

Zydeco Relay Division

Zydeco Marathon is very excited to once again present a relay option once again this year. The half marathon relay is a 2 person relay.

Packet Pick-Up

Packet pick-up for race bibs, training shirts, and bags will occur ONLY at the Zydeco Marathon Expo on Friday and Saturday, March 12th and 13th. The time for the expo is 3PM to 8 PM on Friday and 7AM to 7PM on Saturday. EACH RELAY MEMBER WILL BE REQUIRED TO PICK UP THEIR OWN PACKET. Please have your ID ready at packet pick-up. THERE WILL BE NO RACE DAY PACKET PICK-UP.

Half Marathon Relay

The Half Marathon Relay will consist of two legs that will be 6.2 miles and 6.9 miles. Each team member will have a specific bib for each leg of the relay. **Please have your team order finalized before the Zydeco Expo.** The bib order will follow this pattern: **Team 1**: 1st leg bib 2101, 2nd leg 2102; **Team 2**: 1st leg 2103, 2nd leg 2104; **Team 3**: 1st leg 2105, 2nd leg 2106 and so on. Also, the bib color for the half marathon relay will have a unique color. We will have Zydeco bars and bananas at these water stations for our relay participants as well.

Leg one will start at the start line on Jefferson St at the same time as the half and full marathon. It will be important for the first leg to be in the corral 30 minutes prior to the gun time at 7 AM. This leg will take you through the Saint Street, Cajundome, Downtown, and Freetown neighborhoods and will end at the 6.2 timing split on St. Mary St. on UL's campus near Angelle Hall. **Leg two** will traverse through UL, the Oil Center, Bendel Gardens neighborhood, and Freetown, and will conclude in Downtown Lafayette at the finish line on Jefferson Street. You will be in walking distance to join your teammate at the Finish Line Festival!

Timing, Scoring, & Awards

Each team member will wear an individual bib for timing. After passing through the timing mats, the relay exchange will occur 50 feet past the mat with a simple tag or fist-bump to dignify the new runner.

The relay will use chip timing courtesy of Cajun Timing, and the overall time will be based on the combined chip time of the team members. Each runner's individual time will be determined by the elapsed time from timing split to timing split. It is important for the runner waiting in the corral to not walk near the timing mats to create any timing issues.

All relay participants will receive an official Zydeco finisher's medal.

Relay Travel & Exchange Area

We will have van transportation to take you to the relay exchange corral and back to the finish line festival in Downtown once you have conquered your leg.

Leg One participants will report to the start corral, while the Leg Two runners will meet at the corner of Taylor St. and Vermilion St. at the edge of Parc Sans Souci to catch a ride to their area. Parc Sans Souci is the location of our post-race party! Please see the parking section of our website for parking locations on race morning. Please arrive by 6:30 AM to ensure on time transit, especially if you are running Leg Two.

If you do not ride the van, you will be responsible for making it to the corral area on your own.

Once you arrive to your destination, you will be guided by our amazing volunteers to the corral area. Here you will await your teammate's arrival. We will have water nearby. We will station a volunteer a quarter mile ahead of the exchange point and they will coordinate with the volunteer near the corral to alert you that your teammate is approaching the exchange area.

Once you have completed your leg, one of the vans will take you back to downtown to the area of the finish line festival. The van for Leg One will be stationed in the parking lot of the UL Foundation at the corner of Taft and St. Mary. This will be next to our water station.

You can meet up with your teammates and celebrate finishing the Zydeco Relay!