



2021 Birkie Week Miscellaneous Frequently Asked Questions As of 12/16/20

This is a unique year and we hope to be back to normal for Birkie 2022! We understand that Birkie 2021 plan may not be ideal for you and your personal circumstances. However, we want you to know that we are doing everything in our power to provide a safe event experience for all skiers. For those who choose to join us virtually for Birkie 2021, we will do our very best to make certain you have a great virtual experience. Thank you for your understanding and consideration during these unusual times.

What are the key dates I need to be aware of leading up to Birkie event week?

- December 29, 2020 – American Birkebeiner, Kortelopet & Prince Haakon In-Person [Race Registration](#) Closes
- January 18, 2021 – Birkie 2021 Event Update Virtual Meeting and Q&A
- January 19, 2021 – Slumberland American Birkebeiner, Kortelopet & Prince Haakon Virtual Race Registration Closes
- January 19, 2021 – Race and Technique Change Deadline – [Click Here](#) to Make Changes
- January 22, 2021 – Last Day to [Switch from In-Person to Virtual](#) & Receive Your Bib, Hat, Pin & Ski Ties by Race Week
- January 31, 2021 – [Birkie Tour](#) – Test Drive Your Event Course & New Hydration Stations in Advance of February Events

How can I best prepare for my race experience?

- We encourage you to begin training for your February race with self-sufficiency in mind. Skiers will have to carry more of their own energy needs on race day. As you are training, determine what your personal needs will be on race day and be prepared to meet them.
- We're changing the format of the 2021 Birkie Tour (January 31, 2021) to closely resemble the racecourses and aid stations that Birkie, Korte, and Prince Haakon skiers will experience in February. The Birkie Tour will be a good dry run for skiers wanting to test their race day strategy in a safe manner. Learn more about the Birkie Tour [here](#).

Will dorm housing be available in 2021?

- No, dorm housing will not be offered in 2021.

Will there be an Expo in 2021?

- We have exciting Birkie Expo news that will be announced in the coming days!

What is the best way to keep updated on Birkie events?

- Keep checking the Birkie Event Updates page on Birkie.com.
- Please make certain to add Birkie@Birkie.com in your contact list to ensure you are receiving event emails.
- Watch for the new Birkie App which will be able to alert you of all the changes and needed information.

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When will the Birkie Trail be closed during race week?

- The Birkie Trail will be closed from the American Birkebeiner Trailhead to the OO Trailhead beginning Tuesday, February 23 through the final day of racing on Sunday, February 28th.

Will roads be open to spots along the trail for spectators?

- Spectators are not allowed in the start, on-course or finish areas of the race. Roads may be closed or there may be restricted access to most racecourse access points.

If I am uncomfortable attending the event, can I still get my bib and hat?

- Yes, anyone uncomfortable attending the in-person event may switch to the virtual race option. You may choose the virtual race option at any time, however, once you switch to virtual you may not switch back to the in-person race.
- Virtual participants registered by January 22, 2021 will have their bib, participant hat, ski ties, and finish medal or pin mailed to them before the event.

What will the volunteer needs be during Birkie Week?

- While working on the overall race plans, we are also reviewing our Birkie week volunteer needs. We will post all volunteer positions on www.Birkie.com/volunteer in the coming months.

Does the registration insurance available on the event page at Birkie.com cover a pandemic?

- The optional AIG Regsaver registration insurance policy, as offered on individual Birkie event pages, will cover your registration if you are ill, injured, or if another covered peril occurs. For specifics on what is covered, please [click here](#). Registration insurance will not cover event cancellation due to a pandemic.