



### **Marathon Training Schedule - Improver**

1. This schedule is aimed at individuals who have done a marathon before and have completed a half marathon recently, enabling them to start with a 10 mile long run. Please bear in mind this is a generic schedule which you may well have to tweak in line with your particular circumstances.
2. One of your runs (customarily on a Sunday) will gradually increase over the weeks to build up your endurance. It should be an easy run 30-60 secs per mile slower than your intended race pace.
2. Other key sessions involve hills (H) eg. run to hill as warm up then 8 x 30 secs uphill with jog down recovery) and efforts (F) eg. warm up then 5 x 1 mile with 90 secs jog recovery in between. Also time trials (TT).
3. Suggest the Thursday run is at intended race pace (RP).
4. Use Parkruns (or 5K time trials), 10K and Half Marathon races as extra speed sessions.
5. Some run days are followed by rest/recovery days to allow your training to have optimal effect.

**We wish you all the best with your training and look forward to seeing you on race day.**

Week commencing	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7 June	Rest	6 miles (H)	5 miles easy	6 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	Parkrun or 5K TT	10 miles
14 June	Rest	6 miles (F)	6 miles easy	6 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	5 miles easy	11 miles
21 June	Rest	6 miles (H)	6 miles easy	6 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	5 miles easy	12 miles
28 June	Rest	6 miles(F)	6 miles easy	7 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	Parkrun or 5K TT	13 miles
5 July	Rest	6 miles (H)	6 miles easy	8 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	6 miles easy	14 miles
12 July	Rest	6 miles (F)	6 miles easy	8 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	Parkrun	15 miles or <a href="#">Chester 10k</a>
19 July (recovery)	Rest	4 miles (H)	4 miles easy	6 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	5 miles easy	12 miles
26 July	Rest	6 miles (F)	6 miles easy	10 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	Parkrun or 5K TT	16 miles
2 August	Rest	6 miles (H)	6 miles easy	10 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	6 miles easy	17 miles
9 August	Rest	6 miles (F)	6 miles easy	10 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	Parkrun or 10K TT	18 miles
16 August (recovery)	Rest	4 miles (H)	4 miles easy	8 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	5 miles easy	15 miles

23 August	Rest	6 miles (F)	6 miles easy	12 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	Parkrun or 5K TT	19 miles
30 August	Rest	6 miles (F)	6 miles easy	12 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	6 miles easy	20 miles
6 September	Rest	6 miles (F)	6 miles easy	12 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	Parkrun or 10k TT	20/22 miles
13 September (taper)	Rest	5 miles (F)	6 miles easy	8 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	5 miles easy	15 miles or <a href="#">Chester Half Marathon</a>
20 September (taper)	Rest	4 miles (F)	5 miles	6 miles (RP)	Rest or cross train	4 miles easy	10 miles
27 September (taper)	Rest	2 miles + 1 mile (RP)	Rest	3 miles easy	Rest	1 mile easy or rest	<b>26.2 miles</b> <b>Race day ☺</b> <b>Good times!</b>