



## **OFFICIAL RULEBOOK 40<sup>th</sup> VENICEMARATHON**

### **Venice – 25<sup>th</sup> October 2026**

Venicemarathon S.S.D. a r.l., with the approval of the Veneto Region FIDAL Committee and the collaboration of the Venice Province FIDAL Committee, organizes the **40<sup>th</sup>** edition of the **Venicemarathon**, international marathon run on the standard distance of 42,195 km (the course was measured and certified by AIMS/WA in 2023). The international race is certified by "World Athletics" and it is listed in the calendar of FIDAL (Italian Federation of Athletics) with a GOLD classification. The race will take place on **Sunday 25 October 2026** from Villa Pisani in Stra (VE).

The start will be given at **9.40am**.

The event will take place under any weather conditions.

#### **PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS**

The event **is open to all athletes being at least 20**.

#### **TOURIST – SPORTING GOALS**

Athletes, who run with tourist-sporting goals in the not competitive race, must register online and then sign and upload the Venicemarathon liability waiver form.

#### **AGONISTIC RACE**

Athletes, who take part in the agonistic race, have the chance to compete for a prize and be included in the FIDAL/World Athletics ranking list. They must meet one of the following requirements:

- hold membership of a foreign Sports Federation affiliated with World Athletics and in this case, you have to provide Venicemarathon with a copy of the association license or a self-declaration in which they declare to be licensed with an athletics sports club, uploading it in their reserved area on the website [www.endu.net](http://www.endu.net);
- get the FIDAL Runcard and provide Venicemarathon with a copy of the medical certification which allows them to take part in competitive races according to the Italian law, uploading it in their reserved area on the website [www.endu.net](http://www.endu.net).

**The organizing committee reserves the right to refuse registrations of athletes who behave in an unsporting way: i.e. give their bib number to another person, run with the bib number of another person, run with a forged bib number, cut the racecourse, etc.**

***Those who will participate in the race must have the document required when the event will be held.***

#### **ENTRY FEE**

- **80€** until al 30/03/2026
- **90€** from 01/04/2026 to 30/06/2026
- **105€** from 01/07/2026 to 31/08/2026
- **120€** from 01/09/2026

Entry Cap: 10.000 athletes



**Venicemarathon S.S.D. a r.l. can activate, whenever they want, every promotion on the entry fee of the race.**

**Processing fees are in addition to the entry fee when athletes register for the event paying online.**

**It is not possible to postpone to 2026 edition or transfer the registration to another athlete.**

### **SERVICES INCLUDED IN THE ENTRY FEE**

Entry fee includes:

- Bib number
- Goody bag with official T-shirt
- Medical assistance
- Refreshments along the course
- Final Refreshment station at the finish line
- Changing clothes area at the finish line
- Toilets at the start, at the finish and along the racecourse
- Pre-race transportation from Venezia-Tronchetto and Mestre to the start point
- Post-race transportation from the finish area to Tronchetto by boat
- Post-race transportation from Tronchetto to Mestre-railway station or Stra, the start area by bus
- Personal clothes transportation from start to finish area
- Finisher's commemorative medal
- Results by e-mail
- Finisher's certificate downloadable on the official event website [www.venicemarathon.it](http://www.venicemarathon.it)

### **HOW TO REGISTER**

Filling the registration form with participants' details directly online. Follow the instructions reported on the official website [www.venicemarathon.it](http://www.venicemarathon.it), in this case the payment will be done directly by credit card, follow all instructions reported on the website.

**The documents required for participation, if provided for by the type of registration chosen (see art. 1 of this regulation), must be uploaded to their reserved area on the website [www.endu.net](http://www.endu.net). In the event the athlete is unable to upload the required documents (for example, if the renewal of the membership or medical examination have not yet been issued) registration will be accepted sub-judice and the athlete will be required to provide the documents when collecting the bib number, under penalty of non-admission to participation.**

**It is recommended to upload the document related to the membership and especially to the medical certificate well in advance, in order to allow the verification of the conformity of said documents with the current legislation and to avoid unpleasant problems/refusals at the collection of the bib number.**

### **CONFIRMATION EMAIL AND CONFIRMATION LETTER**

All athletes will receive a **confirmation email** about the registration and an **order confirmation email** about the payment when they register for the event.

