

GFRC Boston Marathon Lottery Eligibility

The Greater Framingham Running Club (GFRC) is awarded a certain number of Boston Marathon bibs from the BAA. Typically, the specific number of bibs is known in early November. GFRC will hold an application submission process and select names from a lottery at a club meeting in early December. Below are the eligibility criteria to submit for the GFRC Lottery.

LOTTERY ELIGIBILITY

***You must be a paid GFRC member as of July 1 the year prior to the marathon.**

***You must have participated in a total of ten (10) club activities from December 1 through November 30 of the year prior to the Marathon. At least 2 of those must be for in a volunteering capacity and 8 points for attending club activities. _**

Volunteer Points (Min. of 2 Points Required): Below is the qualifying list.

- Volunteering at Summer “Family” Track (1 meet = 1 pt. in 2025) (*Beginning in 2026, this will change to a minimum of 3 meets for 1 pt. for the 2027 Marathon*)
- Summer Track Director (Family Track)
- Busa Bushwhack Planning Committee Member
- Volunteering at (not just running at) a GFRC sponsored race such as the Busa Bushwhack for an activity on the signup sheet (excludes food drop-off with exception of the soup)
- Providing Soup for the Busa Bushwhack (including drop off & pick up)
- Couch to 5K (C25K) Organizer
- Couch to 5K Coaching (min. of 3 times for 1 pt.)
- Organizing the Club’s BAA clock-watching role
- BAA clock-watching or water table
- Hosting a Club Meeting
- Hosting a club Fun Run
- Team Framingham mentor specifically assigned a mentee
- Rich and Chris Chesmore GFRC Scholarship Committee (an additional point for scholarship presentation)

- Fill in as club Secretary twice during the year (get 1 pt. total)
- Ragnar Reach the Beach team or van captain
- Organizing a Club race
- Club track coach
- Holding an Elected Officer or auxiliary officer position during the past year

Participation in GFRC activity in a non-volunteer role (Min. of 8 Points Required): Qualifying activities:

- Attending a monthly meeting
- Attending the monthly meeting fun run
- Attending a Lifetime Fitness fun run
- Attending a track workout
- Attending Team Framingham long runs
- Running a Grand Prix race
- Attending a social night
- Attending a Pub Run
- Running the Ragnar Reach the Beach Relay on a GFRC team
- Running a non-grand prix road race that have a GFRC team running the race

BAA Requirements (subject to change by the BAA):

Able to complete the entire 26.2-mile course within approximately 6 hours

Applications are intended for those who cannot qualify or did not meet the cut-off for their age group with their qualifying time.

Runners will not begin the race prior to the official start time

Runner will not compete in a manner that interferes with the race operations or participants

Runner will not reproduce or transfer their official bib number

The entry deadline will be strictly enforced

Runners will not be eligible for a deferment

Applicants must live in the same geographic area in which the Club is based.

Any failure to meet these requirements will result in disqualification of the runner and a review of the Club's standing by the BAA Running Clubs program.

The GFRC may also penalize the member.