

PADOVA MARATHON

Euganeo Stadium - Padua, April 18th 2027

OFFICIAL RULEBOOK

Assindustria Sport, amateur sports club, has received approval from the National Italian Track and Field Federation (FIDAL) to organize the **27th edition** of the Padova Marathon, international road race on the distance of **42,195 km measured and certified AIMS/World Athletics**. The race will be held on **Sunday, April 18th, 2027** with departure **at 8.30 am from the Stadio Euganeo (Via Nereo Rocco)** and arrival in Prato della Valle (Padova).

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

The race is open to all participants **from 20 years old** who hold one of the following participation requirements:

- A) Italian and foreign athletes **who hold a membership card from FIDAL (Italian Track and Field Federation) or from a foreign Federation affiliated with World Athletics** and holding authorization to compete abroad. These athletes must provide a copy of their membership card or the specific **self-declaration form of membership** that can be downloaded from the website www.padovamarathon.com.
- B) Italian and foreign athletes who don't hold a membership card from FIDAL or from World Athletics but **hold a RUNCARD** (issued at the age of 20), which allows athletes to participate at running events in Italy for one year and can be purchased online from the website www.runcard.com. These athletes must provide also a **health certificate** valid on April 18th, 2027 or the equivalent **Health Form** (downloadable from www.padovamarathon.com) attesting to the fact that their physical conditions are such to allow performance at competitive levels in athletics issued and signed by a sports medicine specialist or by a centre for sports medicine as required by the Italian law.
- C) **Athletes affiliated FISPE/FSSI** in the following categories recognised by the Federations: Olympic wheelchairs (T51, T52, T53 e T54), Blind and Partially Sighted (T11, T12, T13), Amputated (T44 e T46), Brain-damaged (T37 e T38), Intellectual-relational (T20), Deaf. Blind athletes are required to personally provide their guide and Wheelchairs to wear helmets.

NON-COMPETITIVE RACE ONLY FOR FOREIGN ATHLETES RESIDING ABROAD - PARTICIPATION WITH TOURIST-SPORTS PURPOSES

- D) According to the Art. 26 paragraph 4, 4.1 and 4.2 of the Rules for the Organization of Events issued by FIDAL, **foreign citizens residing abroad** from 20 years old not registered for a Club affiliated to FIDAL or World Athletics can participate with **tourist-sports purpose**, by signing the appropriate **Responsibility Waiver Form** that they will find during the online registration process. **Warning:** By choosing this option, athletes will be placed in an alphabetical order of arrival, different from the agonistic competition rankings and they will not be able to receive any prizes.

All participants must waive Assindustria Sport - Padova Marathon from any responsibility about their physical condition to compete in the race and they must declare that they have trained properly for the marathon.

ENTRY FEES AND PROCEDURES

Entry fees are as follows:

- **€ 49,00** from 01/07/2026 to 30/09/2026
- **€ 55,00** from 01/10/2026 to 20/12/2026
- **€ 65,00** from 21/12/2026 to 19/02/2027
- **€ 75,00** from 20/02/2027 to 04/04/2027
- **€ 90,00** at the Expo - **subject to bib numbers availability**

Please note: Registrations will be closed upon reaching 2000 participants.

SPECIAL OFFERS

WOMAN:

- **€ 49,00** from 01/07/2026 to 30/09/2026
- **€ 55,00** from 01/10/2026 to 20/12/2026

- € 65,00 from 21/12/2026 to 04/04/2027

PARALYMPIC ATHLETES:

- € 30,00 from 01/07/2026 to 04/04/2027
- € 35,00 at the Expo - **subject to bib numbers availability**

SPORTS CLUBS: register 5 participants from the same sports club for the Marathon and get **the 6th registration free**. Offer valid until 04/04/2027. The 5 registrations must be sent **AT THE SAME TIME** and complete with all the details.

Registrations can be processed as follows:

- **Online:** fill in the online registration form available on the website www.padovamarathon.com and pay by credit card (Visa, Mastercard, Eurocard and PayPal are accepted) or bank draft.
- **By e-mail:** send the registration form and copy of the payment by bank draft (IBAN: IT 95 Z 02008 12100 000104650252 - Account holder: Assindustria Sport SSDARL - BIC SWIFT CODE: UNCRITM1920 - payment description: Padova Marathon registration + name/s and surname/s) at the address iscrizioni@padovamarathon.com.
- **Personally** at Assindustria Sport Office at Stadio Daciano Colbachini, Piazzale Azzurri d'Italia - 35134 Padova – Italy.

REFUND OF ENTRY FEE

Entry fees are in no case refundable, anyway the athlete unable to take part in the event can:

- transfer the registration fee to Padova Marathon 2028 by previously informing the organizers by e-mail to iscrizioni@padovamarathon.com until 04/04/2027. The confirmation of the participation to the Padova Marathon 2028 undergoes the payment of € 10,00 for secretarial rights.
- transfer the registration to another runner by previously informing the organizers by e-mail to iscrizioni@padovamarathon.com until 04/04/2027. In case of "name change" you will be asked to **pay extra € 10,00 for secretarial rights**.

