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RACE DAY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2025

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Men's Wheelchair	9:06 a.m.
Women's Wheelchair	9:09 a.m.
Handcycle & Duo Participants	9:30 a.m.
Professional Men	9:37 a.m.
Professional Women	9:47 a.m.
Para Athletics Divisions	9:50 a.m.
Wave 1	10:00 a.m.
Wave 2	10:25 a.m.
Wave 3	10:50 a.m.
Wave 4	11:15 a.m.

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BIB NUMBER & PACKET PICKUP

By early April you will receive a special e-mail containing your **Boston Marathon** bib number and Digital Number Pick-Up Pass.



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EXPO HOURS

FRIDAY, APRIL 18 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

WHAT TO KNOW

TO PICK UP YOUR BIB NUMBER AT THE **BANK OF AMERICA BOSTON MARATHON EXPO**, YOU WILL NEED TO:

- Present your Government Issued Photo ID and Digital Number Pick-Up Pass to receive your bib number. Bib pick-up is only allowed during Bank of America Boston Marathon Expo hours and each participant must pick up their own bib. Physical Government Issued ID is required; photo copies or digital versions are not allowed.
- After claiming your bib number and participant shirt, enjoy the Boston Marathon Expo featuring sponsor booths and activations.

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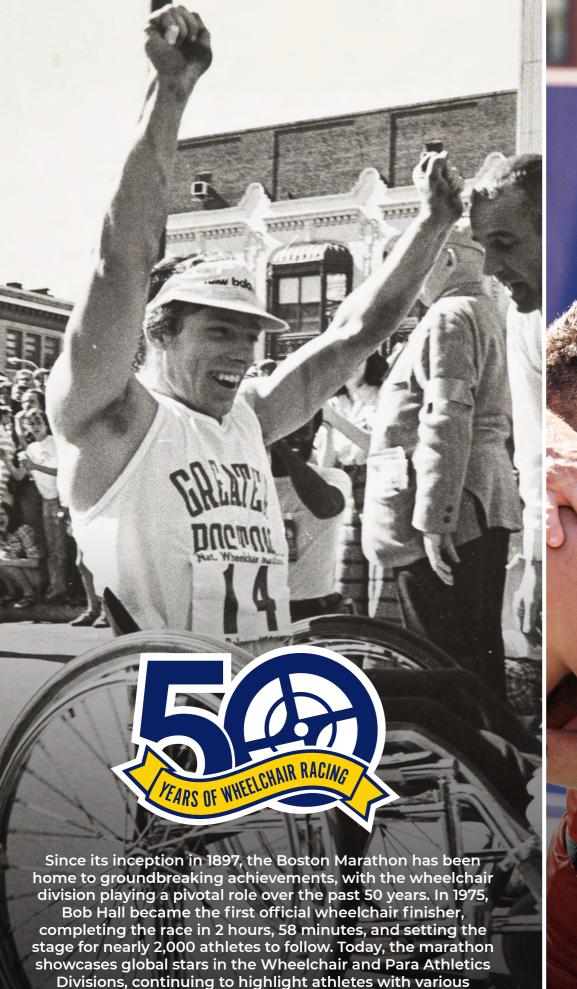
- > Review your bib assignment before race day.
- Wear your bib on the outermost layer of clothing and make sure it's clearly visible at all times.
- ➤ Fill in the necessary medical and emergency contact information on the reverse side of your bib number.

DON'T

- ➤ Alter, fold, cover, trade, or reproduce the bib number in any way.
- > Remove the timing tag from the back of your bib.

REMINDER

Bib numbers are not transferable or exchangeable. No one else may wear your bib number. If an athlete is found to be wearing someone else's bib number; have duplicated a bib number; or if his/her bib number has been duplicated by another party, the athlete will be subject to disqualification.



impairments as they compete for the podium.

