

49. Aachener Silvesterlauf

on Thursday, December 31, 2026



Introductory words

We welcome you back to Aachen's city center on December 31st 2026 for the traditional 'Aachener Silvesterlauf' and look forward to ringing in the new year with you!

Alongside the three established races there will once again be an elite race this year, with all races taking place on a route through the historic city center:

- Junior Cup, approx. 1.5 km (one lap), start 1:10 pm*
- AOK Fun Run, approx. 4.5 km (two laps), start at 1:40 pm*
- Speed Race**, approx. 4.5 km (two laps), start 2:30 pm*
- Sparkasse Aachen Silvester Challenge, approx. 9.0 km (four laps), start 3:15 pm*

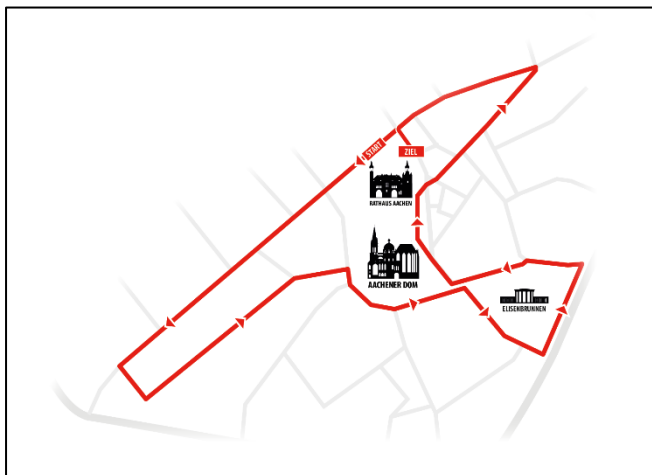
*Detailed times under „Schedule“; Subject to change

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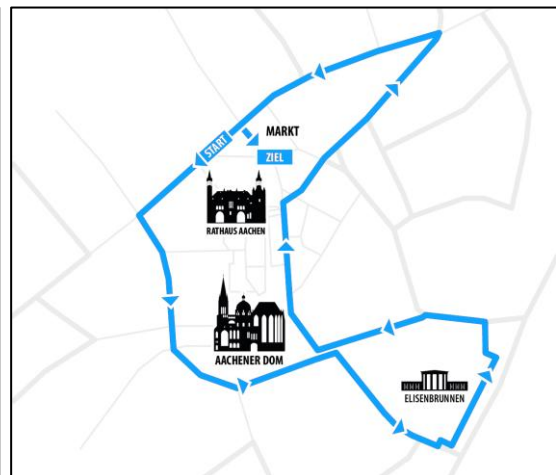
AOK Fun Run, Speed Race and Sparkasse Aachen Silvester Challenge will count for the **Regio Aachen Cup**. The results from the AOK Fun Run and Speed Race are combined and counted as one race for the Regio Cup.

Route

The route takes you on a round course through Aachen's city center. A route starting at the market, then over Jakobstrasse and Bendelstrasse, past Aachen Cathedral and Eisenbrunnen and back to the market via the Katschhof and Grosskölnstrasse, where the finish is also located is planned. The Junior Cup will be held on a shorter route over Johannes-Paul-II-Street instead of Jakob- und Bendelstreet.



Laufstrecke



Laufstrecke Junior Cup

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Catering

A refreshment point is located on Grosskölnstrasse at the end of each lap and on the market after the finish.

Registration

From mid-September, online at <https://silvesterlauf.dlc-aachen.de>



Registration deadline and late registrations

Registration is open until December 31, 2026. Late registrations are also possible on site on the day of the race if starting slots are still available.

Entry fee

Under 18s: 7 €

Adults: 19 € until December 1st, 21 € after December 1st

Limitation of starting slots

For safety reasons, a maximum of 1000 runners can take part in the Fun Run and 1000 runners in the Silvester Challenge. The number of participants in the Speed Race is limited to 150.

Speed Race

The elite race over 4.5 km will take place again this year, giving the fastest participants the opportunity to prove their skills.

To take part in this race, you should be able to run 5 km in under 25 minutes.

There is prize money for the top three women and men (see “Awards and honors” section)!

Starting lists

The starter lists will appear after the start of registration on <https://silvesterlauf.dlc-aachen.de>

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Age group rankings

Age group	Description	Year	Route
Junior Cup			
6-7	WU8, MU8	2020-2019	1,5 km
8-9	WU10, MU10	2018-2017	
10-11	WU12, MU12	2016-2015	
12-13	WU14, MU14	2014-2013	
AOK Fun Run (from AG U12)			
Without age group classification	Women and men of all age groups from WU12, MU12	2016 and older	4,5 km
Speed Race (from AG U16)			
Without age group classification	Women and men of all age groups from WU16, MU16	2012 and older	4,5 km
Sparkasse Aachen Silvester Challenge (from AG U16)			
Without age group classification	Women and men of all age groups from WU16, MU16	2012 and older	9,0 km

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Schedule

Description	Start time
<i>Junior Cup</i>	
Warm Up	12:55 pm
Race	1:10 pm
Award ceremony	1:40 pm
<i>AOK Fun Run</i>	
Warm Up	1:25 pm
Race	1:40 pm
<i>Speed Race</i>	
Race	2:30 pm
Award ceremony	2:50 pm
<i>Sparkasse Aachen Silvester Challenge</i>	
Warm Up	3:00 pm
Race	3:15 pm
Award ceremony	4:00 pm

Subject to change

Time limit

The finish time for the Silvester Challenge is 90 minutes after the start. After this time, the organizer reserves the right to lift existing route closures.

