

<b>Boston Marathon Application Rubric</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Meeting attendance</b>	7-10 meetings	4-6 meetings	1-3 meetings	0 meetings
<b>Volunteering</b>	3+ events	2 events	1 event	no volunteering
<b>Board Member</b>	Yes			No
<b>GNBTC event participation</b>	3+ events	2 events	1 event	no volunteering
<b>The "Why"</b>	The "why" is compelling, specific, and deeply personal. The applicant clearly articulates a meaningful reason for seeking a waiver (e.g., extraordinary circumstances, significant personal adversity, service, or impact). The narrative demonstrates strong alignment with the values of the Boston Marathon (perseverance, dedication, community, inspiration). The motivation is authentic, well-articulated, and memorable.	The "why" is clear and genuine, with a logical explanation for requesting a waiver. The applicant provides relevant context and demonstrates commitment to the sport or personal growth, but the story may lack depth, specificity, or emotional resonance. Alignment with the Boston Marathon's values is present but not fully developed.	The "why" is vague, generic, or minimally developed. The applicant states a desire to participate but offers little insight into unique circumstances or motivations. The explanation shows limited connection to the broader significance or values of the Boston Marathon.	The "why" is unclear, incomplete, or missing. The response provides no meaningful justification for a waiver, relies solely on entitlement or convenience, or fails to address the purpose of the waiver altogether.
<b>Why do you want to run Boston?</b>	The applicant clearly articulates a distinct and well-informed connection to the Boston Marathon itself (e.g., its history, prestige, personal or community ties, or symbolic meaning). The motivation goes beyond general marathon appeal and demonstrates a thoughtful understanding of what makes Boston unique. The response feels intentional, authentic, and specific to this race.	The applicant provides a reasonable and sincere explanation for wanting to run Boston, with some reference to its significance or personal importance. While genuine, the motivation may be somewhat general or could apply to other major marathons as well.	The applicant expresses interest in running Boston but offers generic or surface-level reasons (e.g., "it's a famous race," "it's a bucket-list event") with little personal or contextual depth.	The applicant provides no clear explanation for wanting to run the Boston Marathon or offers reasons unrelated to the race itself.
<b>Anything extra?</b>	Up to 3 bonus points per participant for exceptional stories, effort, etc. to be given at scorer's discretion			