



# Birkie Trail Run HydraPak

## Ultra Marathon Course Description

Section	Miles	Pacer	Section Details	Arrival Station Details
Start to Boedecker	3.7	N	The first 1.5 miles are all uphill on the Birkie Ridge ski trail to the intersection of the Birkie Skate trail where you turn right and begin single counter-clockwise loop. The next 2.5 miles are all on the Birkie trail and include one of the biggest climbs on the course approaching Boedecker Aid Station.	The first time through Boedecker there will be self-serve water, Nuun, and energy food. Cabin and toilet are trailside.
Boedecker to Hwy OO	2.6	N	This section is completely on the Birkie Skate trail. It features the long climb to the Highway OO road crossing, the only paved road crossing on the course. At this point you will be leaving the marathon course and will only find the purple course markers for the next 30 miles when you return to this point. When you leave the Birkie Trail, you will enter a parking lot, cross the road, through the portico between the two cabins and back on to the Birkie Trail. The road crossing section is two-way.	Self-serve water, Nuun, and energy food located on a table under the portico between the trailhead cabins. Toilets are in the parking lot on the south side of the highway.
Hwy OO to Gravel Pit	5.3	N	Immediately after getting back on the Birkie Trail you will turn right on to the West Loop ski Trail for $\frac{3}{4}$ mile, then right back on to the Birkie Trail. From this point continue traveling south, utilizing the Birkie Trail and Makwa Single-Track Trail for the next 5 miles. Makwa crosses the Birkie Trail multiple times, at each intersection you will turn right, on and off of the single track. At the end of this section, you will exit off Makwa entering enter a long section of two-way section of Birkie Trail for the next $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to Gravel Pit Aid Station.	Full service aid station. Toilet next to trail.
Gravel Pit to Mosquito Brook	5.9	N	Leaving Gravel Pit, you will continue to follow the two-way section for another 750 feet to the final right turn on to Makwa on the trip south. Follow Makwa for 1 mile to the intersection of a logging road where you turn right and follow it for 750 feet to Phipps Fire Road. Here you will encounter the only gravel road running on the course. Turn left onto Phipps for 1.1 mile, then left again onto the gravel ATV Trail #31 for 1.2 mile, then right on the Birkie Trail for the final $\frac{1}{3}$ mile of the aid station. You will cross Mosquito Brook Road just prior to the Aid Station.	Full service aid station located at the trailside cabin. Toilet next to trail.

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Hatchery Park to Mosquito Brook	4.5	Y	Leaving the aid station, you will continue on the ski trail for 1000 feet. At this point you will be at the southern end of the course. Turn left back on to the Hatchery Single-track Trail loop. You will cross the Birkie Trail many times, but you do not turn on the Birkie Trail in this section. There are 5 signed short cuts on the trail, showing every-day trail users the return back to Hatchery Park. Do not take these short cuts, follow the trail all the way to Mosquito Brook. At the conclusion of the loop you will be back at the same intersection where you began it. This time continue heading north for 1000 foot section of two-way segment of the Birkie Trail returning to Mosquito Brook Aid Station.	Full service aid station located at the trailside cabin. Toilet next to trail
Mosquito Brook to Gravel Pit	3.8	Y	Leaving the Mosquito Brook Aid Station, you will turn right onto Mosquito Brook Road for 50 feet, turn left in to the parking area, through the gateway on to the Makwa Trail. Follow Makwa for 2 miles to intersect with the Birkie trail, turn right and follow Birkie Trail to the Gravel Pit Aid Station. The final 750 feet to the station is two-way trail.	Full service aid station. Toilet next to trail
Gravel Pit to Hwy OO	5.8	Y	Continuing north, you are back on the ½ mile is two-way section of the Birkie Trail. Then continue another ½ mile further on the Birkie Trail to the next intersection with Makwa Trail. From this point it is the inverse of the southbound leg of this section. At this and subsequent intersections between Birkie & Makwa Trails you will turn right, alternating between the single-track and ski trail. At the end of the final section of Makwa you will exit through the trail gateway, through the portico between the cabins, cross Highway OO, through the parking lot, and back on the Birkie Trail at same point you left 30 miles prior.	Self-serve water, Nuun, and energy food located on a table under the portico between the trailhead cabins. Toilets are in the parking lot on the south side of the highway.

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Boedecker to Timber Trail	5.5	Y	Continue north on Birkie Classic for ½ mile to a right turn on to Seeley Pass single track trail. After 1500 feet, Seeley Pass merges on to Seeley Fire Tower Road for 200 feet, then turn left off the road continuing on Seeley Pass Trail for 2/3 mile to the “Ball Field”, an old grown over CCC baseball field. At this point the trail takes on the name Flow Mama. There is no intersection, just a name change. You will climb steady for the next 2/3 mile on Flow Mama. Turn right on Birkie Classic for 2.7 miles to Timber Trail Aid Station. The final 500 feet are on two-way trail.	Full service aid station with hot food. Cabin and toilet are trail side.
Timber Trail to Birkie Trailhead	3.3	Y	Exiting Timber Trail northbound, you will continue on two-way section for 500 feet, then bear right on the Birkie Classic Trail for 1.4 miles. Here you will reach the intersection with the Ojibwa single-track trail for the first time, coming from the south. From this point you will run a 10-mile loop, returning to this intersection again, but coming from the north the second time. At this first visit, turn right on to Ojibwa and follow it for ¼ mile. Next bear left on to Telemark Traverse single-track for 1.1 miles to the terminus of the trail at the Birkie Trailhead Aid Station. At this point you are at the northern most point on the course.	Full service aid station with hot food. Cabin and toilet are trail side.
Birkie Trailhead to Timber Trail	6.4	Y	Begin the journey back south by departing the Birkie Trail Head Aid Station on the ultra-wide combined Birkie Skate and Classic Trail for ¼ mile, turn left onto Birkie Classic for ¼ mile, left on to Kortelopet Trail for 1.1 miles, left back on to Birkie Classic for 1.3 miles. At this point you are back at the intersection with the Ojibwa Trail that you were at 10 miles previously. This time you will turn right, heading east on the Ojibwa Trail for 600 feet. Turn left on to Birkie Skate Trail for 700 feet, right on to North End Ski Trail for ¼ mile, then sharp left on to the North End Classic Trail for ½ mile, left back on to North End Classic Trail for ¼ mile, and finally right turn back on to Birkie Skate Trail for 1.4 miles to the Timber Trail Aid Station. The final 500 feet are two-way trail.	Full service aid station with hot food. Cabin and toilet are trail side.
Timber Trail to Finish	6.2	Y	Exiting Timber Trail, you will be on a two-way section for 500 feet, bear right at the split, staying on Birkie Skate Trail for 6/10 mile. Turn right on Flow Mama single-track trail for a 1.8 mile climb to the high point of the course. Turn right on to Birkie Skate Trail for 1.5 miles, completing the loop back to the Birkie Ridge Trail. Turn right for the final 1.5 miles down the Birkie Ridge Trail to the finish!	Drinks and energy food at finish.
Total Miles	60.6			