



**SEPTEMBER
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RACE GUIDE 2026

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TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

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We gratefully acknowledge that the Klondike Road Relay takes place on the traditional territories of Skagway Traditional Council, Carcross/Tagish First Nation, Kwanlin Dün First Nation, and Ta'an Kwäch'än Council.



We expect all racers and volunteers to make the greatest efforts to respect the land and culture of where the race takes place.

Find out more: [Respectful Travel Guidelines](#)





REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration opens **May 15th, 2026**

Early bird pricing ends **May 21, 2026** at 11:59pm YST

Team roster deadline is **July 3, 2026** at 11:59pm YST

Team registration closes **August 31, 2026** at 11:59pm YST

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Team Categories

Team captains will purchase a team for one of the team categories when registering.

Skagway Start - 175 km

- 5-10 person running team
 - NOTE: Youth on a Skagway team may only run in the daytime race legs starting from Carcross (7-10)

Carcross Start - 70 km

- 4-8 person running team
- 8 person youth running team
- solo running team
- 4-8 person walking team

Division Options

Running team captains will pick one of the division options when registering.

Youth - All runners between 10 and 18 years of age on the day of the race

Open - Some or all runners are under 40 years old on the day of the race

Masters - All runners over 40 years of age on the day of the race

Corporate - 60% of runners from or representing a company or organization

Gender Categories

Your team will be assigned a category once all team members are registered

Male - All team members identify as male

Female - All team members identify as female

Mixed - Any combination of participants

Corporate and walking teams do not have gender categories.

LEG ASSIGNMENTS: Legs cannot be shared between two people but a racer can run 2 legs for the same team. The minimum number of participants per team is **half** the number of legs (i.e. 5 for Skagway start, 4 for Carcross start.) Participants can NOT run or walk on more than one team.

REFUNDS: If, for reasons outside of the control of the KRR organizing committee, the race has to be cancelled or partially cancelled (including, but not limited to public health restrictions, road closures, weather, safety, etc.), NO refunds will be given to team captains. No refunds if a team decides not to participate in this race for whatever reason. Team Captains may sell their team to others until Aug 31.



RACE MERCHANDISE

Merch pre-orders will be available to pick up at the Party in the Park. Very limited amounts of merch will be available for purchase on race day!

We've partnered again with *Yukon Built* to create a familiar, but fresh design for this year's race merchandise. Pre-order yours from our website starting **May 15 until July 3!**



Stay up to date by following us on Instagram and Facebook, and visit klondikeroadrelay.com to subscribe to our email newsletter!

The deadline for merch pre-orders is July 3rd. A full itinerary with other important dates can be found on the KRR website.



RACE FEES & DEADLINES

REGISTRATION FEES

Race Type	Start Location	Minimum number of racers	Early Bird (before May 22)	After May 22	Maximum Time
10 Person Running	Skagway	5	\$900	\$1000	21.5 hrs
8 Person Running	Carcross	4	\$720	\$780	10.5 hrs
Youth 8 Person Running	Carcross	4	\$680	\$760	10.5 hrs
8 Person Walking	Carcross	4	\$720	\$780	11.5 hrs
Solo	Carcross	1	\$90	\$100	11.5 hrs

DEADLINES & FEES

- Registration Opens - May 15
- Early Bird Pricing Ends - May 22 @ 11:59 YST
- Team Roster Deadline - July 3 @ 11:59 YST
 - Team unlocking fee (one time fee):
 - Before July 31 @ 11:59 YST = \$25
 - After August 1 = \$50
 - Applies to adding new runners to unfilled teams
 - Runner swaps for teams that were full at the Team Roster Deadline are free of charge
- Team Sales/transfers end - August 31
- Late Change Deadline - September 4
 - Late change fee: \$20 per change after Sept 4
 - Applies to all changes



