

Mount Marathon Race

Junior's Race Sweep Procedure (2016)

There are Three (3) Member of the Sweep team and for clarity they will be alphabetically labeled. **(A)** is the lead personnel and will be designated to instruct other members their specific duties and requirements. All team members will have radios and safety vest. The lead will have the only Radio assigned that will have an extra channel sync to the Seward Fire Dept.

1. At approximately 9:15 am **(A)** is staged at midway/turnaround check point (Squirrel's Inn) before race starts.
2. **(B) & (C)** are staged at the back of the pack of runners and will follow the racer from 50 feet or more back from the last racer, giving the runner room to pace themselves.
3. **(B) &(C)** will follow the racers up to the base of the mountain, from there they will both take different routes up, one going up the Switchback and one up the Roots. As they follow the last racers to midway they can also rendering assistance to any runner if needed. As **(B) &(C)** move up the mountain they will provide radio contact with **(A)** to indicate movement and progress of the racers.
4. **CUT OFF / TURN AROUND** - After 1/2 hour time into the race, the race official at the time clock will notify **(A)** sweeper to stop any racers who have not met the time requirement at midway, NO EXCEPTION!!!!
5. **(B) &(C)** sweep will then follow a last runner that passes the check point and follow them to the top of the **Junior Race Point** and back down to midway, visually inspecting the entire route and surrounding area.
6. **INTENSE DOWN SWEEP BEGINS** - When **(B) & (C)** reach midway the entire team will gather for final instruction. The team will separate and if possible utilizing participating Crowd Control personnel, the team will sweep all of the trails as they proceeding down the mountain.
7. **(A)** will go down the cliffs, **(B)** takes the gut to Upper Crossover trail **(C)** goes down Switchback.
8. All sweepers will meet at the **Ski Patrol/First Aide Station** located at the base of the mountain. A call will then be made to the **RACE OFFICIALS** that the sweep team is "OFF THE MOUNTAIN".
9. All Radios and Safety vest will be turned in and stored in the MMR storage tote located at **Ski Patrol/First Aide Station**.