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### SAIPAN MARATHON OPENS ON-LINE REGISTRATION

**Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI)** - Runners can now register on-line at [www.webscorer.com](http://www.webscorer.com) for Saipan Marathon 2018 on March 10, 2018.

The Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA) has opened on-line registration and encourages all runners to register by the early bird deadline of Feb. 12, 2018, for the best price and to guarantee inclusion in the official race booklet.

Saipan Marathon 2018 will again include a 10K, Half Marathon, Full Marathon, and 50K Ultra Marathon courses. Two separate registration pages are open and participants should register under their respective page at [www.webscorer.com](http://www.webscorer.com) by searching Race ID no. 122827 for SAIPAN MARATHON 2018 (US & CNMI) registration or Race ID No. 122811 for SAIPAN MARATHON 2018 (INTERNATIONAL) registration.

Also, for the first time, three registration dates will be set to encourage early registration. Early registration by Feb. 12, 2018, for the 50K and marathon is \$55.00 for US and CNMI participants, and \$45.00 for half-marathon and 10K participants. The fee for high school and junior high school students will be \$30 (student i.d. required). Those who register by Feb. 12, 2018, will be included in the event booklet.

Registration by Feb. 23, 2018, for the 50K and marathon is \$65.00 for US and CNMI participants, and \$55.00 for half-marathon and 10K participants. The fee for high school and junior high school students will be \$40.

Registration by March 8, 2018, for the 50K and marathon is \$95.00 for US and CNMI participants, and \$85.00 for half-marathon and 10K participants. The fee for high school and junior high school students will be \$55. The last day to register for the event will be on March 8, 2017/

Registration will include the awards banquet, a finishers t-shirt, and a certificate of completion.

“For convenience of on- and off-island participants, the MVA is pleased to make on-line registration available in English for the first time this year,” said MVA Managing Director Christopher A. Concepcion. “For many year, we have registered participants on-line in Japan, where a majority of runners have come from. We now expand that convenience to our English-speaking markets. Furthermore, we anticipate that all future sporting events organized by the MVA will offer this option. We encourage everyone to register by the early bird deadline of Feb. 12 for the best price.”

All competitors are required to pick up their race packets in person on March 9, 2018, from 4-6 p.m. at American Memorial Park, without exception. The start will start and finish at American Memorial Park, starting at 4:30 a.m. for the 50K Ultra Marathon, at 5 a.m. for the Full Marathon, at 5:30 a.m. for the Half Marathon, and at 6 a.m. for the 10K. The cut-off time for the 50K and marathon will be 9:30 a.m. near the intersection of Navy Hill and Chalan Pale Arnold Rd.

Cash payments only are being accepted at the MVA office located in on Beach Rd. in San Jose, Saipan. For a direct link to the on-line registration site or for more information, contact MVA Community Projects Specialist Ed Diaz at 1.670.664.3210 or ediaz@mymarianas.com.



# SAIPAN MARATHON 2018

Saipan Marathon 2018 on March 10, 2018, in The Marianas offers on-line registration at [www.webscorer.com](http://www.webscorer.com). The race features a 50K Ultra Marathon, Full Marathon, Half Marathon, and 10K. Visit [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com) for more information.

The Marianas are a chain of idyllic islands including Saipan, Tinian, and Rota in the Western Pacific, offering a friendly, fun and exciting vacation in paradise. They are an excellent destination for families, adventure and sports-minded travelers, as well as business people looking for a tropical haven. Adventurous travelers looking for new travel discoveries will find them in The Marianas, just three hours travel from most cities in Japan, and four to five from other parts of Asia and Australia. The Marianas are served daily from Tokyo-Narita in Japan by Delta Air Lines with seasonal flights by Asiana Airlines. From Korea, Asiana Airlines, Jeju Air, Jin Air, Eastar Jet, and T'Way provide direct flights from Seoul-Incheon, and Asiana also provides service from Busan. From China, direct flight service from Shanghai, Beijing, Guangzhou, and Hong Kong to Saipan are available. Philippine Airlines provides nonstop service from Manila and connects with many cities in China and Southeast Asia. United Airlines has daily flight connections from six cities in Japan to Saipan with one stop. United States mainland connections can be made to Saipan via Tokyo-Narita, Seoul-Incheon or Guam. Visitors from Russia and Taiwan usually arrive via Seoul, Tokyo or Manila. Interisland travel to Rota and Tinian is provided by United Express (Cape Air) and Star Marianas Air. For more information on The Marianas, visit [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com).

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