

UltraTrax Massanutten - Event FAQ

Parking & Finish Location

All participants park and finish at:

Massanutten Lodge
4614 Massanutten Dr
Massanutten, VA 22840

GPS:

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/T7QV4YFzYgtdVfsb7>

You will finish right next to the parking lot.

Where is the Start?

The starting area is at:

Western Slope Trailhead
4276 Happy Valley Rd
Keezletown, VA 22832

GPS:

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/7De2WvCm4xjUuqrk8>

There is approximately a 20-minute shuttle ride from the lodge parking lot to the start.

You may be dropped off at the start, but there is **NO PARKING** at the starting line.

What Time Should I Arrive?

Level 4 – 28 Miles

Start: 7:00 AM

Shuttles begin: 6:00 AM

Arrive for shuttling no later than 6:40 AM

Level 3 – 21 Miles

Start: 7:45 AM

Arrive no later than 7:25 AM

Level 2 – 14 Miles

Start: 8:30 AM

Arrive no later than 8:10 AM

Level 1 – 7 Miles

Start: 9:15 AM

Arrive no later than 8:55 AM

Finish line closes at 5:45 PM.

Course Layout

The Massanutten course is slightly different from traditional UltraTrax events that follow a 7-mile repeating loop.

At Massanutten:

- You'll complete loops on the western slope
- Then head up and over the ridgeline
- And finish down at the ski lodge

 Important Split at Mile 2

At mile 2 there is a clearly marked split with an aid station:

- Left = Continue Loop
- Right = Head Toward Final Climb & Finish

It will be very clearly marked and staffed.

Distance Breakdown

7 Mile

- Stay RIGHT at mile 2
- No loop
- Head up and over to the finish

14 Mile

- Lap 1: LEFT (complete one loop)
- Lap 2: RIGHT to finish

21 Mile

- Laps 1 & 2: LEFT (complete two loops)
- Lap 3: RIGHT to finish

28 Mile

- Laps 1, 2 & 3: LEFT (complete three loops)
- Lap 4: RIGHT to finish

Course Cutoffs

There are two cutoff locations:

1. Mile 2 Split (12 miles from finish)
2. You must pass by 1:45 PM to continue onto your final loop.
3. Starting Area (7 miles from finish)
4. You must pass by 3:00 PM to continue.

Cutoffs will be enforced for safety and daylight considerations.

What Will Be at Aid Stations?

Aid stations will include:

- Water
- Tailwind hydration
- Salt tabs
- Pretzels
- Trail mix
- Various rotating snacks

Aid Station Locations

7 Mile: Miles 2 & 5

14 Mile: Miles 2, 5, 9, 12

21 Mile: Miles 2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19

28 Mile: Miles 2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26

Can I Bring My Own Hydration?

Yes. We strongly encourage it.

Bring your own hydration system and refill at aid stations.

What else should I pack?

Nothing is required, but many participants often bring :

- Extra pair of socks
- Blister pads
- Band aids
- Sunscreen
- Hat

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Can I Bring My Own Snacks?

Absolutely.

If you are doing multiple loops (14, 21, 28 miles), we will have a drop area near the starting zone where you may leave:

- One 1-gallon ziplock bag
- Clearly labeled with your name

You'll access it between loops.

Ruck Weigh-In

If carrying a ruck, weigh-in happens at the starting area before entering your corral. Anyone carrying a ruck will receive additional swag.

Who Gets Swag?

All participants receive:

- UltraTrax T-shirt
- Finisher's patch (based on your level)

Level 3 & Level 4 participants also receive:

- Finisher's medal

Weighted walkers will also receive an extra giveaway.

All swag , including your shirt . is picked up at the finish line.

Restrooms

Porta-potties will be located:

- At the starting area
- At the Mile 2 aid station

Can I Bring My Dog?

No. While we love dogs, our insurance policy does not allow it.

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Can I Run It?

UltraTrax is designed as a walking event, but you won't be disqualified for running! We just ask that you follow appropriate trail etiquette and only pass when it's safe and there's plenty of room. If the trail narrows to single-track or feels crowded, we ask that you slow to a walk and stay in line until it opens up again.

Can I Trek with Friends?

Yes.

Groups with mixed distances may start together in the corral of the longest distance in their group.

If you absolutely need to start in a different corral, email us.

What If I Decide to Stop Mid-Event?

If you return to the starting area during a loop and decide you're done:
We will transport you back to the finish so you can celebrate with everyone.

Post-Trek Party

The post-trek party begins at 11:00 AM at the lodge with:

- Food
- DJ
- Finish line celebration

We'll be celebrating all afternoon.