

Marine Corps Marathon Unveils Registration Schedule

MCM Rush Registration and Lottery to return alongside multiple registration options

QUANTICO, VA (March 4, 2019) – Thousands of runners each year set running with the Marines as a personal goal. The first challenge in this quest is obtaining an entry for the high-demand Marine Corps Marathon (MCM). There are multiple registration options for runners to gain access to “The People’s Marathon” available now and listed below.

The 44th MCM will take place on Oct. 27 in Arlington, VA and the nation’s capital. This annual event hosts 30,000 runners and more than 150,000 spectators. Runners can gain access to the MCM through the following programs. Entries are \$180 plus a processing fee and are available to runners ages 14-and-older at www.marinemarathon.com.

Highlights:

- >>MCM Lottery open from March 20-26
 - >> Rush Registration adds urgency and opportunity
 - >>44th MCM will register 30,000 runners
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Deferrals – March 1-12

Runners who opted to defer their 2018 MCM entry to the 2019 event must re-register to run the MCM this year. Deferred runners will receive an email with re-registration instructions. Access to these entries are guaranteed from noon on March 1 to noon on March 12. There is an \$80 fee associated with this service.

MCM Runners Club – March 1-12

This exclusive group of runners who have finished the MCM five or more times receive guaranteed access to the MCM annually through a special email invitation prior to the Lottery opening.

Active Duty – March 6-11

Active Duty and Active Reserve members of the military can register early for the MCM and save more than 15 percent thanks to GEICO, proud sponsor of the MCM. This opportunity is open from noon on March 6 to noon on March 11. While the MCM appreciates everyone who previously served our country and the military families of those currently in service, this special program exists as a special offer only for individuals currently servicing on Active Duty and as an Active Reservist.

MCM Rush Registration – March 19

Runners have the opportunity to register and secure a spot in the 44th MCM prior to the Lottery. Rush Registration begins at noon on March 19 and will close at 12:20 p.m. OR as soon as 7,000 runners have registered. Achieving this registration plateau would prompt Rush Registration to close prior to the planned 20-minute duration.

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MCM Lottery – March 20-26

Due to the volume of interest exceeding the field capacity, the MCM Lottery is necessary to give the maximum number of individuals the opportunity to obtain an entry. Runners may declare their intent to run the MCM by signing up for the Lottery from noon on March 20 to noon on March 26. All registered runners will be notified of their status through email on March 27. There are no fees associated with entering the Lottery and if a runner does not get in through the Lottery, the individual will not incur any charges.

Four Star Registration – Open Now

A limited amount of Four Star packages remain available. This is a bundled all-inclusive registration package featuring an option for one or two MCM entries; hotel stay at the Gaylord National Resort of two or three nights; event tickets including a private reception and the Carbo Dining-In; pre-event shuttle transportation; event day hospitality; and more.

Charity Partners

Annually, the MCM partners with numerous charitable organizations, who obtain blocks of entries to the marathon. Runners may choose to dedicate their MCM participation to a cause by raising funds and awareness for a specific organization. Causes range from military to health-related to individual welfare to international efforts. A list of organizations participating in this program will be posted on the MCM website on March 27.

In addition to MCM registration, runners may choose to register for the MCM10K on April 24. More information on these MCM Weekend events can be found online at www.marinemarathon.com.

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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. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement is implied. Connect with the Marine Corps Marathon on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#) and [Flickr](#). #RunWithTheMarines