INSTRUCTIONS & TIPS: FOLSOM BLUES BREAKOUT HALF MARATHON, 5K

presented by Dignity Health

and Cash 'n Carter Half-a-Half Relay

TIMING CHIP INSTRUCTIONS

- Half Marathoners: your IPICO timing chip must be worn on your shoe attached by the two zip ties as shown here.
- Relay Runners: you must wear your chip on the ankle (never more than 6 inches off the ground) using the velcro band. At the exchange, remove it and hand it to the 2nd leg runner who will wear it







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- If the chip is not worn properly, your time will NOT be recorded!
- Your chip is NOT disposable. Just after you finish, a volunteer will remove the chip and save it.
- If you do not plan to run please return the chip at Packet Pick Up (hand the chip to a staff member or volunteer); or place it in a padded envelope and mail to: Folsom Blues Breakout, 120 Ponderosa Ct., Folsom, CA 95630.

Be sure to post your

photos and videos

on the FBBHalf

Facebook page!

There is

no official race day

photographer.

START TIMES & DETAILS

KIDS 1K START TIME: 7:00 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 20 in Historic Folsom. **HALF MARATHON, RELAY, 5K START:** Sunday, Oct. 20 at 7:30 a.m. **START LOCATION:** Folsom Lake Crossing Bridge

DROP BAGS: Runners may leave drop bags at the start for pick up at the finish. DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR DROP BAG, especially cell phones and car keys.

Getting to the start info is on reverse. PLEASE CARPOOL!

ROAD CLOSURES

- Folsom Lake Crossing Bridge: 5 am 8:30 am.
- Folsom-Auburn Rd. from the Folsom Lake Crossing to the Rainbow Bridge: 7:00 am 8:30 am.

RACE MORNING PACKET PICK UP

Race morning packet pick up is **only at DICK'S SPORTING GOODS** 5:30-6am – **NOT** at the start line.

GETTING TO THE RACE START

Taking a Bus to the Start:

- Bus tickets will be sold at Fri./Sat. Packet Pick Up, **NOT on Sunday.**
- Pre-purchased bus ticket will be noted on the ID label adhered to the runner's bib.
- Half Marathoners, 5K and Relay Leg 1 Runners: buses will leave the select hotels by 6:00 am and from and the Folsom Dick's Sporting Goods (1003 E. Bidwell Street) by 6:00 am.
- You may stay on the bus until 15 mnutes before the start.
- Relay Leg 2 Runners: buses to the exchange location will leave the selected hotels and Dick's Parking lot at 6:30 am.
- <u>Relay Leg 1 Runners</u> will be bused from the exchange point back to the finish area.
- Buses are for runners only no spectators please.
- All bus ticket holders, there is free shuttle bus service from the finish area back to all the select Folsom hotels.

Getting Dropped Off at the Start

- Runner drop-offs may occur at two locations:
 - On Folsom-Auburn Road by the Folsom Lake Crossing Bridge (1 mile walk to the start).
 - On Folsom Lake Crossing near East Natoma Ave. about 0.8 mile from the start.
 - ♦ Arrive at least 1/2 hour before the 7:30 am start time. Folsom-Auburn Road will be closed at 7:00 am.

• There is no parking at the start area.

Running to the Start

 Runners may park at the finish area in Historic Folsom and run the 2.5-mile distance to the start as a warm-up. Use the scenic bike trail that begins at the Walker Bridge.

