



## IMT Des Moines Half Marathon Course Description

### **Start Line: 300 Court Avenue**

Head east on Court Avenue  
Turn right (south) on Water Street  
Turn left (east) on MLK Jr Pkwy  
Turnaround on MLK Jr Pkwy at SE 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Head west on MLK Jr Pkwy

### **Mile 1: MLK Jr Pkwy Bridge at Water Street Bridge**

Continue west on MLK Jr Pkwy  
Turn left (south) on SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Turn right (west) on Line Drive  
Turn right (north) on SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Turn left (west) on MLK Jr Pkwy

### **Mile 2: 12<sup>th</sup> Street and Cherry Street**

Continue north on 12<sup>th</sup> Street  
Turn left (west) on Grand Avenue

### **IMT Des Moines Marathon and Half Marathon course split at Grand Avenue and Fleur Drive**

Turn left (south) onto Fleur Bridge Underpass

### **Mile 3: Fleur Drive Bridge Underpass**

Continue south on Fleur Bridge Underpass to follow entrance ramp and merge onto Fleur Drive  
Turn right (west) into Water Works Park at Gray's Lake Park  
Follow Water Works Park Road south and then west

### **Mile 4: Water Works Park Barn**

Continue on Water Works Park road as it turns west

### **Marathon & Half Marathon Courses Rejoin at Water Works Park Pedestrian Bridge**

### **Mile 5: West of Water Works Park Pedestrian Bridge**

Continue on Water Works Park road as it turns south and then west again  
Turn right (north) at Y in the road to begin Water Works Park loop  
Follow Water Works loop north, then west, and then back south

### **Mile 6: Water Works Park Loop along Raccoon River**

Continue on Water Works Park road as it turns south  
Follow Water Works loop north, then west, and then south  
Follow Water Works Park loop road as it curves east

### **Mile 7: East of Water Works Park Shelter**

Continue east along Water Works Park road  
Follow Water Works Park road to the east and towards loop connector



**Mile 8: Water Works Park Gate Entrance at SW 30<sup>th</sup> Street**

Continue east along Water Works Park road  
Exit Water Works Park and cross Fleur Drive  
Enter Gray's Lake Park on continue east on John Grubb Lane  
Turn right (south) on Gray's Lake trail at stop sign

**Mile 9: Gray's Lake Park Parking Lot**

Continue on Gray's Lake Park trail around Gray's Lake  
Follow Gray's Lake Park trail over pedestrian bridge

**Mile 10: Gray's Lake Park Trail East of Southeastern Parking Lot**

Continue on Gray's Lake Park trail around Gray's Lake  
Exit Gray's Lake Park trail (north) onto Meredith Trail

**Mile 11: Meredith Trail along Raccoon River**

Continue on Meredith Trail north towards MLK Jr Pkwy  
Remain on sidewalk and cross George Washington Carver Bridge  
At SW 16<sup>th</sup> Street merge into eastbound lane of MLK Jr Pkwy

**Mile 12: East of SW 12<sup>th</sup> Street on MLK Jr Pkwy**

Continue east on MLK Jr Pkwy  
Cross into west bound lane of MLK Jr Pkwy at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Turn left (north) at Water Street

**Mile 13: North of Market Street on Water Street**

Continue north on Water Street to Court Avenue.  
Turn left (east) to finish on Court Avenue at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

**Finish Line: 300 Court Avenue**

**\*IMT Des Moines Marathon course maps available at [desmoinesmarathon.com](http://desmoinesmarathon.com)**