

The Reservoir Dogs NYC Marathon Lottery

Each year, the club receives a number of guaranteed entries to the NYC Marathon, thus offering the opportunity for a few members to bypass the lottery (although they must still pay the entry fee). The club will distribute these entries through a lottery of eligible members. Following NYRR announcing their lottery recipients for the NYC Marathon, all club selections will be made as quickly as is reasonable, as determined by the President.

Upon receiving a rejection notice from the NYRR NYC Marathon lottery, all club members interested in participating in the club lottery must contact the President or the President's designate within a reasonable time window, as determined by the President. The President shall oversee and direct the management of this process.

Below are the criteria for someone to be eligible for TRD's marathon lottery:

The person must:

1. have been a dues-paying member for 180 days prior to the NYRR NYC Marathon lottery, which is September 1 of the preceding year. If so inclined, the President shall announce/post a different date to accommodate changes in the NYRR NYC Marathon lottery.
2. have paid club dues for the current year (the year they wish to run the NYC Marathon) and abide by the club's Code of Conduct.
3. be a known and active member of the club for at least 180 days preceding the NYC Marathon Drawing (which is September 1; if so inclined, the President shall announce/post a different date to accommodate changes in the NYRR NYC Marathon lottery). The President, with the advising of club board members, shall determine this status.

The club acknowledges that "known and active" can take several shapes and that personal commitments, financial constraints, long-term injury and other circumstances may limit participation in those events that one would otherwise consider quantifying to determine "active" club membership. The only purpose of this requirement is to discourage someone from joining the club just to be eligible for bypassing the NYC Marathon Lottery.

4. have entered the NYRR lottery for the NYC Marathon and were not selected. The person interested in submitting for the TRD lottery needs to provide proof of this process to the President or the President's designate within a time determined by the President. The President, or the President's designate, shall allow at least 7 days for club members to respond.

If a person meets the above criteria, they are eligible for the TRD marathon lottery. Each person will receive one 'ticket' to be placed into the drawing. The drawing shall be conducted at a club event or public setting as determined by the President and will be pre-announced through club media.

The drawing will be conducted to achieve a degree of gender parity. For example, if four marathon entries are available, two will go to female members, and two will go to male members. If five marathon entries are available, two will go to female members, two will go to male members, and one entry can go to either a male or female member. To achieve this degree of parity, male entrants will participate in one lottery, female participants will participate in another lottery, and if needed, both male and female participants not drawn in either one will participate in a final, third lottery.

If fewer people enter the lottery than guaranteed entries are offered, those individuals will be automatically selected regardless of gender, and their selection will be announced through club media.

In the event that fewer people enter the lottery than guaranteed entries are offered, the one or more remaining guaranteed entries to the NYC Marathon shall be distributed by a lottery of eligible members. The criteria for this 'secondary' lottery are the first three requirements listed above. If a person meets that criteria, they are eligible for the TRD marathon lottery. Each person will receive one 'ticket' to be placed into the drawing. The drawing shall be conducted at a club event or public setting as determined by the President and will be pre-announced through club media. Recipients of NYC Marathon entries will be announced through club media.