



# Press Release

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## **Marine Corps Marathon Announces Recommended Race Day Transportation for Runners and Spectators**

*Runners are encouraged to take Metro for easy access to the start line*

**QUANTICO, VA-** The Marine Corps Marathon announced today transportation procedures for the October 28 event. Runners, their supporters and spectators are encouraged to take Metro, with service beginning at 5 a.m. for the easiest access to the start line.

Marathon runners should take Metro to the Pentagon Station (blue and yellow line) to check items at the UPS Baggage Drop-off in Runners' Village prior to entering the starting areas on Route 110 in Arlington. Spectators can take Metro to the Arlington Cemetery Station (blue line) to view the start, or the Rosslyn Station (blue and orange lines) to view the finish. Metro maps and prices are available online at [www.wmata.com](http://www.wmata.com).

Limited free parking is available at Crystal Drive and 23<sup>rd</sup> Street in Crystal City, VA. This parking is convenient to the Crystal City Metro Station, only two stops from the start. Those parking in this area can also take the free MCM Shuttle from Crystal Drive and 23<sup>rd</sup> Street to Runners' Village in the Pentagon North Parking Lot beginning at 5:30 a.m.

Runners arriving from Virginia may wish to park at the Vienna Metro Station parking deck and take a short metro ride to Rosslyn.

Post race shuttles will run from the Finish Festival at the corner of Lynn and 19<sup>th</sup> Streets beginning at 10:00 a.m. to the Vienna Metro Station (orange line), 23<sup>rd</sup> & Crystal Drive in Crystal City (blue and yellow lines), the Pentagon Station (blue and yellow lines) and Metro Center Station in DC (orange, red and blue lines).

### **Transportation at a Glance**

Pentagon Station...Best for runners with access to the UPS Baggage Drop-off in Runners' Village.

Arlington Cemetery Station...Best for guests and spectators to access the start area.

Rosslyn Station...Best for guests and spectators to access the start and finish areas.

Pre-race Shuttle...Begins at 5:30 a.m. from Crystal Drive & 23<sup>rd</sup> Street to Runners' Village.

Post-race Shuttle...Begins at 10:00 a.m. from Lynn and 19<sup>th</sup> Streets to Vienna, Crystal City, Pentagon and Metro Center Metro Stations.

*Voted "Best Marathon for Families", the Marine Corps Marathon continues a combined tradition of dedication, sportsmanship and patriotism. Runners from all walks of life have participated in the world's largest marathon to not offer prize money, deservingly earning the nickname "The People's Marathon." The 32<sup>nd</sup> Marine Corps Marathon to be held on October 28, 2007 in Arlington, VA is presented by USAA, Brooks Sports, Inc., and CVS/Caremark. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement implied. For media information, contact Beth Johnson, Marine Corps Marathon Public Relations Coordinator at (703) 432-1165, or [Elizabeth.Johnson1@usmc.mil](mailto:Elizabeth.Johnson1@usmc.mil).*

