Health Questionnaire and Recommendations for all runners of The Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2020

If you intend to take part in The Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon on 9 February 2020 (SCHKM), you should read the questions below and answer each one of them honestly.

Check YE	S or NO.	
Yes	No	
		Has your doctor ever said that you have a heart condition and that you should only do physical activity recommended by a doctor?
		Do you feel pain in your chest when you do physical activity?
		In the past month, have you had chest pain when you were not doing physical activity?
		Do you lose your balance because of dizziness or do you ever lose consciousness?
		Do you have a bone or joint problem (for example, back, knee or hip) that could be made worse by your participation in the SCHKM?
		Is your doctor currently prescribing drugs (for example, water pills) for your blood pressure or heart condition?
		During blood pressure monitoring, have you ever recorded high blood pressure?
		Have you ever been diagnosed with high cholesterol?
		Do you smoke or have you smoked extensively in the past?
		Has anyone in your direct family ever suffered from high blood pressure, calcification of the blood vessels/heart attack, blood sugar disease, or stroke?
		Do you have diabetes?
		Are you taking any medication for high blood pressure, heart or breathing conditions?

If you answered YES to one or more questions

Your physical condition may not be suitable for taking part in the SCHKM.

It is <u>strongly recommended</u> that you talk with your doctor BEFORE you take part in the SCHKM. Tell your doctor about the questions you answered YES and follow his/her advice.

You should only take part if your doctor advises you that you can do so without risk.

Developed based on Leisure and Cultural Services Department's latest 《Physical Activity Readiness Questionnaire PAR-Q》 Source of the PAR-Q: The Canadian Society for Exercise Physiology

Recommendations

You should appreciate that taking part in any of the races of the SCHKM can be` a strenuous exercise and that you should only run on the day if you have been adequately prepared. If you become aware of any unusual symptoms that may develop during the race, e.g.: Chest pain, dizziness, severe nausea, unusual shortness of breath, change in your running style, confusion and disorientation you should stop running and seek medical attention. Although you may feel it is more important to finish the race, it is your health that should always take priority.

Here are a few recommended "Dos" and Don'ts"

DO:	DON'T:
Keep hydrated	Run if you are not fit enough or not properly prepared
Eat if necessary	Run if you have been sick or on antibiotics in the three weeks prior to the race
Listen to your body	Take ANY medication during the race
Take care of your health	Be embarrassed or afraid to stop and seek medical attention

The Questionnaire and the Recommendations are supplemental to The Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2020 Terms and Conditions and The Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2020 Event Declarations and your attention is particularly drawn to Condition 12 of such Terms and Conditions and Declarations 1 and 2 of such Event Declarations.

Runner safety is our top priority. We would like to share with you the attached Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2020 "Health Questionnaire and Recommendations". You are not required to return the completed questionnaire, but we encourage you to use it to assess your physical condition, and seek medical advice as appropriate to decide whether you should participate in the race.