The **confirmation letter** will be sent via email to all participants few weeks before the race day; the document will be necessary to get the bib-number at the Exposport Venicemarathon Village.

Athletes who won't be able to download the confirmation letter **will get it at the proper secretary** close to the bib number pick up area.

### **REFUND OF THE ENTRY FEE**

**Under no circumstances are the entry fees refundable.**

If you are concerned that unforeseen events might stop you from taking part in the race, do not worry about, when registering you have the possibility of adding the insurance to have the refund of the registration fee.



In fact, Endu offers you Endu Event Protection Premium, a specific product for those who may be forced to renounce participation due to illness, injuries, accident or other unforeseen causes reported in the contract of the insurance.

In case of recognition of the compensation, the reimbursement covers 90% of the registration fee.

## **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

The participant cap for this event is fixed at **10000 athletes**.

Venicemarathon S.S.D. a r.l. retains the rights to close registrations prior to said deadline as well as to accept entries after the deadline.

## **BIB NUMBERS ASSIGNED**

Bib numbers **will be assigned in a progressive way depending on the registration date** (early entrants will get a lower bib number).

The **corral** will be assigned and based on the best personal time declared by applicants recorded in one race within the past **2 years** and this will be identified on the bib number with the color. The organization could verify the best personal time declared and in case of false declaration athlete will start at the back of the group.

It will be possible to **check the bib number** on the official website [www.venicemarathon.it](http://www.venicemarathon.it) closed to the event.

| CORRALS  | M/W | TIMES INCLUDED IN THE CORRAL |         | CORRAL COLOR |
|----------|-----|------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| ELITE    | M   | -                            | 2:29:59 | WHITE        |
| RUNNERS  | W   | -                            | 2:59:59 |              |
| CORRAL 1 | M   | 2:30:00                      | 2:59:59 | GREEN        |
| CORRAL 2 | M   | 3:00:00                      | 3:29:59 | YELLOW       |
|          | W   | 3:00:00                      | 3:29:59 |              |
| CORRAL 3 | M   | 3:30:00                      | 3:59:59 | BLUE         |
|          | W   | 3:30:00                      | 3:59:59 |              |
| CORRAL 4 | M   | 4:00:00                      | 4:29:59 | RED          |
|          | W   | 4:00:00                      | 4:29:59 |              |
| CORRAL 5 | M   | 4:30:00                      |         | PURPLE       |
|          | W   | 4:30:00                      |         |              |

## **BIB NUMBERS PICK-UP**

Athletes will be able to get their race numbers in person at **Exposport Venicemarathon Village** located in **San Giuliano Park** in **Mestre**. For organizational reasons, under no circumstances it will be possible to receive the bibs in advance or pick them up on the day of the race. Detailed information on how to get to Exposport Venicemarathon Village will be given on the confirmation letter or on the official website [www.venicemarathon.it](http://www.venicemarathon.it). The timetable of the exhibition will be the following:

- **Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October from 9am to 8pm**
- **Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> October from 9am to 8pm**

**To get the bib-number it will be necessary to hand out the following documents:**

- an identity card / passport
- the confirmation letter via smartphone

**If the athlete is unable to provide said documents, the Organizing Committee will not hand out the race number.**

To prevent a long wait in line and other inconveniences, we kindly ask you to keep to a reasonable minimum the number of race numbers collected by the same individual.



**The bib number is personal and cannot be given to any other person. It is absolutely forbidden to tamper the bib in any way. Athletes who cut, alter, or hide the number won't be entitled to any prize even if cash prize.**

### **BAGS FOR PERSONAL BELONGINGS**

A special service will be organized for the transportation of all bags containing participants' personal belongings from the start line to the finish line in Venice (Riva dei Sette Martiri). Athletes will be allowed to use the kit bags provided by the organization only (they will be distributed with the bibs) and can be used only to carry few clothes to get changed after the race. A special adhesive numbered sticker (also given out by the organization with the bib) must be fixed to the front of the kit bag. The bags must be handed out to the staff within the deadline that will be emailed closer to the event, and which will be printed on the envelope of the bib-number. The bags delivered late will be taken to Venezia Tronchetto where competitors can get them returning from the finish area.