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RACE ITINERARY 2026

DATE	TIME YUKON TIME (YST)	ALL TIMES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS EVENT ARE YUKON TIME (YST)
WEDNESDAY September 9th	12:00 noon 2:00 pm 4:00 pm 6:00 pm	Whitehorse Bib Pickup / Team Captains' Meeting Mandatory meeting for team captains during bib pick up Sport Yukon 4061 4th Ave., Whitehorse
FRIDAY September 11th	4:00 pm 6:00 pm	Skagway Bib Pickup / Team Captains' Meeting Mandatory meeting for team captains during bib pick up AB Hall, 245 Broadway Ave., Skagway
	8:00 pm - 12:30 am	Race Start, Skagway, AK First wave starts at 8:00 pm with remaining groups (slowest to fastest) starting at 15 minute intervals
SATURDAY September 12th	6:00 am	Walkers Start, Carcross, YT
	6:30 am - 8:30 am	Runners / Solo / Youth Start, Carcross Waves start slowest to fastest
	2:00 pm (Walkers) 3:00 pm (Runners)	Mass Start, Carcross Corner Mass start if Leg 9 racer hasn't arrived
	12:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Party in the Park Merch pre-order pick up Team photos from 1:00pm - 6:30pm
	5:30 pm	Finish Line Closes
SUNDAY September 13th	8:00 am - 11:00 am	Participant Breakfast Light continental breakfast at Coast Mountain Sports



RACE CHECKPOINT TIMES

***ALL TIMES ARE YUKON STANDARD TIME**

Checkpoint	Location	Accumulated Distance	Opening (YST)	Closing (YST)
Start	Skagway 2nd and Broadway	0 km	8:00 pm	12:30 am
2	White Pass Viewpoint 59.556515N, 135.200218W	14.0 km	9:15 pm	3:15 am
3	Outhouse Hill 59.637677N, 135.15343W	24.3 km	10:30 pm	4:30 am
4	Canada Customs, Fraser 59.715493N, 135.045729W	35.5 km	11:45 pm	5:00 am
5	Tutshi Lake 59.827402N, 134.803246W	56.5 km	1:00 am	6:30 am
6	BC/YT Border 60.000088N, 134.663204W	78.7 km	3:30 am	9:30 am
7	Carcross C/TFN Administration Building	104.3 km	6:00 am	11:30 am
7B	Spirit Lake Sign 60.230236N, 134.729556W	111.3 km	6:45 am	9:00 am
8	Emerald Lake 60.289575N, 134.754466W	118.3 km	7:00 am	12:00 pm
8B	White Sign Attn. Hunters 60.369023N, 134.779789W	127.3 km	8:15 am	11:00 am
9	Annie Lake Road 60.451468N, 134.848603W	138.1 km	8:30 am	1:00 pm
9B	Truck Pull Out 60.524789N, 134.868996W	146.8 km	10:00 am	1:45 pm
10	Carcross Cutoff	155.5 km	10:00 am	4:00 pm
10B	Alaska Hwy & Miles Canyon Rd	167.2 km	11:45 am	4:30 pm
Yukon Energy	Robert Service Way & Miles Canyon Rd		11:15 am	5:15 pm
Finish	Rotary Park, Whitehorse	175 km	11:25 am	5:30 pm



RACE DAY INFO

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BIBS

- Participants **MUST** wear the bib number(s) assigned to them.
- Bibs **MUST** be visible on the front and back at all times while completing their leg. Do not pin to your legs— they are not visible! See diagram below.
- If a runner is registered to run two legs, they must display the proper number for the leg they are currently running. For example they must display a Leg 2 bib when running Leg 2 and a Leg 3 bib when running Leg 3.

TIMING

- The race is electronically timed using a timing chip attached to a velcro strap that is read by a proximity sensor at each checkpoint.
 - The timing chip should be worn on the **left** arm or attached to the **left**-hand or front side of the LED vest.
 - At each checkpoint's transition zone, incoming racers must pass the timing chip to the outgoing racer.
- A volunteer at the transition zone for each checkpoint will confirm whether the timing equipment has registered the team's timing chip.
- Runners will officially be assigned to legs and teams will have timing chips assigned on August 29. After that date, a change fee will be required to add or removing racers from teams, or for racers to switch legs.
- Due to the new timing system, we **MUST** know which leg you are running in advance of the race itself. Your results will not be accurate if you run a leg you were not assigned to.
- The timing system supports live results - links to the live race results site will be shared by email before the race. You will be able to set up SMS/text alerts to be sent when chips arrive at checkpoints.