WARNING! Marathon and Half Marathon are two different races, with different bib numbers and chips. The possibility to change race depends on the availability of bibs and undergoes the payment of € 10,00. In case of race change from Half Marathon to Marathon the athlete will also be asked to integrate the registration fee: the difference will be calculated with respect to the fee valid at the moment of the transfer.
Transfer of race on the marathon morning ARE NOT POSSIBLE.

SERVICES INCLUDED IN THE ENTRY FEE

- Bib number
- Official t-shirt
- Insurance and medical assistance during the race
- Refreshment and sponging along the racecourse
- Goody bag
- Transport of personal clothing from the start area to the finish area
- Pre-race and post-race shuttle buses
- Official medal
- Marathon diploma

BIB NUMBER DISTRIBUTION

Bib numbers will be distributed automatically on the basis of the best personal time made in the last 2 years, declared by the participants and confirmed by FIDAL statistics, and on the basis of the registration date.

For this reason, the Organization cannot satisfy requests for a specific number, nor can it change numbers that have already been assigned, even in cases where the athlete has inadvertently failed to specify his/her personal best.

BIB NUMBERS	BEST TIME
1 - 100	Top Runners
101 - 300	Athletes with times under 3 hours
301 - 1000	Athletes with times between 3 and 3 h 30
1101 - 2000	Athletes with times between 3 h 30 and 4 h

From 2001 on 4001 - 4200	From 4 hours on Disabled athletes
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BIB AND GOODY BAG PICK UP

The bib number is strictly personal and cannot be given to others or exchanged. It must be pinned to the chest with four safety pins so that it is completely visible; it should not be folded and must be preserved in good condition.

Inside the technical envelope containing the bib, each participant will also find a voucher for the goody bag pick up.

Athletes will be able to pick up their bib and goody bag at the **Expo Village in the Fair of Padova** (Via Niccolò Tommaseo, 59) on the following days:

- **Thursday April 15th from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm**
- **Friday April 16th from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm**
- **Saturday April 17th from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm**

ATTENTION! BIBS WILL NOT BE DELIVERED ON THE RACE DAY.

To collect the bib-number it will be necessary to show an identity document.

PARKING

Together with the bib number, all the athletes will receive a **parking pass** which will allow them to leave their car in the following parking areas:

- **in Padua**, at the **Euganeo Stadium**. Coming to Padua via the A4 highway, take the "Padova Ovest" exit. Coming via the A13 highway, take the "Padova Sud" exit and follow the signs to the "Stadio Euganeo" which are found throughout the city.

It will be possible to park in the reserved spaces by arriving no later than 7:15 am.

Please make sure that the parking pass is clearly visible and placed on the dashboard inside your car.

The organizers refuse all responsibility for the objects left unattended inside the cars.

TRANSPORT SERVICES TO THE START LINE

Before the marathon there will be a free shuttle service to the start line at the Euganeo Stadium.

The shuttles will leave from:

- **Padua railway station** (place C in front of the railway station main entrance) **from 6:45 am to 7:15 am**
- **Padua, Prato della Valle** (in front of Basilica of Santa Giustina) **at 7:00 am**
- **For the relatives** who will accompany athletes at the Euganeo Stadium there will be a **free shuttle service** to Prato della Valle **at 9:00 am** (departing from Viale Nereo Rocco).

BAGS FOR PERSONAL BELONGINGS

At the start line, athletes can give the bag containing their personal belongings to the appropriate courier **by 7:30 am** by previously attaching the **identification sticker with the bib number**, which they will find inside the envelope containing the bib. The athletes will be able to pick up their bags from the courier trucks after the race in Prato Della Valle.

Athletes are strongly recommended not to put in their personal bag objects of value and to only insert extremely necessary garments. Heavy and huge bags (such as trolleys and luggage) won't be accepted.

Personal bags will be handed out only if athletes will exhibit their bib number.

TRANSPORT SERVICES AFTER THE RACE

After the marathon, athletes will be able to use the following free transport services:

- from Prato della Valle **to the Euganeo Stadium (with in-between stop in Padova Railway Station)**: from 12:00 am to 4:30 am, departures every 30 minutes from Via Manzoni (500 m after the finish line);
- from Prato della Valle **to Abano Terme (with in-between stop at the park Guizza)**: from 12:00 am to 4:00 pm, departures every 30 minutes from Via Manzoni (500 m after the finish line).

THE START

The start of the marathon is set for **8:30 a.m.** Slight variations in the starting time may be caused by the live television broadcast of the event.

To guarantee a smooth start, all runners are requested to arrive at the start line of Euganeo Stadium no later than 7:30 am.

