

KYOTO MARATHON 2026



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Thank you for applying for the SUPER MARIO BROS.
40th Anniversary Kyoto Marathon 2026.
Please read through this guide so you will be prepared ahead of time
and able to perform at your best on race day.
All staff and volunteers for the Kyoto Marathon are looking forward
to meeting you.

Participation Guide

Event Schedule

Runner Check-in

February 13 (Fri.)
13:30–20:00 (Last entry)

February 14 (Sat.)
10:30–19:00 (Last entry)

- Runner Check-in
- Okoshiyasu Welcome Square

Miyakomesse 1F and 3F

On the Day of the Event: February 15 (Sun.)

6:50	Changing Rooms / Changing Area Open	Nishikyogoku Athletic Park
6:50–8:15	Baggage Check-in	
8:00–8:44	Runners Lineup	S-G Block: TAKEBISHI Stadium Kyoto (Athletic Stadium)
8:45	Starting Ceremony	H-K Block: Toji Housing Field
8:55	Wheelchair Race Start	Nishikyogoku (Sub-Athletic Stadium)
9:00	Marathon and Pair-Ekiden Start	
13:00	Marathon Award Ceremony	Miyakomesse 3F
15:00	Marathon and Pair-Ekiden Finish	In front of Heian-jingu Shrine

TV Broadcast (scheduled)

February 15 (Sun.), on KBS Kyoto Part 1: 8:30–9:25, Part 2: 12:30–13:25, Part 3: 21:00–21:55 p.m.

Latest Information / Inquiries, etc.

Official event website

<https://www.kyoto-marathon.com/> [Kyoto Marathon](#) [Search](#)

Contact

Email: jtbss@jtb.com

Final decision of the event

Final decision date and time:
February 15 (Sun.)
5:00

The Kyoto Marathon will be held rain or shine, but in the event of a disaster, severe weather, high water, etc. the marathon may be canceled. Announcements on whether the event will be held or canceled will take place on the day of the marathon (February 15) as below.

Web 5:00 on the official marathon website: <https://www.kyoto-marathon.com>

Radio stations 5:00 on α-STATION (FM Kyoto) FM89.4MHz

Around 6:10 on KBS Kyoto Radio AM1143KHz/FM94.9MHz

*If the marathon is canceled, an announcement will also be made on the Kyoto City Information website: <http://www.city.kyoto.lg.jp/>

[Kyoto City Web](#) [Search](#)

Runner questionnaire

In order to keep improving the Kyoto Marathon, we need your feedback. After you complete the Kyoto Marathon, please complete the survey sent to you via email from JTB. We appreciate your cooperation.

Runner Check-in – February 13 (Fri.) / February 14 (Sat.)

On the day of event, it will be turned into the finish venue.

Date and Time

February 13 (Fri.) **13:30–20:00 (last entry)**

February 14 (Sat.) **10:30–19:00 (last entry)**

*No check-ins will be allowed after the above closing times, even if public transportation is running late. Please leave yourself plenty of time.

Venue

Miyakomesse 1F

Miyakomesse: 9-1,
Okazaki
Seishoji-cho,
Sakyo-ku, Kyoto City



- **Note that there will be no registration on the day of the event (Sunday the 15th).**
- **Each runner must show up in person for check-in (no proxy check-in).**
- Any participant with a disability who intends to run with an escort runner is required to bring their physical disability certificate or rehabilitation certificate, and **must be accompanied by the escort runner** when checking in.

What to Bring

① E-participation form

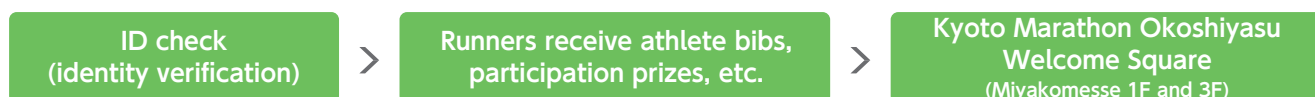
*In order to generate the QR code required for registration, you will need to enter your emergency contact details and agree to the terms of the written pledge in advance.

② Personal identification (*original documentation only/copies not accepted) Please be sure to bring either your passport or residence card.



E-participation form
(for illustrative purposes only)

Runner Check-in Flowchart



What to Receive at Runner Check-in

① Athlete bib (marathon bib)

*With timing chip

Front
(with
timing chip)



Back
(Super Mario
40th
Anniversary-
Themed Bib)



● Nickname
marathon
bib



- Athlete bibs (marathon bibs) will not be reissued. **Be sure to wear the timing chip-equipped athlete bib on your chest.**
***Participants in the registered category, pair ekiden runners, and those who purchased a nickname bib must wear two bibs, one on the chest and one on the back.**
- For those participating with an escort, their escort will be given an escort athlete bib.
- You will be given a sticker for your bag for personal items (see ③), safety pins (8), and a timing chip return envelope as well.

② Kyoto Marathon Bag for personal items



- Baggage checked in at the Starting Area will be returned at the Finish Area.
- **Please tie the cord at the mouth of the bag tightly so that the contents do not come out.**
- **Your baggage must not contain valuables, fragile items, living things, long umbrellas (foldable umbrellas are acceptable), hazardous items, etc.** Please note that we cannot accept responsibility if valuables are lost. Please also understand that due to security reasons, or at the request of the organizer, bags may be opened and inspected without the runner's permission.
- Items that don't fit in the baggage bag can be sent for a fee to the Finish Area or your home (in Japan only) at the baggage check-in area located at the Starting Area. If you wish to have the item shipped to your home within Japan, shipping is available on a cash-on-delivery basis only.

③ Kyoto Marathon Bag sticker

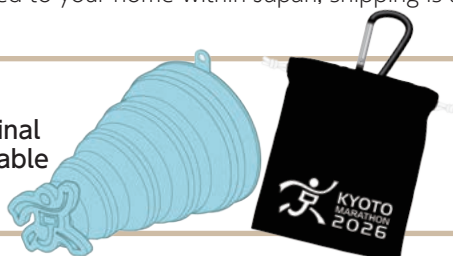


- **Please be sure to apply the sticker in the center of the baggage bag (see ②) the day before.**
- We recommend that you apply the sticker before putting in baggage.

Marathon souvenirs

(only for runners who have applied)

Original
reusable
cup



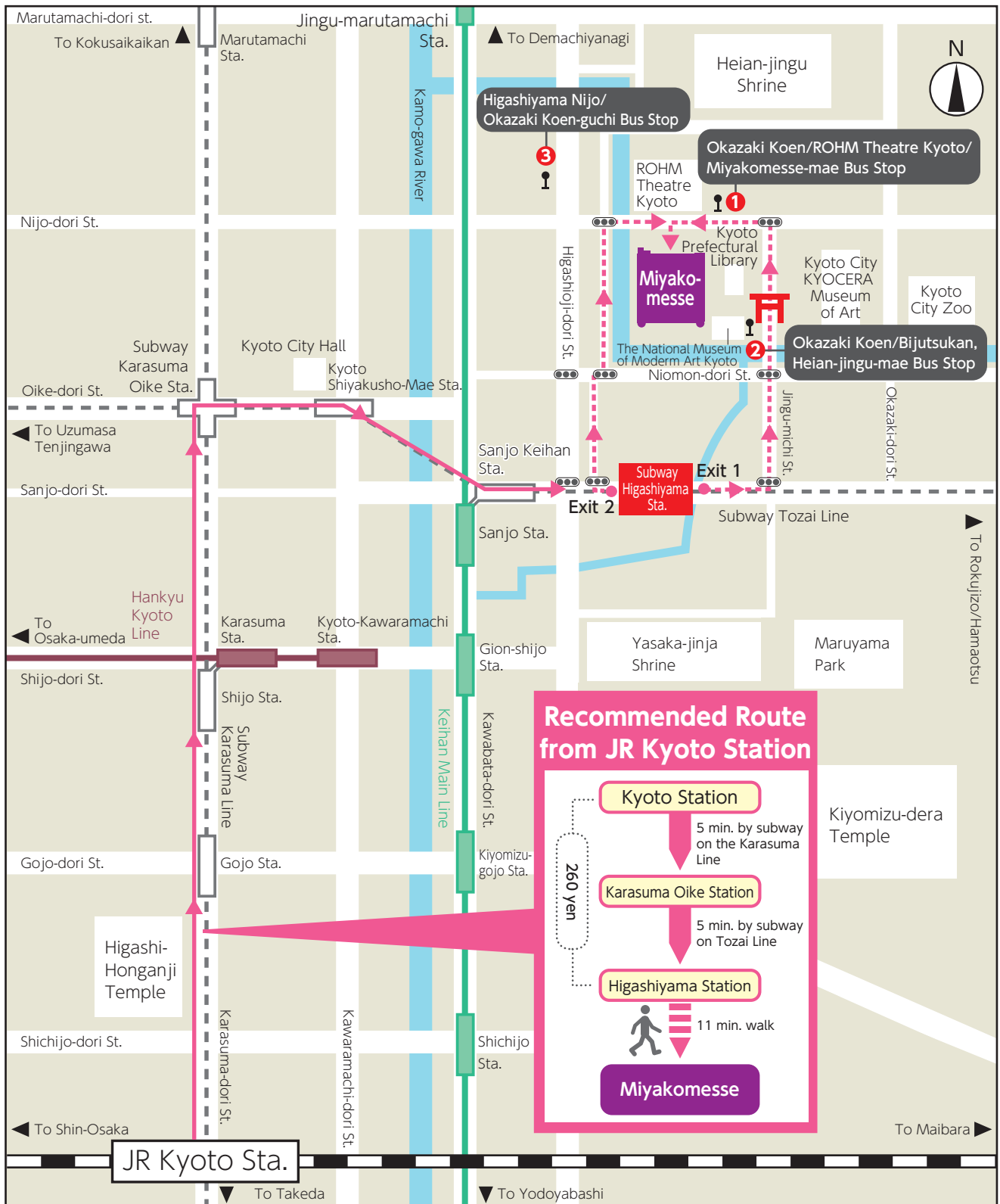
Original
neck gaiter



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Access to the Check-in Area - February 13 (Fri.) / February 14 (Sat.)

