

# MARBELLA EPIC TRAIL

SPORTING EVENT COMMITTED TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

**A highly technical mountain event designed for trail runners seeking to push their limits**

## 1. ORGANISATION

Marbella Epic Trail (MET) event is organised by Sierra Blanca Events Group SL in collaboration with Ultra Trail Sierra Blanca Club. Registration implies full acceptance of these regulations.

## 2. THE EVENT

- Date: 20 February 2027
- Start and finish: [Paseo Marítimo](#) de Marbella
- Access to the start area via [Calle Rafael Zea, number 17C, 29602, Marbella](#)
- Route: Marbella, Ojén, Monda and Istán (Málaga)
- Terrain: trails, forest tracks and technical mountain sections

The race is officially sanctioned by the Andalusian Federation of Mountain Sports (FADMES).

## TECHNICAL DATA

RACE FORMAT	DURATION	DISTANCE*	D+ / VERTICAL*	LEVEL
Epic Trail	19 hours	65.7 km	4,949 m D+ / 9,898 m	<b>Extreme</b>
Destroyer	10 hours	41.5 km	2,769 m D+ / 5,538 m	<b>Very Hard</b>
Tragapiedras	9 hours	35.3 km	2,414 m D+ / 4,828 m	<b>Hard</b>

\* *Indicative data from Strava; figures may vary depending on the GPS device used*

## EPIC TRAIL – Start 05:00

AID STATION	SEGMENT DISTANCE	CUMULATIVE DISTANCE	TIME LIMIT	CUT-OFF TIME	LOCATION
Parador de Juanar (outbound)	12.7 km	12.7 km	3:00 h	<b>8:00</b>	36.578385, -4.884027
Parador de Juanar (return)	12.5 km	25.2 km	6:00 h	<b>11:30</b>	36.578385, -4.884027
Ojén	4.6 km	29.8 km	7:00 h	<b>13:00</b>	36.564556, -4.856389
Puerto de Marbella (outbound)	6.3 km	36.1 km	10:00 h	<b>15:00</b>	36.56746, -4.8914
Istán	10.5 km	46.6 km	13:00 h	<b>18:00</b>	36.578762, -4.944835
Puerto de Marbella (return)	8.7 km	55.3 km	16:00 h	<b>21:00</b>	36.56746, -4.8914
FINISH	10.4 km	65.7 km	19:00 h	<b>00:00</b>	36.507130, -4.898173

## DESTROYER – Start 08:00

AID STATION	SEGMENT DISTANCE	CUMULATIVE DISTANCE	TIME LIMIT	CUT-OFF TIME	LOCATION
Xarblanca	3.3 km	3.3 km			36.528319, -4.898882
Parador de Juanar (outbound)	9.4 km	12.7 km	3:00 h	<b>11:00</b>	36.578385, -4.884027
Parador de Juanar (return)	6.4 km	19.1 km			36.578385, -4.884027
Ojén	4.7 km	23.8 km	5:00 h	<b>13:00</b>	36.564556, -4.856389
Puerto de Marbella	4.4 km	28.2 km	7:00 h	<b>15:00</b>	36.56746, -4.8914
Puerto Rico Bajo	7.3 km	35.5 km			36.53581, -4.88463
FINISH	6.0 km	41.5 km	10:00 h	<b>18:00 h</b>	36.507130, -4.898173

## REGULATIONS

### TRAGAPIEDRAS – Start 09:00

AID STATION	SEGMENT DISTANCE	CUMULATIVE DISTANCE	TIME LIMIT	CUT-OFF TIME	LOCATION
Xarblanca	3.3 km	3.3 km			36.528319, -4.898882
Parador de Juanar	9.4 km	12.7 km	3:00 h	12:00	36.578473, -4.884017
Ojén	4.9 km	17.6 km			36.564556, -4.856389
Puerto de Marbella	4.4 km	22.0 km	6:00 h	15:00	36.56746, -4.8914
Puerto Rico Bajo	7.3 km	29.3 km			36.53581, -4.88463
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Time limits include rest and feeding breaks.

