

Attention Race Directors:

The Annual Awards committee will begin selecting races for the 2011 Grand Prix schedule in August. To be considered for Grand Prix status in 2011, race directors must submit an application by August 15, 2010. Previously submitted applications will not be considered. All races designated as Gulf Winds Track Club races will automatically be considered. Please e-mail applications to any committee member: Jeanne O’Kon, okonj@tcc.fl.edu; Amanda Hudson, wonderwoman76@comcast.net; Bill Lott, blott@nettally.com; Chika Okoro, clokoro@yahoo.com; or Mark Priddy, MarkPriddy@msn.com.

Grand Prix Race Qualification Standards

Whereas the undersigned has applied to have the _____ race considered as a Grand Prix Race for the GWTC Grand Prix, on behalf of the race organizers, sponsors and directors it is agreed that if the race is selected to be on the GWTC Grand Prix circuit the race directors or race organizers will:

1. Maintain appropriate liability insurance for the race. Such insurance shall provide coverage in an amount of at least \$500,000;
2. Provide evidence that the course will be accurately measured and certified in accordance with USATF guidelines, <http://www.usatf.org/events/courses/certification/>, unless the course is an off road course or there are special circumstances that warrant a waiver of this requirement by GWTC. The Annual Awards Committee may accept an application if the certification is pending and the committee has reason to believe the course was properly measured;
3. Provide a copy of the race flier for distribution (paper and electronic) to the GWTC Race Director Coordinator and the GWTC Web master at least 45 days before the race date. The flier should contain, at a minimum, the date, time, and location of the race, as well as a contact person;
4. Obtain a signed waiver that complies with the example provided by GWTC (no variance) from each race participant;
5. Offer a “No T-shirt option” for a reduced entry fee;
6. Assure that there is adequate race course supervision and traffic control to ensure the safety of the runners;
7. Demonstrate that there is a system for accurately recording the time, age, and order of finish for all race participants. If an early start is provided, demonstrate that there is a system for accurately recording the time, age, and order of finish for all early start race participants. All early start race participants must begin the race at the same time;
8. Assure there is a method for accurately identifying runners, either by race number or other method;
9. Provide at least one water stop for each 5K of distance;
10. Clearly identify mile or kilometer marks and to the extent possible provide splits at those marks;
11. Document “standard” 5-yr age divisions in accordance with GWTC’s Grand Prix Guidelines for purposes of Grand Prix recognition (i.e., 9-under, 10-14, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, etc., up to age 85-over (Note: this standard does not apply to race awards – race directors have full discretion to establish race age group awards.); and
12. Compile race results (preferably in Excel) as soon as possible (preferably no later than the day after the race) and submit these to the GWTC Grand Prix Scorekeeper, gwtc@nettally.com, or another GWTC official designated prior to race day.

Event _____ Date of Event _____

Location _____ Date of Agreement/Application _____

Race Director Information: (Name) _____ (Phone) _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Authorized Signature _____