BLUE TIMING SHEETS

- Blue timing sheets are the back up to the electronic timing system.
- Teams should record individual leg times on the provided blue sheet.
- Blue sheets should be submitted to the results team at the finish line.
- If a sheet is not submitted and there is a malfunction of the electronic timing system, your team may not receive a time.

WITHDRAWAL

- Any team withdrawing from the event mid-race MUST inform the next checkpoint manager.

SUBSTITUTIONS DURING THE RACE

- Participant substitution during the race, the following rules apply:
 - You may only substitute a runner with a teammate.
 - Substitute runner wears his/her original bib.
 - If your team does more than one substitution, you are not eligible for team awards.
 - Substitutions must be reported to checkpoint managers.
 - Substitutions must be reflected on the BLUE team timing sheet.

WALKING

- Walkers must always have one foot on the ground at all times.
- If you are on a walking team and are observed running twice, your team will be disqualified.



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CHECKPOINT OPENING AND CLOSING TIMES

- Checkpoint closing times are set to respect our volunteers and highway permits.
- Participants arriving at a checkpoint before it opens will have to wait until the checkpoint opens.
- If your runner/walker is not going to make it to a checkpoint before closing:
 - You can drive your runner/walker forward. The runner/walker driven forward must:
 - go to the next checkpoint
 - tell the checkpoint manager that they were driven forward
 - the next runner can have their timing chip read and begin their leg of the race
 - The team will be eliminated but all participants except the one driven forward will receive a time.

MASS START

- There is a mass start at checkpoint 10 for any teams that have not made it to checkpoint 10 in time.
 - Walking teams – mass start at 2:00 pm
 - Running teams – mass start at 3:00 pm
- Leg 10 or 10a participants must sign in 15 minutes before the mass start time.
- The Leg 9/9b participant can complete their leg but must reach the next checkpoint by 4:00pm.

PACING

- Pacing is the intentional act of assisting a runner meet a set time goal.
- Pacing is NOT allowed during the Klondike Road Relay whether it be by having another member (or members) of the team run, cycle, roller blade, roller ski or by any other means attempt to assist a runner achieve a faster time.
- The following situations do not constitute pacing and no penalty will be assigned under these circumstances: A team member is positioned on the side of the road to offer fluids or nutrition to the stage runner and runs beside the stage runner for a few metres until the support effort is completed.
- Youth runners under 13 may have a support runner through Miles Canyon Road.

LIT VESTS

- All runners and walkers must wear the provided lit vest at all times when completing their leg.

EARBUDS AND HEADPHONES ADVISORY

- For safety reasons, earbuds/headphones or other in ear or over ear music **should not** be used while running or walking during the event. Mini bluetooth speakers are an acceptable alternative.

USA and CANADIAN CUSTOMS

- Leg 3 and Leg 4 runners must submit passport information through their team registration page when completing the safety questions by August 26. This information will be submitted to Canada Customs and Border Agency for pre-clearance purposes.
- Leg 3 runners MUST be prepared to stop at Canada Customs with their **passport in hand**. A runner's chute will set up to direct runners through the runners border crossing.
- Leg 4 runners may exit the car at the pull out 300m in advance and run across the border if traffic is backed up. They must be carrying their passport.
- All participants must have a valid passport to enter the USA and Canada. It is your responsibility to confirm that you are eligible to enter the country.
- Any participants travelling on a non Canadian or US passport must check visa requirements before entering the USA or Canada.