Participants must leave each checkpoint before its cut-off time, regardless of their arrival time.

Failure to meet the time limits will result in withdrawal from the race.

Anyone deciding to continue outside the official cut-off must:

- Remove the timing chip from the bib or hand in the complete bib at the aid station.
- Continue at their own sole responsibility, without official event coverage.

Checkpoints will close after the official sweep team has passed.

CATEGORIES AND SUBCATEGORIES	AGE
OVERALL	21 years or older
JUNIOR (available only in TRAGAPIEDRAS)	21 – 23 years
PROMESA	21 – 23 years
SENIOR	24 – 39 years
MÁSTER 40	40 – 49 years
MÁSTER 50	50 – 59 years
MÁSTER 60	60 years or older

Age reached during 2027.

### REGISTRATION PERIODS AND PRICES

RACE FORMAT	CONDITIONS	PRICE	COMMENTS
Epic Trail	Up to 252 places	125.00€	Includes cancellation insurance / 1-year deferral Cancellation until 31/12/2026
	Waiting List	135.00€	
Destroyer	Up to 250 places	60€ / 65€	Includes cancellation insurance / 1-year deferral Cancellation until 30/11/2026
	251 – 300 places	70€ / 75€	
	Waiting List	75€ / 80€	
Tragapiedras	Up to 300 places	50€ / 55€	Includes cancellation insurance / 1-year deferral Cancellation until 31/10/2026
	301 – 400 places	60€ / 65€	
	Waiting List	65€ / 70€	

• All registrations include mandatory cancellation insurance corresponding to each race category; it is not possible to register without it.

• All race distances include an inclusive category. To access its benefits, participants must send the corresponding certificate to [race@marbellaepictrail.com](mailto:race@marbellaepictrail.com). Full instructions and specific conditions will be available during the registration process.

### REGISTRATION CALENDAR

- REGISTRATION: By invitation from 01/06/26 · Open from 08/06/26 until 31/01/27 or until fully booked.
- WAITING LIST: A non-refundable fee of 1€ applies.
- NOTIFICATION: Those on the waiting list will be notified by email as places become available.

**WHAT DOES REGISTRATION INCLUDE?**

SERVICE	INCLUDED
PREMIUM SAFETY AND OPERATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operations centre with real-time tracking</li> <li>• Police, civil protection, fire and medical teams in permanent coordination</li> <li>• Official safety and race-tracking protocols, including:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Search and location by drones with infrared vision</li> <li>✓ Rescue with Joëlette chair</li> <li>✓ Air coordination and rescue</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Ambulances and mobile cardiac protection units covering start, finish and full course.</li> <li>• Evacuation and hospital transfer in case of emergency</li> <li>• Sports and civil-liability insurance</li> </ul>
AID STATIONS AND PERFORMANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical welcome kit with a high-performance garment designed for trail running</li> <li>• Aid stations designed for ultra distance, with an optimal salt balance and high-absorption functional nutrition, including hot drinks in low-temperature sections</li> <li>• Options available gluten-free, lactose-free or nut-free</li> <li>• Exclusive Life Point (Epic Trail - Istán)</li> </ul>
FINISHER EXPERIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Official finisher medal of the race</li> <li>• Exclusive trophies for the podium of each category</li> <li>• Special prizes for the overall winners of each distance</li> <li>• Exclusive Epic Trail finisher gift: a selection of premium items not available for sale</li> <li>• Access to the Mediterranean Sea for natural muscle recovery</li> <li>• Post-finish "Recovery Zone": massage, rest and muscle recovery.</li> <li>• Finisher BBQ Experience for all participants:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Epic Trail: exclusive access with all-inclusive food and drink service</li> <li>✓ Destroyer and Tragapiedras: finisher menu + 2 drinks included</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
PARTICIPANT SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bag drop at the finish for all categories</li> <li>• Bus service for withdrawn runners</li> <li>• Live tracking for family and supporters</li> <li>• Official guide, downloadable GPX track and race protocols</li> <li>• Official photographic coverage of the event</li> <li>• Runner support before and during the race</li> </ul>