Whether you're a runner, a volunteer, a spectator, or a supporter, the Boston Marathon is more than just a race - it's a celebration of resilience, community, and perseverance. As we prepare to gather on the iconic start line in Hopkinton, we honor the moments that define us: the dedication of every runner, the strength of every cheer, and the history of this legendary race. This is your moment to be part of something bigger, and together, we will meet it.





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EXPO FEATURES

- ➤ Official Boston Marathon Merchandise
- ➤ adidas Boston Marathon shops
- ➤ Bank of America and Sponsor Exhibitors
- ➤ Panels and Clinics
- ➤ Photo Ops and more!



Visit baa.org for an up-to-date panel schedule featuring Boston Marathon champions, professional athletes, running legends and more!















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*Medal engraving is first-come, first serve and is not guaranteed with ticket purchase.



















GEAR CHECK

On race morning, participants may check their clear plastic finish area gear bag at designated gear check areas on Boylston Street and Berkeley Street beyond the finish line. This area is two blocks east of the finish line and one block west of the Boston Public Garden.

Drop-Off Hours: 5:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. **Pick-Up Hours:** 11:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.



NO BAGS OTHER THAN THE CLEAR, PLASTIC GEAR BAG PROVIDED BY THE B.A.A. WILL BE ACCEPTED. YOU WILL RECEIVE THIS BAG AT PACKET PICK-UP AT THE EXPO.

You must affix the provided sticker label to your approved gear bag before handing it to race personnel. The drawstrings on the bag should be cinched and tied to ensure that your belongings do not fall out. Do not check any valuables. Although we will do our best to ensure that your gear is waiting for you at the end of the race, we are not responsible for lost items and/or gear check bags.

Start Area Bag: At number pick-up, all participants will receive a small one gallon plastic Start Area Bag that will be allowed on B.A.A. buses and in Hopkinton. This is the only bag allowed on buses or in Hopkinton, and is the bag your bib number will come in.

ABSOLUTELY NO BAGS WILL BE TRANSPORTED FROM THE START IN HOPKINTON TO THE FINISH IN BOSTON. CLOTHES LEFT IN HOPKINTON ARE DONATED BY THE B.A.A. TO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.

A map of gear check can be found on the Finish Area map shown below.



TRANSPORTATION TO THE START



Note: Transportation to the start is for official participants only. Each participant must show their bib upon boarding. Limited transportation from Boston to Hopkinton will be available after the race at no charge. Buses will run between 12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. from Columbus Ave. between Berkeley and Clarendon Streets.

THE LAST BUS WILL LEAVE BOSTON COMMON AT 9:30 A.M.

PARTICIPANT SHUTTLE IN HOPKINTON

Limited parking for participants is available at the 52 and 80 South Street lots in Hopkinton. This parking is for participants only, and a bib is required to access the participant shuttle to Athletes' Village.

HOPKINTON SPECTATOR PARKING

Limited parking for spectators is available at Hopkinton State Park on race morning.

ATHLETES' VILLAGE

O HOPKINTON, MA

Buses from Boston will drop you off at the Athletes' Village at Hopkinton Middle/High School, where you will have time to relax and stretch. Poland Spring Water, Gatorade, and portable toilets will be available. You must show your bib number upon entering the Athletes' Village.

Lactation accommodations will be available for recent mothers.

CORRALS & CORRAL LOADING

In order to exit the Village and enter the corrals in an efficient and orderly fashion, runners will leave the Athletes' Village according to their assigned wave, bib number, and corral assignment. NOTE: Your starting corral is in a square box printed on your bib. Follow signs to your particular corral.