Please be sure to come by public transportation.

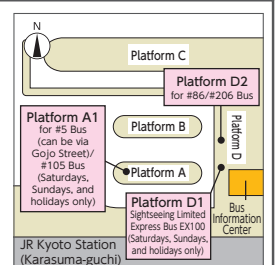


Using Kyoto City Buses from Hankyu Kyoto-Kawaramachi Sta. (230 yen)

- #32 Bus towards Heian-jingu Shrine/Ginkaku-ji Temple
- #46 Bus towards Gion/Heian-jingu Shrine
- A short walk from the stop ① (Okazaki Koen ROHM Theatre Kyoto/Miyakomesse-mae)
- #5 Bus towards Ginkaku-ji Temple/Iwakura
- #105 Bus towards Heian-jingu Shrine/Ginkaku-ji Temple (Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays only)
- A short walk from the stop ② (Okazaki Koen/Bijutsukan, Heian-jingu-mae)
- #31 Bus towards Takano/Iwakura
- #201 Bus towards Gion/Hyakumanben
- #203 Bus towards Gion/Kumano/Ginkaku-ji Temple
- Get off at the stop ③ (Higashiyama Nijo/Okazaki Koen-guchi) and walk approx. 5 minutes.

Using Kyoto City Bus from JR Kyoto Sta. (Karasuma-guchi) (230 yen)
*500 yen for the sightseeing limited express bus

- Sightseeing Limited Express Bus EX100 towards Kiyomizu-dera Temple/Ginkaku-ji Temple (Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays only) *500 yen
- *You cannot use commuter passes, coupon tickets, etc. on this service.
- #86 Bus towards Gion/Heian-jingu Shrine
- #5 Bus (can be via Gojo Street) towards Ginkaku-ji Temple/Iwakura
- #105 Bus towards Heian-jingu Shrine/Ginkaku-ji Temple (Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays only)
- A short walk from the stop ② (Okazaki Koen/Bijutsukan, Heian-jingu-mae)
- #206 Bus towards Gion/Kitaoji Bus Terminal
- Get off at the stop ④ (Higashiyama Nijo/Okazaki Koen-guchi) and walk approx. 5 minutes.



There are tea rooms and stalls from famous Kyoto restaurants, as well as a variety of booths from our event sponsors, along with demonstrations and workshops by artisans from traditional industries.

Everyone is welcome including the runners, so feel free to bring friends and family, too!

*On race day, February 15 (Sun.), this area is for the exclusive use of runners.

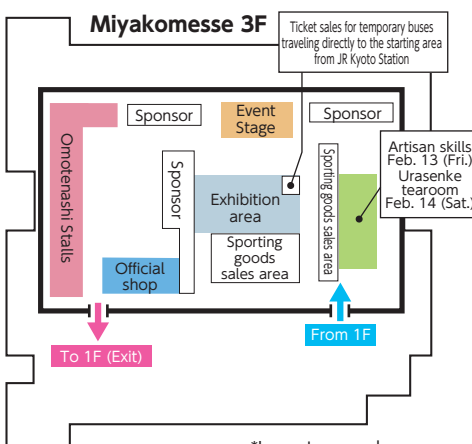
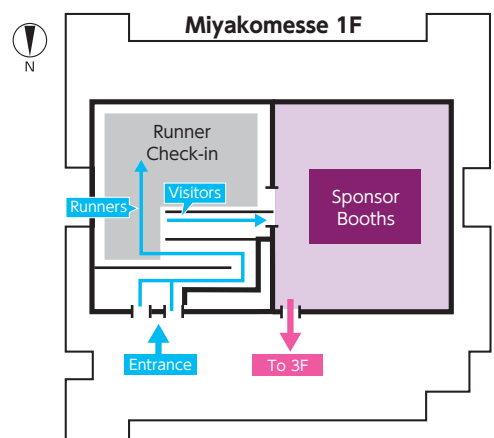
Omotenashi Stalls

おもてなし屋台

Famous Kyoto restaurants will welcome visitors with a wide variety of delectable cuisine.



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*Layouts may change.



Used Clothing Collection

In a collaboration with the "Used Clothing Collection Project (RELEASE ⇄ CATCH)," we will accept items of clothing that you no longer need to be passed on for reuse.

Not accepted:
 Underwear, socks, etc./
 wet or moldy clothes, etc.
Accepted:
 Small items such as hats,
 bags, and shoes

(Items donated to
 this project cannot
 be returned.)

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Ticket sales for the temporary city buses traveling directly to the starting area from JR Kyoto Station

6:25–6:50 (taking approx. 15–20 min)

*Kyoto City Bus, Kyoto Station Bus Terminal - departing from C5
 (Non-stop service, anticipated availability 32 buses)

Tickets (230 yen) will be on sale at the Kyoto Marathon Okoshiyasu Welcome Square (Miyakomesse 3F).

First 1,600 passengers only

*Buses will be fixed route buses thanks to the cooperation of the Kyoto Municipal Transportation Bureau.

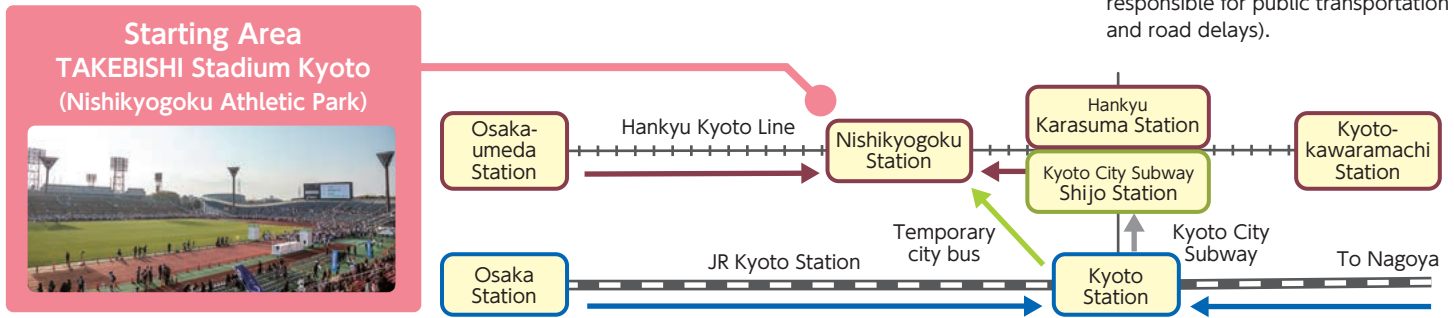
*Please be aware that tickets will not be sold on the day of the race.

*During crowded times seats may not be available.

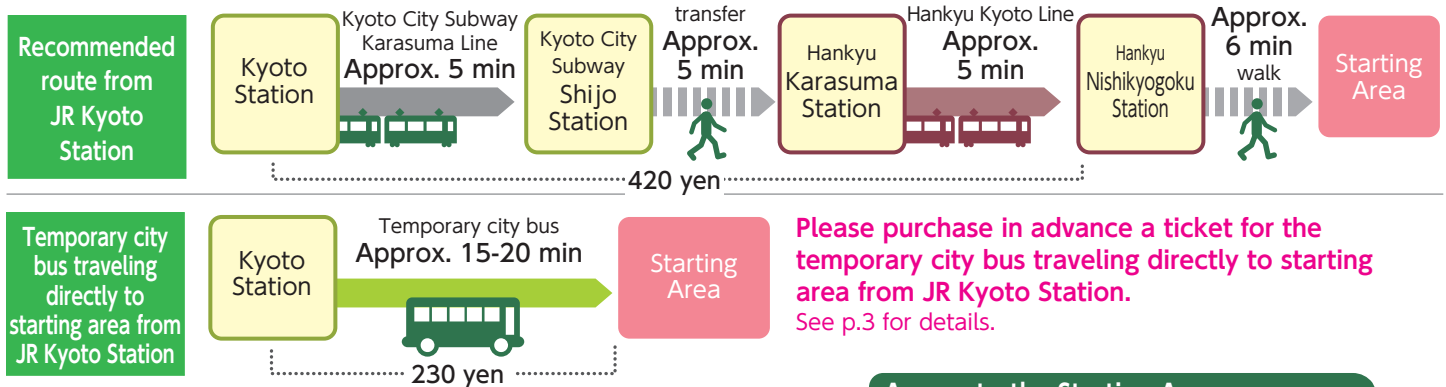


Access to the Starting Area - February 15 (Sun.)

