

# KLETTER MARATHON 2026

## Information for Climbing Gyms

### Overview

The **Klettermarathon 2026** is entering the next stage and will be held across the entire European Union in 2026.

The **Klettermarathon 2026** is a live competition. At the same time, on Saturday, 14. March 2026, teams of two will compete in the participating climbing gyms to collect as many climbing meters as possible in 2x3 hours. The event has existed since 2013. In 2024, 444 participants took part in 17 german climbing gyms.

At the **Klettermarathon 2026**, the teams compete against each other in 3 starting classes (W/M/D - W/W - M/M) within their own climbing gym. The teams from one climbing gym fight together against the other climbing gyms for the climbing marathon challenge cup. The indoor ranking is measured in climbing meters per participant.

Any route that is climbed without rope loading will be counted. There is no distinction between lead, top rope, auto belay or difficulty. Each route may only be climbed once per half time.

The evaluation takes place live and can be followed via scoreboard and screen in the climbing gyms. The participants enter their climbed routes via smartphone and the team and gym scores are updated immediately.

### Organization & Service

The **Klettermarathon 2026** will be organized centrally by *iClimb - Tim Bartzik* and the climbing halls will receive the following service:

#### Print matter

- Announcement poster

- Invitation flyer
- Route numbering
- Certificates

### Advertising

- Online advertising on Facebook and Instagram
- Poster delivery to around 250 climbing halls
- Digital banners for your own announcements on Facebook or websites
- Website [www.Klettermarathon.de](http://www.Klettermarathon.de) (/ .com)

### Service

- Preparatory meeting via Zoom
- Central registration
- Evaluation
- Live scoreboard
- Certificate print templates
- Handbook for hall management, helpers and employees
- Live support via Zoom

### Costs

The cost for each participating climbing gym is €440 (without tax). Of this, around €240 is invested in advertising (printed matter, shipping costs, website and online advertising) and in providing the registration and evaluation system. €200 is earmarked for the central organization.

In order to cover the printing costs, a deposit of 50% (= €220 net) must be paid after the invoice is issued with the binding registration no later than 15. January, 2026. The second invoice is due after the climbing marathon.

## Timetable Klettermarathon 2026

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| 15.01.2026 | Registration deadline for participating climbing gyms<br>Registration with 50% deposit of the organization fee                                                                 |
| February   | printed materials are sent to the gyms<br>Print and online advertising begins                                                                                                  |
| 01.02.2026 | Activation of team registration manuals for climbing halls via email                                                                                                           |
| 13.03.2026 | Preparation in the climbing gyms<br>Numbering of the routes<br>Entering the route lengths<br>Guest network<br>Beamer with live scoreboard<br>Printer for printing certificates |

### Timetable Saturday 14.03.2026

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|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 09:00 - 09:45 | Registration (late registrations possible until 11:00) |
| 09:45         | Welcome/Rules/Safety                                   |
| 10:00 - 13:00 | 1. Halftime                                            |
| 13:00 - 13:30 | Halftime Break<br>(No climbing)                        |
| 13:30 - 16:30 | 2. Halftime                                            |
| 16:45         | Deadline for entering routes                           |
| 16:45         | Printing out certificates                              |
| 17:00         | Award ceremony                                         |

### All times CET

### Follow up

- post a climbing hall album with 15-40 pictures on Facebook and Instagram  
#klettermarathon2026
- video report on YouTube
- Put results and report on website
- Report to local press

The **Klettermarathon 2026** is an event of the participating climbing halls and is organized by

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## Start authorization

Anyone who is allowed to climb independently is allowed to start: the indoor rules of the local climbing gym in question apply.

## Entry fee

The entry fee is set by the climbing hall and collected on site. The climbing hall covers 100% of the team's entry fee. There is no reimbursement for cancellations from iClimb.

## Half-time catering

The participating gyms can decide for themselves whether and how they offer half-time catering for the participants.

## Sponsors

Central sponsorship is not planned. The climbing halls take care of local sponsorship.

## Recommendation

- Gym with >80 routes
- Well-connected community with fun at a shared climbing event
- The climbing gym is interested in a popular sports event

Certificates, route signs and posters from the 2024 climbing marathon

