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Advisory

Photographer's logistics for the 2010 Honda LA Marathon

"Know before you go" to cover the new Stadium to the Sea course

- **Start:** The start of the 2010 Honda LA Marathon is in Lot G of Dodger Stadium, behind the centerfield fence. Photographers wishing to cover the start can access the stadium from the Downtown or Golden State gates only. Parking at the Stadium is available and is free, but there is no reserved media parking; Stadium attendants will direct you to an open location.

Following the start, photographers must wait for the runners to clear the stadium and may then leave; the runners will exit Dodger Stadium on Elysian Park Avenue and then turn east onto Sunset Boulevard.
- **On-Course:** A very small number of news media will be allowed to follow the men's or women's race from official vehicles; there are eight photographer's spaces for the men's course vehicle and five for the women's course. Unfortunately, not everyone who requested access to these vehicles can be accommodated. The list of those selected to ride in these vehicles will be available on Saturday morning at the Marathon media center in the Vin Scully Press Box at Dodger Stadium and will be posted online at www.lamarathon.com; look in the "Press Releases" section.

Media who will ride on these vehicles must be at the starting area by 6:15 a.m. on Sunday morning to be loaded in. Jan Fambro and Steve Harris of our press operations team will manage this process.

For those covering the race, but not on official vehicles, ***we strongly suggest*** that you pre-plan where you would like to shoot and drive from point to point, staying south of the race course; please note: ***NO PRIVATE VEHICLES ARE ALLOWED ON ANY PART OF THE RACE COURSE***. Freeway on- and off-ramps south of the course are not closed and can be used to get close, but parking will be an issue.
- **Finish:** A small photographer's platform will be available at the finish line. Everyone is asked to cooperate in using this elevated position; there will also be on-the-street spots available along the sides of Ocean Avenue.
- **Awards:** The awards ceremony will take place about 9:50 a.m. at the Finish Line Beach Party at the 1550 Pacific Coast Highway lot at the main stage. Photographers will be asked to move to the front area to take pictures.

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- *Post-Race:* The Marathon media center on Sunday will be in the Wilshire Room of the Fairmont Miramar hotel at Wilshire Blvd. and Ocean Avenue. All accredited media are welcome to use this space; parking is available at the hotel at a discounted rate of \$7.70 for the day. Work tables and Wi-Fi service will be available in this space.

The post-race interviews will take place in this room, shortly after the end of the awards ceremony at the Finish Line Beach Party.

Fairmont Miramar media center telephone number on March 21 only: (310) 899-8502.

Please address questions to Rich Perelman, 2010 Honda LA Marathon press officer at (323) 342-9992 on Friday and Saturday at Dodger Stadium.

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