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WELCOME TO BERLIN

Welcome to the final kilometres of your Road to Berlin.

We're delighted that you're taking part in the 52nd BMW BERLIN-MARATHON.

From collecting your race pack to crossing the finish line, you'll find everything you need to know for your marathon weekend here. Please take the time to read through the event information carefully so that you're fully prepared when you line up at the start on 27 September to experience your BERLINLEGEND moment.

- To help protect the environment, we're once again opting out of a printed race briefing this year and providing all the information digitally.

**We wish you a fantastic race week and every success
at the BMW BERLIN-MARATHON 2026!**

Your team at

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→ For the latest updates and answers to frequently asked questions, please check our website regularly www.bmw-berlin-marathon.com/en/

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PROGRAM

Hall of Fame & Wall of Fame

WHERE: at the Brandenburg Gate/Platz des 18. März
WHEN: Wednesday 23 September, 12 pm – 7 pm
Thursday 24 September, 12 pm – 7 pm
Friday 25 September, 2 pm – 4:30 pm
& 7:30 pm – 9 pm
Saturday 26 September, 10 am – 7 pm
Sunday 27 September, 8 am – 5 pm

MARATHON EXPO by BRITA

WHERE: Tempelhof Airport,
Platz der Luftbrücke 5, 12101 Berlin
WHEN: Thursday 24 September, 3 pm – 8 pm
Friday 25 September, 10 am – 8 pm
Saturday, 26 September, 9 am – 7 pm

OPENING CEREMONY - MEET THE LEGENDS

**6:30 pm on Friday,
25 September: Presentation
of the elite athletes of the
BMW BERLIN-MARATHON
with Sabastian Sawe and
Tigst Assefa. Experience
the running stars up close
and personal at the Hall of
Fame at the Brandenburger
Gate.**

GENERALI 5K

WHERE: Start at Potsdamer Platz – Finish: Brandenburg Gate (5K)
WHEN: Saturday 26 September at 10 am

→ Register until 25.09. at: www.bmw-berlin-marathon.com/en/registration/generali-5k
→ participation fee: 34,50 €

BMW BERLIN-MARATHON Inlineskating

WHERE: Start at Straße des 17. Juni – Finish behind Brandenburger Tor
WHEN: Saturday, 20.09., at 12:20 pm

BMW BERLIN-MARATHON

WHERE: Start at Straße des 17. Juni – Finish behind the Brandenburger Tor
WHEN: Sunday, 27 September

→ 8:20 am **Handbiker (Elite)**
→ 8:26 am **Wheelchair athletes (Elite)**
→ 8:29 am **Handbiker and wheelchair athletes**
→ ab 8:45 am **Run (starts in 6 waves)**

Ecumenical evening prayer

WHERE: Kaiser-Wilhelm-Gedächtniskirche
WHEN: Saturday 26 September, 4 pm
→ free

MARATHON PARTY

WHERE: Metropol Berlin (Nollendorfplatz 5, 10777 Berlin)
WHEN: Saturday 26 September, starting at 9 pm (skaters)
Sunday 27 September, starting at 8 pm (runners)
→ Entry: 5€

Live TV coverage of the race on RTL

Sunday starting at 8 am &
from approx. 11:45 am to
2:15 pm via livestream
www.youtube.com/@berlin-marathon

EVENTS FOR KIDS & YOUTH



Bambini run presented by ADAC Berlin-Brandenburg

WHERE: Flughafen Tempelhof

WHEN: Saturday 26 September from 11 am

- For kids aged 0-10
- Registration on site is possible (5 €)
- You can view the start times here:
www.bmw-berlin-marathon.com/en/registration/kids-and-youth/bambini-run
(Subject to change)



Kids Skating

WHERE: At the MARATHON EXPO by BRITA (covered apron)

WHEN: Friday, September 25, starting at 5:00 p.m.

- for kids between 6-14 years
- registration starts at 3 p.m. at the MARATHON EXPO by BRITA.
- helmets are mandatory!