**Venicemarathon S.S.D. a r.l. will take extreme care in the collection, handling, and delivery of all bags, but declines any responsibility for lost items and will not offer any refund.**

### **THE START**

The first start corral will be given from the **9:30am** and then all the others. The exact start times will be determined as soon as possible, according to TV organization needs and of the authorities. To guarantee a smooth run of the operations, all runners are requested to get to the start area in Stra by **8:30am**. **Access to the start corrals** will take place **from 8:55am to 9:20am**. Latecomers will be forced to start the race at the back of the group.

### **RACE COURSE**

#### **Start line**

Stra (VE) - Villa Pisani

#### **Finish line**

Venezia - Riva Sette Martiri

#### **Distance**

42,195 kilometers / 26,224 miles

Distance measured and certified by AIMS/WA.

#### **Course overview**

The start of the 42K is from the Queen of the Venetian Villas, Villa Pisani, which exceptionally opens the gates of its park to welcome the marathon runners before the start.

The first part of the course, along the Riviera del Brenta develops through a landscape rich in history, art and culture, characterized by many ancient Venetian Villas overlooking the river.

Then the racecourse goes through the center of Marghera and Mestre, and here it passes through the new museum of the 20th century, M9, a new workshop of technological and interactive knowledge, with its colorful buildings which host the museum halls. The course snakes over 2 km inside San Giuliano Park, where the 10K starts, and reaches Venice by the "Ponte della Libertà" (a flat and straight bridge of almost 4 km).

The race enters the renovated port area and reaches the historic center where you experience the most special and unforgettable part of the race. You run alongside Canale della Giudecca to Punta



della Dogana, where a pontoon bridge built specifically for the race allows you to cross the Grand Canal.

Passing through Piazza San Marco (high tide permitting ...), near the Campanile and the Doge's Palace, the course reaches the finish line located in Riva Sette Martiri.

### **Course difficulty**

The Venicemarathon course is basically flat and fast. There are just a few difficulties, represented by 3-4 short slopes (100 meters or so) between the 25th and 35th kilometer.

In the final part of the marathon course (last 3 kilometers), runners will face 14 little bridges over Venice's canals. Wooden ramps are put in place to prevent athletes from running on the steps.

There are no cobblestones on the course (apart from the last 100 meters before the finish line). In the final 3 kilometers the running surface will be mainly made of large rectangular stone slabs.

The course is entirely closed to traffic and every kilometer is marked.

### **Course highlights**

Riviera del Brenta, with several 18th century mansions along the course (in particular the impressive "Villa Pisani" at the start). Zattere, a 2-km-long embankment next to the Giudecca Canal, where athletes run close to the water.

The Bridge over the Grand Canal, a 170-meters-long bridge which is built just before the marathon and dismantled the night after.

Piazza San Marco and Palazzo Ducale, important Venice landmarks.

Finish line in Riva Sette Martiri, in the picturesque waterfront of St. Mark's Basin.

### **TIMING**

Timing of the race is provided by Evodata srl through a disposable transponder located on the back of each athlete's race bib.

**Athletes who tamper with the bib and remove the "chip" will not be timed and will not be included in the rankings.**

### **TIME LIMITS**

The maximum time to get to the hm 10 is **2h45'**.

The maximum time to get to the km 30 is **3h50'**.

The time limit **to finish the race** is **6h00'**.

**After the race time limit all participants along the racecourse will be considered withdrawn and off the race, therefore no service even the safety along the track won't be granted.**

### **REFRESHMENT AND SPONGING STATION**

Refreshment stations with water are available on the course every 5 kilometers starting from km 5. Sports drinks will be available from the 10th kilometer, fruit and cookies will be available from the 15th kilometer.

