

Heart Foundation Heart Walkers Wellington

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the date of the Heart Foundation Heart Walkers Wellington and what time does it start?

In 2009 the walk will be on Saturday the 7th of November. Everyone will begin at 11am.

Where does the course go?

The walk starts and finishes at Waitangi Park. It will begin by following the waterfront north to the TSB Arena, will loop around the arena and head back south along the waterfront following Oriental Parade to a turnaround point a few hundred metres past Fisherman's Table.

How far is the course?

From start to finish you will cover 5km, however if you wish to complete two laps you're more than welcome to fulfil an extra challenge!

Are there toilet facilities available?

Yes, there will be Spik n Span toilets at Waitangi Park, and there are public toilets beside Fergs Kayaks and on Oriental Parade.

Can I take my dog on the walk?

Yes dogs are allowed on the walk way and can accompany you on the event.

Do children need to be registered for the event?

Yes, even though children can take part for free they still must be registered for the event.

Is there a time limit for finishing?

No, you can take as long as you need to complete the course – however marshals will be removed from the course at 12.30pm. There will be people at the finishing gates until the last person has come through.

Can I collect my Goodie bag before the event?

No you will receive your Goodie bag upon completion of the walk.

How do I register for the Heart Foundation Heart Walkers Wellington event?

Online: Go to the Wellington event page click the 'Register Now' button and fill out the registration form. Please note that you will need a new email address for each new entry. The easiest way to do this is to use the registered person's name like this johnsmith@heartwalker.co.nz When everyone has been registered you can 'Proceed to Checkout' and pay for all the registrations in one transaction. Payment is by Visa or MasterCard.

Offline: There is on-the-day registration, at Waitangi Park from 9.00am. If you choose this option you can still create an online fundraising page at www.heartwalkers.org.nz Simply click on the event and go through the registration process, but select 'already paid' in the drop down menu.

How much does it cost?

Adults - \$5

Children (under 15) - Free

Although children under 15 are free, we still require them to be entered, this way they can be eligible for spot prizes.

Can I sign up as a Heart Walker before the event but register and pay for the event on the day?

Yes you can. Go to www.heartwalker.org.nz follow the above online registration process, but select the 'already paid' option in the drop down list. You can then open your own Heart Walker fundraising account, but pay for your registration on the day.

How does the fundraising work?

When you sign up as a Heart Walker you will receive your very own fundraising page which you can personalise with your own story, images and blog. You will also be able to email out information on the walk and why you are taking part to your friends, which gives them the opportunity to sponsor you and support the Heart Foundation. After fundraising costs, approximately 95% of your online donation will go towards the work of the Heart Foundation.

Can I enter more than one person on an entry form?

Yes you can, but it is important for the other people on the entry form to be aware of the terms and conditions of entering before they are included on the form.

Can I fax my entry form?

For legal reasons we are not able to accept faxed entry forms as we need to have an original signature on the form. It is also difficult to read faxed information at the best of times! The final reason is that we need to receive payment with the entry form in order for us to enter you into the event.

When is the latest I can enter?

Postal registrations will not be accepted after Monday 2nd November at 5pm and online registration closes on Wednesday 4th November at 12am.

What time and from where can I register on the day?

On the day entries can be made at Waitangi Park, Chaffers Street from 9.00am until 10.30am.

What can I do with my gear?

You are able to leave any gear you do not wish to carry with us for FREE. Turn up at the tent and we will place your gear in a bag with your name written on it as identification. If you wish to have any valuables looked after it is at your own risk; Sport Wellington and the National Heart Foundation will take no responsibility for misplaced items. We advise the use of a 'bum bag' for items such as keys, mobile phones and wallets.

What will happen if it is raining?

You will wear a coat! The Heart Foundation Heart Walkers Wellington will be going ahead rain, hail or shine so we suggest that as we live in Windy Wellington, known for its unpredictable weather, you check the forecast before you leave and take the appropriate gear for the conditions.

Is there entertainment at Waitangi Park after the event?

Yes there is. Don't miss the fantastic line up!

Are we allowed to bring along a barbeque or have a picnic?

You sure can! Feel free to bring your barbeque and cook up a storm! We have a designated area for people who wish to do this (a common thing for schools and clubs to do), however, space will be limited so it is a 'first in first served' situation. You will not be allowed to park in Waitangi Park nor will vehicles be allowed on the Park. You will need to drop your gear off beforehand and park your car elsewhere. You can also bring a picnic and sit down with family and/or friends for a bite to eat while enjoying the post-event entertainment on the main stage.

Spot Prizes - how do we know if we have won something?

All spot prizes will be called out on stage therefore participants must wait for prize giving to be eligible. Any prizes not claimed will be re-drawn.

Will we be able to purchase anything from Waitangi Park?

Yes you will. An assorted array of Heart Foundation approved food and beverages will be available for purchase.