Please allow plenty of time to reach the starting area (as organizers of the race will not be responsible for public transportation and road delays).

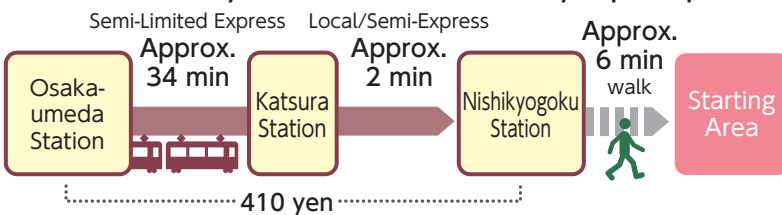


Access to the Starting Area from JR Kyoto Station



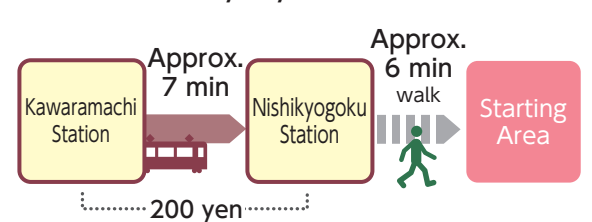
Access to the Starting Area from Hankyu Osaka-umeda Station

Access from Hankyu Osaka-umeda Station (by Rapid-Express)



Access to the Starting Area from Hankyu Kyoto-kawaramachi Station

Access from Hankyu Kyoto-kawaramachi Station



Access to Hankyu Nishikyogoku Station (according to February 15 (Sun.) timetable)

Scheduled

	Kyoto-kawaramachi Sta. (Dep.)	Karasuma Sta. (Dep.)	Omiya Sta. (Dep.)	Saiin Sta. (Dep.)	Nishikyogoku Sta. (Arr.)
Local	6:24	6:26	6:27	6:29	6:31
Semi-Express	6:28	6:30	6:31	6:33	6:35
Semi-Limited Express	6:35	6:37	6:38	6:40	6:42
Local	6:37	6:39	6:41	6:43	6:45
Local	6:44	6:46	6:47	6:49	6:51
Semi-Limited Express	6:49	6:51	6:53	6:55	6:56
Semi-Express	6:52	6:54	6:56	6:58	7:00
Semi-Limited Express	6:59	7:01	7:02	7:04	7:06
Semi-Express	7:03	7:05	7:07	7:09	7:11
Semi-Limited Express	7:10	7:12	7:13	7:15	7:17
Semi-Express	7:14	7:16	7:17	7:19	7:21
Semi-Limited Express	7:20	7:22	7:23	7:25	7:27
Semi-Express	7:23	7:25	7:26	7:28	7:30
Semi-Limited Express	7:30	7:32	7:33	7:35	7:37
Semi-Express	7:34	7:36	7:37	7:39	7:41
Local	7:37	7:39	7:41	7:43	7:45
Semi-Limited Express	7:41	7:43	7:45	7:47	7:49

All trains departing from Kyoto-kawaramachi Station from 6:24 to 7:41 (including Semi-Limited Express trains) are scheduled to stop at Nishikyogoku Station.

Cards that can be used on Hankyu Railway

Major IC cards such as PiTaPa, ICOCA, Suica, PASMO, and TOICA can be used. Contactless credit cards are also accepted.

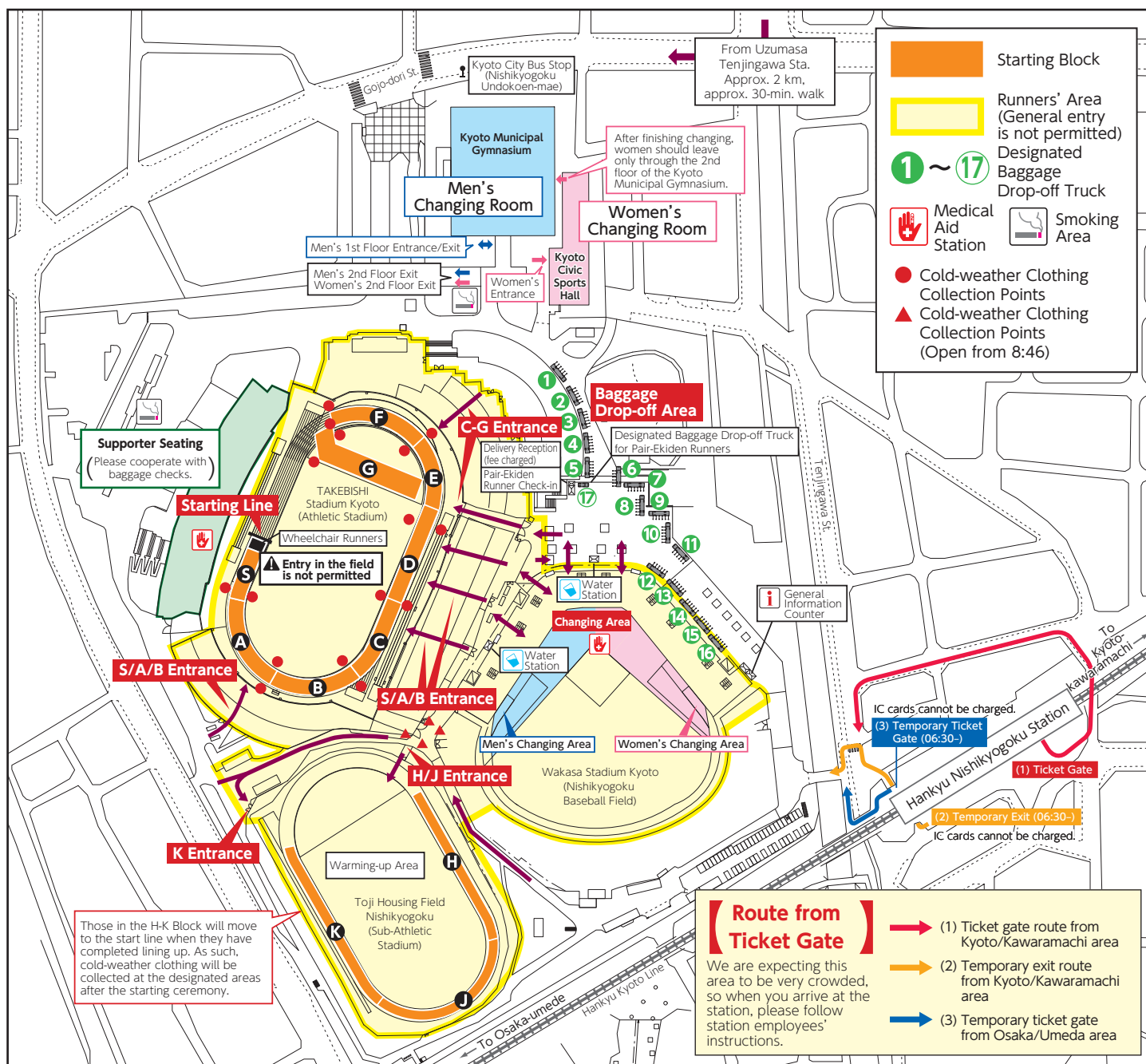
Important

Public transportation timetables are subject to change; please check in advance.
*Please note that you cannot take part in the race if you are late for the start.

Trains departing from Osaka/Umeda will run on the normal Sat/holiday timetable, with the addition of the following Semi-Limited Express trains listed below which are scheduled to make a special stop at Nishikyogoku Station.

	Osaka-umeda Sta. (Dep.)	Juso Sta. (Dep.)	Awaji. Sta. (Dep.)	Ibaraki-shi Sta. (Dep.)	Takatsuki-shi Sta. (Dep.)	Nagaoka-tenjin Sta. (Dep.)	Katsura Sta. (Dep.)	Nishikyogoku Sta. (Arr.)
Semi-Limited Express	6:15	6:18	6:23	6:31	6:36	6:44	6:50	6:51
Semi-Limited Express	6:29	6:32	6:37	6:45	6:50	6:58	7:04	7:05
Semi-Limited Express	6:43	6:46	6:51	7:00	7:05	7:13	7:20	7:22
Semi-Limited Express	—	—	—	7:06	7:12	7:21	7:26	7:27
Semi-Limited Express	6:59	7:02	7:07	7:16	7:21	7:29	7:34	7:36
Semi-Limited Express	7:13	7:17	7:22	7:30	7:35	7:43	7:48	7:50

Starting Area



Until the Race Starts

(1) Changing Clothing (6:50-8:30)

Thanks to the cold-weather clothing collection points, runners can wear warm clothing up until the race starts!

