



"To Finish" Marathon TRAINING PLAN

Jeff Galloway's Training Plans incorporate walk breaks to allow virtually anyone to complete a distance event.

For more information on training, get Jeff's books from www.JeffGalloway.com. YEAR ROUND PLAN & GALLOWAY'S MARATHON FAQ are highly recommended for those new to running or interested in improving their running, but many other titles are available. Please also consider inexpensive coaching via Galloway Customized Training or direct e-coaching from Jeff. More information is available at www.JeffGalloway.com/galloway-coaching or by contacting Chris@Jeffgalloway.com.

Run-Walk-Run (R-W-R): Jeff Galloway's method has allowed hundreds of thousands of beginners to finish 10K races and longer distances. By inserting a walk break from the beginning of the workout, and continuing to walk according to a plan, there is no need to experience extra fatigue, pain, or injuries. A standard pattern for those who are taking their first running steps is to run for 5-10 seconds and walk for the rest of the minute. If all goes well, you could increase during the third week to 10-20 seconds of running, walking for the rest of the minute. On the 5th week, increase to 20-30 seconds of running while walking for the rest of the minute—if all is well. If you are huffing and puffing, experiencing aches and pains, or struggling in any way, drop back to more walking, such as 10 or 5 seconds each minute.

R-W-R Strategy for those already running: The amount of running and walking is adjusted for the pace per mile. Beginning runners should continue running 10-20 seconds every minute for most of the long runs. Those who have been running for at least 3 months could use the following as a guide:

18 min/mi (11 min/km): run 5 sec/walk 30 sec

17 min/mi: run 10 sec/walk 30 sec

16 min/mi (10 min/km): run 10 sec/walk 30 sec

15 min/mi (9 min/km: run 15 sec/walk 30 sec

14 min/mi: run 30 sec/walk 30 sec

13 min/mi (8 min/km): run 30 sec/walk 30 sec

12 min/mi: run 60 sec/walk 30 sec

11 min/mi (7 min/km): run 60 sec/walk 30 sec 10 min/mi (6 min/km): run 90 sec/walk 30 sec

9 min/mi: run 2 min/walk 30 sec

8 min/mi (5 min/km): run 4 min/walk 30 sec 7 min/mi (4 min/km): run 6 min/walk 30 sec

Magic Mile: On short run weekends as indicated, run a timed mile (after a gentle warm-up) using the run/walk strategy you like best. Use the calculator at JeffGalloway.com/training/magic-mile for help determining your recommended training and racing paces.

Making up Distance: Walk the difference between your longest recent run and the assigned distance to get safely to your assigned distance. For example, if the assigned distance is 9 miles, and you have run 4 miles, you can walk 5 miles then run/walk 4 miles to get on target safely.

Week of	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Aug 27 - Sep 2	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	9 miles
Sep 3 - 9	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	Magic Mile
Sep 10 - 16	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	11 miles
Sep 17 - 23	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	5 miles
Sep 24 - 30	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	13 miles
Oct 1 - 7	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	Magic Mile
Oct 8 - 14	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	15 miles
Oct 15 - 21	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	5 miles
Oct 22 - 28	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	17 miles
Oct 29 - Nov 4	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	Magic Mile
Nov 5 - 11	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	20 miles
Nov 12 - 18	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	5 miles
Nov 19 - 25	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	Magic Mile
Nov 26 - Dec 2	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	23 miles
Dec 3 - 9	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	5 miles
Dec 10 - 16	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	Magic Mile
Dec 17 - 23	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	26 miles
Dec 24 - 30	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	5 miles
Dec 31 - Jan 6	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off	Magic Mile
Jan 7 - 13	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	off/XT	30-45 min run/walk	easy walk	off/XT	off
Jan 14	Bermuda Marathon						

XT = cross training. Choose something you enjoy that gives you a good cardio workout. Walking is always good cross training. For lots more information about running injury free, visit www.JeffGalloway.com/learn/.