



FEB. 25 & 26, 2023

The 2022 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic (PGDC) Race Weekend has come and gone. Though with fewer runners and walkers, it was the traditional race weekend experience you've come to expect and look forward to. It was an exciting two days and, for those who were able to join us for the return to a live in-person PGDC Race Weekend on Bayshore Boulevard, we are grateful for your support and that we were able to come together.

The Gasparilla Distance Classic Association is excited to announce registration for the 2023 PGDC Race Weekend will open on Sun., May 1, at 10 a.m.

In 2023, the association will continue to offer its Event Cancellation Refund & Deferral Policy – one we hope will never be needed. Additionally, the opportunity to purchase RegShield Entry Fee Coverage Protection will be available.

We share in your excitement of returning once again, to an in-person event and hope you'll join us on Sat. & Sun., Feb. 25-26, for the 2023 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend.

EVENT CANCELLATION BY THE GASPARILLA DISTANCE CLASSIC ASSOCIATION

If it is determined that the 2023 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend cannot take place for reasons outside the control of the Gasparilla Distance Classic Association, there will be NO postponement, NOR will the events convert to a virtual experience. If the 2023 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend Events are cancelled, registered participants can choose from two recovery options that consider a participant's financial commitment to the event, as well as the cost and resources required to stage the Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend. Every dollar collected through registration fees is invested back into the event to help cover these expenses and to enhance the overall experience for our participants. Planning and financial commitment for each year's event begin well in advance of the registration window for the next event.

The recovery options for 2023 PGDC registered participants are as follows:

- Receive a partial refund of 2023 PGDC entry; or
- Defer 2023 PGDC entry to the 2024 PGDC and receive a discount on their 2024 entry fee.

If the 2023 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend is cancelled on or before Sept. 30, 2022, registered participants will be offered:

- A 40% refund of their 2023 entry fee or a 50% discount on a deferred entry for a 2024 PGDC Race Weekend Event.

If the 2023 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend is cancelled between Oct. 1, 2022, and Dec. 31, 2022, registered participants will be offered:

- A 30% refund of their 2023 entry fee or a 40% discount on a deferred entry for a 2024 PGDC Race Weekend Event.

If the 2023 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend is cancelled between Jan. 1, 2023, and Feb. 14, 2023, registered participants will be offered:

- A 10% refund of their 2023 entry fee or a 20% discount on a deferred entry for a 2024 PGDC Classic Race Weekend Event.

2023 PUBLIX GASPARILLA DISTANCE CLASSIC RACE WEEKEND FAQs

When is the 2023 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic (PGDC) Race Weekend?

- Sat. & Sun., Feb. 25-26, 2023

What is the anticipated field size for the 2023 PGDC Race Weekend Events?

- When 2023 PGDC Registration opens, the participation caps for each distance will be as follows:
 - PGDC 15K – 5,500
 - PGDC 5K Run – 8,500
 - PGDC Kashi 5K Walk – 1,000
 - PGDC Kellogg's 5K Stroller Roll – 500
 - Publix Gasparilla Half Marathon – 5,500
 - Publix Gasparilla 8K – 4,500
 - Michelob Ultra Challenge – 500
 - Michelob Ultra Pure Gold Challenge – 400
 - Stella Solstice Challenge – 400
 - Bud Light Lime Seltzer Challenge – 400
- In November, if increasing the participation caps are warranted, the association will review the numbers and increase accordingly.

In addition to the in-person 2023 PGDC Race Weekend events, will there be a virtual option?

- We are not planning to offer a virtual option at this time.

What if I am injured and/or cannot run the event (family commitment, work obligation, etc.)? Can I get a refund, donate my entry or transfer my entry to someone else?

- Sale and/or transfer of race entries/bib numbers is strictly prohibited and will result in the disqualification and/or banning of any individuals involved from future events. All entry fees are non-refundable. An entry fee donation to GDCA would be welcome.

Why does the event not allow participants to defer their place and entry fee?