- Changing Area (Unisex) Wakasa Stadium Kyoto (Nishikyogoku Baseball Field)
- Men's Changing Room Kyoto Municipal Gymnasium
- Women's Changing Room Kyoto Civic Sports Hall 2nd-floor Gym

Please use this area for light changes, such as taking off your outerwear.

(2) Designated Baggage Drop-off (6:50-8:15)

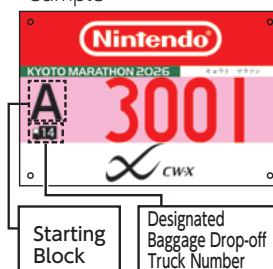
Make sure you have everything you need to hand, and head to the baggage drop-off point! Check the baggage drop-off truck number on your athlete bib!

- *Items will not be accepted outside of the above time period.
- *Checked bags are not available until the end of the race.
- *Please understand that due to security reasons, or at the request of the organizer, bags may be opened and inspected without the runner's permission.

Recommended items to carry

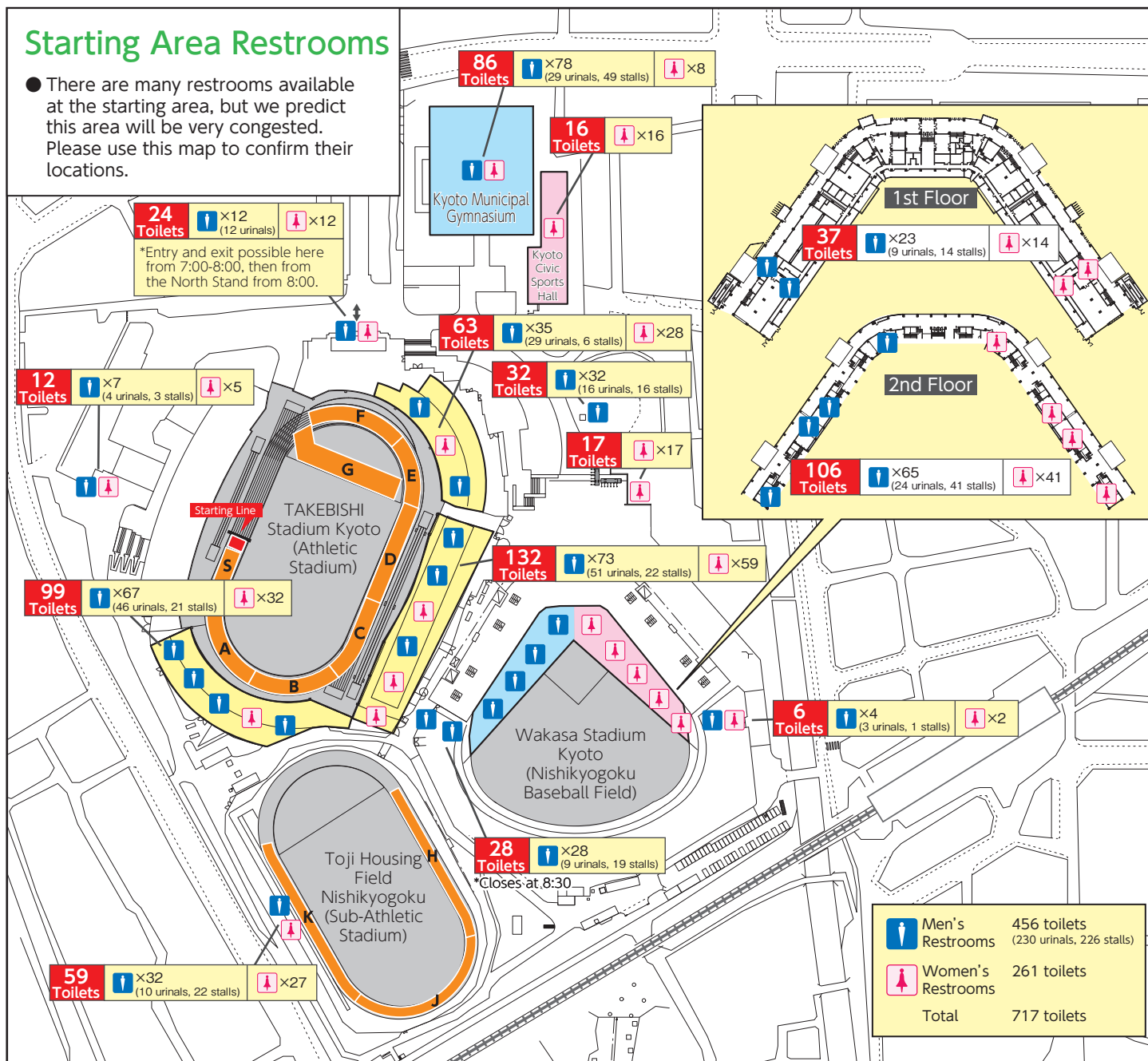
- Around 1,000 yen in cash (in case of emergencies, or for transportation fees for train, bus, etc.).
- Cold-weather clothing: Clothing that could be collected to be reused or recycled (refer to the next page).

<Sample>



Starting Area Restrooms

- There are many restrooms available at the starting area, but we predict this area will be very congested. Please use this map to confirm their locations.



(3) Starting Block (8:00-8:44)

It's time to line up at your starting block. Check the left of your athlete bib for the letter of your starting block.

Important Information

- 8:44 is the closing time for runners from every block to be at the starting line. Please give yourself extra time to reach your starting block area.
- If you do not reach the lining-up area before this time you risk being placed at the back of the line.
- If you miss the start time, you will not be allowed to participate.

(4) Starting Ceremony (8:45)

[Collecting of Cold-weather Clothing]

- In order to keep warm before the start signal is given, you can wear a sweater, jacket, or other clothing that you don't need any more while each block is being readied.
- Please hand in your clothing at the collection point. Clothing will also be collected after the start of the Wheelchair Race at designated collection points, or by staff carrying bags for clothing collection.
- Clothing that is collected will be donated for reuse or recycling, it will not be returned.
- Your athlete bibs (marathon bibs) must be shown to the staff at the AD check gate and at the entrance to your starting block.

Start

8:55
Wheelchair
Race
Start

9:00
Marathon
and
Pair-Ekiden
Start

Important Points before Starting

- The Kyoto Marathon is managed under the Japan Association of Athletics Federations regulations 2025 as well as the rules specific to the Kyoto Marathon 2026.
- Proxies for applicants will not be permitted.
- If there is an emergency during the marathon, emergency measures will be conducted. Compensation for injuries that occur during the marathon will fall under the purview of the marathon's insurance.

Health Check

- Please check the pre-start checklist below and if you do not feel well, do not force yourself to compete in the race.
- Before and during the race, if at any time there are any unusual changes to your physical condition, please withdraw and do not try to complete the race.
- If you have just recovered from influenza or another contagious disease, or if you are undergoing treatment or a close contact of someone who has tested positive (those under health observation) you will not be permitted to participate in the race.

Pre-start checklist

- ☐ I have a fever or feel hot.
- ☐ I feel tired.
- ☐ I didn't get enough sleep last night.
- ☐ I didn't eat or drink enough before the race.
- ☐ I have cold symptoms (slight fever, headache, sore throat, cough, or runny nose).
- ☐ I have discomfort or pain in my chest or back. I have palpitations or shortness of breath.
- ☐ I have stomach pain or diarrhea. I feel nauseous.
- ☐ You consumed more than two alcoholic drinks* last night.
*Two alcoholic drinks are defined as: 500 mL of beer (5% alcohol), 1 go of sake (15% alcohol), 110 mL of shochu (25% alcohol), 180 mL of wine (14% alcohol), or 60 mL of whisky (43% alcohol).
- ☐ I don't expect to do well in the race.

Clothing

- Please run in **clothing where your athlete bib is visible** at all times.
- To ensure the safety of the 16,000 people running, **costumes are prohibited.**
*This is due to the fact that costumes may make it difficult to confirm the safety of runners and prevent swift emergency treatment.
- Runners are prohibited from bringing items that may pose a danger to others (such as selfie sticks).
- The wearing or display of any advertisements for companies, products, trademarks, etc. at the marathon venue and on the course is not permitted.
- Weather conditions on the day of the race may vary, and the changing area on the day of the race might be very crowded. We ask participants to wear most of the clothes they plan to wear in the race from their residence or lodging to the venue, and recommend that they use the changing rooms primarily to remove cold-weather clothing.

