

Winter Running Outfit Planner

Use the feels-like temperature. Dress 15 to 20 degrees warmer, and feel a little cold at the door.

Today: _____ Feels like: _____ Wind: _____ Sunset: _____

WHAT TO WEAR BY FEELS-LIKE TEMPERATURE (CHECK TODAY'S ROW)

Feels like	Women	Men	Hands, head, face	Pick
40 to 50 F	Long-sleeve tech top, shorts or tights, light socks	Long-sleeve tech top, shorts, light socks	Thin gloves	☐
30 to 40 F	Base layer plus wind vest, tights or shorts over tights	Base layer plus light jacket, tights or shorts over tights	Gloves, ear band	☐
20 to 30 F	Thermal half-zip, wind vest, fleece-lined tights	Thermal base, softshell, lined tights	Lined gloves, beanie	☐
10 to 20 F	Base, warm mid layer, wind shell, lined tights, wool socks	Base, mid, wind shell, lined tights, wind-front briefs	Mittens, beanie, gaiter over nose	☐
Below 10 F	Every layer above, all skin covered. Consider the treadmill.	Every layer above, all skin covered. Consider the treadmill.	Liners, mittens, balaclava, glasses	☐

SNOW

- ☐ Water-resistant trail shoes
- ☐ Wool socks, no cotton
- ☐ Low ankle gaiters
- ☐ Traction in pocket for packed snow or ice
- ☐ Plan by time, not distance

WIND

- ☐ Drop one row colder on the chart
- ☐ Windproof shell with high collar
- ☐ Wind mittens over liner gloves
- ☐ Start into the wind, finish with it behind
- ☐ Balaclava or gaiter you can pull up

DARK

- ☐ Bright jacket or vest, not all black
- ☐ Reflective bands on wrists and ankles
- ☐ Front light and blinking red rear light
- ☐ Run facing traffic if no sidewalk

GO OR STAY IN

- ☐ **Go out:** feels-like above about 0 F, grip, visible
- ☐ **Treadmill:** wind chill near minus 15 F or colder
- ☐ **Treadmill:** freezing rain or glare ice
- ☐ **Treadmill:** unlit route with no shoulder

Frostbite warning signs: numb skin that looks white, grayish or waxy. Get inside, warm up gradually and talk to your doctor if it does not recover. At a wind chill of minus 19 F, exposed skin can freeze in 30 minutes (National Weather Service).

MY OWN ADJUSTMENTS (I RUN WARM / COLD, WHAT WORKED)

Winter Run Log and Gear Checklist

Write down what you wore and how it felt. By January you will know your own chart.

WINTER RUN LOG

Date	Feels like	What I wore	Too warm	Too cold	Just right	Notes
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CLOTHING

- ☐ Synthetic or merino base layers
- ☐ Thermal or fleece-lined tights
- ☐ Running shorts to wear over tights
- ☐ Wind vest and windproof jacket
- ☐ Wool running socks (2 pairs)
- ☐ Wind-front briefs (men, below 20 F)

VISIBILITY AND TRACTION

- ☐ Reflective wrist and ankle bands
- ☐ Headlamp or chest light, charged
- ☐ Blinking red rear light
- ☐ Slip-on traction or microspikes

HANDS, HEAD AND FACE

- ☐ Thin gloves and lined gloves
- ☐ Mittens or wind mitten shells
- ☐ Ear band and warm beanie
- ☐ Neck gaiter or balaclava
- ☐ Clear or tinted glasses
- ☐ Lip balm

BEFORE YOU HEAD OUT

- ☐ Phone charged, in an inside pocket
- ☐ Someone knows your route
- ☐ Dry clothes ready for after
- ☐ No brand-new gear on race day