

STAR WARS

DARK SIDE

10K

TRAINING PROGRAM

Jeff Galloway has coached over a million runners to their goals. This program is empowering, has almost no risk of injury, and can be easily inserted into a busy lifestyle without lingering fatigue. For more information, see my book GALLOWAY TRAINING PROGRAMS at www.JeffGalloway.com.

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TRAINING PROGRAM OVERVIEW



Time required: 30 minutes on two weekdays (Tues/Thu or Mon/Wed) plus one weekend run/walk that will build gradually to 6.5 miles. Walk breaks eliminate or reduce excessive fatigue and orthopedic stress.

Who? This program is designed for those who are just beginning to increase distance or those making a comeback after a period of inactivity or runners who want a minimal program for a 10K. The advice is given as one exerciser to another. For medical issues, see a doctor.

Beginners: Start this program by walking for 10 minutes, gently. Every other day, increase 3-5 minutes until you reach 30 minutes of gentle walking. Then, you are ready to start the schedule below. Many beginners are already walking for 30 minutes, and can begin now.

Textbook: My book 5K/10K has backup information for both of these events. You can order this book from www.jeffgalloway.com.

Walkers: Simply follow the schedule below. Walk slowly on all of the long ones. I don't recommend power walking or race walking.

Use a short stride: Whether walking or running, adjust your stride so that it is relaxed and well within a natural range of motion for you. Keep the feet low to the ground. Shorter strides reduce effort and orthopedic stress, allowing the body to adapt naturally to running and walking.

The Long One. As you push back the length of the long run, every two weeks, you'll extend endurance limits, improve mental concentration at the end of races, and enhance your physiological infrastructure. Longer long run/walks improve your cardiovascular plumbing system so that you can deliver blood better to the exercising muscles, and withdraw waste more effectively. The endurance workout is the primary training component in a 10K program.

How to determine pace per mile: I've developed a simple 800 meter test to determine your pace for the long run. Go to a track and run very slowly for two laps. Take as many walk breaks as you need to avoid huffing and puffing on this test. If you are not huffing and puffing at the end of the second lap, take your time, multiply by 2 and add three minutes. If you are huffing and puffing at the end, multiply by 2 and add 4 minutes. The result is the fastest per mile time you should be recording on your long ones. You can always go slower. These tests are noted on the weekend schedule as (800T). Run/walk gently for 10 minutes before timing yourself for the 800. Only one 800 is timed during each of these workouts. Jog/walk gently for the rest of the time during that workout. You can adjust your long run pace as the 800T time improves.

Example: Time is 6:00 without huffing and puffing: $6:00 \times 2 = 12:00$. Adding 3 minutes will give you a long run pace of no faster than 15 minutes per mile.

Time is 6:00 but you are huffing and puffing at the end: $6 \times 2 = 12:00$. Adding 4 minutes will give you a long run pace of no faster than 16 minutes per mile.

Note: slow the pace down by 30 sec/mile for every 5 degree temperature increase above 60F on long runs (slow down by 20 sec/KM for every 2C above 14C) on long runs

Run-Walk-Run (R-W-R): My method has allowed hundreds of thousands of beginners to finish 10K races and longer distances. By inserting a walk break from the beginning of the workout, and continuing to walk according to a plan, there is no need to experience extra fatigue, pain, or injuries. A standard pattern for those who are taking their first running steps, run for 5-10 seconds and walk for the rest of the minute. If all goes well, you could increase during the third week to 10-20 seconds of running, walking for the rest of the minute. On the 5th week, increase to 20-30 seconds of running while walking for the rest of the minute—if all is well. If you are huffing and puffing, experiencing aches and pains, or struggling in any way, drop back to more walking, such as 10 or 5 seconds each minute. For more information visit www.JeffGalloway.com.