WHAT TO KNOW

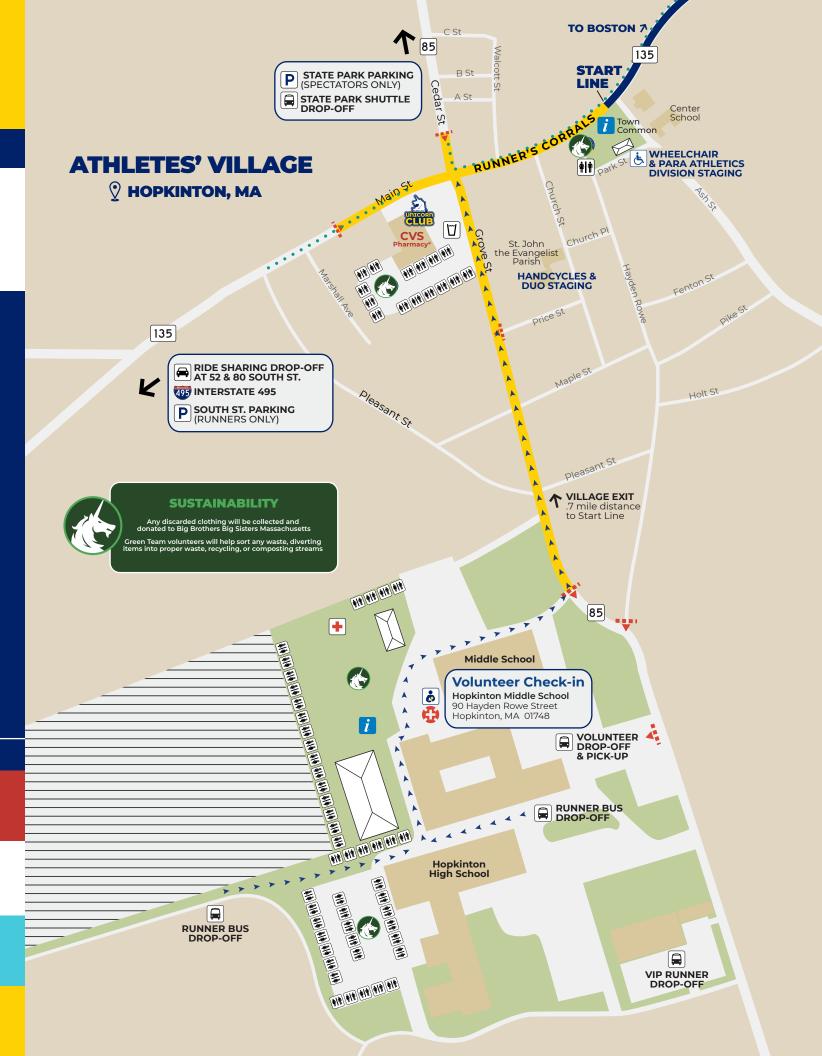
After exiting the Athletes' Village, all athletes will be lined up by corral. The Start is a 0.7-mile walk from the Athletes' Village.

- All runners are numbered according to qualifying times, facilitating a start and pace comparable to others with similar qualifying times. Runners should line up in the wave and corral they have been assigned.
- You may move from your assigned Wave and Corral to a later Wave or Corral. For example, if you are assigned to Wave 1, you may move back to Wave 2, Wave 3, or Wave 4 in any corral EXCEPT the first corral in any Wave. However, you may NOT move to an earlier Wave or Corral. Violators are subject to penalties and/or disqualification.
- Only official runners with a B.A.A.-assigned bib number may enter a corral.
- Participants who do not follow race guidelines are subject to disqualification.

10:45 a.m.

	WAVE	EXIT VILLAGE	CORRALS	START TIME
	- 1	9:15 a.m.	1 & 2	
		9:20 a.m.	3 & 4	10:00 a.m.
		9:25 a.m.	5 & 6	
		9:30 a.m.	7, 8, & 9	
CORRAL LOADING SCHEDULE ALL TIMES APPROXIMATE		9:40 a.m.	1&2	10:25 a.m.
	2	9:45 a.m.	3 & 4	
		9:50 a.m.	5 & 6	
		9:55 a.m.	7, 8, & 9	
	3	10:05 a.m.	1&2	
		10:10 a.m.	3 & 4	10.E0 a m
		10:15 a.m.	5 & 6	10:50 a.m.
		10:20 a.m.	7, 8, & 9	
		10:30 a.m.	1 & 2	
	4	10:35 a.m.	3 & 4	11:15 a m
		10:40 a.m.	5 & 6	11:15 a.m.