Measures Against the Cold **Check!**

While you are racing in harshly cold weather, there is potential for hypothermia. Each person should take measures to ensure they are protected against the cold.

<Clothing>

- Please use the participation prize Original Neck Gaiter as a headband or neckwarmer.
- Arm warmers, long tights, and other cold-weather clothing can be very helpful.
- T-shirts (long-sleeved, etc.) made of cotton might not dry quickly when you sweat. We recommend wearing a fast-drying polyester material.

Starting Line

- To enable a safe and smooth start, regardless of individual or group entry, or whether you are registered with the Japan Association of Athletics Federations, **the starting block is ordered based on runners' recorded times registered at the time of application. The last block is made up of runners who did not report an estimated time.**
- You cannot start from a block ahead of your designation. However, you are free to start from a block departing after your designated block. The blocks have been determined based upon the priority order shown on the right, irrespective of group entries. For those wishing to start in the same block, please join the block of the lattermost runner.

■ Priority order for the starting blocks

- (1) Runners who have registered a personal best time within the previous four years (starting blocks are ordered by these times)
- (2) Runners who have registered a predicted time (starting blocks are ordered by these times, after (1))
- (3) Runners who have registered neither a personal best time nor a predicted time

Weather records for the last five years on February 15 (weather records from the Japanese Meteorological Agency)

Year	General Weather Conditions	Temperature (°C)			Precipitation Amount (mm)			Wind speed (m/s)		
		Avg.	High	Low	Total	Maximum		Avg.	Max.	Peak Gusts
						1-Hour Period	10-min Period			
2019	Cloudy with sunny spells	6.4	11.5	4.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	7.0	12.2
2020	Rainy	11.7	14.2	9.5	20.0	3.5	2.0	1.8	6.0	9.5
2023	Cloudy with some showers	10.8	14.9	8.5	11.0	5.0	2.0	1.9	4.9	9.9
2024	Cloudy with brief showers and sunny spells	14.2	17.8	11.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	4.3	7.3
2025	Cloudy with sunny spells and brief showers	8.7	12.7	6.1	3.0	1.5	0.5	1.3	2.9	5.8

*The temperature and other weather conditions may change on the day of the marathon, so please take measures to protect yourself from the heat, cold, and rain.

Marathon Course: Important Points

Pace Runners

- To set your running pace, three or five Pace Runners (wearing a bib & balloon) will set the pace based on the following seven times.
- Pace Runners will aim to achieve their indicated time from the start to finish line. **However, these are estimated times, and actual times may differ.**
- The pace runners will start from the following blocks.

Indicated time	Block	Facility
3 hr	S	TAKEBISHI Stadium Kyoto (Athletic Stadium)
3 hr 30 min	A	
4 hr	C	
4 hr 30 min	E	
5 hr	F	
5 hr 30 min	G	
6 hr	H	Toji Housing Field Nishikyogoku (Sub-Athletic Stadium)

- **Pace Runners will use the same services (toilets, water stations, etc.) as other runners.**



(Balloons will be used for this event.)

Medical Aid

- There are two medical aid stations at the starting area, 10 stations along the course, and three stations at the finish area.
- There will be a doctor and a nurse at each medical aid station; if you feel unwell at any time, please go immediately to a medical aid station.
- If a doctor or marathon official decides it is unsafe for you to continue the marathon for any reason, please follow their instructions.
- **Medical aid stations are set up to provide life-support and emergency medical care for injuries and illnesses that occur during the race.** The Kyoto Marathon is not responsible for any aftercare/follow-up treatment, and it is the responsibility of the individual to make sure they obtain proper medical care after the Kyoto Marathon.
- Medical aid stations will not carry any over-the-counter medicines (stomach medicines, cold medicine, etc.)
- **Please be aware that taping, compressing, and cold spray will not be provided. If necessary, please make provisions for yourself.**



- Every 400 m along the course there are staff members (wearing red staff jackets) with AED devices. **If a runner near you suddenly collapses, please coordinate with other runners and staff by checking that the area is clear and in a loud voice call for medical aid staff or run to get medical aid.** Bystanders' help is very important to save someone's life.



Course Width

- Please be aware that the course narrows in places, such as from the Botanical Gardens (approx. 27 km mark) and along the riverbank (approx. 29 km mark).

If your pace begins to slow to a walk, please stay alert and look for signs directing you on which side to walk.



Distance Markers

- Distance markers are displayed on the left side of the course (generally) every kilometer, with signs for the midpoint and to count down from the last five km.



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Signs for Distance Marker

Possible Interruptions

- **Should any emergency, such as a fire or accident, occur during the marathon, it is possible that emergency vehicles may have to pass through the course.**
- **If a situation like this occurs during the marathon, runners may be asked to stop, please follow all instructions from marathon staff. Please be aware that your time cannot be corrected to remove the time during which you were stopped.**
- **In the event of a J-Alert surrounding Kyoto City, the race may be temporarily stopped until safety can be confirmed.**

Pedestrian and Bicycle Crossings

- In 13 places along the course there will be special crossing areas, which will allow runners to continue running with minimal stopping and at the same time allow pedestrians/cyclists to cross (fenced-in traffic islands: see p. 11-12). In these portions of the course, staff will divert you left or right. Please pay close attention to all staff members' instructions in these areas.
- **Please be aware that here are other crossing locations where you might need to slow or stop depending on the conditions. We appreciate your cooperation.**

Time Restrictions: Closing Times

- For transportation, security, and general marathon operational constraints, closing times will be enforced for each section of the marathon (details on p. 11). If you do not reach the next section before it closes, you will not be allowed to continue the race. **After a section closes, remaining runners must follow signs displayed by marathon officials or staff and quickly move to the sidewalk.**
- **On any section of the course, if you have fallen behind considerably or are considered clearly unable to make the next gate or finishing line before the time limit, you may be instructed by marathon officials to stop running even if there is time remaining. If you are instructed to stop running, please make your way to the sidewalk as quickly as possible.**
- If you get closed out, stop running, or withdraw along the way, please make your way to the finish area at Miyakomesse by one of the procedures shown below.
 - ① Please go to the nearest closing point to board a bus to the finish area.
 - ② Get on the marathon tracking bus farthest in the rear.



Signs for closing times

Water Station & Food

- There are 14 water stations on the course.
- **Water is provided on multiple tables at the water stations. At each table is a sign indicating its position (for example, "3/5" indicating that it is the third of five tables), so please do not rush, and try to take drinks from tables in the back rather than in the front.**
- Regardless of the weather, prevent dehydration by taking appropriate amounts of water and sports drinks during the race.
- Be sure to throw paper cups and food garbage in the bin and do not litter on the road or riverbank.
- We cannot accept requests for special drinks.
- We cannot be held responsible for food/drinks provided in any private station outside of the official food & water stations.
- **Each water station features a dedicated water point for those with their own cups or bottles.**
*With the exception of the 1st and 12th water stations.
- Tissue paper is also provided to wipe your hands or mouth.
*Provided at food station tables.
- Some food station items are individually packaged.
- There is a limit to the number of items that can be provided, so please bring your own gels or other foods as necessary.



List of Food/Drinks Provided

Product name	Source	Picture	Product name	Source	Picture
Water (still)	Suntory		Hime-Senju Senbei (matcha flavor)	Kyoto Confectionery Kogetsu	
Sports drinks	Otsuka Pharmaceutical		Snacks	Takagi Wholesalers	
Bananas	Kyoto Yaoichihonkan		Kyobaum (roasted green tea flavor)	Bijuu	
Salt charge tablets (plum flavor)	Kabaya Foods		Ramune candy	Kasugai Seika	
Yukino Yado Salad	Sanko Seika		Shichifuku Tempura Roll	Tempura Endo	
Miyako Kombu vinegared seaweed	Nakano Bussan		Kyobaum (matcha flavor)	Bijuu	
Tsujiri no Sato (roll biscuits filled with matcha cream)	Gion Tsujiri		Onigiri rice balls using Kyoto rice	JA Kyoto	
Strawberries	Kyoto Yaoichihonkan		BODYMAINTÉ Jelly	Otsuka Pharmaceutical	
Cherry tomatoes	Kyoto Yaoichihonkan		CHA-NO-KA (cookie)	Roman Life	

*Images are for illustration purposes only, and may differ from the actual products on offer.

About Staff on the Course

Around 13,000 staff and volunteers are working on the day of the event.

Blue: Volunteer
Black: Official Staff
Grey: Operation Staff
Red: Medical Aid Staff
Yellow: Kyoto City Employees
Navy Blue: Sports Officer



Toilets

- Signs for toilets are posted along the course. **Please be sure to use toilets in the designated areas.**
- Please be aware that volunteer staff will use the same toilets if they are available.



