new legal acts or decisions of administrative authorities preventing the Organizer from fulfilling its obligations. Neither the organizer nor the participants are liable for non-performance or improper performance of the provisions of these Regulations caused by force majeure.