



Official Turn by Turn Direction for the Clarence DeMar Marathon (with section for those who want to drive the course prior to race day)

- Runners are dropped off at the Gilsum Elementary School, Rt 10 Gilsum NH.
- A short walk from the Gilsum School to Memorial St and then to Main St.
- Runners start just a few yards north of the Gilsum Historical Society building on Main St in Gilsum. (Driving the course, turn onto Main St from Rt 10 to find the start)
- Follow Main St to Rt 10, taking a right onto Rt 10. Keep to the right-hand side of the road.
- Turn right onto the Surry Rd, across the stone arch bridge. The Surry Rd changes to the Gilsum Rd. Mile markers 1, 2, 3, and 4 are along this stretch.
- At the end of the Surry/Gilsum Rd, turn left onto Rt 12A. Mile markers 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 are on this stretch.
- Make a hairpin left turn onto the Dam Rd. Stay straight up the Surry Dam access road. Go across the dam, staying left and turn around at the cul-de-sac at the end, also staying left. (On race day, cones will split the access road and dam to keep runners to the left) Mile markers 10 and 11 are in this stretch.
- Coming off the dam access road, turn left onto East Surry Rd. Run past Bretwood Golf course. Mile markers 12, 13 and 14 are in the stretch. Follow until the end and take a sharp right onto Court St. Make the first right after the North Cemetery.
- Runners cross Court St immediately staying on the left-hand side of Court St. Come to the end of Court St, runners go against traffic in the traffic circle and go left onto Maple Ave. After the median, runners are crossed to the right-hand side of Maple St. Mile marker 15 is on Maple Ave just before the Keene Middle School. (If you are driving the course, stay with traffic through the circle and take the 3rd exit out of the roundabout.)



- At the end of Maple Ave, just past Dartmouth Health West Campus, bear right until you come to a 4-way intersection. Go right onto Summit Rd. Mile marker 16 is on Summit.
- Take a left onto Summit Ridge Rd.
- Take a left onto Skyline Drive.
- Take a left onto Stonehouse Lane.
- Take a right back onto Summit Rd.
- Back at the 4-way intersection; take a right onto Hastings Ave. Mile marker 17 is shortly onto Hastings Ave.
- Keep to the right on Hastings until the end. Runners will cross over to the left-hand side and take a left onto Hurricane Rd.
- At the end of Hurricane Rd, take a left onto Arch St. Run past Keene High School. Mile marker 18 is on at Alumni Field on Arch St.
- At the end of Arch St, go left onto Park Ave and cross over immediately at the Manny's Appliance building.
- Take a quick right into Wheelock Park. Follow the Wheelock Park access road past the city pool, past the softball fields and the tennis courts. Follow until the end of the parking lot and the entrance to the bike path. The mile 19 marker is just before the gate.

*(Those driving the course – there is no vehicle traffic on the bike path. Here you will turn around and go back to Park Ave. Turn right out of Wheelock Park onto Park Ave. Follow until you turn right, staying on Park Ave which ends back at Maple Ave. Turn right onto Maple Ave and follow to the end and take the 1st exit out of the roundabout onto Court St. Follow until you go past the hospital roundabout and look for Elm St on your left. Runners will exit the bike path shortly past the Rt 9 overpass onto Court St and cross over. They will run north on Court St and take a right onto Elm St. Driving, you will take a left onto Elm St to follow the rest of the course)*

- Runners run through the gate at the end of the Wheelock Park parking lot and bear right onto the paved bike path. Follow the bike path all the way until it comes out on Court St. You are on the bike path for about 1 mile.



At the end of the bike path, turn left onto Court St. Cross the street immediately from the bike path. Mile marker 20 is shortly after you cross the street.

- Turn right onto Elm St.
- Follow through several intersections until Union St. Mile marker 21 is on Elm St.
- Turn left onto Union St.
- Turn left onto Washington St. Cross over immediately.
- Turn right onto Greenlawn St, past Franklin Elementary School.
- Run straight through the gate into the Greenlawn Cemetery. (Vehicle traffic allowed)
- Into the cemetery, go left at the first T-intersection. The road winds back to the right, follow and stay left curving back again and crossing over a bridge into the Woodland Cemetery. The Mile 22 marker is shortly before the bridge.
- Crossing over the bridge, bear left. The road curves back to the right then straightens out. Stay straight until you can go left and follow the road up to the Sumner-Knight Family stone chapel.
- The road turns right, in front of the chapel. Follow, down a short hill and take a left turn, going up a small hill, quickly curving to the right and follow through the cemetery gate.
- Take a right out of the cemetery onto North Lincoln St.
- Stay straight on North Lincoln St through several intersections. N. Lincoln St changes to South Lincoln St. Stay until the end. Mile marker 23 is on N. Lincoln St.
- At the end of S. Lincoln St, turn left onto Water St.
- Then a very quick right onto Eastern Ave. Mile marker 24 is near the end of Eastern.
- Follow Eastern Ave to the end and bear left onto Marlboro St.
- Follow past "27 Custom Designs" and take a right onto Optical Ave.



- Follow Optical Ave in a loop back to Marlboro St. Mile 25 is near the end of Optical Ave.
- Take a left onto Marlboro St. Look for the "1 mile to go" marker.
- Take a left onto Baker St.
- Follow until the end and take a right onto Main St. You will cross from Baker St immediately to the left-hand side of Main St. Mile marker 26 is on Main St.
- Turn left onto Appian Way. (No vehicle traffic on Appian Way)
- Follow until the finish line, marked by a granite post with the DeMar logo
- Collect your appropriately gaudy Clarence DeMar Marathon finisher's medal.

Congratulations. You've just finished the Clarence DeMar Marathon