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## **U.S. Olympian Ryan Hall Withdraws Due to Injury from 2013 ING New York City Marathon**

**New York October 22, 2013**— The 2013 ING New York City Marathon men’s professional field will lose previously announced Ryan Hall due to a hip injury, it was announced today by New York Road Runners officials.

“In my zealous efforts to have redemption in this year's ING New York City Marathon, I overstepped the first and most important rule—making it to the line healthy,” said Hall. “A long string of very aggressive training has aggravated my hip and it has not been able to fully calm down, such that I don't think racing on it is wise. I am very disappointed that I won't be lining up on November 3rd as I had so looked forward to, but I am refocusing now on getting back to 100% and going after some big goals in 2014. Redemption will have to wait, but it will be all the more sweet.”

The U.S. men’s field features Hall’s 2012 U.S. Olympic Marathon teammate Meb Keflezighi. Other top Americans include two-time fourth-place Boston Marathon finisher Jason Hartmann, last year’s eighth-ranked U.S. marathoner Ryan Vail, and 2013 World Championships team member Jeffrey Eggleston.

Nationally, the ING New York City Marathon will be presented live on ESPN2 and ESPN Deportes+ from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. EST. For those who have video subscriptions with affiliated providers, the race will also be available via WatchESPN. Locally, New Yorkers can watch the race on ABC7 or [7online.com](http://7online.com) from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., or via WatchABC on mobile devices. Pre-race features from the start at Fort Wadsworth will broadcast live at 7:00 a.m. on ABC7, [7online.com](http://7online.com) and WatchABC. Additionally, a national highlights show will air from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on local ABC affiliates. International viewers can watch the broadcast via a live digital stream from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. EST on [7online.com](http://7online.com).

Check out *On the Run* at [ontherun.nyrr.org](http://ontherun.nyrr.org) for behind-the-scenes access to the ING New York City Marathon. *On the Run* is a must-see for runners of all ages and abilities. The program airs at 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday through Friday of race week, 5:00 p.m. Saturday, and 10:00 a.m. Monday, and on demand at [ontherun.nyrr.org](http://ontherun.nyrr.org).

For the latest Marathon news, updates, features, and media information, please visit the NYRR online media room at [media.nyrr.org](http://media.nyrr.org) or follow us on Twitter [@nyrrnews](https://twitter.com/nyrrnews).

#### **About the ING New York City Marathon**

NYRR's premier event, the ING New York City Marathon is the most loved and most inclusive marathon in the world, attracting elite athletes and recreational runners alike for the challenge and thrill of a lifetime. The race has grown tremendously since it began in 1970 with just 127 runners racing four laps of Central Park. Now, some 48,000 participants from all over the globe flock to New York City every November for an adrenaline-filled road tour of all five boroughs, starting on Staten Island at the foot of the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge and ending in Central Park. Some run for prize money or bragging rights, others for charity or their personal best. All are cheered on by more than two million live spectators and a TV audience of 330 million.

NYRR is proud to be a part of the World Marathon Majors—an alliance with the Tokyo, Boston, Virgin Money London, BMW Berlin, and Bank of America Chicago marathons—to advance the sport, raise awareness and increase interest and involvement in participatory and professional marathon running globally. A signature element is the WMM series, which offers a \$1 million prize purse to be split equally between the top male and the top female marathoner in the world.