



Access Granted into 50th MCM Offered for all 2024 Marine Corps 17.75K Finishers

Participants will be able to register for the 2024 MCM and 2025 MCM

QUANTICO, VA (February 29, 2024) – Runners who complete the 12th Marine Corps 17.75K will now be offered guaranteed entry into the 50th Marine Corps Marathon (MCM), running in 2025, in addition to also receiving Access Granted into this year's 49th MCM running on October 27, 2024.

For years, runners who have successfully finished the Marine Corps 17.75K are guaranteed access into the Marine Corps Marathon of the same year. Traditionally, this has been a main avenue for runners to ensure their participation in the flagship event each October when the MCM has operated at a lottery registration system. Since the pandemic, registration for the popular event has been first come, first served. In anticipation of the milestone year, the Marine Corps Marathon Organization (MCMO) is offering a unique opportunity for this year's Marine Corps 17.75K finishers to register early for the golden anniversary as well as for the 2024 event.

Registration for the 2024 Marine Corps 17.75K is open now at www.marinemarathon.com. The exclusive access granted links will be emailed to eligible runners in their finisher email following the event.

The 11.03 mile event begins at 7 a.m. along Dumfries Road/Route 234 in Prince William County on March 23. The course runs in Prince William Forest Park and is made up of rolling hills and winding turns. This unique distance, which commemorates the year that the Marine Corps was founded, is once again part of the Marine Corps Marathon Organization's (MCMO) Semper Fidelis Challenge and Distinguished Participant (DP) program.

The Semper Fidelis Challenge celebrates the achievement of runners who complete the Marine Corps 17.75K in March, the Marine Corps Historic Half in May and the 49th Marine Corps Marathon in October. This motivating challenge awards finishers with a special medal as well as qualifies their aggregate time for a possible award at the end of the year.

The 2024 Distinguished Participant program encompasses the full line up of MCMO events by celebrating the accomplishment of our dedicated runners who have completed an event from each weekend:

- Marine Corps 17.75K on March 23
- Marine Corps Historic Half on May 19
- Quantico 12K on August 24
- 49th MCM Weekend (MCM, MCM10K and MCM50K) on October 27
- Turkey Trot 10K and Mile on November 16

The Semper Fidelis Challenge and the Distinguished Participant program are available as



bundles and can be purchased until March 23 or until any of the qualifying events sell out. Those interested in participating in both should purchase the DP bundle and register for the Marine Corps 17.75K, Marine Corps Historic Half and the Marine Corps Marathon.

Participants will receive a standout finisher's medal and specially designed technical shirt as well as the guaranteed entry into both years of the marathon.

More information about the Marine Corps 17.75K can be found at www.marinemarathon.com.

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