



Frequently Asked Questions

Relay for life is a smoke free event in keeping with The Cancer Council Northern Territory policy. Participants will be directed off site away from entry and exit points behind the grandstand where they may smoke without causing harm or discomfort to others. Please ensure cigarette butts are properly disposed of responsibly in bins available. Thank you.

Raining

What happens if it's raining?

Relay for Life goes on rain, hail or shine. Dress appropriately! It will still be great fun. There is usually some shelter

at the track, but bring appropriate Territory 'wet' weather gear just in case. And don't forget to 'Get Set for the Wet'. Remember our tropical sunshine has the highest UV levels in Australia so be sure you are prepared and Sun Smart.

SLIP, SLOP, SLAP.

Sunscreen will be available from the Administration Tent.

Team Sizes

Does each team need to have between 10 to 15 members ?

If there are fewer than 10, it makes it hard for the team to keep one person on the track for the full event.

With more than 15, teams become a bit hard to manage and bigger teams will have to share any prize packages won between the members evenly, packages will be provided for a team of 15 members.

Fundraising

Does each team need to raise at least \$1000?

Relay for Life is a fundraising event to fund support programs for people dealing with Cancer and to provide education and awareness programs to the community. A minimum of \$1000 per team including registration fees makes our efforts on this event worthwhile, these goals are easily achieved by teams. Every bit counts, if you need some ideas of how to raise the money please let us know. Children are only expected to raise half the normal amount. Although some team members may raise less than \$100, others may raise more, it's the combined team effort that matters.

Sleeping Over

Do all team members need to stay overnight at the track ?

We understand that some people won't be able to be at the track for the whole event. Some may work, while others may have family commitments. We ask that team members try to stay at the track for as long as possible to support each other and share the relay roster, particularly late at night. It is not essential to stay but the wonderful camaraderie and the great entertainment of this event is something not to be missed.

Setting Up

What time can I access my campsite on the day?

At the final Team Captain's meetings you will be given a map of your allocated a campsite number. The oval will be marked with corresponding numbers. Maps will be provided in your showbags and also displayed at the venue in the Administration Tent. If you wish to reserve a specific tent site, first in best dressed.

On the day, you can access your campsite from NOON to set up. All cars must be removed by 4pm and only Authorized vehicles will be allowed in after that. Parking across the road will be patrolled over night.

Animals

Can I bring my dog?

The terms and conditions for the use of Gardens Oval state that dogs are not permitted on the Main Oval at any time. Please let everyone know not to bring dogs to the venue at all.

Food Supplies

Do we have to bring food?

Breakfast is provided by the Relay for Life organizers and the Nightcliff Rotary Club—but please bring your own plate, cutlery and mug.

Tea and coffee will be available on sale throughout the event.

Food vendors will be selling snacks / meals (with a percentage going back to Relay for Life). Otherwise we suggest you provide all your own food. These details will be available at the final Team Captain's meeting.

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Children

Is there a minimum age for team Members?

Children under the age of 16 can participate in a team with at least 2 adults. There is no category for children under 16 years. Children must be supervised at all times. Prams can be pushed around the track as part of Relay for Life. Games and activities will be available in a defined area.

Lap Counting

How does lap counting work ?

It's an honour system with each team and team member counting their own laps. Teams and team members that compete to win the prize for most laps should advise us so that we can set some ground rules. Remember, even though more than one team member can be on the track at once, only one 'carries the baton' to earn laps for their team. It is then number of baton laps are completed not the number of people laps.

Running or Walking?

You must choose to be a walking team or running team. Teams that are a combination, must enter as a running team.

Taking Turns

Do I need to do a minimum number of laps or hours ?

No, it's not a race or endurance test. We simply ask that teams have at least 1 person on the track at all times. Some team members may set personal goals and end up doing more laps than others. You can walk in pairs or groups to make it more enjoyable. The most important thing is having FUN.

Ceremonies

Can I take part in the 'Survivors Walk and 'Candlelight Ceremony' without being in a team?

Yes, these ceremonies are the real highlights and we want to see as many people as possible take part in Relay for Life. Please let as many of your friends know about the event and tell them to come down and cheer on your team and participate in these ceremonies. This is a truly community event - ALL ARE WELCOME.

Tax Deductions

What money is tax deductible?

A donation over \$2.00 is tax deductible when the donor receives nothing of value in return :

- Eg: All donations are tax deductible and the donor is eligible to receive a tax deductible receipt
 - Team member registration fees of \$16.50 are not tax deductible because we provide you with information, t-shirt and services on the day.
 - Team Captains are issued with receipt books for team members to write receipts for people making straight donation to your teams fundraising total.
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More Information

Who do I contact for more information on Relay for Life ?

- Telephone Elizabeth Cohen at The Cancer Council Northern Territory on 1300 65 65 85
- Email the Relay of life office on events.darwin@cancernt.org.au
- Visit The Cancer Council Northern Territory website www.cancercouncilnt.com.au
- Attend a Relay information session held prior to the event, contact the office for details.
- Ask us to send out a Relay Information Kit, this will include everything you will need to recruit and register your team.

Relay for Life - a team event to fight Cancer

Do you know 10-15 friends you would like to spend the night with ?