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SUPPORT CREW

- For the safety of all participants we strongly encourage all teams to only have ONE support vehicle on the road at a time. **Support vehicle signage will be provided and must be displayed at all times** in your team's designated support vehicle. If your team transfers to an alternate support vehicle, please transfer your signs.
- Obey all traffic control signs and officials at the checkpoints and along the route. All vehicles are required by law to travel in their lane with headlights on at all times (NOT HIGH BEAMS!).
- Only use your hazard lights if you are stopped or have pulled off to the side of the road. Do not use them while in motion.
- Support team members who are out of their vehicle must wear a lit vest or high vis reflective jacket or vest.
- **Be aware of other vehicles, participants, and spectators along the route. It is about everyone's safety!**

- **South Klondike Highway**
 - Vehicles **cannot** shadow rider.
 - Pull over safely on the shoulder and get out of vehicle to support; then leapfrog up the highway.
- **Alaska Highway**
 - Vehicles **cannot stop** on the Alaska highway. You must pull right off the highway into a pullout or side road.
 - Support crew must **NOT** cross the Alaska Highway on foot. If you want to pass something to your runner/walker you must safely stop on the same side of the road as the runner/walker.
- **Miles Canyon Road**
 - This road will be closed to all vehicles from 10 am to 5 pm.
 - Support vehicles must continue on the Alaska Highway to Robert Service Way.
 - Younger youth runners can have a support runner with them for this part of the race.

COSTUMES

- Costumes on runners, while encouraged, must not hinder the runners ability to see, be seen, hear, or be protected from environmental hazards.
- Bibs must be worn on the outside of any costumes. Covering a bib with a costume may result in the timing chip to not be registered properly at the checkpoint.



COURSE INFORMATION

Be very careful entering and exiting the parking areas. Watch for runners and other traffic. Do NOT walk on the road at any point on the race course. Please walk on the shoulder opposite the runners/walkers or in the ditch. **Do not impede the runners/walkers.**

Checkpoint 2 & 3

- Support vehicle parking is in the checkpoint after the runners chute.

Checkpoint 4

- This checkpoint is just after the Canadian border crossing.
- See information sheet about the border crossing.
- Support vehicle parking is in the checkpoint after the runners chute.

Checkpoint 5

- Located at the pull-out near Tutshi Lake.
- Support vehicle parking is after the runners chute.

Checkpoint 6

- Very limited parking near this checkpoint.
- There is parking off the road before the checkpoint, follow signage off the road. Note there is limited turning space for large vehicles in this parking area.
- Large vehicles have to park on the right after the guardrail ends, approx. 700m after the checkpoint.
- NO parking is available at the checkpoint.

Checkpoint 7

- Checkpoint is in the community of Carcross. **Please respect local residents.** Keep noise down and park respectfully.
- Support vehicle parking is available across the road or beyond the checkpoint (follow signage).
- No parking is available at the checkpoint.
- Coffee and snacks are available at Caribou Crossing Coffee in Carcross Commons. Follow signs to the centre of the village.

Checkpoint 7b

- Very limited parking do not stop here unless you are supporting a half leg runner or walker.
- Parking is on the right side shoulder before or after the checkpoint.

Checkpoint 8

- Parking is very limited, be prepared to drop / pick up your runners and move on to make space for other vehicles.

Checkpoint 8b

- Very limited parking do not stop here unless you are supporting a half leg runner or walker.
- Parking is on the right side shoulder before or after the checkpoint.



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Checkpoint 9

- No parking available in the checkpoint.
- Park on the right side shoulder before the checkpoint.
- Walk to the checkpoint on the right side of the road or in the ditch on the left.
- Do NOT walk on the left shoulder as you will impede the runners/walkers.

Checkpoint 9b

- Very limited parking. Do not stop here if you are not supporting a half leg runner or walker.
- Parking is on the right side shoulder before or after the checkpoint and in the small pullout opposite the checkpoint.

Checkpoint 10

- The parking at checkpoint 10 has been considerably reduced compared previous years.
- If possible, drive in as far as the Canada Post mailboxes and turn around them then park close to the entrance.
- If at all possible drop your runner then move away from the checkpoint.
- Do NOT park on the Alaska Highway.
- Do **NOT** cross the Alaska Highway on foot!