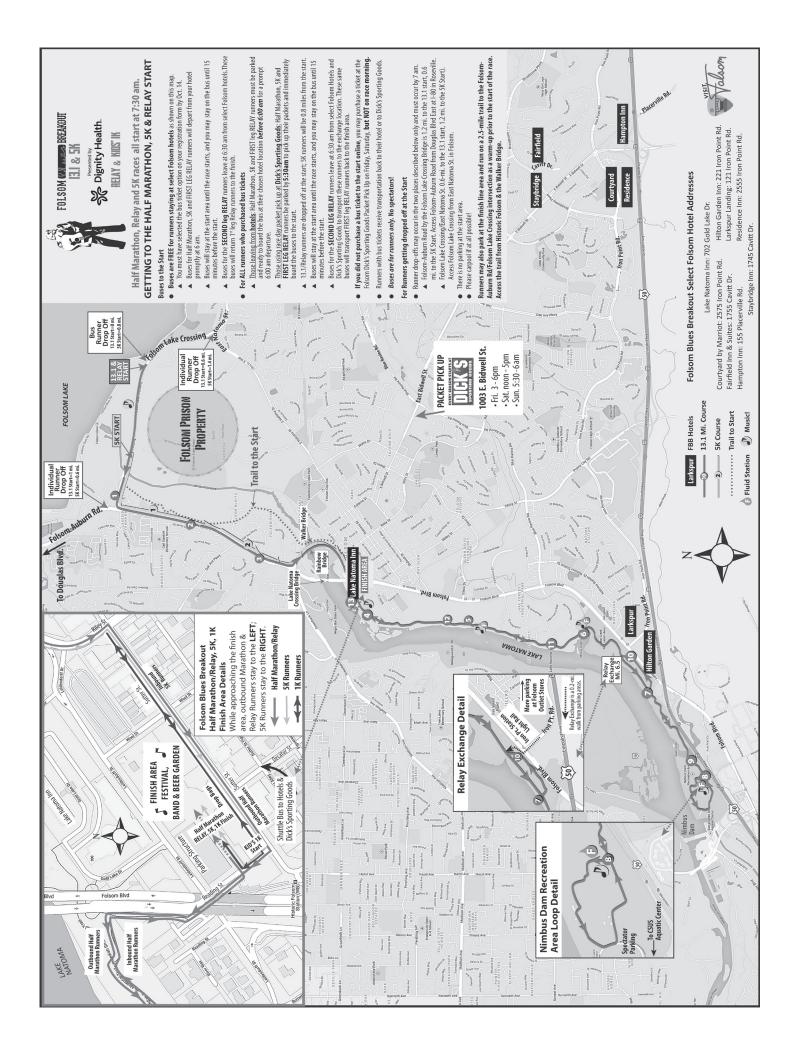
DURING THE RACE

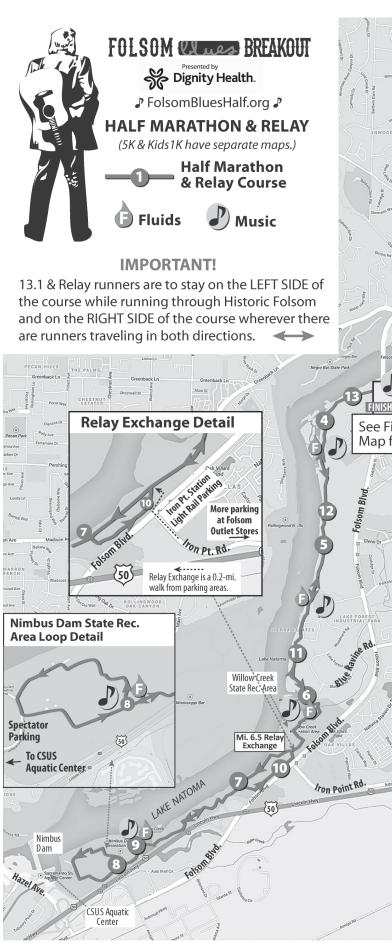
- Those who registered before Oct. 10 will have free access to the RaceJoy runner tracking app. Be sure to check your email for instructions that were sent to you from runsignup.com.
 - Wear your bib number on your front, NOT back.
 - Don't go out to fast! You will need that energy for the final miles.
 - Stay hydrated! Gatorade will be the electrolyte replacement beverage provided at the aid stations. Water will also be served.
 - Spectators: see the map handout for spectator locations and directions.
 - Enjoy the bands! If you are wearing your "tunes", be aware of surrounding runners. Run safely and courteously!
- If you anticipate that your finish will take longer than the course permit of 3.5 hours, bring additional nutrition and fluids with you. We will do our best to keep the finish clock going and the finish line arch up to record your finish.

