## Harford County

SHERIFF's OFFICE

## Protocol for 1.5 Mile Run

## Purpose

The 1.5 mile run is a measure of aerobic power (cardiovascular endurance). The objective in the 1.5 mile run is to cover the distance within 15 minutes 20 seconds.

## Procedure

1. Applicants should warm-up and stretch thoroughly prior to running.
2. Applicants should not physically touch one another during the run, unless it is to render first aid.
3. Applicants should to move to the outside lane when walking.
4. After 15 minutes 20 seconds the test will cease; all applicants will stop running and begin the cool down phase.
5. Upon completion of the run, applicants should cool down by walking for about 5 minutes to prevent venous pooling (i.e. pooling of the blood in the lower extremities which reduces the return of blood to the heart and may cause cardiac arrhythmia).

## How to Prepare for 1.5 Mile Run

To prepare for this test, you need to gradually increase your running endurance. The schedule below is a proven progressive routine. Begin at the level you can accommodate, and if you can advance the schedule on a weekly basis, then proceed to the next level. If you can do the distance in less time, then do so.

| Week | Activity | Distance in Miles | Duration in Minutes | Time Per Week |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Walk | 1 | $17-20$ | 5 |
| 2 | Walk | 1.5 | $25-29$ | 5 |
| 3 | Walk | 2 | $32-35$ | 5 |
| 4 | Walk/Jog | 2 | $28-30$ | 5 |
| 5 | Walk/Jog | 2 | 27 | 5 |
| 6 | Walk/Jog | 2 | 26 | 5 |
| 7 | Walk/Jog | 2 | 25 | 5 |
| 8 | Walk/Jog | 2 | 24 | 5 |
| 9 | Jog | 2 | 23 | 4 |
| 10 | Jog | 2 | 22 | 4 |
| 11 | Jog | 2 | 21 | 4 |
| 12 | Jog | 2 | 20 | 4 |

