

Ham Run Half Marathon and 5k Fun Run Transportation Options

NOTE: DURING THE RACE, THERE WILL BE ONE LANE OPEN FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND SHUTTLES ONLY. PLEASE DO NOT PLAN TO HAVE A VEHICLE ON THE COURSE FROM 10AM TO 1:00PM

We encourage participants and spectators to car pool or take advantage of the free bus transportation from Grand Marais up the Gunflint Trail. Please let any friends or family know about these opportunities to travel to and from the race as well as to watch the race.

Take The Bus from Grand Marais

7:00am The bus will leave from the Municipal Parking Lot (by the Coop).

8:00am The bus will drop off at Gunflint Pines (start of Half Marathon)

8:15am The bus will drop off at Seagull Creek Fishing Camp(start of 5k)

2:30pm The bus will leave from the Trail's End finish line.

3:30pm The bus will return to Grand Marais

Carpool

7am-8am If you would like to try to car pool then you can meet at the Municipal Parking Lot in front of the Whole Foods Coop. When traveling from Duluth make a right at the stoplight and the parking lot will be on the left hand side of the street. Car pools are subject to interest and availability and are not guaranteed.

Parking and Shuttle Options

- Parking attendants will assist in parking at the Trail's End Campground, 57 miles from Grand Marais. Shuttles will begin at 8:00am dropping spectators and participants at race starts or viewing locations. The last shuttle will leave Trail's End at 9:10AM.
- Park near 5k Race Start, Seagull Creek Fishing Camp, at the Blankenburg Landing and take return shuttle back. Shuttle will run continually until 4:00PM.
- Park at Half Marathon Start, Gunflint Pines (43 miles from Grand Marais), and take return shuttle back. Parking is very limited. Shuttle until 4pm.

Spectator Shuttle Service

Spectators are welcome to ride shuttles to starting lines and viewing points. The designated viewing areas are the Cross River(mile 3.3), Seagull Guard Station(mile 7) and Seagull Creek Fishing Camp(mile 10.3). All other roads and turnouts will be barricaded. Spectators may watch the start and then be transported to a viewing area or finish line. Pilot cars will be leading traffic so expect delays.

FAQ:

What is recommended for transportation?

We prefer people car pool or ride the bus as much as possible. We recommend you park at Trails' End Campground, unless you need to leave before 1:30pm(cars will be unable to leave parking spots while runners are on the course).

Can't I just drive my own car and follow along?

Due to participant and volunteer safety personal vehicles are not welcome on the race course during the race. The shuttle is provided for your convenience and we encourage you to take advantage of it. One lane will be kept open for shuttles and emergency vehicles that will be led by a pilot car.

What if we need to leave right after we finish running?

The 5K start at Seagull Creek Fishing Camp is 3 miles from the finish line. You may be able to leave the race earlier if you catch a shuttle to Blankenberg Road and leave when the final runners pass mile marker 10.3.

Can I just drive up and park at a side road to watch?

We cannot allow non-race vehicles on the course or side roads during the event. We need to be able to ensure the safety of the participants, volunteers and spectators. We encourage people to use the shuttle.

Can I ride my bike?

Unfortunately no biking or inline skating is allowed. One lane of traffic will be open and kept clear for emergency vehicles and shuttles. The Gunflint Trail is a narrow road, unable to accommodate runners, bikers, and vehicles.

Can spectators join in with runners for any part of the course?

For liability reasons only runners with bib numbers will be allowed on the race course.

When can I leave the race?

We anticipate all runners will be off the course by 1:30pm. Shuttles will run continuously to Blankenberg Road parking and Gunflint Pines.

When is the bus returning to Grand Marais?

The bus will leave Trail's end at approximately 2:30pm, arriving in Grand Marais approximately 3:30.

What is going on after the race?

You are welcome to stay for the post race festivities, including food, beverages, a live band, massages and the awards ceremony.