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WHAT'S ON COURSE

BOSTON MARATHON[®] OFFICIAL jetBlue COURSE MAP



THE OFFICIAL AIRLINE OF THE BOSTON MARATHON



Poland Spring Water and **Gatorade** stations will be set up at every mile along the course beginning at mile two. Stations will be on both



26 medical stations will be located along the course staffed with a variety of medical professionals. Please note that participants are solely responsible for any medical expenses incurred from participating in the Boston Marathon, including ambulance transfers and hospital stays.



Mile/kilometer signs will be located at every mile and 5K mark.



sides of the road.

JOHNNY KELLEY STATUE **HEARTBREAK** WELLESLEY 12 20K HALF

THE BOSTON MARATHON FINISH LINE WILL CLOSE AT 5:30 P.M.



Portable toilets are located at every aid station. Please utilize these facilities as needed and respect private property.

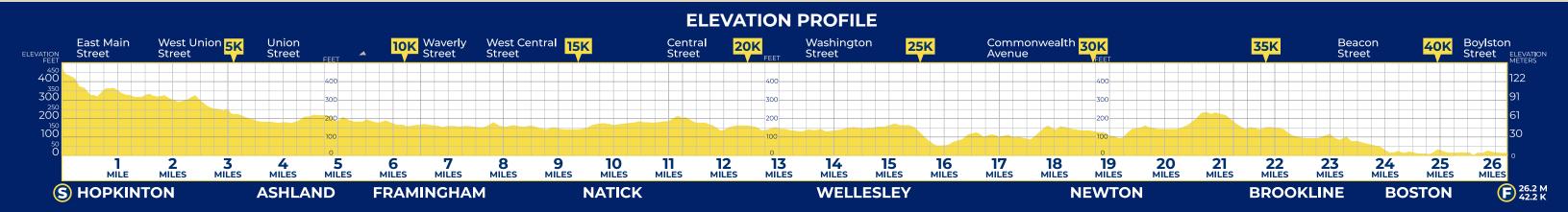


MarathonFoto will be out on the course taking photos of all participants. Be sure to smile for the camera!



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Three Maurten Hydrogel Depots will be located at mile 11.8 on the Wellesley town line; mile 17 in Newton; and at mile 21.5 just after Boston College. Maurten's Gel 100 (non-caffeinated) and Gel 100 CAF 100 (caffeinated) will be available at all three locations.



THE RACE WHAT TO KNOW FOR RACE DAY

- > Runners will not be allowed to warm up in front of the starting line at any time.
- > Clothing left in Hopkinton will be donated to charity.
- ➤ For safety reasons, animals, strollers, in-line skates, skateboards, and like vehicles of any kind are not permitted.
- ➤ There are additional toilets in Hopkinton. Please use these units and NOT private property.

 Trespassing is illegal and the law will be strictly enforced. Violators are subject to immediate disqualification and possible action by local law enforcement officials.

THE FINISH LINE WILL CLOSE AT 5:30 P.M.

- ➤ The official finish line of the Boston Marathon presented by Bank of America will close at 5:30 p.m. This is to allow the road re-opening program to commence across all eight cities and towns along the route.
- ➤ Clocks will be displayed along the course showing the time of day and a reminder of the 5:30 p.m. finish line closure. Clocks will be placed from the halfway point and also at the 25K, 30K, 20 mile, 21 mile and 35K markers. There will also be a clock at the finish line showing the time of day.
- ➤ After 5:30 p.m. all participants who are still out on the course will be asked to move to the sidewalks to allow them to complete the distance safely.
- ➤ Beginning at 5:00 p.m., additional support including medical assistance and hydration provided by the American Red Cross will be out on the course from mile 22 through to the finish line.
- > Those participants who finish after 5:30 p.m. will receive a Boston Marathon finishers medal but will not be considered official finishers in the final results.
- > Those who finish after 5:30 p.m. will be able to view their result in their B.A.A. Athletes Village account and on the mobile app but they will be marked as a Post-Race Participant.