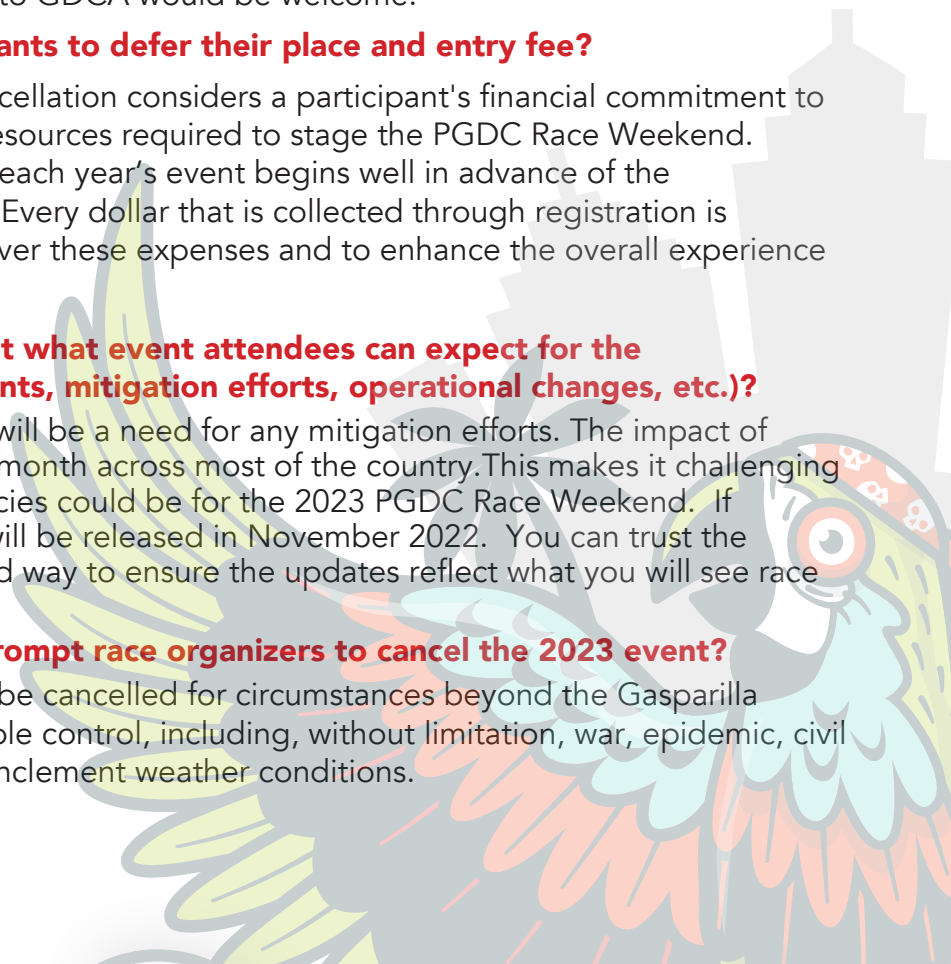
- Our current policy in the event of a cancellation considers a participant's financial commitment to the event, as well as the cost and the resources required to stage the PGDC Race Weekend. Planning and financial commitment for each year's event begins well in advance of the registration window for the next event. Every dollar that is collected through registration is invested back into the event to help cover these expenses and to enhance the overall experience for our participants.

When will you share more details about what event attendees can expect for the 2023 PGDC Race Weekend (requirements, mitigation efforts, operational changes, etc.)?

- At this time, we don't anticipate there will be a need for any mitigation efforts. The impact of COVID-19 continues to vary month-to-month across most of the country. This makes it challenging to announce beforehand what our policies could be for the 2023 PGDC Race Weekend. If changes are deemed necessary, they will be released in November 2022. You can trust the messaging will be shared in a measured way to ensure the updates reflect what you will see race weekend.

Other than a pandemic, what would prompt race organizers to cancel the 2023 event?

- The 2023 PGDC Race Weekend could be cancelled for circumstances beyond the Gasparilla Distance Classic Association's reasonable control, including, without limitation, war, epidemic, civil or political unrest, terrorism or severe inclement weather conditions.



2023 REGSHIELD ENTRY FEE PROTECTION COVERAGE

Individuals who are concerned they may not be able to participate in the 2023 Publix Gasparilla Distance Classic Race Weekend can purchase RegShield Entry Fee Protection Coverage for an additional service fee, excluding event processing fees.

Those who purchase coverage, and are unable to participate in the race, for one of the wide range of perils covered, will receive a 100% refund of their entry fee and products purchased during the registration process, excluding official PGDC Branded Apparel/Accessories, within 30 days of claim submission.**

PLEASE NOTE: RegShield Entry Fee Protection Coverage DOES NOT cover the following:

- If the participant does not attend the event because they are concerned about the Coronavirus (COVID-19) or are self-isolating without a positive COVID-19 test or other non-COVID-19 communicable diseases leading to quarantines or travel restrictions,
- Actual or perceived: war, hostilities, civil commotion, etc.,
- If event organizers cancel the race, or
- Processing fees associated with items (entry fee, ancillary products, etc.) purchased during the application process.

For RegShield's latest COVID 19 Coverage Updates, please [Click Here](#).

For additional coverage details and prior to purchasing RegShield's Coverage during 2023 PGDC Online Registration, please [Click Here](#).

*** If a participant purchases the RegShield Coverage and is unable to participate, they must submit a claim in order to be eligible for a refund. The claims form will remain open for 60 days after the event. Claims are generally processed within 30 days of the submission. The claims process will be administered by the Protecht.*