RACE COURSE

The race starts outside the Euganeo Stadium in Padua, on Viale Nereo Rocco. Through Via Due Palazzi, the race course reaches the quarter of Montà, Ponterotto and then enters the SP55 towards Rubano. After the roundabout of Villaguttera, it continues on Via Mazzini and gets to the intersection with SR11, which is covered for about 850 mt. Through Via Ceresina, it enters Selvazzano Dentro and runs along Via Pelosa (Roman age road) until it gets to SP82. Past the bridge on the Bacchiglione river, it goes through the city centre of Selvazzano Dentro and through Via Scapacchiò it runs next to the Golf Club "La Montecchia". Near the 20th km, it enters the municipality of Teolo and continues on Via dei Colli until it gets to the intersection with Via Abbazia di Praglia, from where it continues towards Abano Terme. The race course continues towards the centre of Abano Terme through Via Cornelio Augure, Via Abano, Viale Terme, Piazza della Repubblica, Viale delle Terme, Via Matteotti, Via S. Pio X, Viale Roveri, Via S. Maria d'Abano, Via Latisana and Via Romana Aponense. Then it enters the municipality of Padua and continues on Via Romana Aponense, la Mandria, Via Armistizio, Ponte Isonzo, Via Isonzo, Via Goito, Piazzale Sacra Famiglia, Via Cernaia, Piazzale San Giovanni, Via Euganea, Ponte San Giovanni delle Navi, Via Vescovado, Via Vandelli, Piazza Duomo, Granguardia, Piazza dei Signori, Piazza della Frutta, Via Oberdan, Via VIII Febbraio, Via San Francesco, Via del Santo, Piazza del Santo, Via Luca Belludi and arrives at the finish line in Prato della Valle, the largest square in Europe.

PROHIBITIONS

The race course will be completely closed to traffic. All side streets and all crossroads will be supervised by the local police who will prevent all other types of vehicles (bicycles, scooters and motorcycles, etc.) from travelling along the racecourse. Vehicles that are authorised to travel along the course will be issued a special pass by the Organization.

TIMING

The timing and the ranking of the race will be processed by EvoData with the MyLaps Bibtag system, based on a disposable bib chip. The chip is glued on the back of the bib number and should not be returned after the race.

TIME LIMITS

The race course will be closed to traffic for a maximum of **6:30 hours**. Athletes who finish the race after this time limit will not be ranked.

PACERS

Padova Marathon will provide pacers, that are athletes who will run at a constant pace to reach the finish line at a pre-established time: **3h00' - 3h15' - 3h30' - 3h45' - 4h00' - 4h15' - 4h30' - 4h45' - 5h00'**.

At the start at the Euganeo Stadium the pacers will be inside the various start corrals and can be recognized by the word "pacer" on their t-shirt or by balloons of various colours.

REFRESHMENTS AND SPONGING

In accordance with the World Athletics/FIDAL rulebook, there will be refreshment stations at the finish line and every 5 km along the course, where athletes will find water, tea, sugar and solid food. Sponging stations will also be available at km 27,5 and 37,5.

WITHDRAWAL FROM THE RACE

Athletes who decide to quit the race should use the refreshment and sponging stations as meeting points. From there they will be taken to the finish line area in Prato della Valle, where they will be able to collect their personal bag.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Along the marathon race course there are **two hospitals** (in Abano Terme and Padua). Medical assistance will be guaranteed along the entire length of the race course with medical assistance means, including two medical motorcycles. But we realise that every marathon runner knows its own limits and how to gauge its own strength in order to reach the finish line.

Next to the Sanitary Service tent after the finish line, there will be a tent for information on marathon runners who have been aided along the race course.

FINISH

The finish line is located in Prato della Valle, Padua.

PRIZE MONEY LIST

After the race the first 3 men and women will be prized on the main stage in Prato della Valle.

Athletes with Runcard or Sport promotion affiliation card cannot be included in the money prize.

Money prizes for Italian and foreign athletes will be paid by bank transfer within 90 days. The Organization will send to the winners a form to be filled in with personal details, tax code and bank details.

MARATHON DIPLOMA

Each participant will be able to download the marathon diploma from the website www.padovamarathon.com clicking on the button RESULTS.

MORE INFORMATION

For further information about the Padova Marathon 2026 please contact the organizing staff at the following address: Assindustria Sport – Colbachini Stadium, Piazzale Azzurri d'Italia – 35134 Padova

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E-mail: info@padovamarathon.com

The offices are open from Monday to Friday from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm and from 2.00 pm to 6.00 pm.

INFORMATION AND CONSENT - Art. 13 EU REGULATION 679/2016

Regarding the processing of personal data, please refer to the specific information available for download from the website www.padovamarathon.com.

SOME PRACTICAL TIPS

- We recommend the use of comfortable running shoes that have been broken in and tested on long distances. The use of new shoes should be avoided until they have taken the shape of the arch of your foot.
- Protect the parts of your body that may become irritated due to the repeated friction caused by running (armpits, groin, inner thighs, breasts).
- Use large amounts of moisturising cream (preferably petroleum jelly, i.e. Vaseline) to moisturise these parts of the body.
- For participants who will be staying at a hotel, we recommend that you remind the hotel staff of any special needs that you may have on the day of the race: an early breakfast, the possibility of leaving your baggage in their care until the end of the race, the possibility of taking a shower afterwards, etc.

NOTICE

The Padova Marathon Organization reserves the right to modify this rulebook as needed to guarantee a better Organization of the race. All changes to services, venues and timetables will be communicated to registered athletes or will be posted on the website www.padovamarathon.com