

Thank you for registering for the **41st Annual Zoo Run Relay** on **Friday, September 11th at 6:00 pm!**

Here's everything you need to know before race day:

Route

[Click here to view the 2-mile loop route](#)

- Strollers are welcome inside *Runners Village*, but not on the course.
 - No pets allowed – the zoo animals get jealous.
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Packet Pick-Up

Only full team packets will be released (no partial packets). Coordinate with your teammates!

- **Thursday, September 10th**
Starbucks at the Train Depot
3910 N. St. Mary's St. (big parking lot – you can't miss us!)
11:00 am – 6:00 pm
 - **Race Day** beginning at 4:45 pm
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Race Day Details

- **Race Start:** 6:00 pm sharp
- **Address:** 3903 N. St. Mary's St.
- **Important:** Gates close at **6:00 pm** and will not reopen.
- **Parking:** Available in the garage and large lot next to Starbucks.
- **Alcohol:** Valid ID required for any alcoholic beverage.
- **Exiting:** Once the race has begun, guests may exit through Gate 7; however, re-entry will not be permitted.

Spectators: The Zoo closes at 2:00 pm on race day. Spectators are welcome in the Runners Village beginning at 4:45 pm. Gates close at 6:00 pm.

All runners: Always stay to the left on the street and especially the trail. Be aware of the lead cyclists and faster runners passing you on your right.

Relay Teams

- 4 runners per team. Each runs **one 2-mile loop**, handing the baton to the next runner.
- The **baton contains the timing chip** – don't forget it!
- Announcers will call bib numbers to help runners line up in the transition area.
- This year you'll be able to enter the transition area when it is **your turn to be next**. Keep an eye out for the person in front of you to take off. That's when you can enter.

Bib colors by relay leg:

- 1st Leg – **Green** Stripe, go **left** at finish line
- 2nd Leg – **Purple** Stripe, go **left** at finish line
- 3rd Leg – **Blue** Stripe, go **left** at finish line
- 4th Leg – **Total Red Bib**, go **right** at finish line

After the final runner finishes, **turn in your baton** at the finish line.

This year, the final relay runner is responsible for collecting all 4 finisher medals for your team.

Rules:

- Teams must have 4 different runners. One person cannot run multiple legs.
- Need to switch to the **Individual 4-Mile Run**? Go to your confirmation email → *Manage Your Registration* → *Change Categories* → *Individual*. Deadline: **Sept. 11th at 5:00 pm** (price difference applies).

4-Mile Individual Runners

- Bib Color: White
 - Start Time: 6:00 pm
 - Course: Two 2-mile loops (same loop as relay runners).
 - Extra water stop available when exiting the gate into Brackenridge Park.
 - Pay attention to the signs at the finish line. When you are starting your **second loop, go to the left**, when you are **finishing, go to the right**.
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Awards & Medals

- **Relay:** Top 3 teams in each category (Odds & Ends = 1st place only).
- **4-Mile:** Overall Male & Female + 1st Place Age Groups (15 & under, 16–19, 20–29, 30–39, 40–49, 50–59, 60–69, 70+)
- **Finisher Medals:** First 1,000 finishers. All 4 of the Relay finisher medals will be handed to the final (red bib) runner. Individual 4 mile runners get their medal when they finish the 4 miles.

Race results: Scan the QR code on your bib.

Shirts & Packets

- Didn't get your preferred shirt size? Exchanges begin **after the race**, once unclaimed packets are released.
 - Friends or family may pick up your packet.
 - Packets not picked up by race end will be used for shirt exchanges.
 - **No packet holds.**
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We can't wait to see you at the starting line!

— The Zoo Run Relay Team