



# 128<sup>TH</sup> BOSTON MARATHON®



## MEDIA BUS TRANSPORTATION & LEAD VEHICLE INFORMATION As of April 7, 2024

### *Media Transportation to the Start*

- On race morning, designated media buses will depart from the Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel (corner of Trinity Place and St. James) promptly at 6:30 a.m. ET. If you have been assigned a spot on one of the lead press vehicles, you are strongly encouraged to take this bus. Boarding begins at 6:00 a.m. and will leave at 6:30 a.m.
- The Media Bus will drop media off at Hopkinton Police Station (Main Street) at approximately 7:30 a.m.
- Upon arriving in Hopkinton, media members riding on lead vehicles will be escorted to Ray Street, where the lead vehicle staging is located (more information below).
- Media members wishing to view the starts and return to Boston may ride one of two return media buses, which depart from the Hopkinton Police Station (Main Street) promptly at 10:10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.
- Please note these are the only return buses to Boston. If you miss this bus, you have to find your own way back to Boston. Media taking one of the return buses will not make it back to Boston in time to see the wheelchair division finishes. The return bus will drop media off at Dartmouth Street/Trinity Place at approximately 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. respectively.
- There is *very* limited media parking in Hopkinton reserved for designated television trucks only. We are unable to provide Hopkinton parking for non-television vehicles.

### *Lead Vehicle Information*

- Media who have been credentialed for one of the men's and women's open division lead vehicles must be at the Ash Street/Ray Street staging area by 9:00 a.m. and aboard all vehicles by 9:20 a.m. If you are on a wheelchair division vehicle, you must be in place by 8:30 a.m.
- If you are not aboard the lead vehicle by the time the vehicle starts moving, you will be left behind. Please allow plenty of time to arrive, pass through security, and get situated on the lead vehicles.
- B.A.A. media liaisons Peter Brown (617-275-1834) and Lars Dietrich (617-320-6777) will be in Hopkinton and aboard men's and women's open division press vehicles assisting with any needs you may have.
- The lead vehicles do not make any stops along the course. Please keep this in mind as you plan your morning.
- Photographers have priority on the lead vehicles. Please note that split times are available through a link on [www.baa.org](http://www.baa.org) which will be provided to media members upon request.
- **If you have any questions or no longer plan to be on the lead vehicles, please let a member of the B.A.A. Communications team know and send an email to [media@baa.org](mailto:media@baa.org) as soon as possible.**

### *128<sup>th</sup> Boston Marathon Start Times*

<b>Division/Program</b>	<b>Start Time</b>
Men's Wheelchair	9:02 a.m. ET
Women's Wheelchair	9:05 a.m. ET
Handcycles & Duos	9:30 a.m. ET
Professional Men	9:37 a.m. ET
Professional Women	9:47 a.m. ET
Para Athletics Division	9:50 a.m. ET
Wave 1	10:00 a.m. ET
Wave 2	10:25 a.m. ET
Wave 3	10:50 a.m. ET
Wave 4	11:15 a.m. ET