R5K Tour Final

WHERE: Start at Potsdamer Platz - Finish at Brandenburger Tor (5 K)

WHEN: Saturday 26 September at 11:50 am

- Finals of the racing series for talented young runners in Germany



mini-MARATHON presented by GENERALI

WHERE: Start Potsdamer Str./Ebertstr.

Finish at Brandenburger Tor (4,2 km)

WHEN: Saturday 26 September at 12 pm

- For schoolchildren born between 2007 and 2017

IMPORTANT NOTES

Hotline for general questions: 030 - 30 12 88 10

Thu: 2 pm - 8 pm | Fri: 9:30 am - 8 pm

Sat: 8:30 am - 8 pm | Sun: 7 am - 5:30 pm

Homepage:

www.bmw-berlin-marathon.com/en

→ most up-to-date information & answers to frequently asked questions (FAQ)

BMW BERLIN-MARATHON App:

Live during Marathon Week for participants, supporters along the route and at home, as well as marathon fans!

- Startpass QR code for participants logged into the app
- App login for participants using your registration ID from your start card in the format SC:XXXX and your date of birth
 - Please note:** Make sure that no spaces are copied or inserted into your registration ID and that your date of birth is correctly entered in your user account.
- Detailed information on the supporting programme & MARATHON EXPO by BRITA, including the hall layout and up-to-date visitor statistics
- Live updates on EXPO events, visitor statistics and race coverage by our journalists
- FAQ
- Interactive route maps with navigation along the course, e.g. to individual cheering points
- Tracking:
 - Save favorites and follow up to 25 participants via live tracking and live rankings
 - Search for individual participants and clubs
 - Important: If participants have set their tracking settings to "private", they cannot be found via the search function.
- Push notifications throughout the race weekend and, specifically for participants, their start information
- Photo frames in the BMW BERLIN-MARATHON design for logged-in participants, featuring their finishing time. The photo frames can be shared via social media and popular messaging services
- **Your digital Goodie Bag:**
 - Look forward to exclusive perks, partner deals & special extras.

For you on site on the day of the event:

- **Support team** based in Scheidemannstraße
- **Medical team, cycle doctors, medical aid organisations & patrols from the Berlin Fire Brigade** in the start/finish area and along the route

Missing Persons Hotline:

+49 30 13 88 27 267

If, after crossing the finish line, you are looking for participants and are concerned about their whereabouts, please contact us on Sunday by 17:30 with precise details about the person including their race number.

Emergency contacts:

For your safety and to ensure the quickest possible assistance, please provide a contact person and their telephone number. Information may only be disclosed to this person in case of an emergency.

Emergencies:

112 (fire brigade), [Keyword MARATHON](#)

MARATHON EXPO **by BRITA &** **RACE MATERIAL** **PICK UP**



MARATHON EXPO by BRITA		2026
Thursday	September 24	03:00 pm - 08:00 pm
Friday	September 25	10:00 am - 08:00 pm
Saturday	September 26	09:00 am - 07:00 pm
 Flughafen Tempelhof Platz der Luftbrücke 5 12101 Berlin		

How to get to the EXPO by BRITA:

Address:

Platz der Luftbrücke 5, 12101 Berlin (access via main hall)
Please use public transport, as there is no parking available.

Nearby stations:

- **Underground:** Line U6 to „U-Bhf. Platz der Luftbrücke“ (accessible) + approx. 10-minute walk
- **Bus:** Bus route M43 to „Columbiadamm/Platz der Luftbrücke“ or bus route 248 to „U-Bhf. Platz der Luftbrücke“ + approx. 10-minute walk
- Click here for [route planner](#)

With your start card e-mail you also received a link for your public transport ticket
→ valid from 24 September (midnight) to 28 September (3 am) in fare zone ABC

Access to MARATHON EXPO by BRITA:

- your start card = your entry ticket
- Free entry for accompanying persons
- Maximum bag size: 55 x 40 x 25 cm (equivalent to hand luggage)
 - On-site luggage storage is available for 5€ per item.
- Animals are not permitted on the EXPO site
- Click [here](#) for the list of prohibited items

What's offered

- numerous exhibitors from the fields of endurance sports, sports equipment, health, sports travel, nutrition, recovery and more
- BMW BERLIN-MARATHON adidas collection
- INLINE VILLAGE
- Medical team offering health and emergency consultations
- Massagen
 - booked with your registration for the event
 - on-site booking possible subject to availability
- Info point & Support Team from SCC EVENTS
- DEI Support Team

- Sports shoes or trainers in good condition can be donated at the MARATHON EXPO by BRITA. The Berlin City Mission collects the donations and passes them on to those in need.



