



Narragansett Summer Running Festival - 2026 Beginner Half Marathon Training Plan

	Day 1 (Tuesday)	Day 2 (Thursday)	Day 3 (Saturday)	Day 4 (Sunday)	Total Weekly Run Volume
Week 1 Build April 20	2.5	2.0	2.0	3.5	10.0
Week 2 Build April 27	3.0	2.5	2.25	4.25	12.0
Week 3 Build May 4	3.5	3.0	2.5	5.0	14.0
Week 4 Recovery May 11	2.5	2.0	2.0	3.5	10.0
Week 5 Build May 18	4.0	3.0	3.0	6.0	16.0
Week 6 Build May 25	4.5	3.5	3.0	7.0	18.0
Week 7 Build June 1	5.0	4.0	3.0	8.0	20.0
Week 8 Recovery June 8	3.5	3.0	2.5	5.0	14.0
Week 9 Peak June 15	5.5	4.5	3.5	9.0	22.5
Week 10 Peak June 22	6.0	5.0	4.0	10.0	25.0

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Week 11 Taper June 29	4.0	4.0	Walk 30 Minutes	7.0	15.0
Week 12 Taper/Race July 6	2.0	2.0	1.0	RACE - Half Marathon	18.1

Notes:

**This plan is recommended for runners new to the Half Marathon distance.*

**Begin each Run Session with a 5 minute walk, gradually increasing your pace.*

**Finish each Run Session with a 5 minute easy walk.*

**All runs should be done at Aerobic Z1 (rate of perceived exertion of 4-6 on a scale of 10) or comfortable conversation pace, and may be done as a continuous run or as run/walk intervals (see suggested format below).*

**Include two strength training days per week (Monday and Friday).*

**It is recommended that you stretch after each run.*

**Include one complete rest day per week (Wednesday).*

**Optional Run/Walk Progression Program (Weeks 1-8)*

Week 1 - 1 minute run/1 minute walk

Week 2 - 2 minute run/1 minute walk

Week 3 - 3 minute run/1 minute walk

Week 4 - 3 minute run/1 minute walk

Week 5 - 4:00 minute run/1 minute walk

Week 6 - 4:15 minute run/45 second walk

Week 7 - 4:30 minute run/30 second walk

Week 8 - continuous run (or run/walk interval of your choice)