

The Formentera Departments of Tourism and Sports report that the 12th Half-Marathon (*Mitja Marató*) and 8K Run (*Cursa 8 km*) originally scheduled for 16 May have been pushed back to 10 October amid the public health emergency around the Covid-19 virus.

The agreement was reached between the event's organisers at Unisport Consulting, the Departments of Tourism and Sports, and stakeholders in Formentera tourism on the Consell's Committee for the Promotion of Tourism.

Department chiefs and organisers applauded the athletes who had registered to take part in the function for their understanding, and suggested multiple options for what to do next: lock in a space for the October rain-check or the 2021 run, give one's spot to another runner or, if cancellation insurance was purchased, cancel and get registration fees back. Unisport will send out emails in the days ahead to inform registered runners of the varying options.

### **May functions postponed**

Other May events have also been given pushed further back on the calendar. Formentera Fotogràfica, originally scheduled 29 April to 3 May, and Formentera 20, schedule from 7 to 10 May, will both be put back until 1 to 4 October. May's Gastronomic Weekends have also been adjourned pending an improvement of the public health situation.

"Our office of tourism is retooling its marketing campaigns and communications efforts in order to focus their thrust as soon as prep work for the tourist season is viable again", said Consell president and tourism consellera Alejandra Ferrer. "For now Formentera's fans can keep track of the island they love on social media".

### **Sports dates cancelled**

Definitive cancellation is now confirmed for the sports trials initially lined up to take place in April, like BTT La Mola on the 5th and De far a far on the 19th, as well as all other sporting events in May.

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