For competitors who withdraw, pick-up buses will carry them to the first-aid stations (placed at km 31).

### **WITHDRAWAL FROM THE RACE**

Athletes who decide to quit the race at any point during the race can make use of the "sweep buses", which it will carry them to the first-aid stations. Then from there, the athletes will be taken, compatible with the organization of the race, to Venice Tronchetto, where they will be able to take the ferry to the finish line to pick up their bags.

The first waterbus will be not before the **12:30pm**.



## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**

A medical assistance service will be offered by the organizing committee in collaboration with local medical facilities. First aid stations will be available along the route and on the finish line, as well as ambulances and medical motorbikes following the race.

## **RESULTS**

The official rankings will be posted on the official website [www.venicemarathon.it](http://www.venicemarathon.it) after the race as soon as possible.

## **PRIZE PURSE**

Soon available

## **IMAGE COPYRIGHT**

Upon registration for the 40<sup>th</sup> Venicemarathon the athlete authorizes the organizing committee and its media partners to use all motion and still pictures taken during athlete's participation in the event in which athlete's likeness might appear. Said pictures might be used in association with all advertising and promotional material of the event, worldwide and for the length of time established by law, including all extension options provided by law.

## **DECEITFUL PARTECIPATION**

If an athlete takes part in the race without being registered and without the bib number, he or she will be considered responsible for any damages to people or things and besides he or she will be charged the sports fines established by the national judges and will be liable to legal sanctions provided for theft (clause no. 624 penal code).

The same punishment will be inflicted to athletes who give their bib number to another person without authorization. Photos or/and videos of the participation could be used to confirm these behaviors.

## **WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

By signing the registration form, either in paper or digital type (e-mail or on-line entry form), the athlete agrees to abide by the present rulebook and fully accepts the following waiver of liability.

*"The athlete declares that by October 25, 2026, He will be a minimum of 20 years old and He understands that participating in this event is potentially hazardous, and that He should not enter and participate unless He is medically able and properly trained.*

*In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, the athlete assumes full and complete responsibility for any injury or accident which may occur while He is travelling to or from the event, during the event, or while He is on the premises of the event.*

*The athlete also is aware of and assume all risks associated with participating in this event, including but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, effect of weather, traffic, and conditions of the road.*

*The athlete, for himself and his heirs and executors, hereby waive, release and forever discharge the event organizers, sponsors, promoters and each of their agents, representatives, successors and*

*assigns, and all other persons associated with the event, for all his liabilities, claims, actions, or damages that He may have against them arising out of or in any way connected with his participation in this event.*

*The athlete understands that this waiver includes any claims, whether caused by negligence, the action or inaction of any of the above parties."*



## **RACE CANCELLATION**

If the race is cancelled or moved to another location and/or otherwise not carried out for any reason not related to and beyond the will of the Organizers, including the revocation of race authorization by competent Public Authorities, the enrolled athlete will have nothing to claim from Venicemarathon S.S.D. a r.l. or the other co-organizers, even in the form of reimbursement of the costs incurred and to be incurred. The enrolment itself is valid as a waiver of any claim for financial damages already suffered and to be suffered in the future.

## **INSURANCE**

The event is insured for RCT with primary insurance company.

## **LETTER A, B, C, D, E, F OF THE PRIVACY POLICY**

Information pursuant to art. 13 of the European Regulation 679/2016 and consent

Pursuant to art. 13 of European Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (hereinafter GDPR), and in relation to the personal data you have provided, we inform you of the following:

Controller and Data Protection Officer

Data controllers are: 1. Venicemarathon S.S.D. a r.l. with registered office in Venice, Mestre via Linghindal 5/5; 2. Idea Venezia s.r.l. with registered office in Venice, Mestre via Linghindal 5/5.

Both holders can be contacted by e-mail at [info@venicemarathon.it](mailto:info@venicemarathon.it). The data controllers have not appointed a Data Protection Officer (R.P.D.).

