



Hoyles Mill

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**February 6
Saturday**



PERMIT APPROVED

UPDATE AS OF Monday Feb. 1: Our permit has been approved! Registration will open **TUESDAY AT 6pm**.

In a time when very little feels normal, David and I hope to bring a bit of familiarity and tradition this month with the **9th annual Super Bowl Saturday BUMBLE** (sans the mass start, of course). And this year, we get to try out a brand new map that encompasses two distinct parks, courtesy of long-time club member, Nadim Ahmed.

The Bumble includes 5 course levels: Beige through Blue. We will also offer white, yellow and orange courses. Check-in and "starts" will be on the grounds of the Maryland SoccerPlex. Courses span across two parks -- South Germantown Recreational Park (property on which the SoccerPlex is located) and Hoyles Mill Park.

Registration for this event has been modified to organize Bumpers running the same/comparable courses into small groups of (5-10) people who can start their Bumble race together (spread out, with extra start boxes). We hope that this will provide the feel of a Mass start "in miniature" (with the opportunity to follow, of course!) Please see the schedule preview below.

Here is how we suggest you plan for your BUMBLE START (Beige through Blue):

- Come to the check-in table (during your assigned time) **READY** to go out!
 - We will have a clothing drop at the start, so you can stay warm!
- Register your e-punch



- Head directly to the start (~100 meter walk), where you will receive your map (do NOT turn it over!)
- As soon as there is a small group gathered, the start team will initiate the “GO”. (Those who prefer to begin as soon as they arrive at the start are welcomed to do so.)
- **PUNCH the start box | Turn over your map | Head to control #1 (mandatory)**

White, Yellow, and Orange courses will have a separate, unmanned start, from which you can begin your course at any time during your scheduled window.

PLEASE read ALL meet and course notes for important details!

Meet notes:

- **ALL SOCCER FIELDS ARE OUT OF BOUNDS! DO NOT RUN OR WALK ON THEM! You MAY ONLY USE the grassy borders around/between the fields for your route choices.**
- **Everyone must be out of the woods by 3:00pm, which is when we will begin picking up controls.**
- Dogs are allowed but must be on leash at all times.
- Port-o-Johns will be located at registration
- Bumble prizes will be awarded differently this year, due to no mass start:
 - First male and first female of each advanced course will receive a fun treat/recognition. Since for the moment our QOC motto is “come, run, leave”, we will announce the winners post-event and have your treats available at the next QOC event.

QOC’s [COVID risk reduction protocols](#) [2], as also enumerated [here](#) [3], are in effect. Please read these guidelines carefully. Key points:

- **PROPERLY WORN MASKS ARE REQUIRED at all times when near registration, epunch areas or other concentrations of participants or others.**
- Water will not be provided in accordance with QOC COVID-19 risk reduction policies. **Please plan for your own hydration needs before, during, and after your run/walk.**
- We encourage everyone to download and use any or even all of the [DC](#) [4], [Maryland](#) [5] and [Virginia](#) [6] COVID exposure notification apps.
- Maintain social distancing at all times especially in the designated lines for check-in, e-punch registration, start and e-punch download.
- The size of WYO start teams (groups of individuals orienteering together with one e-punch) on a course must be no more than four (4) individuals (juniors and adults combined).
- There is no planned, on-site beginner instruction, but beginners are encouraged to watch relevant videos such as [this one](#) [7] created by QOC's instructional guru David Onkst

We are looking forward to seeing you soon! Please feel free to contact the [Event Director](#) [8] with questions.

Preview of start procedures for this event: There will be fourteen 15-minute start windows, with the following maximum start slots per window and per course type:

- 9:45-10:00am = 7 slots for red/blue and 6 for WYO
- 10:00-10:15am = 7 slots for red/blue and 6 for WYO
- 10:15-10:30am = 7 slots for red/blue and 6 for WYO
- 10:30-10:45am = 7 slots for red/blue and 6 for WYO
- 10:45-11:00am = 9 slots for green/brown/beige and 4 for WYO
- 11:00-11:15am = 9 slots for green/brown/beige and 4 for WYO
- 11:15-11:30am = 9 slots for green/brown/beige and 4 for WYO
- 11:30-11:45am = 9 slots for green/brown/beige and 4 for WYO
- 11:45-12:00pm = 9 slots for green/brown/beige and 4 for WYO
- 12:00-12:15pm = 9 slots for green/brown/beige and 4 for WYO
- 12:15-12:30pm = 9 slots for green/brown/beige and 4 for WYO
- 12:30-12:45pm = 9 slots for green/brown/beige and 4 for WYO
- 12:45-1:00pm = 10 slots for green/brown/beige and 3 for WYO



1:00-1:15pm = 10 slots for green/brown/beige and 3 for WYO

"WYO" means either a white, yellow or orange course; and for the advanced (Bumble) courses, the beige, brown, green, red and blue course types correspond to 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 windows, respectively.

Location

Maryland SoccerPlex, Fields 12-13 Parking,
Germantown, MD (Classic & Bumble)

Registration