Checkpoint 10b

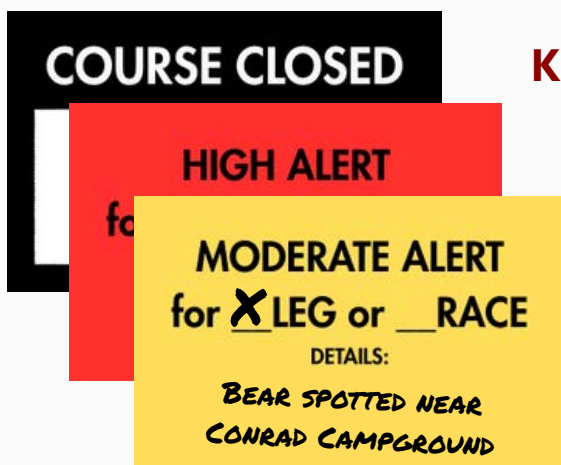
- There is NO parking at the checkpoint.
- Drive past the checkpoint and turn into Canyon Cres. Canyon Cres. is a loop, so drive round the loop rather than turning in the road.
- Do NOT park on the opposite side of the Alaska Highway.

Alaska Highway

- Support vehicles must NOT stop on the shoulder of the Alaska Highway, pull off the road in a designated pull out or road only.
- Do NOT cross the Alaska Highway on foot. Teams seen crossing the highway on foot may be eliminated.

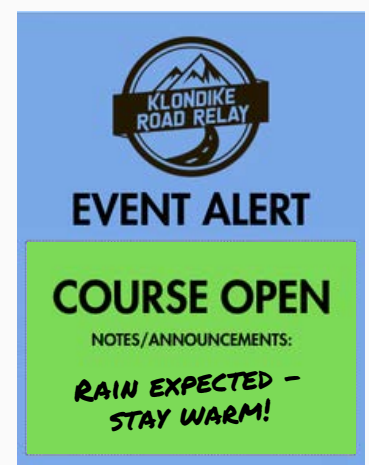
Miles Canyon

- Miles Canyon Road will be closed to traffic during the race.



KRR EVENT ALERT SYSTEM

Each checkpoint and our website will display our Event Alert Status to provide information about course conditions, hazards, or closures.



USEFUL TIPS

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WATER

- There is only one water station on the course, located on Miles Canyon Rd during leg 10/10b.
- Runners/walkers on all other legs must bring your own reusable bottle and enough water to get you through your leg.
- Support vehicles can stop where it's safe to pass water to runners. Please note that support vehicles cannot stop on the Alaska Highway or on Miles Canyon Road.

NO DOGS

- We love our furry friends, but please leave them at home! There is no running with dogs on the race course. Do not bring your dogs on the race or to the Party in the Park.
- Crossing the Canadian and USA borders with dogs is becoming more complex and will slow down traffic at the borders - please leave your dogs at home.

OUTHOUSES

- Outhouses are provided at the checkpoints, but there might be line ups so make sure to arrive early.
- Teams are responsible for their own garbage and proper use of bathroom facilities. Please pack out any toilet paper if you do not have access to the provided outhouses.

GOOD NEIGHBOURS

- Please be respectful of local residents. No honking, yelling, making noise when close to communities and houses. Please engage in “quiet encouragement” of your runner when close to houses.
- Remind runners and drivers they need to yield to any emergency vehicle if it is in emergency mode.
- Please be aware and safe on the road if encouraging fellow teammates. Remember that you are not the only vehicle out there, follow the rules of the road and keep the race safe for all.

ARRIVE ON TIME

- Checkpoint volunteers will hold your team if runners arrive before the designated checkpoint opening time. This will add to your total team time.
- They will also hold your team if they are not wearing the required team race bib or safety gear.

LED LIT VEST

- All runners or walkers must wear the provided lit vest at all times when running or walking their leg.



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PARTY IN THE PARK



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We'll be hosting a great party at the  Northwestel finish line again this year!

*Team Photos! Beer Garden!
Food Trucks! Relax Zone!
Kids' Zone! Senator's Cup!
Hydration Station! KRR Merch!*



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