### **Purpose of data processing**

Your data will be processed in order to:

- A) provide the services declared in the rulebook, including the delivery of the bib number and the recording of the timing of the event;
- B) prepare and publish the list of participants, the ranking and the historical archive;
- C) carry out the press office activity during the sporting event and any events related to these;
- D) fulfil any legal obligations in the field of taxation, accounting or public security;
- E) use the fixed or moving images on which it may appear, taken during your participation in the event, on all visual media as well as on promotional and/or advertising materials produced and distributed throughout the world and for the maximum time provided for by the laws, regulations and treaties in force;

- F) send by sms/e-mail or social network of press releases, information material or event information from us, or subjects expressly delegated to this, in relation to the event or related activities;

The personal data that will be processed include: name / surname / gender / date and place of birth / telephone / residence / contact details of the person to contact in case of emergency / registration to Word Athletics or to other associations of athletics / best personal time of the event.

In addition, the following particular personal data may be requested:

- G) medical data, including any certificates and/or the presence of disabilities, in order to allow the provision of specific services for or during the sports event.

Personal data may be processed through both paper and computer files (including portable devices) and processed in a manner strictly necessary to meet the purposes indicated above.

### **Legal basis for processing**

Failure to recognize consent for the purposes referred to in points A, B, C, D, E and F does not allow you to participate in the events organized by us.

In the same way, for medical data (G) and, in any case, for particular data concerning your person or persons accompanied by you or who assist you, if they are required for health or safety reasons, consent is required.

### **Data retention**

The data provided by you (for the purposes referred to in points A, B, C, D, E and F) will be processed for the duration of this event and further stored for the period of 10 (ten) years.

For the purposes referred to in point G, the data will be kept as strictly as necessary.



By way of derogation from the previous paragraphs, the deadline will be extended if it is necessary to keep the data further in order to defend or enforce a right or to fulfil any further legal obligations or orders of the Authorities.

### **Reporting**

Your personal data may be communicated to: 1. Collaborators of Venicemarathon SSD a r.l., who provide services for the purposes indicated in the previous points; 2. Subjects who process data in compliance with specific legal obligations; 3. Persons who process data for the collection of event performance; 4. Persons who process data for the registration and booking service of the event; 5. Judicial or administrative authorities, for the fulfilment of legal obligations; 6. Personnel or associations carrying out the health service during and after the event; 7. National associations (including the World Athletics) of athletics.

Data profiling

Your personal data are not subject to any fully automated decision-making process.

### **Rights of the data subject**

Among the rights granted to you by the GDPR are those of:

I ask Venicemarathon SSD to r.l. access to your personal data and information relating to them; the correction of inaccurate data or the integration of incomplete ones; the cancellation of personal data concerning you (to the occurrence of one of the conditions indicated in art. 17, paragraph 1 of the GDPR and in compliance with the exceptions provided for in paragraph 3 of the same article); the limitation of the processing of your personal data (to resort to one of the hypotheses indicated in art. 18, paragraph 1 of the GDPR);

I request and obtain from Venicemarathon SSD to r.l. your personal data in a structured format and readable by automatic device, also in order to communicate such data to another controller (c.d. right to portability of personal data);

I oppose at any time to the processing of your personal data to the use of particular situations that concern you;

I revoke consent at any time, limited to cases in which the processing is based on your consent for one or more specific purposes and concerns common personal data (such as date and place of birth or place of residence), or particular categories of data (for example, data revealing your racial origin, your political opinions, your religious beliefs, your state of health or your sex life). The processing based on consent and carried out prior to the revocation of the same retains, however, its lawfulness; lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority (Data Protection Authority - [www.garanteprivacy.it](http://www.garanteprivacy.it)).

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### **FINAL WARNINGS**

Venicemarathon S.S.D. a r.l. has the faculty to modify this rulebook in every part whenever it needs in order to guarantee a better organization of the race.

All modifications to services, venues and timetables will be communicated to registered athletes via the confirmation letter or will be posted on the official website [www.venicemarathon.it](http://www.venicemarathon.it).

Moreover, basic information and instructions to follow on race day will be handed out alongside with the bib number.

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