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Live 2021 Marine Corps Marathon Weekend Announced

MCM10K and MCM50K to return in-person alongside 46th MCM this October

QUANTICO, VA (May 18, 2021) – The Marine Corps Marathon Organization (MCMO) today announced that the 2021 Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) Weekend will be held live and in-person October 29-31 in Arlington, Virginia and the nation's capital.

“Throughout my many years heading the MCM Organization, we have faced various challenges and hurdled them all, often repeating the Marine Corps mantra to “adapt and overcome.” This year will be no different,” said Rick Nealis, MCMO director. “The MCM’s mission is to highlight the high standards and organizational excellence of the United States Marine Corps and we are excited to showcase that as we plan to safely gather and celebrate the 46th MCM in person.”

To prioritize the health and safety of our running community, the MCMO is taking preventative measures and implementing certain safety guidelines in accordance with local jurisdictions, including reducing the size of the field and dividing runners into scaled, social-distanced start times beginning at 7:00 a.m. The MCMO will continue to review event operations and protocols in conjunction with Marine Corps leadership, local government and public health officials. Any procedural changes or updates will be announced.

The 2021 MCM Weekend includes the live 46th MCM, MCM50K and MCM10K on Sunday, October 31, with all three events being offered as virtual options as well between October 1 and November 11.

Runners currently registered for the virtual MCM Weekend events or those who deferred from the 2020 events will have the first opportunity to transition to the live version in October. Further instructions will be sent to the e-mail address provided by participants during registration within the next 24 hours. At this time, access to the virtual event is closed. General entries to the live event will be made available to the public on Wednesday, May 26 at noon Eastern.

Ambitious runners may also pursue the Trifecta, a unique opportunity to participate in and complete all three MCM Weekend distances through a combination of virtual or live MCM, MCM50K or MCM10K.

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About the Marine Corps Marathon:

The Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) is one of the largest marathons in world. Recognized as “Best Marathon in the Mid Atlantic,” and the “Best Marathon for Charities,” the MCM honors honor, courage and commitment of its participants. Also known as “The People’s Marathon,” runners from all 50 states and more than 50 countries participate in the MCM, the largest marathon not to offer prize money. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement is implied. Connect with the Marine Corps Marathon on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#) and [Flickr](#). #RunWithTheMarines