	Facility name			No. of toilets
Start	Nishikyogoku Athletic Park			717
	Facility name	Place	Distance	No. of toilets
1	Kyoto Koka Women's University and College	Kadonooji-dori St.	0.8	18
2	Kyoto Daihatsu Kadono Oji Takatsuji No. 2 parking	Kadonooji-dori St.	1.2	18
3	Mitsubishi Motors	Shijo-dori St.	2.1	16
4	Kyoto Shinkin Bank Document Center Umezu	Shijo-dori St.	3.4	7
5	Kyoto City Bus	Shijo-dori St.	4.1	9
6	Kyoto Saga University of Arts Library	Fushihara Embankment	5.2	10
7	Municipal Arashiyama Sightseeing Parking	Sanjo-dori St.	6.1	14
8	Office T.N.S	Kiyotakimichi St.	7.2	15
9	Bukkyo Univ. Hirosawa Pond bus terminal	Ichijo-dori St.	8.3	13
10	Inku-ji Temple Parking	Ichijo-dori St.	9.1	10
11	Suribachi-ike Park	Ichijo-dori St.	9.7	9
12	Ninna-ji Temple Parking	Kinukake-no-michi St.	11.1	14
13	Ritsumeikan University	Kinukake-no-michi St.	12.4	6
14	Komatsubara Park	Kamidachiuri-dori St.	13.0	8
15	Waratenjin Shrine	Nishioji-dori St.	13.7	3
16	Zero Corporation Parking	Imamiyamonmae-dori St.	15.5	7
17	Omiya Kotsu Park	Funaoka Higashi-dori St.	16.6	10
18	Tenrikyo Horikawa Church	Kamokaiko St.	17.7	7
19	Nishigamobashi Eastend south	Kamonishi-dori St.	18.7	5
20	Drug Hikari Misonobashi Store parking	Kamokaiko St.	19.5	7
21	Omotesenke Kitayama Kaikan parking	Kitayama-dori St.	20.8	7
22	D Parking Takaragaike Park No. 3 parking	Kitayama-dori St.	22.0	10
23	Taiyakan Kitayama Store	Kitayama-dori St.	23.1	11
24	Rakuhoku High School ground	Shimogamohon-dori St.	25.5	12
25	Okubo Clinic Parking	Kitayama-dori St.	26.5	5
26	Kyoto Botanical Gardens	Kitayama-dori St.	27.7	11
27	Kitaojibashi bridge Westend north	Kamo-gawa Riverside	29.3	4
28	Izumojibashi bridge Westend south	Kamo-gawa Riverside	30.1	5
29	Demachibashi bridge Westend north	Kamo-gawa Riverside	31.0	6
30	Kojinbashi bridge Westend south	Kamo-gawa Riverside	32.1	4
31	Marutamachibashi bridge Westend north	Kamo-gawa Riverside	32.3	10
32	Kyoto Imperial Palace (Teramachi Marutamachi north)	Marutamachi-dori St.	32.8	3
33	Kyoto Imperial Palace Tominokoji-guchi	Marutamachi-dori St.	33.0	10
34	Plaza in front of the City Hall	Oike-dori St.	35.1	10
35	Kawabata Higashi Ichijo	Higashi-Ichijo-dori St.	37.1	2
36	Kyoto University North Gate	Imadegawa-dori St.	39.9	3
37	Kyoto University Yoshida Campus Southwest Gate	Higashioji-dori St.	40.8	2
				321
	Facility name			No. of toilets
Finish	Miyakomesse, etc.			127
	Total			1,165

Other Important Information

- **Please notify staff immediately if you see any suspicious items or people.**
- Garbage bins are located every 200 meters on the course. Please throw garbage and ponchos/gloves that you no longer need in the trash.
- Please do not run outside the course on gardens or along the riverbed in order to protect the plants etc.
- Depending on the weather, an anti-freezing agent may be used on the course which may make it slippery, so please be careful.



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Athlete bibs

(Front)



(Back)



Variety of Title-Sponsored Projects

Kyoto Marathon 2026 is held under the "SUPER MARIO BROS. 40th Anniversary" name. Here, we introduce collaborative initiatives with Nintendo Co., Ltd.

Photo Spot (Okoshiyasu Welcome Square / Otsukaresama Runners' Square)



Runner Name Board (Okoshiyasu Welcome Square)



Illustration

Finisher Medal Theme: The Four Guardian Deities

The finisher medal is themed around the Four Guardian Deities—Azure Dragon, White Tiger, Vermilion Bird, and Black Tortoise—who have protected the city of Kyoto since the days of Heian-kyo. The design aims to convey their energy. The medal ribbon also features a vibrant, Kyoto-inspired Kyo-Yuzen pattern.



"Returning to the Soil" Commemorative Towel

This commemorative towel is a special, environmentally conscious item, made possible with the support of Jogan Co., Ltd. The design is an original creation by Kimura Senshow Inc., a long-established Kyo-Yuzen dyeing house. It will be presented to all runners.



Delicious and Nutritious Fuel

Tempura Yasaka Endo, a long-established restaurant with more than 140 years of history in Kyoto's Gion district. For the first time, the Shichifuku Tempura Roll will be offered as a food station item. In addition to popular Kyoto confections (Kyo Baum, Tsujiri no Sato, and Hime-Senju Senbei [organic matcha]), as well as strawberries and cherry tomatoes, rice balls made with Kyoto-grown rice will be provided at the finish.

New Food Station Menu Item!



Shichifuku Tempura Roll



Kyobaum cake



Tsujiri no Sato (roll biscuits filled with matcha cream)



Hime-Senju Senbei (matcha flavor)

Cheering Along the Course Gives You Strength

The Course-Side Cheering Team brings the race to life with performances by dance teams, brass bands, and more. Popular high five zones are also set up along the course. Draw energy from the cheers of the crowd and enjoy your run all the way to the finish.

This year, too, with eco-friendly materials!



Marathon Manners Let's strive to improve our manners to make it an enjoyable event for all involved!

No pushing in at the start line

Please start the race at your designated starting block.

No littering

Please throw away your garbage in the designated areas. Garbage bins can be found every 200 m along the course.

Use the designated toilets

Please be sure to only use the designated toilets.

Refrain from using earphones

Runners may be asked to stop during emergencies. Please ensure that you can hear staff instructions.

Consider others at the food stations

As a rule, please only take one item from each station.

Show your thanks

Make sure to say "thank you" to the volunteers and supporters along the course!

Time-Restricted Closing Point	Distance	Closing Point Location	Closing Time (Based on signal gun)		Section Pace (Per 1km)
Start	0km	Nishikyogoku Athletic Park	—	—	7min. 42"
1 st Closing Point	6.1km	Kiyotakido-Sanjo (Arashiyama)	10:02	<1hr. 02min.>	7min. 40"
2 nd Closing Point	9.1km	Ichijo Yamagoe	10:25	<1hr. 25min.>	7min. 56"
3 rd Closing Point	12.5km	Ritsumeikan University	10:52	<1hr. 52min.>	8min. 08"
4 th Closing Point	18.4km	Nishigomobashi Westend Crossing	11:40	<2hr. 40min.>	8min. 10"
5 th Closing Point	26.8km	Shimogamo Naka-dori Kitayama (Return)	12:48	<3hr. 48min.>	8min. 11"
6 th Closing Point	32.1km	Kojinbashi bridge Westend north (Riverbank)	13:32	<4hr. 32min.>	8min. 13"
7 th Closing Point	34.9km	Kyoto City Hall north (Outward)	13:55	<4hr. 55min.>	8min. 51"
8 th Closing Point	41.0km	Higashiyama Konoe	14:49	<5hr. 49min.>	9min. 12"
Finish	42.195km	Heian-jingu Shrine	15:00	<6hr. 00min.>	(anticipated)

*The section pace for the first interval is calculated with a 15 minute period at the start to allow for all runners to pass the starting line.

