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IRONMAN 2015 Street Closures and Spectator Information



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September 22nd, 2015 – Chattanooga, TN — Chattanooga DOT welcomes IRONMAN this weekend. We recommend that spectators and visitors park in the lots and garages surrounding downtown and utilize the Free Electric Shuttle and Bike Chattanooga bike share system. The Electric Shuttle will have extended hours for IRONMAN on Sunday beginning at 4:00 am and the last shuttle will end at 12:20am. There will also be extra shuttles running the route. Bike Chattanooga staff will be at bike share stations to assist folks renting a bike.

Public activities start Saturday morning at with a kid's race at 9:00 am and the IRONMAN Expo area will be open on the Chattanooga Green Thursday the 24th through Saturday the 26th from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm and Sunday the 27th from 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

The Tennessee River will be closed to pleasure crafts between Ross's Landing and the Chickamauga Dam from 5:00 am until 10:30 am on Sunday, September 27th. This includes the Rivermont Park and Tennessee Riverpark boat ramps.

Ironman starts early Sunday morning with the swim portion at 7:20am and athletes will be transitioning to the bike race from about 8:00 until 10:30 am. Traffic will be stopped from crossing the cyclists' lane when they are present between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm on West 20th Street, Broad Street, Market Street, and Alton Park Boulevard. Runners will be on the Riverwalk, Amnicola Highway, the Veterans Bridge, Barton Avenue, Hixson Pike, and Riverview Road between 12:25 pm and 12:00 am.

The route map and guides to allow spectators to make the most of this unprecedented opportunity for Chattanooga can be found on CDOT's website: [CDOT's event page](#).

Closure details:

Riverside Drive/Riverfront Parkway between Aquarium Way and Molly Street, Chestnut Street between Aquarium Way and Riverfront Parkway, and the southbound Veterans Bridge ramp to Riverside Drive will be closed from 9:00 am Wednesday, September 23rd until 8:00 pm on Monday, September 28th for the IRONMAN setup and race.

The right eastbound lane of Riverfront Parkway between Molly Lane and Market Street, the right southbound lane of Market Street between West 20th Street and West 40th Street, and the I-24 on ramp and South bound off ramp at Market Street will be closed and all streets crossing this route will be controlled by CPD officers. The intersection of St Elmo Avenue and Virginia Ave. at West 45th Street will be a 4 way Stop from 8:00 am until 6:00 pm on Sunday, September 27th, 2015 for the IRONMAN bike portion. Cyclists will also be on West 40th Street and Tennessee Avenue to the state line and riding with traffic.

The right eastbound lane of Frazier Avenue between Forest Avenue and the Veterans Bridge, the right northbound lane of Barton Avenue between Frazier avenue and Baker Street, the right northbound lane of the Veterans Bridge between East 3rd Street and Barton Avenue, the right westbound lane of Amnicola Highway between Old Curtain Pole Road and Lindsay Street, Riverside Drive between Lindsay Street and Molly Lane, the Battery Place off ramp from Riverside Drive, Aquarium Way between Riverside Drive and Walnut Street will be closed and all streets crossing this route will be controlled by CPD officers to give right-of-way to the runners from 12:25 pm on Sunday, September 27th until 12:00 am on Monday, September 28th, 2015 for the IRONMAN run portion.