Bring your bottle and stay hydrated. BRITA will provide free filtered water at 12 water dispensers across the venue.

RACE MATERIAL

You must collect your race material in person at the MARATHON EXPO by BRITA during opening hours, upon presentation of your start card and photo ID.

You'll need

- your start card → which you received by email **and** which is available for download in your user account under "My registrations"
- your photo ID

You'll get

- **athletes wristband** → will be placed around your wrist at the entrance and must not be removed until you cross the finish line on race day
- your personal **bib number** → The bib number may not be changed or passed on to another person.
- **A timing transponder** on the back of your bib number → please do not bend it
- **goodie bag** with information & treats from our sponsors

Optional:

- If booked with your registration, you'll receive a transparent clothing bag, to drop-off your stuff on race day. Please note that the clothes bag cannot be booked at a later date!
- Pre-ordered extras from the event collection or bib number magnets will be handed out with your bib number
- The Maurten Race Pack will be handed out at the Maurten stand.

Please note:

Extras can only be collected during the opening hours of the MARATHON EXPO by BRITA

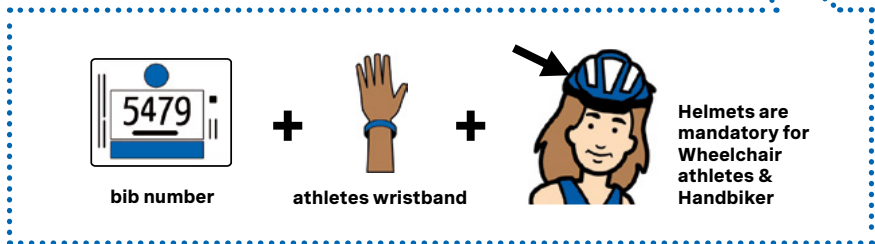
To avoid long waiting times and make your visit as pleasant as possible, we have introduced a system for reserving time slots. Participants have the option of reserving a slot to pick up their bib number. Slots can be booked via your user account until 21 September 2026.

No race material pick up for skaters on Saturday.

BEFORE THE START

WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING

- your personal **bib number**: attached clearly visible on the chest
 - may not be altered in any way and is not permitted to be given to another person
- official **athletes wristband** of the event
 - (which you have received at the MARATHON EXPO by BRITA)
- Skater, wheelchair athletes & handbiker: **Helmet** → Helmets are **mandatory**!
Further protective clothing is recommended.



How to get there

Use public transport

- Your bib number serves as your ticket in fare zone ABC. Of course, this must be carried with you.

Nearby stations

- Hauptbahnhof (Main station), Brandenburger Tor, Potsdamer Platz
- Click here for [route planner](#)

Hydration systems

- To help reduce plastic waste, you can contribute by bringing a hydration system (backpack, vest, belt) to carry your water supply.

- Systems with a maximum total volume of 3 liters are permitted
- Refills are available at all refreshment and food stations



Own refreshments

- Drop-off is from 6:30 to 7:30 am at Annemarie-Renger-Straße, on the corner of Otto-von-Bismarck-Allee (outside the event grounds)
- Glass containers are not permitted
- mark your container with your name, bib number & refreshment point
 - Refreshment points are located at KM 5 / 9 / 15 / 20 / 25 / 30 / 36 / 40

Due to the widespread practice of supplying your own refreshments, it may be very difficult to locate them along the route.



EVENT SITE

For security reasons only participants with official bib number and athletes wristband are allowed on the event site. Accompanying persons will not be admitted.