R-W-R Strategy for those already running: The amount of running and walking is adjusted for the pace per mile. Beginning runners should continue running 10-20 seconds every minute for most of the long runs. Those who have been running for at least 3 months could use the following as a guide:

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18 min/mi--Run 10 sec/walk 50 sec
17 min/mi--Run 15 sec/walk 45 sec
16 min/mi--Run 20 sec/walk 40 sec
15 min/mi--Run 30 sec/walk 45 sec
14 min/mi--Run 30 sec/walk 30 sec
13 min/mi--Run 1 min/walk 1 min
12 min/mi--Run 2 min/walk 1 min
11 min/mi--Run 2:30/walk 1 min
10 min/mi--Run 3 min/walk 1 min
9 min/mi--Run 4 min/walk 1 min

Maintenance Workouts: Usually, the long workout is done on weekends, and the two maintenance workouts are done on Tuesday and Thursday (or Monday and Wednesday when the long one is on Saturday). The pace of these can be as slow or as fast as you want to go, as long as you are recovering well from the weekend long ones. Beware of fast running as this increases the risk of aches, pains and injuries.

Rest Days: When you go farther than you have gone before, your muscles, tendons, joints, etc. need time to rebuild stronger. Take the day off from exercise the day before and after a long one. On the other non-running days, you can do any exercise that does not fatigue the calf muscle. So walking, aqua-jogging, swimming, cycling, elliptical, and rowing are fine. Stair machines, leg weight work, and step aerobics are not.

Warm Up: walk for 3 minutes, then run for 5-10 seconds/walk for the rest of the minute for 10 minutes. Then use the run-walk-run that is appropriate.

Warm Down: After your workout, don't stop. Jog slowly, using as many walk breaks as you wish for the next 10 minutes, and then walk for 3-5 minutes. You're done!

If you are already running more than 1.5 miles, you can start at the length of the long run which matches your current long run distance in the past 2 weeks.

Note: at www.JeffGalloway.com you can find a timer that will beep and/or vibrate to tell you when to walk and when to run.

TRAINING PROGRAM SCHEDULE



GOAL DATE: April 21, 2018

Star Wars™ Dark Side 10K Three Day Training Week

Tuesday - 30 minutes Thursday - 30 minutes Saturday - Listed below

WEEK 1

TUESDAY December 26	THURSDAY December 28	SATURDAY December 30
30 minutes	30 minutes	1.5 miles

WEEK 2

TUESDAY January 2	THURSDAY January 4	SATURDAY January 6
30 minutes	30 minutes	2 miles

WEEK 3

TUESDAY January 9	THURSDAY January 11	SATURDAY January 13
30 minutes	30 minutes	2.5 miles

WEEK 4

TUESDAY January 16	THURSDAY January 18	SATURDAY January 20
30 minutes	30 minutes	30 minutes

WEEK 5

TUESDAY January 23	THURSDAY January 25	SATURDAY January 27
30 minutes	30 minutes	3 miles

WEEK 6

TUESDAY January 30	THURSDAY February 1	SATURDAY February 3
30 minutes	30 minutes	40 minutes



WEEK 7

TUESDAY February 6	THURSDAY February 8	SATURDAY February 10
30 minutes	30 minutes	3.5 miles

WEEK 9

TUESDAY February 20	THURSDAY February 22	SATURDAY February 24
30 minutes	30 minutes	4.25 miles

WEEK 11

TUESDAY March 6	THURSDAY March 8	SATURDAY March 10
30 minutes	30 minutes	5 miles

WEEK 13

TUESDAY March 20	THURSDAY March 22	SATURDAY March 24
30 minutes	30 minutes	5.75 miles

WEEK 8

TUESDAY February 13	THURSDAY February 15	SATURDAY February 17
30 minutes	30 minutes	30 minutes

WEEK 10

TUESDAY February 27	THURSDAY March 1	SATURDAY March 3
30 minutes	30 minutes	30 minutes

WEEK 12

TUESDAY March 13	THURSDAY March 15	SATURDAY March 17
30 minutes	30 minutes	30 minutes

WEEK 14

TUESDAY March 27	THURSDAY March 29	SATURDAY March 31
30 minutes	30 minutes	30 minutes



WEEK 15

TUESDAY
April 3

30 minutes

THURSDAY
April 5

30 minutes

SATURDAY
April 7

6.5 miles

WEEK 17

TUESDAY
April 17

30 minutes

THURSDAY
April 19

30 minutes

SATURDAY
April 21

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WEEK 16

TUESDAY
April 10

30 minutes

THURSDAY
April 12

30 minutes

SATURDAY
April 14

30 minutes

WEEK 18

TUESDAY
April 24

30 minutes

THURSDAY
April 26

30 minutes

SATURDAY
April 28

30 minutes