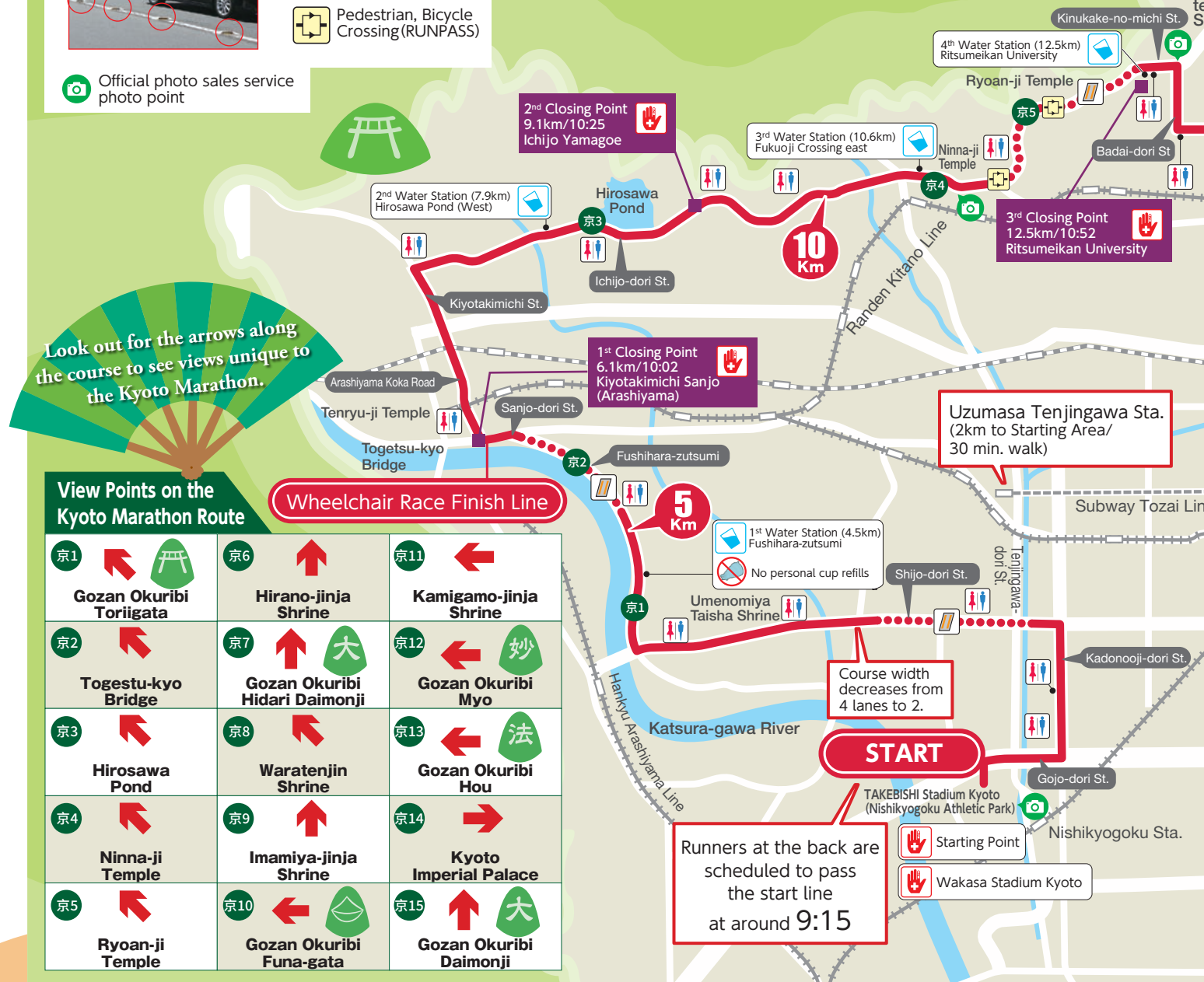


Location	Distance	Position	Water	Sports Drink	Food
Start	0.0km	-	○	○	-
1 st Water Station	4.5km	Right	○	○	-
2 nd Water Station	7.9km	Left	○	-	-
3 rd Water Station	10.6km	Left	○	○	-
4 th Water Station	12.5km	Right	○	-	-
5 th Water Station	15.3km	Left	○	○	Bananas, salt charge tablets (plum flavor)
6 th Water Station	17.6km	Left	○	-	Yukino Yado Salad, Miyako Kombu vinegared seaweed, Tsujiri no Sato (roll biscuits filled with matcha cream)
7 th Water Station	20.6km	Left	○	○	Strawberries, cherry tomatoes, Hime-Senju Senbei
8 th Water Station	23.1km	Left	○	-	Salt charge tablets (plum flavor), assorted confectionary
9 th Water Station	26.5km	Left	○	○	Kyobaum cake (roasted green tea flavor), Ramune candy
10 th Water Station	29.5km	Right	○	-	Bananas, Hime-Senju senbei
11 th Water Station	32.2km	Right	○	○	Cherry tomatoes, Shichifuku Tempura Roll / Yukino Yado Salad
12 th Water Station	35.1km	Right	○	-	-
13 th Water Station	37.2km	Right	○	○	Kyobaum cake
14 th Water Station	40.8km	Left	○	-	-
Finish	42.195km	-	-	-	Onigiri rice balls with Kyoto rice, CHA no KA (cookies), sports drinks, BODYMAINTÉ Jelly

* Water station for runners with their own cups and bottles.

(Excluding the 1st and 12th water stations)

* Actual products provided may differ in some cases.



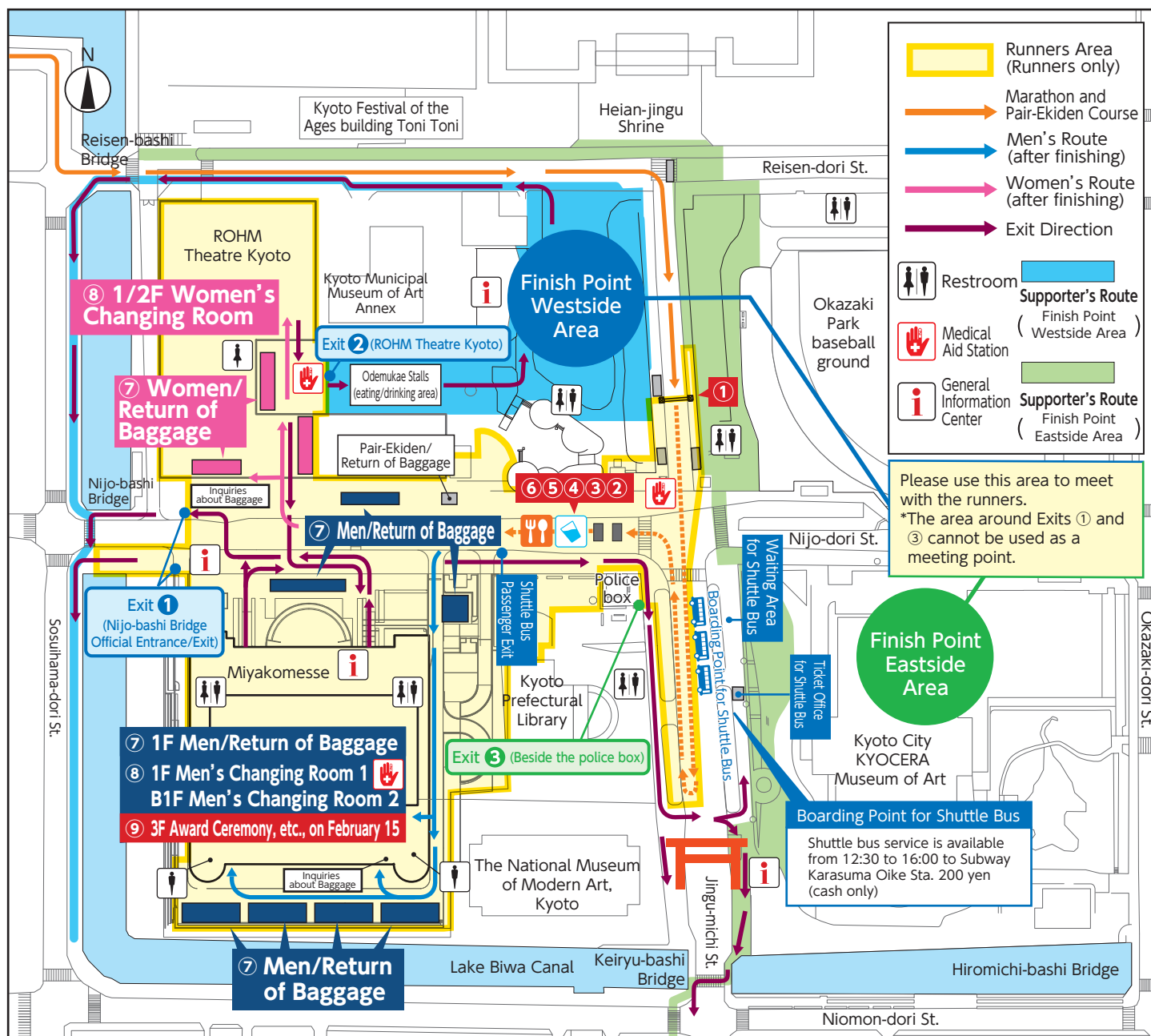
View Points on the Kyoto Marathon Route

京1 Gozan Okuribi Toriigata	京6 Hirano-jinja Shrine	京11 Kamigamo-jinja Shrine
京2 Togestu-kyo Bridge	京7 Gozan Okuribi Hidari Daimonji	京12 Gozan Okuribi Myo
京3 Hirotsawa Pond	京8 Waratenjin Shrine	京13 Gozan Okuribi Hou
京4 Ninna-ji Temple	京9 Imamiya-jinja Shrine	京14 Kyoto Imperial Palace
京5 Ryoan-ji Temple	京10 Gozan Okuribi Funa-gata	京15 Gozan Okuribi Daimonji

Full Course Map



Finish Area



Check!

Procedures after Finishing

Stopping suddenly will result in a decrease in body temperature, so continue to move quickly.