Access points:

Runners can access the event site via two entrances:

- **Platz der Republik:** Access for all runners, as well as participants from Start Block K who have booked a poncho.
- **Bremer Weg:** Access for runners with a poncho symbol on their race bib, excluding participants from Start Block K.



The following entry times apply to runners:

07:00 am	A-B-C
07:30 am	D-E
08:00 am	F-G
08:30 am	H-J
09:00 am	K

Access for handbiker and wheelchair users:

- At the Großer Stern, across the northern carriageway of the "Straße des 17. Juni" or the northern footpath
- Bags, backpacks and similar are not allowed on the event site
→ exception: hydration systems up to a total volume of 3l

Clothing drop-off:

- Clothing drop-off is only possible for those participants who have **booked the "clothing drop-off" when registering** and have received a clothing bag and label with their bib number at the race material pick up.



All others will receive a warm poncho at the finish (recognizable by a corresponding symbol on the bib number). There is no option for them to store their belongings.

- The Berliner Stadtmission collects clothing in good condition. Keep yourself warm in the pre-start zone with a hoodie, tracksuit jacket, etc., and then donate them on site. Important: the collection point is only at the starting groups- please do not toss off your extra clothes before you reach the starting group.

In the start area, you'll find changing tents and toilets. Thermal blankets will not be provided.

START

- Wheelchair athletes and handbiker will be directed to their starting positions starting at 8 am
- Runners will start in waves, divided into starting groups
 - The starting groups are noted with letters (A-K) on your bib number and at the starting line-up.
 - It is not possible to change your starting block or move up to a faster one!

Start time	Waves / Start groups
08:20 am	Handbiker (Top)
08:26 am	Wheelchair athletes (Elite)
08:29 am	Handbiker/Wheelchair athletes (second wave)
08:45 am	run wave 1: Group A, B, C
09:05 am	run wave 2: Group D, E
09:33 am	run wave 3: Group F, G
10:02 am	run wave 4: Group H
10:12 am	run wave 5: Group J
10:27 am	run wave 6: Group K

Timekeeping will be stopped approximately 15 minutes after the final starting signal, which means **a late start is not possible!**

Pacer:

To help you achieve your desired time, pacemakers will be clearly visible across all four start waves.

They carry pacer flags with the corresponding finish time*

- Starting blocks A,B, C: 3:00 / 3:15 / 3:30 hours
- Starting blocks D, E: 3:00 / 3:15 / 3:30 / 3:45 hours
- Starting blocks F, G: 3:30 / 3:45 / 4:00 / 4:15 hours
- Starting block H: 3:45 / 4:00 / 4:15 / 4:30 hours
- Starting block J: 4:15 / 4:30 / 4:45 / 5:00 hours
- Starting block K: 4:30 / 4:45 - :5:00 / 5:15 / 5:30 / 5:45 / 6:00 hours

*Subject to change

ON THE COURSE

Not permitted are:

- Accompanying vehicles of any kind (cars, e-scooters, mopeds and motorbikes)
- strollers, skateboards or other rolling devices
(except for inline skates, wheelchairs and hand bikes in the relevant competitions)
- animals

Please note: Only open-ear headphones are permitted on the course.
Participants must remain alert at all times and be able to hear important announcements.

Take care when overtaking: Please be mindful of other participants when changing lanes or heading to a refreshment point.

REFRESHMENTS

Make sure you drink often, especially in warm weather.

KM 5 / 12 / 17,5 / 22,5 / 27,5 / 32,5 / 34,5 / 38 / 40		Water
KM 9 / 15 / 20 / 25 / 30 / 36		Water, tea, Maurten DRINK MIX 160, bananas, apples
KM 27,5		Maurten GEL 100

- There are refill stations for your hydration system at all refreshment points
- Toilets are provided on the end of each refreshment station



- Please help us to recycle and throw your cup into the containers at the end of the refreshment point.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

- Starting at KM 15, there are mobile units marked DOCTOR or MEDICAL SERVICE
- Every refreshment station has first-aid posts (Green Cross / First Aid)
- From KM 36 to the finish: first-aid stations (Green Cross / First Aid) every 1 km

Medical staff are authorised and obliged to withdraw participants showing signs of injury and/or overexertion from the race.

