

Saskatoon Road Runners Association Inc. (SRRA)

Age Restriction Policy

Policy Background

A policy for age restrictions for SRRA events is needed to provide consistency in all SRRA races and more importantly to ensure safety for all participants.

According to SRRA research, most organized running events have an age restriction policy in place for various distance races. Our review of similar events in Canada and the USA revealed that age restrictions are in place and enforced, but varied from race to race. Examples of races reviewed were: Queen City Marathon, Regina, BMO Okanagan Marathon, BMO Vancouver Marathon, Good Life Toronto Marathon, Chicago Marathon, Twin Cities Marathon and Scotia bank Calgary Marathon.

We were able to derive from this research helpful information for the SRRA age restriction policy.

Reasons for the policy include potential medical concerns for youth participants regarding growth and development from strenuous training, as well as injury and safety concerns for youth who are participating in SRRA events.

Policy

Age restrictions for Event Distances (age at the date of the event) shall be as follows:

- Ultra Marathon (distances longer than 42.2km): 18yrs and older
- Ultra Marathon Team event (with leg distances no greater than 21.1 km): 14yrs and older
- Marathon (42.2 km): 16yrs and older
- Half Marathon (21.1km): 14yrs and older
- 10km: 12 yrs and older
- 5km: 6 yrs and older

This policy is effective November 25, 2017 until further notice.