**REGISTRATION ADMINISTRATION & BIB TRANSFERS**

- Manage your registration and bib transfer through your online personal area.
- Access with your registration ID and email.
- No size exchanges on official garments.
- Changes deadline: 7 February 2027.
- Final closing: 11 February 2027.
- Support: [race@marbellaepictrail.com](mailto:race@marbellaepictrail.com)

**MANDATORY MATERIAL**

MATERIAL	REQUISITO
¾ Leggings	Must cover below the knee ( <i>may be carried in trail pack</i> )
Windbreaker jacket	Long sleeves. If it does not have a hood, a cap or buff is mandatory
Thermal blanket	Minimum size: 1.20 × 2.10 m.
Hydration system	Minimum capacity of 1 litre.
Additional 500 ml bottle ⚠	<b>Mandatory only for participants in the Epic Trail race format.</b>
Reusable / foldable cup	Mandatory at all aid stations. No disposable cups will be provided.
Headlamp and rear red light	With spare batteries; mandatory during night sections
GPS or sports watch	With the official race track preloaded.
Mobile phone	Fully charged, operational and with the “ <b>Sosfy Help</b> ” app installed and activated
Emergency whistle	Accessible throughout the race.
Official race bib	Must remain visible at all times.

⚠ **CRITICAL SECTOR (EPIC TRAIL):** This section has no aid station. All participants must start this sector fully hydrated and with sufficient water autonomy.

**The organisation may prevent any runner who does not meet this requirement from entering the sector.**

**RECOMMENDED MATERIAL**

Although not mandatory, the following items are recommended:

- Bastones
- Technical protective gloves
- Sunscreen
- Cap, visor or bandana
- Additional nutritional supply (gels, bars or salts)
- Additional thermal garment in case of adverse weather forecast
- Waterproof jacket / rain jacket.

*The organisation may expand or modify the recommended or mandatory material depending on the expected weather conditions.*

**BIB ASSIGNMENT AND COLLECTION**

DETAILS	INFORMATION
Official pickup centre	Plaza del Mar Shopping Centre, ground floor, C/ Camilo José Cela 17, 29602 Marbella (Málaga)
Date and time	<b>Friday, 19 February 2027 · 12:00 – 20:00 h, all distances (mandatory for Epic Trail)</b> Saturday, 20 February 2027 · 07:00 – 07:45 h (Destroyer and Tragapiedras)
Mandatory collection	<b>All participants must collect their bib within the established times.</b>
Identification system	<b>Present the official QR code received with registration.</b>
Identificación alternativa	<b>If the QR code is unavailable, the following will be accepted: national ID, NIE, passport or driving licence.</b>
Collection by a third party	<b>The authorised person must present:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authorisation signed by the participant</li> <li>• Official QR code or a copy of the athlete's ID document</li> </ul>
Delivery policy	<b>Bibs will not be issued without the required documentation.</b>

**AWARDS CEREMONY**

DETAILS	INFORMATION
Ceremony location	Finish area · Plaza del Mar Shopping Centre
Awards schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tragapiedras: from 15:00 h</li> <li>• Destroyer: from 16:00 h</li> <li>• Epic Trail: from 17:00 h</li> </ul>
Official prize-giving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trophies for the top three finishers in each category and subcategory who finish within the official cut-off time.</li> <li>• Epic Trail includes an exclusive finisher gift.</li> </ul>
Participants still racing	Prizes not collected during the ceremony will remain available at the official merchandise shop.
Post-event shipping of trophies.	Available only for the Epic Trail category.

