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City marketing

Bocholt City Run: Everything you need to know about the anniversary edition

What athletes and spectators need to know



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On **9 May 2026**, the Bocholt City Run celebrates its **25th anniversary**. The starting signal will be given at **17:00** in front of the historic town hall. Over **5,000 runners** and thousands of spectators are expected - for a unique atmosphere in the city centre.

Runs & times

- **17:00** - 2.5 km school run (girls)
- **17:30** - 2.5 km school run (boys)
- **18:00** - 5 km school run
- **19:00** - 5 km run for everyone
- **20:00** - 10 km fun run and road race

All routes follow the tried and tested circuit through the city centre.

Starting documents

Distribution at the **Mariengymnasium (Schleusenwall 1)**:

- **Friday, 8 May:** 17:00 - 19:00
- **Saturday, 9 May:** from 15:00

The race number includes timekeeping and a **new anniversary design** for the first time.

Important notes

- Running with headphones is **not permitted** (disqualification)
- Parents are **not** allowed to accompany children (there are school escorts for this)
- Access to the start area only via **St.-Georg-Platz**



The Citylauf is a very special flagship event for Bocholt.

Andreas Stockhausen, Bocholt City Sports Association

Arrival & Parking

- Road closures from Saturday afternoon in the city centre (note: the weekly market will take place as usual until 1 pm)
- Car parking facilities, among others:
 - Berliner Platz (restricted due to construction site)
 - Shopping arcades (open until midnight)
 - Old fire station

Award ceremony & highlights

- Honours directly after the races in the finish area
- Special classification: **fastest Bocholter & fastest Bocholter**
- Anniversary running shirts available
- Certificates online from **10 May**

Party & celebration hotspots

- Catering and drinks in many areas of the city centre (Ravardistraße, Gasthausplatz, Marktplatz and many more)
- Live moderation, DJs and music along the route
- Samba bands, hands-on activities and children's programme

Organisation & safety

The Citylauf is jointly organised by the City Sports Association, the City of Bocholt, City Marketing and Sportfreunde 97/30 Lowick. Numerous helpers and organisations ensure that everything runs smoothly. **Safety is a top priority** - comprehensive measures are implemented in close coordination with the authorities.

Partners, sponsors & helpers

The Citylauf is supported by numerous regional partners, including [stadtwerker GmbH](#) and [Stadtsparkasse Bocholt](#) ([see official website for](#) all [partners](#)).

A big thank you to volunteers from:

- Youth fire brigade
- THW youth
- Bocholt water sports club
- DLRG
- SV Biemenhorst

- Bocholt-West Vocational College
- Helpers from the Sportfreunde 97/30 Lowick sports club
- St Norbert Scouts and Guides
- Malteser



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