



Making the most a TempoFit season isn't just about making it to three TempoFit workouts each week. That's great but we can also top up our training with other runs or cross training throughout the week. Additionally, it's important that we take strategic rest days to allow our bodies to recover—remember that it's the rest after a workout that makes us fitter.

PLAN

Before beginning this plan please look over the tips and definitions on page two.

KEY:

TempoFit Sessions

Race

AUCKLAND MARATHON PLAN

TIP: Feeling niggly or fatigued? Take a day or two off running. It won't hurt. Better to miss a few days than a few weeks from injury.

WEEK STARTING	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
WEEK 1	Rest day or easy + foam rolling	TempoFit Session: TLC 5x100m Hill Reps	Rest day, x-train or easy	TempoFit Session: ACCELERATE 5k TT	STRONG or easy + foam rolling	Rest day, x-train or easy	TempoFit Session: LSD Distance: 18k
ACTUAL Record times, distances and notes.							
WEEK 2	Rest day or easy + foam rolling	TempoFit Session: TLC 6x1min uphill @ 5k effort	Rest day or easy + foam rolling	TempoFit Session: ACCELERATE 30min Tempo Run @ Lactate Threshold	Medium length run or rest day	Rest day, x-train or easy	TempoFit Session: LSD Distance: 32k
ACTUAL Record times, distances and notes.							
WEEK 3	Rest day, x-train or easy	TempoFit Session: TLC 6x1min @ VO2max Pace	Rest day or easy + foam rolling	TempoFit Session: ACCELERATE 30min @ Race Pace + 3x200m	STRONG + rest day or easy	Rest day, x-train or easy	TempoFit Session: LSD Distance: 35k (3.5 hours max)
ACTUAL Record times, distances and notes.							
WEEK 4	Rest day or easy + foam rolling	TempoFit Session: TLC Drills Circuit	Medium length run or rest day	TempoFit Session: ACCELERATE 40min Tempo Run @ Lactate Threshold	Medium length run or rest day	Rest day, x-train or easy	TempoFit Session: LSD Distance: 28k w/ 2x3k @ Marathon Pace
ACTUAL Record times, distances and notes.							

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WEEK 5	Rest day, x-train or easy	TempoFit Session: TLC 5x200m	Rest day (freshen up for tomorrow)	TempoFit Session: ACCELERATE 5k TT	Medium length run or rest day	Rest day, x-train or easy	TempoFit Session: LSD Distance: 13k w/4k @ Marathon Pace
ACTUAL Record times, distances and notes.							
WEEK 6	STRONG + x-train or easy	TempoFit Session: ACCELERATE 20mins @ Race Pace	Rest day, x-train or easy	TempoFit Session: TLC 4x200m	Easy run + STRONG + foam rolling	Rest day (freshen up for to- morrow)	TempoFit Session: RACE Auckland Marathon
ACTUAL Record times, distances and notes.							

TIPS & DEFINITIONS

Runs Per Week: The number of runs you do per week totally depends on what your body is used to. The general thought for TempoFit is that adding one more easy run (50mins max.) to what you have been doing pre-season should be safe, but always keep at least one full rest day.

Easy: Run at a pace at which you could hold a conversation the whole way (so may include walks). These runs should be no longer than 50mins total.

Sunday LSD: Long, social and scenic distance run. The easy pace of this run builds aerobic endurance and also prepares the body for longer races like half and full marathons. The distance you do for this run totally depends on what you have done recently. However, this plan assumes your most recent longest training is 29k or more (which is where you should be at 6 weeks out from a marathon).

Hills: When running easy over hilly terrain aim to keep your heart rate to where it is when running on the flat and run to time not GPS distance.

Rest: Take the day off from vigorous, load-bearing exercise. This is a good day for a gentle walk, foam rolling (FR) or yoga.

X-train: Some form of non-running exercise that will help develop aerobic fitness (swimming, cycling, agua jogging etc).

STRONG: Core and conditioning exercises that particularly target glutes, hamstrings, hips, calves and abs. See *tempofit. org/strong* for weekly videos.

TLC: TempoFit technique and conditioning session. Includes: 12mins warm up jog, drills, shorter fast running focusing on technique, 10mins warm down jog, and core and conditioning. Distance run = 5-8km (feel free to add on more before or after).

ACCELERATE: TempoFit ACCELERATE sessions include 12mins jog warm up, possibly some drills and dynamic stretches, a running workout (usually intervals or tempo run), 10mins jog warm down, and stretches. Distance run = 8-13km (feel free to add on more before or after).

"If the first half of a race is all about pacing, the second half will be all about passing."

- Hayden Shearman

