

The 45th Oita International Wheelchair Marathon General Provisions

1. Purpose

To encourage persons with physical impairments in Japan and other countries and territories in further social participation, and to deepen people's understanding toward persons with impairments through wheelchair racing.

2. Name

The 45th Oita International Wheelchair Marathon

3. Host (TBC)

Oita Prefecture, Japanese Para-Sports Association, Japanese Paralympic Committee, Japan Para Athletics, etc.

4. Approval (TBC)

This event is approved by World Para Athletics (WPA) as an Approved Event.

Only results established by an athlete with a registered WPA License and have an international class shall be officially recognized by WPA. No results of the Half Marathon are officially recognized by WPA.

5. Superintendent (TBC)

Oita Athletics Association

6. Cosponsor (TBC)

Oita Broadcasting System, Inc.

7. Support (TBC)

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Japan Sports Agency, etc.

8. Sponsors

Currently recruiting

9. Cooperation (TBC)

Oita Prefectural Police, etc.

10. Time and Date (TBC)

Friday, November 13, 2026

- Classification

Saturday, November 14, 2026

- Athlete Registration
- Classification
- Opening Ceremony
- Athletes' Press Conference

Sunday, November 15, 2026

- Marathon Start
- Half Marathon Start
- Awards Ceremony
- Farewell Party

11. Guidelines and Criteria for Holding Events

The competition's cancellation criteria and emergency response will be handled based on the "45th Oita International Wheelchair Marathon Crisis Response Manual". It should be noted that in the case of rain, the competition will be held.

12. Course and Events

Marathon Course (42.195km) and Half Marathon Course (21.0975km) in Oita City are officially approved by the Japan Association of Athletics Federations.

13. Eligibility

All athletes must be over 14 years old as of November 15, 2026, and must satisfy the following requirements.

[Marathon]

1) Japanese athletes: Wheelchair users holding a physical impairments certificate and registered with Japan Para Athletics, who also must be approved by the Organizer.

2) Foreign athletes: Wheelchair users registered with the National Paralympic Committees in their respective countries or equivalent associations, who also must be approved by the Organizer.

[Half Marathon]

- 1) Japanese athletes: Wheelchair users holding a physical impairments certificate, who also must be approved by the Organizer.
- 2) Foreign athletes: Wheelchair users approved by the Organizer.

14. Entry Fee

Entry fee for athletes is 10,000 yen for the marathon and 3,000 yen for the half marathon.

15. Governing Rules

The latest WPA Rules and Regulations applicable on race day and Japan Para Athletics Rules, and Competition Rules of Oita International Wheelchair Marathon will be used. All participating athletes must follow WPA Rules and Regulations regarding advertising and displays during WPA Recognized Competitions.

16. Classification

- 1) In both the Marathon and Half Marathon, participants are classified into the following three classes: T51, T33/52, T34/53/54.
- 2) If necessary, classification process will be carried out at the registration area by the day before the event. These classes will not be recognized as international classes of WPA.

17. Doping Control

Doping Control will take place at this event.

18. Award

- 1) The 1st - 3rd place finishers in each class of men and women will be awarded in both the Marathon and Half Marathon.
- 2) In the Marathon event, prize money will be given to the finishers who achieved outstanding results in placing or in time at this race, and the amount of money will be decided separately.
- 3) Decisions on placing or awarding will be conducted without regard to registration with IPC Athletics.

19. Application Method

Applications must be submitted using one of the following methods:

1) Online Application:

Submit your application via the electronic entry form on the official website.

2) Email Application:

Complete the application form, attach one copy of your face photo, and send it to the Organizing Committee by email.

*The deadline for both methods (1 and 2) is **Thursday, July 31, 2026.**

20. Accidents During the Race

In case of accident in the competition, first-aid treatment will be provided by the Organizer. Athletes must be responsible for the cost of medical service. The Organizer has accident insurance.

21. Enrollment in Insurance for Athletes and Staff Involved in Competition Management

To prepare for incidents which may occur during the competition, the organizer will take out insurance for athletes and staff. The details of insurance policy will be shown separately.

22. Personal Information

The Organizing Committee will comply with the laws regarding personal information. Athletes' personal information will be used for the following purposes:

- Examination of the athletes' qualification
- Publication of programs and leaflets of the event
- Advertisement and promotion of the event
- Press release to the media
- Infection prevention measures
- Announcement of records, etc.

23. Organizing Committee Secretariat

The Organizing Committee Secretariat is located in Oita Para Sports Association (c/o Disability Inclusion Promotion Office, Oita Prefectural Government). Foreign participants may contact Oita Sports Association for the Disabled at the following:

Address:

Oita International Wheelchair Marathon Organizing Committee
Oita Para Sports Association

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