Runners unable to finish the race may stop for assistance at medical stations along the course. Sweep buses pick up runners at medical station with drop-off at the Finish Area medical tent. 26 medical stations will be located along the course staffed with a variety of medical professionals. Please note that participants are solely responsible for any medical expenses incurred from participating in the Boston Marathon, including ambulance transfers and hospital stays.



HAVE A QUESTION?

Race Information Centers can be found in important locations during race weekend.

BANK OF AMERICA BOSTON MARATHON EXPO

Friday, April 18 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 19 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 20 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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Friday, April 18 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 19 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 20 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m

FAMILY MEETING AREA STUART STREET, BACK BAY

Monday, April 21 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

WHAT'S YOUR PLEN?



Be sure to fill out your medical history and emergency contacts pre-race. This helps the B.A.A. in case you need aid at any time on race day.

Remember to make a plan with loved ones on where to meet post-race. The Family Meeting Area on Stuart, Berkeley, and Clarendon Streets feature alphabetical signs for easy reuniting.



Encourage your spectators to follow your progress on course using the B.A.A. Racing App presented by





Be patient after the finish! It can take time to proceed through the finish system, up to 30 minutes in some cases. Spectators needing assistance reuniting with participants can speak with volunteers at the Information Booth in the Family Meeting Area.



FINISH

AT THE FINISH LINE, VOLUNTEERS WILL DIRECT YOU TO:

- Medical support: two complete and staffed medical tent facilities will be at the finish. The B.A.A. is not responsible for race-related injuries and athletes are responsible for individual expenses incurred. Only runners needing medical attention will be allowed to enter the medical areas.
- > Poland Spring Water, finisher medals, Heatsheet® blankets, Gatorade Endurance Formula, food bags, and additional products.

FAMILY MEETING AREA

The Family Meeting Area is located on Stuart Street between Berkeley Street and Clarendon Street. Family, friends, and athletes are urged to make plans prior to race day on where to reunite post-race.

- > Specific meeting areas are located between Stuart Street and Columbus Avenue by letter of participants' last name.
- ➤ Collecting your medal, fluids, and refreshments may take considerable time. Please advise your friends and family accordingly. Due to road closures, vehicles are not allowed close to the finish area.



MEDICAL INFORMATION

If you do not complete the entire race course within the period of time in which official race times are recorded (6 hours from the time the last official starter crosses the start line), you will not be recorded in the official race results. It is important that your bib not be forcefully bent, creased, or heavily wrinkled, as damaged timing tags may not work on race day. The timing tag identifies your bib number and should not be worn by any other entrant.

Runners still out on the course when officials determine that it is time to reopen the roads (approximately a 14:23 minute-per-mile pace) will be instructed to move to the right side of the road. Once roads begin to reopen to vehicular traffic, course infrastructure (such as timing systems, course clocks, medical stations, and water stations) will all begin to close. Runners on the course after this time accept that they will be on their own and should plan accordingly. The B.A.A. will have a team of cyclists in the rear of the pack to assist runners who are at or slower than 14:23-minute-per-mile pace.

SERVICES

MEDICAL SERVICES - THE START IN HOPKINTON

The Start Area will have two medical tents that can offer assistance with most last-minute medical needs. Band-Aids, Vaseline, a pre-race stretch, or just a word of encouragement can be offered by our medical team. Before arriving to the Athletes' Village, take some time to complete the emergency contact information on the back of your bib. Information such as allergies, medical conditions, and two emergency contact names and cell numbers should be included. If possible, one of the emergency cell numbers should be that of someone waiting for you near the finish.

MEDICAL SERVICES - ON-COURSE

The Boston Athletic Association provides 26 medical stations strategically located along the course. Each tent is staffed with a variety of medical professionals, offering basic first aid to those in need. Course medical coverage is supported with ambulances and EMS bike teams provided by Boston EMS, Coastal Ambulance, Cataldo, Brewster and Armstrong Ambulances Companies.

