



## UWI SPEC INTERNATIONAL HALF-MARATHON & 5K 2026

### RULES & REGULATIONS

1. The 20th edition of The UWI SPEC International Half-Marathon will take place on Sunday 25 October 2026. The half-marathon will begin promptly at 5:00 a.m. outside The University of the West Indies Sport & Physical Education Centre [UWI SPEC]. The 5K race will start at 5:15 a.m. and also begin outside The UWI SPEC.
2. Registration will be online at <https://evolutiontiming.net/eventregistration/?eid=380>. Currently this site accepts payment via credit card only. There are two categories of registration: [i] Trinidad & Tobago Residents and [ii] Regional/International Participants. All athletes must complete the medical waiver online. **The registration deadline is Friday 9 October 2026.**

3. Registration rates are as follows:

Half-Marathon [Minimum Age 15 years]

Trinidad & Tobago Residents: TTD \$220

Regional/International Participants: USD \$50

5K [Minimum Age 8 years]

Trinidad & Tobago Residents: TTD \$185

Regional/International Participants: USD \$30

For participants who do not have access to a credit card, a promo code can be bought using a debit card via the online UWI Half-Marathon & 5K Store at:

[https://secure.touchnet.net:443/C24203\\_ustores/web/store\\_main.jsp?STOREID=11&FROMQRCODE=true&SINGLESTORE=true](https://secure.touchnet.net:443/C24203_ustores/web/store_main.jsp?STOREID=11&FROMQRCODE=true&SINGLESTORE=true)

Please note that purchasing a code does not mean you are registered. **After purchasing a promo code, you now have to use the code to complete the registration online.**

4. Registration will automatically close when the maximum number of registrations for the event is achieved, even if this occurs before the stipulated deadline.
5. There will be no registration after the closing date, and **there will be absolutely no package collection on race day.**

6. Prizes will be awarded for both male and female competitors in the respective categories, except Team/Club category, which will receive one [1] award for the team placing first.
7. The only exception to Rule #6 is to determine the winner in the Team/Club category, where it can comprise of both male and female athletes. A team/club shall have a minimum of fifteen [15] runners - **who must all be registered with that team/club for a minimum of 1 month before the race date**. In keeping with this rule, no runner will be allowed to change their club affiliation for the race after **25 September 2026**. The UWI can only vie for this prize as a campus i.e., St. Augustine, Mona, Cave Hill, Global or Five Islands Campus. Please note that for this year's edition of the half-marathon; only ONE prize will be awarded - to the team finishing in 1st Place. The ten [10] fastest athletes completing the race from any one team or club will determine the winner. If after selecting the ten fastest athletes there is a tie between two teams/clubs, the next fastest athlete[s] would determine the tiebreak. Team and club members can also compete under the individual categories.
8. At the point of registration, runners shall declare whether they are UWI students, UWI staff, UWI Alumni Association members, physically challenged, wheelchair athletes or Special Olympics athletes. A UWI staff member who is also a student will only be eligible for the UWI Staff category. For The UWI Alumni Association category, financial members of any chapter within Trinidad & Tobago are eligible to be awarded a prize – these persons must show proof of current membership to collect their prizes. The Association will also verify the status of these winners. Persons competing in the UWI categories of the half-marathon will not be eligible for age group prizes. All other runners will be placed into age group categories and will automatically be placed into the Open/International category, as one does not have to declare this category. Failure to provide accurate and complete information will render you ineligible for the relevant category prizes, and your entry will become null and void.
9. For the purpose of the UWI Student and Staff categories, a student will be defined as one who is currently registered during the academic period that the race is taking place. Staff refers to anyone currently employed at any of The UWI campuses in the region for the period that includes the race date. Student and staff identification cards must be presented upon request to verify eligibility.
10. The prize categories for this year's half-marathon are:

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| Open/International           | 40-49 Years                |
| UWI Staff                    | 50-59 Years                |
| UWI Student                  | 60-69 Years                |
| UWI Alumni Association       | Over 70 Years              |
| NAAATT National Championship | Physically Challenged      |
| 15-19 Years                  | Special Olympics Athlete   |
| 20-29 Years                  | Wheelchair Athlete         |
| 30-39 Years                  | Team/Club [1st Place Only] |

11. The individual prizes for the 5K [both male and female categories] are:

- 1st Place
- 2nd Place
- 3rd Place
- Youngest Finisher
- Oldest Finisher

A UWI Staff 5K Challenge Cup will be awarded to the UWI STA department/unit with the highest number of official 5K finishers.

12. The age group categories exclude the top five [5] finishers in the Open/International category [male and female] and the top three [3] finishers in the UWI Student, UWI Staff, and UWI Alumni Association categories. The NAAATT National Championship category, as well as the UWI Alumni Association category are deemed special prizes.

13. This race is the official National Half-Marathon Championship of the NAAATT. Only those persons verified as members of the NAAATT are eligible for prizes. This category is exclusive to NAAATT athletes ONLY.

14. An athlete's age is the age that he or she is on race day. The minimum age for participation in the half-marathon is fifteen [15] years. The minimum age for the 5K is eight [8] years. The race management will not be responsible for any person in breach of this rule.

15. The top five [5] male and female athletes in the Open/International category will receive USD cash prizes. In all other instances where cash is awarded, the winners will receive TTD cash.

16. The races will be electronically timed. Therefore, only athletes who wear their timing mechanism across the respective turnaround points and the Start/Finish Line will be considered as completing the course and would be eligible for a prize. **No external supporters will be allowed on the racecourse – this includes but is not limited to supporters on bicycles. In addition, no babies and baby strollers are allowed on the racecourse.** Any participant found in breach of this will be disqualified. In addition, any person found cheating to gain an advantage in the race would also be disqualified.

17. Runners will have four [4] hours to complete the race. The race course will be closed at 9:30 a.m. Runners who are on the route after this time will be notified by route officials that the course is closed. The race management will not be responsible for any person who wishes to remain on the course after this time.

18. Sponsors' logos on running shirts, vests and shorts [especially in the case of teams, clubs and groups] should not exceed 2.25 inches or 1.5" x 1.5."

19. If you are collecting a race package for someone else, the name of the person collecting has to be entered during the registration process. When collecting, the person must show their ID for verification.
20. The UWI race organisers are not responsible for inaccurate or insufficient supporting information given by the registrant/participant during the registration process, and the impact of such results. Please carefully double-check your information while you are registering.

**The decisions of the race officials will be final.**