**MEDICAL PROTOCOL AND HEALTH ASSISTANCE**

DETAILS	INFORMATION
Personal medical responsibility	Each participant must carry and self-administer their own medication during the race.
Assistance at aid stations	Reflex or equivalent therapeutic product (self-application, outside food area). Feminine hygiene products available for female participants.
Mandatory return	After use, Reflex must be returned to aid-station staff.
Volunteer staff	Volunteers may not administer medication or therapeutic products.

**RULES OF PARTICIPATION**

DETAILS	INFORMATION
Equipamiento	Mandatory use of equipment suitable for mountain racing.
Condición física requerida	Race reserved for athletes with experience and preparation for highly demanding courses.
Epic Trail entry requirements	Be a finisher of the Destroyer, or of an equivalent or longer/harder race.

**COMPETITION RULES AND SANCTIONS**

Compliance with these rules is mandatory and is governed by the [FADMES Mountain Race Regulations](#).

**ART. 35.- PENALTY OR DISQUALIFICATION OF A RUNNER OR TEAM**

Sanctionable offences (from 3 minutes to disqualification):

- Failing to follow the marked course.
- Receiving assistance outside authorised areas, except in emergencies.
- Dropping litter along the course.
- Obstructing or preventing another runner from overtaking.
- Failure to carry the MANDATORY MATERIAL at checkpoints.
- Failing to follow instructions from the organisation or the officiating team.

The following are grounds for direct disqualification:

- Refusing to wear the bib visibly, cutting it or tampering with it.
- Removing, modifying or changing the markings placed by the organisation on equipment.
- Two false starts.
- Substituting MANDATORY MATERIAL during the race.

## ART. 36.- DISQUALIFICATION WITH POSSIBLE SANCTION

The following are grounds for immediate disqualification and may carry a disciplinary sanction:

- Assaulting, insulting or causing incidents with any person.
- Intentionally causing an accident.
- Testing positive in an anti-doping control.
- Competing with another runner's bib.

## PROTOCOLOS ADICIONALES

The organisation may disqualify any participant who:

- Drinks directly from aid-station tanks or containers.
- Behaves disrespectfully towards volunteers or members of the organisation.

## CODE OF CONDUCT

- Respect the natural environment and other participants.
- The use of support vehicles or animals is prohibited.
- Passing through all official checkpoints is mandatory.

## APPEALS PROTOCOL AND COMPLAINTS SYSTEM

### ART. 40.- COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

- Complaints must be submitted in writing to the Race Technical Committee, using the official FADMES form and paying the corresponding fee.
- The fee will be refunded if the complaint is upheld.
- Complaints regarding provisional rankings may only be submitted within 30 minutes of their official publication.
- Every complaint must include the information required by the FADMES Regulations (p. 43).

See the [FADMES Regulations](#) for further information

### Organisational complaints

- Complaints relating to the organisation must be sent exclusively to: [reclamaciones@cdutbsb.org](mailto:reclamaciones@cdutbsb.org)
- Deadline: 48 hours after the end of the race.
- Complaints submitted through other channels will not be accepted.
- The decision will be communicated within a maximum of two months after the event.

## IMAGE RIGHTS AND AUDIOVISUAL MATERIAL

The organisation may record and use audiovisual material from the race, including images of the participants, for promotional purposes. Use in external projects requires prior authorisation from the organisation.

## MODIFICACIONES Y CONDICIONES EXCEPCIONALES

The organisation may amend these regulations. Changes will be communicated by email and on social media; it is the athlete's responsibility to stay informed.

**In the event of force majeure (extreme weather conditions, fires, health restrictions, access closures or other causes beyond the organisation's control), the race may be suspended, modified or cancelled without refund.**

**If the authorities declare an orange alert, the race is automatically cancelled. Registration fees will not be refunded.**

The organisation thanks all participants for their commitment, respect and sportsmanship.

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