SWEEP MEDICAL BUS PROGRAM

Medical sweep buses are positioned along the course at aid stations. These buses are available to runners who cannot finish the race and/or may have a minor medical problem. Each bus is staffed by medical volunteers who are available to provide first aid. A runner may choose to rest on the bus while it is parked at a first aid station. However, once the bus begins to move, the runner is no longer an official entrant, and you will not be given an official finish time. Once on the bus, the runner may not re-enter the course to complete the marathon. Medical Sweep buses are required to travel from aid station to aid station before a secondary bus will travel directly to the finish area in Boston. Once you arrive in Boston (drop off behind our Medical Tent on Dartmouth Street) you have the option of seeking care in our medical tents or entering Boylston Street for water, food, and other support systems.

MEDICAL SERVICES - FINISH LINE/FINISH AREA

Medical teams are located at the immediate finish line and the main medical tent, which is located on Dartmouth Street. A second tent/facility is located on Clarendon Street, then a third tent farther down on St. James Street at Berkeley Street. Additional members of the medical team are staffed along recovery zones leading to the Family Meeting Area. Medical personnel can be identified by their medical volunteer jackets. If you are injured or feeling ill, please seek out a member of the medical team for support.

AFTER YOU CROSS THE FINISH LINE

During any prolonged physical activity, the body's blood supply is usually redirected to the extremities and away from internal organs. Runners should continue to walk after finishing the race. Standing still or stopping can cause nausea, dizziness, and weakness – normally resulting with a runner passing out. Walking will help redirect your blood to vital organs, so it is advisable to keep moving. In any event, if you think you need help, ask one of our medical personnel for assistance.

CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION

Together with the American Red Cross and the American Heart Association, the Boston Athletic Association is creating a video demonstrating the use of "hands only" CPR. We will also be hosting a CPR Demonstration booth at the Boston Marathon Expo (Saturday & Sunday Only). Come by, learn how to preform CPR and how you can help a fellow runner. Watch video on the importance of knowing CPR at http://bstnmar.org/CPRVideo.

LACTATION & MEDICAL DEVICES

The B.A.A. is dedicated to enhancing the participant experience over race weekend for lactating runners and individuals who require the use of medical devices at the Boston Marathon. Visit our designated Lactation Tent and a Medical Device Trailer for runners at the start and the B.A.A. will transport personal breast pumps and medical devices from the start to the finish for participants to pick up post-race. There will also be a designated Lactation Station in the Finish Area for participants to use post-race. For any runner, volunteer, or individual visiting the Boston Marathon Expo over race weekend, the Hynes Convention Center offers a Mamava Lactation Pod.

MEDICAL EXPENSES

Participants are solely responsible for any medical expenses incurred from preparing and participating in the Boston Marathon. These expenses include ambulance transfers to area hospitals during or after the marathon, hospital admissions, lab work, and any follow up care needed to address your injury or illness.





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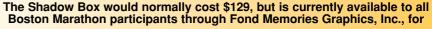
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- ADDITIONAL FINISHER'S MEDAL
- EVENT LOGO PLATE





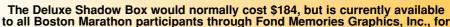
ENGRAVED PLATE WITH NAME & CHIP TIME





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- ADDITIONAL FINISHER'S MEDAL
- EVENT LOGO PLATE, ENGRAVED PLATE WITH NAME & CHIP TIME
- 2" PEWTER DISC OF RUNNERS
- MAT OPENING FOR A 5" X 7" PHOTO







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- EVENT LOGO PLATE, ENGRAVED PLATE WITH NAME & CHIP TIME
- 2" PEWTER DISC OF RUNNERS
- MAT OPENING FOR A 5" X 7" PHOTO (purchase photo from marathonfoto.com)
- LAMINATED REPLICA OF YOUR BIB #

The Bib Frame would normally cost \$194, but is currently available to all Boston Marathon participants through Fond Memories Graphics, Inc., for



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