

Thank you for registering for the 2010 Zoo Run Run at the Nashville Zoo! Included in this e-mail are tips, logistical information and last minute details about the run. Because of the volume of participants, we encourage you to read through this e-mail for information on how to make your race day an enjoyable one.

On Race Day, the Zoo will close at 1:00 pm and remain closed to prepare the route until race start at 3:00 pm. Runners and spectators will not be allowed on the zoo trails prior to the race. Thank you for your commitment to Nashville Zoo & we'll see you soon!

Zoo Run Run 2010 Information

Race will take place rain, shine or snow. Because the race is limited to a certain number of participants, no refunds or exchanges will be accepted. If you choose not to run, your participation donation will be a contribution to the Zoo. T-shirts for registrants who do not come on Race Day are not available after the event closes. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Please note that animals will only be out on exhibit if weather and temperature permits. The animal care staff has a pre-determined protocol for each animal.

Pick-Up your T-Shirts/Bibs/Wristbands EARLY!

THURSDAY, January 21, 2010 & FRIDAY, January 22, 2010

11:00 am – 2:00 pm & 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm (materials are not available outside of these times)

Location: Nashville Zoo's Croft Center Administrative Offices

We strongly encourage you to participate in early pick-up. Beat the race day crowds by getting the following items the day before the race:

- Race number (your bib is also your ticket for the dinner at post-event celebration – keep it with you after the race)*
- T-shirt
- 21+ wristband
- Please **bring identification.**

The only item that you cannot pick up during early packet pick-up will be your ChampionChip timing device if you registered for one. These will only be available on Saturday in a separate area from registration to avoid the crowds.

Directions to the Croft Center: Park in the Zoo's main lot and look for the two large white marble tiger statues & 'Welcome Zoo Runners' signage. Enter here. This is also where the race will begin.

- If you picked up your bib/wristband on Thursday or Friday, please do not forget to bring them on Saturday. Replacements will not be available.

* You may also purchase additional meals for non-participants for an \$8 donation to the zoo (includes pasta dinner, salad, bread & beverages)

T-Shirts

As stated on the Zoo's website, t-shirts and sizes are first-come, first-served. Because there is a limited quantity of each size, to increase the likelihood that you receive the size you would like, we strongly encourage you to participate in early pickup on Thursday or Friday before the race.

Do you know someone who wants to run on Saturday?

The Zoo Run Run (as of today) is not yet sold out

Online registration will close on Tuesday, January 19 at noon. Anyone interested in participating after online registration closes must come to the Zoo and register during early packet pick-up (see

times above) or day of race, beginning at 1:30pm. Please note that Champion Chip Timing is not available to Race Day registrants.

Additional Fundraising Dollars

If you have opted to raise additional funds for Nashville Zoo in order to win great behind-the-scenes experiences, please bring your fundraising dollars when you pick up your packet. Cash, checks and credit cards (VISA, MasterCard & Discover) accepted. Tours earned will be scheduled at a later date at your convenience.

SATURDAY!

- We strongly recommend you participate in **early t-shirt/bib/wristband pick-up** on Thursday or Friday (see above)
- **Day of event registration and check-in will begin at 1:30 pm.** We encourage you to arrive early to beat the rush. Sponsors, entertainment and special mascot friends will be on site prior to the race for you to visit with and enjoy.
- **Main gates to the Zoo entrance and parking lot will be closed at 2:40 pm on race day in order to prepare the route. Please arrive early to give yourself enough time to park, check-in, and line up at the starting line for the 3:00 pm start.**
- Please **bring identification**; your identification will be matched with your race number to ensure this is you!
- If you know of several people participating in the run, we encourage you to **car pool. Parking is limited.**
- **Post event celebration** for race registrants will begin at 4:00 pm. Food and drinks for runners will be served from inside the Croft Center. Additional meal tickets and 21+ wristbands will be available for an \$8 donation to the Zoo for spectators and guests.
- **Awards ceremony** will begin at 4:30 pm in the Croft Center amphitheatre.
- If you picked up your items early, **do not forget your bib/dinner ticket & 21+ wristband.** Replacements will not be available before or on Race Day.
- **Strollers** with all-terrain wheels are strongly recommended!
- The run course takes you on some gravel paths, dirt roads and narrow paved pathways. Enjoy your adventure!

Fun, animal themed attire is always ENCOURAGED at all Nashville Zoo sanctioned events. Long tails, however, are discouraged due to the running nature of this race.

Prizes awarded for best dressed!