Please contact the staff if you are feeling unwell or notice any emergencies involving other participants.

TIMEKEEPING

Control points:

- Checkpoints are set up every 5 km, and all of them must be crossed
 - missing split times will result in disqualification

Time limit:

Running race: 6 hours 15 minutes (from crossing the starting mat)

- Cut-off point at 3:40 pm at KM 33
 - Participants who do not reach this point in time will be withdrawn from the race and escorted to the finish.
- Official finish time is 5:00 pm. Crossing the finish line after that is no longer possible.

AFTER THE FINISH LINE

HERE'S WHAT YOU'LL GET

- your medal
- refreshments with drinks and fruit
- your poncho, if it was booked with your registration
 - your bib number shows a corresponding symbol
- OR: your checked-in clothing bag, upon presentation of your bib number
 - Collection for runners: Sunday until 5:15 pm



- If required: thermal blanket

Please return the blanket to a volunteer after use to help ensure recycling.

In the finish area, you'll find a free massage service, showers and changing tents.

You got everything?

Once you have left the event site, you will not be able to re-enter.

RESULTS & CERTIFICATES

You will find your result and certificate online at

www.bmw-berlin-marathon.com/en > Your Race > Results

- The first 50 male and 50 female runners will be ranked by gun time

Medal engraving:

Booth on Scheidemannstraße

- Your pre-booking is noted on your bib number
- You can also order on site for €16

Meeting point for family and friends:

in front of the Paul-Löbe-Haus

- Signs with letters from A to Z
 - meet up with your family and friends here

On Monday 28 September 2026, the newspaper **Der Tagesspiegel** will publish a special supplement featuring an alphabetical list of all finishers.

Your photos from the race will be available a few days after the event.

- You'll automatically receive an email with instructions on how to access your photos.

MAPS

MARATHON EXPO by BRITA

24. bis 26. September 2026
Veranstaltungsgelände / *Event Area*

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Eingangshalle *Entrance Hall*



Außenbereich *Outdoor Area*



Hangar 5

Startnummernausgabe /
Bib Numbers



Hangar 6

Premiumbereich / *Premium Area*



Hangar 7

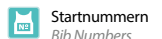
Premiumbereich / *Premium Area*
Ausstellende / *Exhibitor*



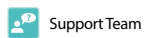
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Race Kit



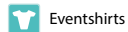
Teilnehmerband
Athlete Wristband



Startnummern
Bib Numbers



Support Team



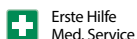
Eventshirts



Gepäckabgabe
Luggage Storage



Catering
Catering Area



Erste Hilfe
Med. Service
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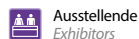
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Expo Office



