

Considerations for the 2021 Seacoast Half Marathon

- There will be no more than 550 racers this year (vs. our usual 1,200).
- The Portsmouth High School has given us permission to host the race inside the building again this year.
- The Portsmouth City Council has voted in favor of issuing a permit for us to host the in-person Seacoast Half in Portsmouth again this year.
- All volunteers on race day will be wearing masks.
- There will extra hand sanitizers at numerous locations in the check-in area.
- There will be extra space between portable toilets at Portsmouth HS.
- We will ask racers to change to the "virtual" race if they have had contact with anyone who tested positive for COVID-19 within 2 weeks prior to race day.
- We will ask all participants to wear masks from when they arrive at Portsmouth HS until they start the race.
- We are minimizing activities at the start area to move people onto the course as quickly as possible.
- All racers will be encouraged to carry their own water/sports drinks.
- All water stops will be self-serve.
- At the finish of the race, we will not host an award ceremony, but will have those who earned an award pick them up at a separate table on their way out.
- We will not have food stations set up as in prior years, but will provide "grab and go" bags with food and water so racers can finish the race, take a bag, and head for home.
- Spectators will be encouraged to be masked and to maintain good physical distance from others.
- We are monitoring State of NH protocols in place for events such as ours at race time, and will adhere to those protocols.

We are committed to doing all we can to host a successful race while protecting the health of our racers and volunteers.