Awards and honours

Every registered participant will receive a finisher's gift.

Junior Cup: Every participant in this race receives a medal.

Elite Race: The three fastest women and men will each receive prize money of €200, €100 and €50 respectively. The award ceremony will take place after the race.

Silvester Challenge: The three best placed participants will receive prizes. The award ceremony will take place after the run.

Results

The results will be available online on January 2nd at the latest.

Race number distribution

In advance, all day on December 29 and until 7 p.m. on December 30 at Intersport Plum (formerly Drucks) in Aachen (Alexanderstraße 29, 52062 Aachen).

On December 31 in the immediate vicinity of the market square. The exact location will be announced in advance.

Timekeeping

Personal timekeeping only starts after crossing the start line.

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Starting number

A timekeeping chip is attached to the back of each race number. The start numbers must be worn visibly on the chest to ensure adequate timekeeping and must not be altered or covered. Personal data, contact persons and medical emergency information can be written on the back of the race number.

Change of registration

A change of registration to another runner is possible on December 31 at the Infopoint. **There is generally no refund of the entry fee.**

Changing rooms/showers

Showers and changing rooms are planned in the Minoritenstraße gym near the start and finish area.

Preparation course

You want to take part but don't yet feel fit enough or would like some assistance in your preparation? No problem: sign up for our preparation course together with the run. You can join at any time.

For more information see <https://silvesterlauf.dlc-aachen.de/vorbereitungskurs>

Disqualification

Wearing headphones is not permitted in any race and may lead to disqualification. The same applies to anything with wheels/rollers or more than 2 legs.

Passing on the start number without official re-registration is not permitted and will lead to disqualification

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Liability

Takes place within the framework of sports aid. Non-club participants are not covered by sports accident insurance. The organizer accepts no liability for accidents and theft of any kind.

- 1) The personal data provided by the participant when registering will be stored and processed for the purposes of organizing and running the event. This applies in particular to the data required for payment processing (§ 28 Federal Data Protection Act). By registering, the participant consents to the storage of data for this purpose.
- 2) The participant agrees that the photos, film recordings and interviews made in connection with his/her participation in the event may be distributed and published in radio, television, print media, books, photomechanical reproductions (films, video cassettes, etc.) without entitlement to remuneration. In addition, the participant agrees to the disclosure of his/her personal data for the purpose of sending photos of the participant on the course and at the finish line, which will be produced by a company commissioned by the organizer. However, the participant does not hereby declare that he/she wishes to purchase such a photo.
- 3) The participant agrees that the personal data collected may be passed on to third parties for the purpose of timekeeping, compiling the results lists and posting these lists on the Internet.
- 4) The participant agrees to the publication of his/her name, first name, year of birth, start number and results (placings and times) in all printed media relevant to the event (list of participants, results list, etc.) and in all electronic media such as the Internet.
- 5) In addition to the above points, you can find our privacy policy at <https://www.dlc-aachen.de/datschutzerklaerung>
- 6) Sportograf Digital Solutions GmbH (web: www.sportograf.com) is the media partner and exclusive photo service provider for our event. If you participate in an event at which Sportograf (hereinafter referred to as 'we') has been commissioned by the client as the exclusive photo service provider, we may collect video or image material in which you are personally recognisable, possibly with your event participant number (e.g. start number). We use the data collected at sporting events to fulfil our obligations as a photo service provider under the underlying contract with the client and in our own economic interest to market the photos or videos of the event to interested participants via our website www.sportograf.com. Based on our many years of experience in event photography, we can state that participants in sporting events are informed transparently that Sportograf is used as the exclusive photo service provider and that every participant in such an event must expect the client or its cooperation partners to market photos of such events as mementos or souvenirs. Your data will not be passed on to third parties. To capture the relevant photos, we only use photographers who are bound by the EU General Data Protection Regulation. In addition to manual image searches using location and time, we also offer searches using the start number or an image (selfie). In the latter case, we use an algorithm to determine the anonymous and non-personal characteristics of the participants, regardless of their start number, which can later be used to find their

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Please note

The organizer reserves the right to cancel the event at short notice in the event of extreme weather conditions in consideration of the health of the participants. Therefore, if necessary, please check "Last information" on <https://silvesterlauf.dlc-aachen.de> shortly before the run. The entry fee will not be refunded in the event of non-participation or cancellation of the event at short notice.

The DLC Aachen is delighted to be organizing the Aachen New Year's Eve Run for the 47th time. This would not be possible without the commitment of the club's own volunteers and external helpers who, together with the municipal authorities, police, road traffic office, medical services and other institutions, make it possible for the event to run smoothly.

We would like to thank our sponsors, the city of Aachen and all helpers for their support.

We will adapt the conditions of participation of the New Year's Eve Run to the infection protection measures in force at the time of the run.