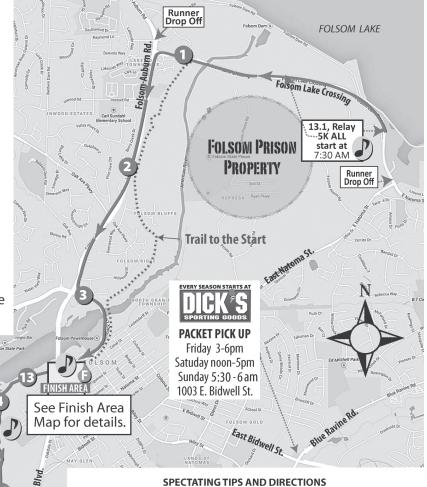
AFTER THE RACE

- Be sure to have your timing chip clipped off of your shoe before leaving the finish area. If you did not return it, place in a padded mailer and mail to: Folsom Blues Breakout, 120 Ponderosa Court, Folsom, CA 95630. Runners with unreturned timing chips are subject to a \$30 charge.
- Hydrate and refuel with the post-race snacks.
- BLUE & GOLD CHALLENGE PARTICIPANTS: claim your beautiful Challenge Medallion at the Gold Country Half Marathon tent located on the right just after the runner refreshments.
- Savor your accomplishment with a free beer, rock out to the Johnny Cash Tribute band, enjoy a massage courtesy of Monsters of Massage... and don't forget your drop bag.
- There is no Awards Ceremony; results will be posted after 6pm at folsomblueshalf.org. Your custom award will be mailed approximately 6 weeks following the event.

See overview map on the reverse.







There is no parking at the start, so those dropping off runners and wanting to spectate, should plan to begin at Spots #1 or #2.

Spectator Spot #1: Folsom Historic District, mile 3.6

From the Folsom-Auburn Rd./Folsom Lake Crossing intersection runner drop off, go to Spectator Spot #2 via Douglas Blvd to Hazel Ave. and turn left onto Madison Ave. After it merges into Greenback Lane, turn right onto the Lake Natoma Bridge, take Folsom Blvd. 0.25 mi. past the Blue Ravine intersection and turn right into the Willow Creek State Rec. Area, From the East Natoma St./Folsom Crossing Intersection runner drop off, take East Natoma St. back into downtown Folsom and turn right on Riley or Wool St. Plenty of parking is available there. From Hwy. 50, take Folsom Blvd. to Folsom and travel 2.8 miles directly into Historic Folsom.

Spectator Spot #2: Willow Creek State Recreation Area, mile 6.3 (also the Relay Exchange area)

Coming from the Folsom Historic District, take Folsom Blvd. South. Just 0.25 mile after the Blue Ravine intersection, turn right into the Willow Creek State Recreation Area. Traveling on Hwy 50, exit Folsom Blvd, and turn left, Travel 1.25 miles and make a u-turn at Blue Ravine traffic light/intersection. Go 0.25 mile to the Willow Creek turnoff.

Spectator Spot #3: Nimbus Dam State Recreation Area, mile 8.5

From Willow Creek State Rec. Area, turn right onto Folsom Blvd. Travel two miles and turn right onto Aerojet Rd. After 0.5 mi. turn right again into the Nimbus Dam State Recreation Area parking lot. From Hwy 50 exit onto Aerojet Rd. After 0.5 mi. turn right again into the Nimbus Dam State Recreation Area parking lot.

Spectator Spot #4 mile 10.5: back to Willow Creek State Recreation Area, - See Spectator Spot #2

Spectator Spot #5: the Finish, mile 13.1

The finish is located in the Folsom Historic District ear the corner of Keidesdorff St.nd Wool St.. Watch all those runners "Cross that line" Johnny Cash style! From Hwy. 50 take Folsom Blvd. to Folsom. Travel 2.8 miles into the Historic Folsom District. From Hazel Ave., turn left on Madison Ave. and follow it to where it merges with to Greenback Lane. Turn right, cross the Lake Natoma Bridge, and take the first exit ramp on the left up to the Folsom Historic District.