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Bib Numbers



Bambini-
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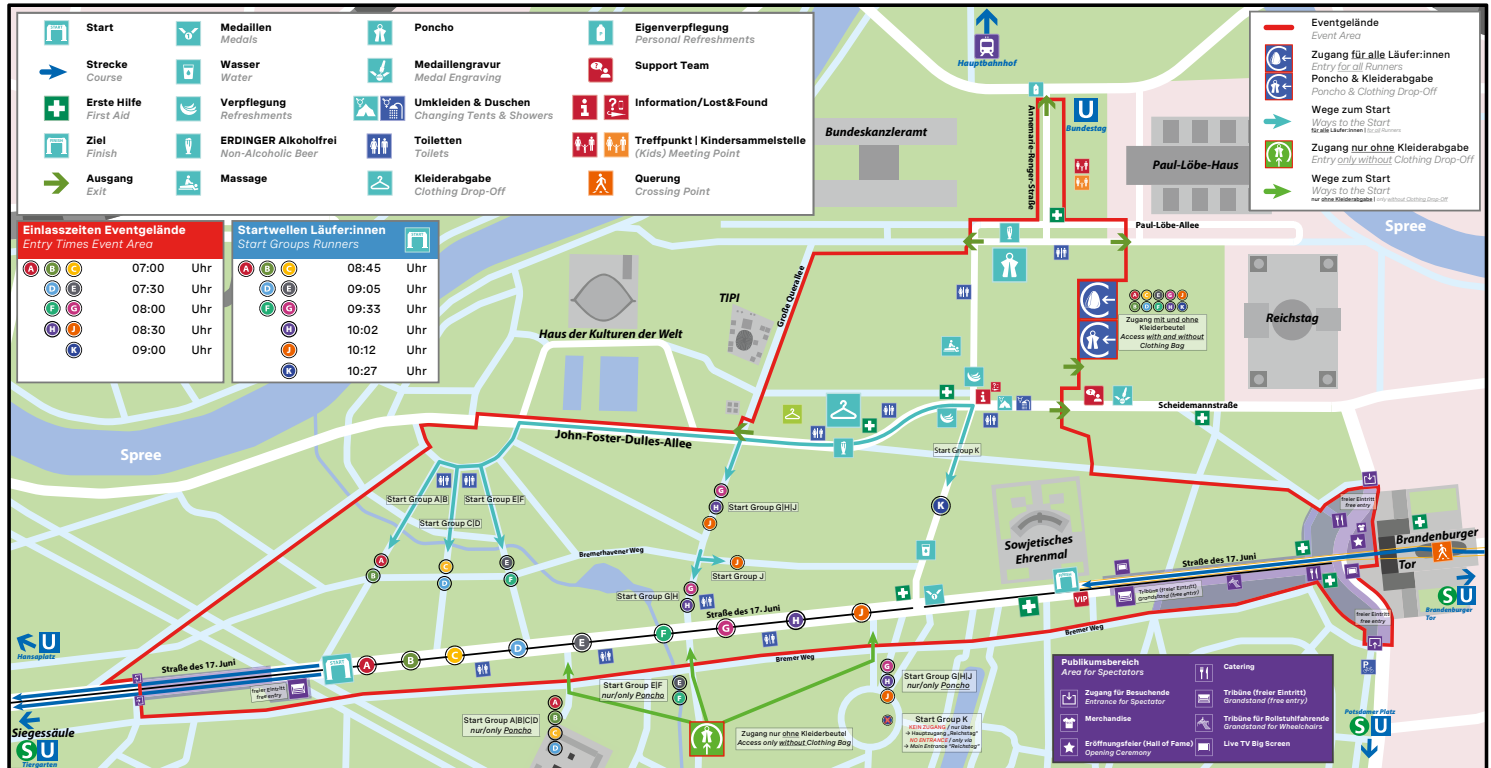
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Exhibitors



