

5K OFFICIAL TRAINING 2024 RUNNER/WALKER

WEEK	DATES	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	AUG 26 - Sept 1	Rest or Run/Walk	1.5 MILES Easy	STRENGTH & CORE	1.5 MILES Easy	REST	1.5 MILES Easy	35-60 MIN WALK
2	SEPT 2 - SEPT 8	Rest or Run/Walk	1.75 MILES Easy	STRENGTH & CORE	1.5 MILES Easy	REST	1.75 MILES Easy	35-60 MIN WALK
3	SEPT 9 - SEPT 15	Rest or Run/Walk	2 MILES Easy	STRENGTH & CORE	1.5 MILES Easy	REST	2 MILES Easy	40-60 MIN WALK
4	SEPT 16 - SEPT 22	Rest or Run/Walk	2.25 MILES Easy	STRENGTH & CORE	1.5 MILES Easy	REST	2.25 MILES Easy	45-60 MIN WALK
5	SEPT 23 - SEPT 29	Rest or Run/Walk	2.5 MILES Easy	STRENGTH & CORE	2 MILES Easy	REST	2.5 MILES Easy	50-60 MIN WALK
6	SEPT 30 - OCT 6	Rest or Run/Walk	2.75 MILES Easy	STRENGTH & CORE	2 MILES Easy	REST	2.75 MILES Easy	55-60 MIN WALK
7	OCT 7 - OCT 13	Rest or Run/Walk	3 MILES Easy	STRENGTH & CORE	3 MILES Easy	REST	3 MILES Easy	60 MIN WALK
8	OCT 14 - OCT 20	Rest or Run/Walk	3 MILES Easy	STRENGTH & CORE	2 MILES Easy	REST	RACE DAY	CHEER ON MARATHON & HALF-MARATHON PARTICIPANTS!

Facebook.com/Groups/NRCRidgeRunners

TRAINING FOR SUCCESS

EASY TRAINING Running at a relaxed pace, without breathing hard. You should be able to easily carry on a conversation.

LONG TRAINING Longer distance at a slower pace, typically one to two minutes per mile slower than your goal race pace.

HARD TRAINING Challenge yourself. Tempo, Hills or Intervals.

TEMPO Warm-up one mile easy, middle 30-60 seconds per mile faster than goal race pace, cool-down one mile easy.

HILLS A hillier course increase your strength and speed without extra miles.

INTERVALS Increase strength and improve form. Start by doing one mile warm up, then run each interval 60-90 seconds per mile faster than your goal race pace, resting half to full time of interval.

STRENGTH & CORE Prevent injuries and improve form leading to improved running efficiency.

CROSS TRAINING Aerobic exercises other than running. Improve your fitness while giving your "running" muscles a rest.

REST Let your muscles recover and rebuild.

GOAL RACE PACE The pace you plan to run on race day.

RUN 2/WALK 1 Run for two minutes, walk for 1 minute, repeat for a total of 10 minutes

WU Warm Up warm up 1 – 2 minutes slower than 10K pace

CD Cool Down cool down 1 – 2 minutes slower than 10K pace

5X1 MILE @ 10K PACE WITH A 4MIN REST BETWEEN EACH MILE

DETERMINING YOUR RACE PACE Warm up $\frac{1}{2}$ mile at easy pace, run 1 mile moderate to hard timed, cool down $\frac{1}{2}$ mile easy pace

Example (if your timed mile was 9 minutes): 5K (9:00 min mile + 33 seconds) = 9:33 minute mile pace 10K (9:00 min mile x 1.15) = 10:35 minute mile pace ½ marathon (9:00 min mile x 1.2) = 11:20 minute mile pace

Marathon (9:00 min mile x 1.3) = 12:10 minute mile pace

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

PROPER SHOES Everyone is made differently. Make sure that you have been fitted for running shoes that are right for you. Come to Running Lab for your custom fit process.

ACCESSORIES AND APPAREL Well-made and properly fitting apparel is key to improving your experience. The wrong sock and apparel can cause slipping, rubbing and blistering.

HYDRATION Have a plan to stay hydrated. Wear a belt, hold something in your hand or drop water on your route.

NUTRITION You wouldn't fill your gas tank with trash, why would you fill your body with it? Proper nutrition will help to keep your muscles strong and your energy high, giving you the fuel you need to feel great when you train and race.

GOOD FORM RUNNING (GFR) Four steps to run faster, easier and reduce injury. Posture (tight core with glute engagement), proper foot strike (landing mid-foot), Cadence (running 180 steps per minute), Lean (use gravity to your advantage). Sign up for a class at **runninglabstore.com**.

INJURY PREVENTION Don't run through the pain. Listen to your body and talk to an expert. Two days off now is better than two months off because of injury. Check out the calendar of events for free injury screenings at Running Lab.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 17 // First Day of Official Training 22 // 1st Saturday Group Run

AUGUST 26 // 5K Training Starts

SEPTEMBER 28 // 12/20 Miler

OCTOBER

17 // Team Dinner and Commissioning
18-19 // Detroit Marathon Expo/Race Packet Pick-Up
19 // 5K and Kids' Fun Run
20 // Half Marathon and Full Marathon

