

Guidelines for Runs/Walks at Warren G. Magnuson Park

Thank you for your interest in hosting a run or walk event at Magnuson park. Magnuson is a large, diverse park with a rich history. Magnuson has great trails, delicate wetlands and a lovely and popular waterfront area and boat launch.

Many other activities share park facilities, roads and parking at Magnuson park. Seattle Parks operates nine athletic fields, several hundred thousand annual visits are made to the dog off-leash area, and during summer months the swim beach and boat launch bring a steady stream of visitors. Five major tenants operate programs within the park: Arena Sports, Magnuson Athletic Club, The Mountaineers, Tennis Center Sand Point, Sail Sand Point and EarthCorps. Over 100 families live in housing within the park.

The following guidelines for runs and walks help keep park events well managed, minimize traffic and congestion and keep all of the many daily activities at Magnuson Park successfully working together. Over the previous 15 years hundreds of events have been held at the park and through that experience we have developed the following guidelines:

- Magnuson park can accommodate up to 2,000 participants (including support staff)
- Large runs/walks (over 500) will need to use off-site parking and shuttle attendees to park. A transportation plan outlining this will be required.
- Runs/walks occurring between October and March (non-summer months) may utilize a route that crosses the Magnuson boat ramp if runners can be stopped when needed to allow for boat ramp loading/unloading to occur
- Runs/walks occurring between April and September (summer months) may not cross the Magnuson boat ramp
- 5K runs/walks on weekends must start by 9:30am or after 3:30pm. Longer and larger walks/runs may need to start earlier
- Large runs/walks will be required to reserve all sections of the park impacted by their event and may need to coordinate with other in-park property owners or tenants such as the University of Washington, Solid Ground Housing or other businesses.
- NE 74th Street may not be closed
- Sportsfield Drive NW may be closed from the baseball diamond at field 11 south to NE 65th Street except during peak months of May-October
- NE 74th Street access to the Dog Off-leash area may not be impacted
- Most runs/walks that exceed 500 attendees, utilize city streets or meet other criteria will be required to obtain a City of Seattle Special Event permit
- All route markers/directional signage must be removed at the end of the event. Chalk, paint, or markings directly on the ground or other park surface is not permitted.
- Liquor service areas associated with runs/walks require a City of Seattle Special Event permit.