

# OhioHealth Capital City

## Intermediate Half Marathon Training Schedule

	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
WEEK 1	●	3	●	3.5	3	●	4
WEEK 2	●	3.5	●	3.5	3	●	5
WEEK 3	●	4	●	3.5	3	●	6
WEEK 4	●	4	●	4	3.5	●	6
WEEK 5	●	4.5	●	4	3.5	●	7
WEEK 6	●	3	●	4	3	●	5
WEEK 7	●	5	●	4	3.5	●	8
WEEK 8	●	5	●	4.5	3.5	●	9
WEEK 9	●	5	●	5	3	●	10
WEEK 10	●	4	●	4.5	3	●	6
WEEK 11	●	6	●	5	3	●	10
WEEK 12	●	6	●	5.5	3	●	11
WEEK 13	●	6.5	●	5.5	3	●	12
WEEK 14	●	4	●	4	3	●	8
WEEK 15	●	7	●	5.5	3	●	13
WEEK 16	●	4	●	4	3	●	6
WEEK 17	●	3	●	3	●	2	13.1

- **Day off/rest**
- **Easy Running (miles)** means you should be able to talk in short sentences while running, if not slow down!
- **Active Recovery** can be 20–30 minutes of anything aerobic (running, walking, swimming, cycling, elliptical, etc). If running on active recovery day, make sure the pace is VERY relaxed. The active recovery workout should not add to your fatigue level, if it does, either slow down or take the day off.
- **Quality Workout (miles)** will start/finish with easy paced run and have a faster component in the middle. For specifics of each quality workout please see next page.
- **Race Day (miles)**

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\*This schedule is for runners, walkers, and run/walkers who have successfully trained for and completed 2 or more half marathons without injury. Athletes should have been running or walking consistently for at least one year and are currently running or walking 3-4 continuous miles 4x per week as of the start of week 1. Check with a physician before starting this or any training plan or exercise regimen.

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## Intermediate Half Marathon Quality Workouts

### Workout Terms

**WARM UP (W/U):** Easy running before the quality component of the workout. This should be done at a pace that is same or slower than your long run pace. You should be able to talk in full sentences. Do not skip the warm up; it is part of the workout.

**COOL DOWN (C/D):** Easy running after the quality component of the workout. Meant to bring your heart rate back down and your body back to a resting state. Run the C/D at easy pace or slower. Do not skip the cool down, stopping immediately after a speed workout with no cool down can be dangerous.

**SURGES:** Pace for surges is simply faster running, not a sprint. They don't have to be the same each time and should not be faster than your 5k pace.

**1:1 REST:** Same amount of time working as rest (i.e. if you took 2 mins to run a 0.5 mile then rest for 2 mins)

**HALF MARATHON/10K/5K PACE(S):** Your **CURRENT** pace for these distances, **NOT** your goal pace.

**REST:** Standing or slow walking, unless otherwise listed.

### Workout Details

**Week 6 — 4 miles total:** 1.5 miles W/U, 1 mile with 3-4 surges, 1.5 miles C/D. Surges should be 30 seconds to 1 min each, with full recovery between (walking or slow jogging until your heart rate is back down to zone 2 or feel fully recovered).

**Week 7 — 4 miles total:** 1.5 miles W/U, 1.5 miles with 4-6 surges, 1 mile C/D. Surges should be 30 seconds to 1 min each, with full recovery between (walking or slow jogging until your heart rate is back down to zone 2 or feel fully recovered).

**Week 8 — 4.5 miles total:** 1.5 mile W/U, 0.5 mile at 10k pace (no faster) on 1:1 rest, then 1.0 mile at Half Marathon Pace, finish with 1.5 mile C/D.

**Week 9 — 5 miles total:** 1.5 mile W/U, 2x1 mile at Half Marathon Pace with 2 mins rest in between, finish with 1.5 mile C/D.

**Week 10 — 4.5 miles total:** 1.5 mile W/U, 1.5 miles continuous at Half Marathon Pace, finish with 1.5 mile C/D.

**Week 11 — 5 miles total:** 1.5 mile W/U, 1 mile at Half Marathon Pace 2 min rest, 0.5 mile at 10k pace (no faster), 2 min rest, 1 mile at Half Marathon Pace, finish with 1 mile C/D.

**Week 12 — 5.5 miles total:** 1.5 mile W/U, 3x1 mile at Half Marathon Pace with 2 min rest in between, finish with 1 mile C/D.

**Week 13 — 5.5 miles total:** 1.5 mile W/U, 2 miles continuous at Half Marathon Pace, 2 mins rest, 1 mile at Half Marathon Pace, finish with 1 mile C/D.

**Week 14 — 4 miles total:** 1.5 mile W/U, 2x400 meters at 10k pace (no faster) with 1 min rest in between, 1 min rest, then 2x400 meters at 5k pace (no faster) with 2 min rest in between, finish with 1.5 mile C/D.

**Week 15 — 5.5 miles total:** This is my FAVORITE workout for pace awareness, it is called "Fix It Immediately." The idea is to run your race pace then have a mile that is too fast and finally you will have to go back to your goal pace. If you start out too fast in a race, you'll know how to correct it! 1.5 mile W/U, 1 mile at Half Marathon Pace, 90-120 seconds rest, 1 mile at Half Marathon Pace-15 seconds (if your Half Marathon Pace is 9 min/mile then this would be 8:45 min/mile), 90-120 seconds rest, then 1 mile at Half Marathon Pace, finish with 1 mile C/D.

**Week 16 — 4 miles total:** 1.5 mile W/U, 1.5 mile continuous at Half Marathon Pace, finish with 1 mile C/D.

**Week 17 — 3 miles total:** 1 mile W/U, 2x800 meters at Half Marathon Pace with 2 min rest, finish with 1 mile C/D.

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