

BALLOT ANNOUNCEMENT

Race date:  
March 8, 2026

# SAVE THE SPEED FOR THE RACE



Lisbon  
Half-Marathon



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## EDP Lisbon Half Marathon Ballot

Due to the overwhelming demand for registrations for the 2026 Lisbon Half Marathon — which even caused the website to crash during the last registration attempt — we have decided to introduce a ballot system to allocate entries.

This way, we ensure that all interested runners have an equal chance to secure a place, without being affected by internet speed or other factors beyond their control.

Our goal is to provide a fairer, more transparent, and smoother registration process for everyone.

## How does the entry lottery for the 2026 Lisbon Half Marathon work?

### Application period

A registration period for the lottery will open from 26.06.2025, 10h00 until 20.07.2025, 18h00. During this time, all interested runners can submit their application online (no payment is required at this stage). There is **no advantage** to applying when the ballot open versus applying in the middle of the time window.

### Closing and processing

Once the application period closes, all submitted applications will be included in the ballot.

### Ballot

The ballot is a random draw for places in the 2026 EDP Lisbon Half Marathon.



## Notification of selected runners

Selected applicants will receive an email with instructions on how to complete their registration and submit payment to secure their place.

## Confirmation of the registration

After completing payment within the given deadline, the registration will be confirmed. If any selected applicant does not complete payment, their spot will be offered to other applicants.

## Important to note

### Ballot application price

Applying to the lottery is free of charge. Only selected applicants who confirm their participation will be asked to pay.

### Age restriction

Participants in the 2026 EDP Lisbon Half Marathon must be aged 18 or over on Event Day.

### Group entry

Each candidate can register up to two more runners (three in total). If one runner is successful in the ballot, the others will also be successful so you can run together.

### ‘SuperVouchers’ Holders

SuperVoucher holders (runners who bought registrations for five SuperHalf races together in the past) don't need to apply for the ballot. SuperVoucher holders with an unused code for Lisbon who wish to use it in 2026 should contact the organization through [info@maratonaportugal.com](mailto:info@maratonaportugal.com) up to a month before the race date.

## Timeline

1. Applications for the lottery will open on 26.06.2025 at 10:00 AM (Lisbon time GMT+1).
2. The application period will last approximately three weeks, closing on 20.07.2025 at 18:00 PM (Lisbon time GMT+1).
3. Once the application period closes, the organizer will conduct a random draw to select the applicants who will be given access to registration.
4. The selected applicants will be notified by the organization before the end of August, after the draw is completed. They will receive an email with a link to complete their registration. Selected applicants will have **three days** to finalize their registration (including payment). Those who do not complete their registration within this timeframe will lose their place.