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Toilets

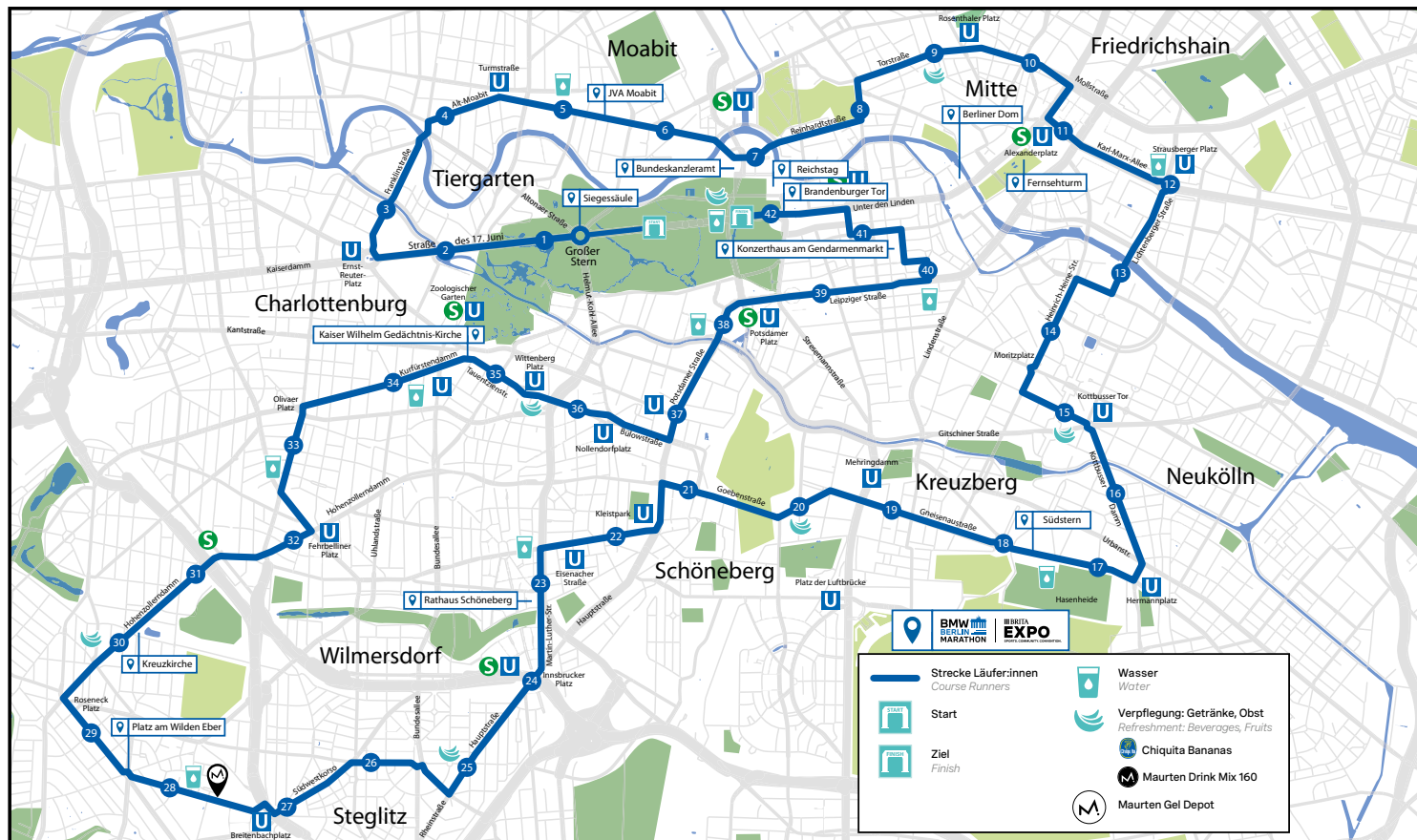


Start- & Zielgebiet | *Start & Finish Area*



BMW BERLIN-MARATHON

Streckenplan Läufer:innen | *Course Runners*



CONVERSION KM TO MILES

KM	MILES	KM	MILES
1 km	0,621 miles		
2 km	1,243 miles	22 km	13,670 miles
3 km	1,864 miles	23 km	14,292 miles
4 km	2,485 miles	24 km	14,913 miles
5 km	3,107 miles	25 km	15,534 miles
6 km	3,728 miles	26 km	16,156 miles
7 km	4,350 miles	27 km	16,777 miles
8 km	4,971 miles	28 km	17,398 miles
9 km	5,592 miles	29 km	18,020 miles
10 km	6,214 miles	30 km	18,641 miles
11 km	6,835 miles	31 km	19,263 miles
12 km	7,456 miles	32 km	19,884 miles
13 km	8,078 miles	33 km	20,505 miles
14 km	8,699 miles	34 km	21,127 miles
15 km	9,321 miles	35 km	21,748 miles
16 km	9,942 miles	36 km	22,369 miles
17 km	10,563 miles	37 km	22,991 miles
18 km	11,185 miles	38 km	23,612 miles
19 km	11,806 miles	39 km	24,233 miles
20 km	12,427 miles	40 km	24,855 miles
		41 km	25,476 miles
21,095 km	13,109 miles	42,195 km	26,219 miles

Make sure to mark 26 September 2027 in your calendar, as that's when the next BMW BERLIN-MARATHON will take place.

As with all events in the Abbott World Marathon Majors series, starting spots for the BMW BERLIN-MARATHON are allocated via a drawing system.

Registration for the 2027 race entry drawing is open **from 1 October to 12 November 2026**.

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