

THE SPOKANE MARATHON

Driving Instructions to get to relay exchanges

If one person drives all participants:

Leave downtown and go to Exchange #1 @ SFCC-

Drive west on Riverside

Take a right on Government Way

Take a right on Ft Wright Dr

Take a left into the parking lot – first left of SFCC (by the east side of the track)

Drop that runner (runner #2)

Leave Exchange # 1 and go to Exchange # 3

Leave SFCC parking lot and go left on Ft Wright Dr (**not** going back the way you came)

After you cross the Spokane River and just before you start up TJ Meenach hill, turn right and cloverleaf under the bridge (so you will pass under the bridge)

Follow that road for about a mile to a mile and a half

You are now driving the course the opposite direction of the race

Just before a Y in the road, will be Exchange # 3 (for the final runner)

Drop him/her off now- they need to warm up for awhile anyway

Leave Exchange #3 and go to #2

Continue driving the same direction

Take a left at the Y (you will stay on this road about 6 miles)

Eventually you will drive into a cul-de-sac

Drop your runner off there- have him/her go to the 7-Mile Bridge (just past the cul d' sac) and turn left

They can run over the bridge and turn immediately left and they will see their exchange zone there.

NOTE – Of course you could have #4 runner go with you to drop # 3 and then return them to their spot since they will have the longest wait. Just PLEASE if there happens to be runners on the course – give them the right of way! Drive slowly!

Return to Downtown to Watch the Finish

Once you see that your nervous runner has made it across the bridge and not become lost (they don't think really well when nervous), you can return the way you came. Then instead of clover leafing back to the bridge and through SFCC, go straight up Pettet Dr (Doomsday hill). Follow that road until you come to the light@ Ash St (southbound one way)

Go right

Get in the left lane so that you can turn left on Boone St.

Follow Boone until Howard St (this street is the light just after you pass the Spokane Arena on your right)

Turn right on Howard St. Go about two blocks and you will see the north entrance into Riverfront Park. Park anywhere you can, and head in that entrance. The finish line is there. (***) this last bit is subject to change with the construction of the park)

Driving Instructions to the Relay Exchanges if everyone is driving him/herself (all from downtown)

Leave downtown and go to Exchange #1 @ SFCC-

Drive west on Riverside

Take a right on Government Way

Take a right on Ft Wright Dr

Take a left into the parking lot – first left of SFCC (by the east side of the track)

Lots of parking there if you are leaving a car. There are signs for the exchange and a water station is close with people who can help you.

Leave Downtown and go to Exchange #2 @ Seven-Mile Bridge

***These directions will feel like you are nowhere close to the course, but you are!**

Drive north on Monroe St.

Stay on that road all the way to Francis St (maybe 4 miles?)

Go left.

Follow that road – it will go west and then S to the north (I believe it changes to Seven-Mile Rd. somewhere out here)

Keep going north on it- just so you know that you are going the correct way, when you get to the bottom of a hill there will be a Circle K on your left (some convenience store – the last time I went by it was a Circle K, but they do change!)

You will see a sign to Seven-Mile

Turn left

Follow that road until you cross over the river

Then turn immediately left (I believe the sign says Aubrey White Rd- on both sides of the river the road is called Aubrey White- I guess we didn't have enough famous people in Spokane)

The exchange will be right by that turn. There is a limited amount of parking out here. There is a trail head a few hundred yards ahead after you take this left turn, but it is limited also, and you need a Discover Pass.

There are signs for the exchange and a relay exchange volunteer who can help you.

Leave Downtown and go to Exchange #3 (@ Y on Aubrey White Rd)

Drive north on Monroe St.

Take a left on Maxwell (It may still be Mission at this point, but there is a light)

Follow that road

It will S around to the right after the two one ways (lights at both of these roads)

You will go down a hill (Doomsday Hill if you know the Bloomsday course)

Follow that road under the bridge and keep on following that road

You will pass Downriver Golf Course (on your right)

Just after that, you will come to a Y—if you get to the Y, you have passed the parking.

The parking is on your left . If you are parking here, you need a Discover Pass.

There are signs for the exchange and a water station is close with people who can help you.

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR 2016—IF DOOMSDAY HILL IS CLOSED, YOU WILL NEED TO GO ANOTHER DIRECTION.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE IF DOOMSDAY HILL IS CLOSED (2016):

Leave Downtown and go to Exchange # 3 (@ Y on Aubrey White Road)

Drive north on Monroe St.

Take a left on Northwest Blvd.

Turn left @ TJ Meenach Rd.

You will go down a hill

Take the right just before you go over the bridge.

At the stop sign turn right.

You will pass Downriver Golf Course (on your right)

Just after that, you will come to a Y—if you get to the Y, you have passed the parking.

The parking is on your left . If you are parking here, you need a Discover Pass.

There are signs for the exchange and a water station is close with people who can help you.