

43rd Marine Corps Marathon Media Credential Requests

Access to MCM Weekend Events from October 26-28 Available Now

QUANTICO, VA (Sept 21, 2018) – Media may now submit requests to cover the 43rd Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) and MCM Weekend events from Friday, Oct 26 through Marathon Day, Sunday, Oct 28, 2018.

Media can request credentials by completing the [2018 MCM Media Credential Request form](#). All media must be credentialed to cover any event during MCM Weekend. Additional media information can be found on the [Press Inquiries Page](#) of www.marinemarathon.com.

MCM Press Conference:

Once approved, media can pick up credentials immediately following the MCM Press Conference. This year's MCM Press Conference will be conducted at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center Eastern Shore Rooms 2/3 at 1 p.m. on Friday, October 26. The doors open at 12:30 p.m.

Credentials:

Individuals may pick up credentials for other members of the same media outlet if approved by the MCM Public Relations Coordinator. All media must display their own photo ID when picking up credentials. Credential pick up times are as followed:

- **Friday, October 26, immediately following the MCM Press Conference from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.** in the MCM Media Center located in Exhibit Hall C at Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center.
- **Saturday, October 27, from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.** in the MCM Media Center located in Exhibit Hall C at Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center.

MCM Media Tent:

Media work space, internet and event-day information will be available at the MCM Media Tent, located adjacent to the MCM Finish Line on the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial site in Arlington, VA. Directions for parking media vehicles will be distributed with vehicle passes, as requested on the MCM Media Credential form. MCM Media Tent times are located below.

- **Sunday, October 28, from 5:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.** All credentials must be picked up by 7:00 a.m.

Credential Access:

- **Media Parking** — Limited parking spots are available for media in Rosslyn, VA. Parking requests can be made within the credential form.
- **Media Vehicle** — Media can obtain great views of the lead MCM competitors on the course from the media vehicle, USA Guided Tours. The media vehicle will be parked at the MCM start line on event morning. Only authorized may be on board the vehicle. Media vehicle spots are limited and must be requested on media credential applications.
- **MCM Media Platform** — Photographers and videographers from credentialed media outlets can capture the MCM start from various media platforms. All interested media must request placement access to the platforms.



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- **Finish Line** — All media granted access to finish areas must remain behind the barricade not to interfere with incoming runners.
- **Post-Event Access to Winners and Featured Runners** — These individuals will be made available in the MCM Media Tent at the conclusion of their run and can be made available to media throughout the day as requested.
- **Aid Stations** — Any access to aid stations requires approval from the MCM Public Relations Coordinator and includes an event-provided escort.
- **MCM10K** – The start of the MCM01K is on the National Mall at 7:55 a.m. at 4th Street and Madison Drive in Northwest Washington, D.C., outside the National Gallery of Art. The MCM10K finishes in stride with MCM runners at the iconic U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial.

For questions about coverage of any MCM Weekend event, please contact Ashley Topolosky, MCM Public Relations Coordinator at 703-987-3191 or ashley.topolosky@usmc-mccs.org.

About the Marine Corps Marathon:

The Marine Corps Marathon (MCM), known as “The People’s Marathon,” promotes physical fitness and generates community goodwill while showcasing the high standards and discipline of the United States Marine Corps. Annually ranked as one of the largest marathons in the US and the world, the MCM welcomes runners from all 50 states and more than 60 countries. The 43rd MCM, coordinated by the Marine Corps Marathon Organization (MCMO), will be held Oct 28, 2018 in Arlington, VA. The MCM is presented by Arlington County, Brooks, Cigna and Leidos. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement is implied. #RunWithTheMarines