



## **Registration Instructions For Athletes with Visual Impairment and Guides**

### **Air Force Marathon General Information**

- The Air Force Marathon will be held September 15, 2012 on the grounds of the National Museum of the United States Air Force.
- Marathon start time is 7:30 am with opening ceremonies at 7:00 am.
- All Runners and Guides will receive
  - Registration Packet and Bib, Runner's Shirt, Finisher's Medal and commemorative patch
- For more information please visit our website at [www.usafmarathon.com](http://www.usafmarathon.com)

### **Air Force Marathon Registration**

- Athletes must register at [www.usafmarathon.com](http://www.usafmarathon.com)
  - Additionally, medical documentation of disability needs to be faxed to the marathon office at 937.656.1000.
  - Please verify with follow up email to [usaf.marathon@wpafb.af.mil](mailto:usaf.marathon@wpafb.af.mil)
- Guides must register separately
  - Form available at [www.usafmarathon.com](http://www.usafmarathon.com)
  - In section 18 (Athletes with Visual Impairment), make sure to fill out the athlete's name in space provided
  - Please fax the form to the marathon office at 937.656.1000



## **Rules and Guidelines for Athletes with Visual Impairments**

### **Athletes and Guides**

- Athletes who require a guide must bring their own. Guide and Athlete both register separately.
- The athlete must register online at [www.usafmarathon.com](http://www.usafmarathon.com)
- Visually impaired guides must wear the Air Force Marathon issued GUIDE bibs on the back of their shirt.
- As the visually impaired runner crosses the finish line, the guide must be behind the athlete.
- Guides may not use a bicycle or other mechanical means of transport.
- At no time may the guide pull, push, or propel the athlete forward.
- The athlete and guide may not be more than 0.5 m (20 inches) apart at all times, with or without a tether.
- Athletes have 7 hours to complete the full marathon course, 6 hours to complete the half marathon course.

### **Visually Impaired Classification**

Requirements for classification are the same as those used by IPC/IBSA/USTAF.

- Class T11  
Possessing no light perception in either eye up to light perception, but inability to recognize the shape of a hand at any distance or in any direction.
- Class T12  
From ability to recognize the shape of a hand up to visual acuity of 20/600 and/or a visual field of less than five degrees in the best eye with the best practical eye correction.
- Class T13  
From visual acuity above 20/600 and up to visual acuity of 20/200 and/or a visual field of less than 20 degrees and more than five degrees in the best eye with the best practical eye correction.