

### **Entrance Policy for Transgender Athletes**

We will accept each entrant's declared gender at face value, and no additional supporting evidence is required. Athletes may register as the gender they identify with.

Transgender entrants may contact the race directors upon registration if they have preference to inform the race directors of their identity as a Transgender person.

Transgender entrants, at their option, may provide medical documentation related to their transition to the Race Directors prior to the race. All information about the runner's gender identity and medical information, including any information provided pursuant to this policy, will be kept strictly confidential.

### **Entrance Policy for Non-Binary Athletes**

People whose gender is not male or female; including but not limited to: genderqueer, agender, bigender. We want to acknowledge, respect, and provide opportunity in the registration process to express their desired pronouns

There are options for registering as a Non-Binary athlete.

Non-binary runners may register as a Non-Binary runner with no focus on the binary genders, exclusively using They/Them pronouns. Runners in this category will be placed in the overall results, but will not be listed on either the Male or Female gendered results.

Non-Binary runners will be allowed to designate if they are Non-Binary/estrogen-leaning or Non-Binary/testosterone-leaning and consequently compete against their hormonal peers in order to compete for gendered placements. Regardless of whether a Non-Binary athlete chooses to compete against their hormonal peers, or solely compete in the overall field, their placement will be listed as Non-Binary on the finishers results.

Registration will include the following:

- Male
- Female
- Non-Binary

Anyone registered as Non-Binary will be contacted individually by the Race Directors to ensure that their pronouns and placement aligns with their identity.

### **Challenges of Results Involving Transgender Athletes**

Challenges may be made to results, which are directly related to a runner's self-declared gender, only when a top 3 position is at stake. A challenge must be made in writing or email to the Race Director within 10 days of race completion and must be submitted privately and with the utmost discretion and respect for all parties involved.

Neither party may publicly post or discuss the challenge until a decision has been reached by the race. Challenges not related to a runner's gender status, such as course cutting or other rule violations, will be handled in the normal process.

In the event of a challenge, or as deemed necessary, Team Sparkle Productions may request supporting documentation from a medical professional. All information about the runner's gender identity and medical information, including any information provided pursuant to this

policy, will be kept strictly confidential. The Race Directors, will review the relevant facts and make a final decision.

If the runner is not in compliance with this policy, they will forfeit any place positions, but will retain their official finish. Any announcements made by the race will simply state whether a runner was or was not in compliance with our policy and the associated action taken by the race. We will not disclose any medical information related to the decision unless specifically requested by the transgender runner,

Any runners with questions regarding these policies may be sent to [teamsparklellc@gmail.com](mailto:teamsparklellc@gmail.com)