

## **5K Training Schedule**

## INTERMEDIATE PLAN

| Week      | Monday    | Tuesday    | Wednesday | Thursday<br>Track            | Friday    | Saturday  | Sunday | Total Mileage |
|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|---------------|
| 8         | 2 mi easy | 2 mi tempo | XT        | 3 x 800                      | XT        | 3 mi long | Rest   | 9             |
| 7         | 2 mi easy | 6 x hills  | XT        | 4 x 800                      | 2 mi easy | 4 mi long | Rest   | 12            |
| 6         | 2 mi easy | 2 mi tempo | XT        | 400/800/1200<br>1200/800/400 | 2 mi easy | 5 mi long | Rest   | 15            |
| 5         | 2 mi easy | 8 x hills  | XT        | 3 x 800                      | 2 mi easy | 3 mi long | Rest   | 10            |
| 4         | 2 mi easy | 3 mi tempo | XT        | 4 x 800                      | 3 mi easy | 5 mi long | Rest   | 15            |
| 3         | 2 mi easy | 8 x hills  | XT        | 400/800/1200<br>1200/800/400 | 2 mi easy | 5 mi long | Rest   | 14            |
| 2         | 2 mi easy | 3 mi tempo | XT        | 2 x 800                      | 2 mi easy | 3 mi long | Rest   | 12            |
| Race Week | 2 mi easy | 2 mi tempo | XT        | 2 mi easy                    | Rest      | 5K        | Rest   | 9.1           |

Prior to the week 8, your base running should be to the point where you feel comfortable running a 3 mile long run.

A regular stretching routine (dynamic stretches before your workout and static stretches in the evening) will work wonders for your overall mobility.

During the training program be sure to take off at least one day a week from exercising. Listen to your body!

## Key to schedule:

- **Easy:** run at an easy conversational pace
- **Tempo:** 1 mile warm up, run at 5K race tempo pace, 1/2 cool down
- Hills: Warm up 1 mile, run hard (high knees) up 50 yd hill, jog down, repeat; cool down
- XT: cross train 45 active minutes: swim, bike, spin, strength, core, yoga
- **Thursday: Track** run at 5k+ pace, warm up and cool down 1 mile each, take walking/ jogging break between sets 1/2 lap. Example: on a 4 x 800 day, you should warm up a mile, then run a 800 meter at slightly faster than a 5k pace, then jog 200 meters, then repeat process three additional times. Finish with a one-mile cool down.
- Long: run at a pace at least one-two minutes a mile slower than your intended race pace.

For more information on training programs, please visit www.BattlefieldMarathon.com.