① Finish Line

② Participation Commemorative Towel*1

③ Timing Chip Return

④ Finisher Medal*2

⑤ Drinks (Sports drink)

⑥ BODYMAINTÉ Jelly, onigiri rice ball, CHA-NO-KA (cookie)

⑦ Return of Baggage (Please pick up your baggage before 15:30.)

⑧ Change of clothes

Men: Miyakomesse **Women:** ROHM Theatre Kyoto

⑨ Finish (The award ceremony is planned for 13:00 onward) on 3F of Miyakomesse

Regarding the Return of Timing Chips

Chips will be collected at the end of the race. Please understand that we charge a 2,000 yen fee if you have lost or are unable to return the chip. If you have forgotten to return it, please send it back by March 6 to the address below.

Please return the timing chip in the return envelope provided with the athlete bib.
If you have lost the return envelope, please send it to the below address.
(Address) 1-31-9 Haramachi, Meguro-ku, Tokyo 152-8532
RECS Business Management Dept., R-bies Co., Ltd.)

*1 Runners who withdraw during the race will receive the towel at the locations listed below.

Checkpoint bus users: Checkpoint bus drop-off area (in front of the Jingū-michi Otorii gate) All others: Nijo Bridge staff entrance

*2 You can apply to have your running time engraved on your medal (fee required) on the 3F of Miyakomesse on Feb. 13 (Fri.), 15 (Sun.).

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Otsukaresama Runners' Square

After the race is over, we offer a variety of services to the runners, including free miso soup, massages, and Omotenashi Stalls by renowned local restaurants where you can enjoy a taste of Kyoto. Drop by Otsukaresama Runners' Square to relieve those post-race aches and pains.

*After finishing your run, please make sure to hydrate well to help prevent dehydration.

Award Ceremony (13:00-13:30)

Medals will be awarded to men and women in 1st to 8th place overall.



Free Massages (12:00-15:15 approx.)

*May finish early.

Alleviate your exhaustion with acupuncture and massage therapy.



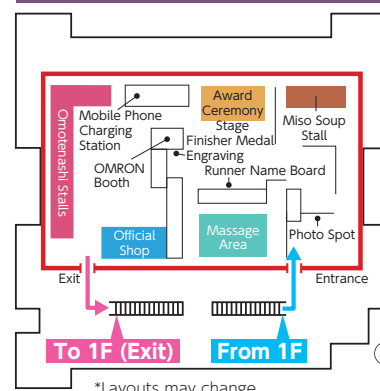
Free Miso Soup

Here we will prepare hot miso soup using ingredients characteristic of Kyoto for runners to enjoy free of charge.



There are also food and drink stalls (Odemukae Stalls) for spectators at the Finish Point Westside Area. Feel free to drop by with friends and family!

Miyakomesse 3F Otsukaresama Runners' Square



*Layouts may change.



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Public Bath-Houses in Kyoto

Kyoto is home to around 80 public baths! Dip into the hot water and soothe your body and soul.

An adult pass at one of Kyoto's Sento costs just 550 yen per visit.

After your run, relax at one of Kyoto's public baths.

*Soap and towels can be purchased at each Sento. *Please check opening days before visiting.



Public Bath-Houses in Kyoto

<https://1010.kyoto/>

Find a Sento near you



Records / Awards

Web Completion Certificate

- You can download the preliminary version of your **web completion certificate** from the event website from the day of the event. In addition to official records (gross times), certificates will also include times from crossing the start line (net times) and split times per 5 km for reference.
- Web completion certificates for official records are planned to be available on the event website from early March.
*Those who are registered will receive a record certificate.

Official Records

The total time is from the starting gun until the finish (gross time).

Ouen Navi



Ouen Navi is a digital application that uses race data to predict and display runners' positions on a map. It's perfect for friends and families who want to find out easily where their runner is, and to cheer them on!



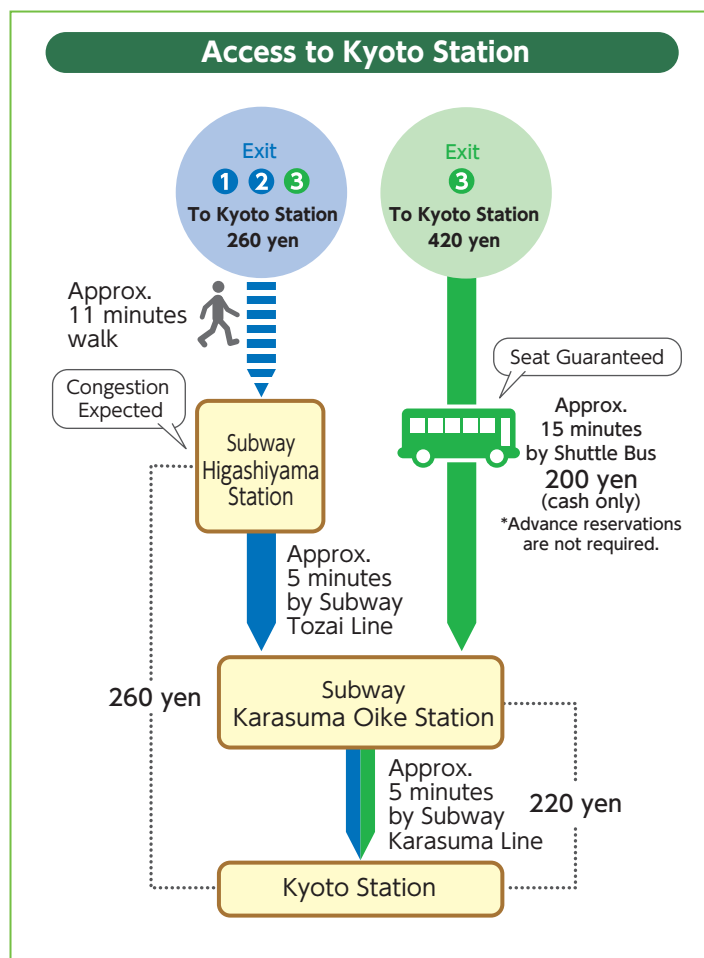
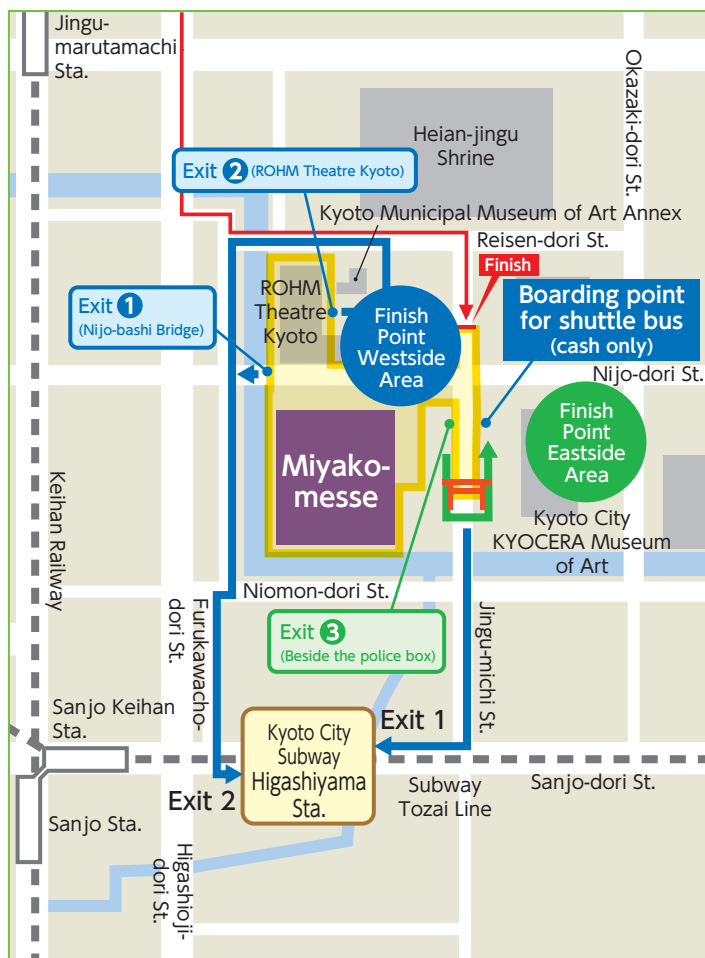
Marathon Challenge Cup

The Marathon Challenge Cup (MCC) is a project that aims to support all kinds of runners, from first-time marathon participants to top-flight runners looking to improve their competition record.



Check! Meeting Spectators and Going Home

We encourage runners to decide on a route home prior to the day of the marathon.



There is no carpark. We do not allow you to be picked up/dropped off at the finish area in a car or bus under any circumstance.

To everyone participating in the Kyoto Marathon



Please refrain from using your car on the day of the race. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Please expect traffic congestion and parking restrictions. Participants and supporters are asked to use public transportation on the day of the race. We thank you for your cooperation.

February 15 (Sun.), 2026
We ask for your cooperation in refraining from using your car.

