

Phoenix Energy Belfast City Half Marathon 2026 Terms & Conditions

1. Registration and Sponsorship

- a) I agree to pay a non-refundable registration fee of £75 to Northern Ireland Chest Heart and Stroke (NICHHS) to secure my place for the Phoenix Energy Belfast City Half Marathon 2026.
- b) I agree to fundraise a minimum of £500 by Tuesday 20th October and understand this is in addition to the £75 registration fee.
- c) I understand that £140 of this will be used to cover the cost of purchasing my charity place and the remaining £435 will go to NICHHS to fund its range of local chest, heart and stroke services. Anything over this amount also goes directly to the work of NICHHS.
- d) We agree that should we not require this charity place, we will reimburse NICHHS £140 to cover the purchase cost.
- e) So NICHHS does not lose money invested in the event we aren't able to carry places over to the following year.
- f) I understand that I must ensure that my sponsors are aware that part of my minimum sponsorship will cover my half marathon cost. Some participants choose to pay their race entry costs themselves, so they can tell their sponsors that all their money is going to NICHHS and ensuring that, in appropriate cases, we can recover gift aid.
- g) I understand that I must be at least 17 years old on the date of the event to enter.
- h) I agree to represent and raise money exclusively for NICHHS in this event.
- i) I understand that places are given on a first come first serve basis of when applications are received by the Events Team, applicants will be informed via email or telephone if they have secured a place in the event.
- j) I understand it is the participants own responsibility to organise and fund travel and accommodation, and these costs should not be added into the fundraising figure. It is recommended participants do not incur any of these costs until their application has been accepted.

2. Health and Safety

- a) I understand it is the participants own responsibility to physically train to participate in the half marathon.
- b) I understand that participants take part in the event at their own risk and agree that, as far as they are aware, are suitably fit and physically able to compete in the event.
- c) Participants who have any doubt about their health or have a medical condition that could be affected by exercise, must obtain their doctor's approval before participating in any event.

- d) I understand that participants are solely responsible for acting on doctor's advice and NICHS shall not be held responsible for any injury or illness that may be caused as a result of the event.
- e) I understand that participants are responsible for their own actions whilst attending and/or participating in the event. NICHS accepts no responsibility for the actions of the participants nor the consequences of such actions. This continues to the participant's personal belongings, they are brought and stored at their own risk and NICHS accepts no responsibility for any items that are damaged, lost or stolen at the event.
- f) No illegal substance, performance enhancing substances or intoxicants of any kind are permitted to be brought to the any of the NICHS events or used by participants prior or during the event. NICHS reserve the right to refuse attendance at or participation in the event to anyone who has consumed and/or have in their possession any illegal substance, performance enhancing substances or intoxicants of any kind.
- g) The swapping or sale of race numbers is strictly prohibited for reasons of safety and primarily for identification by medical staff.

3. Images and footage

- a) I hereby agree that images or footage taken of me at the event may be used by NICHS in future promotional material including our websites, social media and charity magazines and reports, unless stated otherwise.

4. Cancellations and Withdrawals

- a) Except in exceptional circumstances as determined by NICHS, I understand that all Registration Fees are non-refundable and may not be deferred towards a future Event.
- b) Participants who wish to withdraw from the event should inform NICHS in writing and all sponsorship forms and money collected needs to be sent directly to NICHS, and sponsors must be notified. All sponsorship monies will be retained by NICHS unless sponsors request in writing that NICHS return it to them within one month of the cancellation (not applicable for online donations).
- c) I agree that through signing up to this event, I am representing NICHS and abide to the charity's values. NICHS reserve the right to reject at any time any applicants/participants that are poorly representing the charities values or who are believed to be fraudulent.
- d) NICHS will not be liable in any way to costs associated with the event that may be lost due to the rejection.
- e) In the event of a cancellation from the event organisers, NICHS is not liable for any costs incurred by the individual. This includes, but is not limited to, clothing, equipment, travel (domestic and international) or accommodation.

- f) If the event is postponed and the individual is unable to attend, the registration fee will not be refunded. Fundraising would not normally be refunded. But if requested by supporters, this will be reviewed by NICHHS on a case-by-case basis and upon written request of the payee.