

T E X A S
40 Legs - 203.67m
INDEPENDENCE RELAY

Leg Summary

Leg #	Leg Distance	Total Distance	Difficulty Ranking	Brief Summary
Pro	1.15	1.15		Commence with your team in Gonzales!
1	4.26	5.41	22	Fairly flat leg through paved country roads. Runner should beware of dogs and will have to cross 3 cattle guards.
2	4.85	10.26	25	Straight leg on highway 90 with an overall decline of about 100 feet
3	8.78	19.04	1	Hilly country dirt roads and distance make this a challenging, but picturesque leg. (Dog deterrent recommended as free dogs have been seen.)
4	4.46	23.50	23	A gradual climb at the beginning followed by a nice decent on rural country roads. Begins on dirt and turns into pavement. (Dog deterrent recommended.)
5	2.45	25.95	40	The second shortest leg that ends in Shiner (at Spoetzl Brewery). It receives the easiest ranking because it is a net downhill and because it is early in the race.
6	4.31	30.26	31	A straight run along highway 95. Slightly rolling with open country views.
7	7.45	37.71	2	A longer and hillier leg. Runners will pass through Moulton.
8	2.81	40.52	37	Third shortest leg, but has a few rollers.
9	3.81	44.33	32	Ends in Flatonia (with music, chili cook-off, and town market). Has rolling hills, nice views, and the highest point of the entire race.
10	6.23	50.56	4	Begins in downtown Flatonia. Broad curves and open country. Long gradual inclines and descents.
11	6.36	56.92	3	Mid-day sun could make this leg (with long inclines) warm. Runners must exercise extra caution to cross 2 short bridges. Ends in festive Schulenburg.
12	3.85	60.77	33	A shorter leg with rolling hills and one very short bridge. Dusk will be approaching for most teams.
13	4.21	64.98	21	Finishes in downtown Weimar where there will be music and fun. Net uphill.
14	4.69	69.67	26	Overall descent ending in Borden at the Borden Country Store and Saloon (featuring live music).
15	4.13	73.80	35	Hills begin to level out on this relatively short leg.
16	5.88	79.68	11	Runners enter Columbus (second largest metro area of the TIR course behind Houston) happily welcomed by a spotlight and music.
17	4.48	84.16	28	Starting from downtown Columbus. Must navigate through busy 1/4m section near I-10 and 71.
18	6.32	90.48	10	A longer night leg, but flat (like the remaining legs).
19	5.50	95.98	14	Very wide shoulder, crosses over train tracks and over long narrow (but police-protected) bridge.
20	4.57	100.55	27	This leg runs through Eagle Lake. Runners should be prepared to run over a few curbs, sandy shoulders, and a over a few train tracks.

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21	6.76	107.31	7	Ranked for difficulty because of distance at night. This is a very flat and quiet run (excluding all the other teams around you).
22	5.01	112.32	19	Continuing on the same quiet road as the previous leg, this run is one of the shorter night legs.
23	4.13	116.45	34	A flat and short run that enters partying Wallis where most teams will be switching active vans.
24	5.43	121.88	16	Leaving Wallis on the flatest and straightest leg of the course. Get good train views as they run alongside.
25	5.00	126.88	20	Crosses over Brazos River (at exact midpoint of leg), ending in Simonton.
26	4.93	131.81	24	Straight flat leg in which runners may begin to sense they are leaving rural farmland as newer subdivisions can be seen to the right. Finishes in Fulshear.
27	6.51	138.32	9	Leaves Fulshear and finishes at the very large Seven Lakes HS. Suburbia has been reached.
28	3.60	141.92	36	Wide sidewalks along manicured subdivision streets in Cinco Ranch. Ends at Lukes Locker near a Starbucks.
29	2.40	144.32	39	Shortest leg of the race. It is run on sidewalks and ends at HEB (and Randall's across the street), where you can pop in and get your breakfast.
30	5.49	149.81	15	Goes into the George Bush Park on a paved path that also has a 1/4m boardwalk.
31	6.79	156.60	6	Continues on the George Bush Trail. Peaceful run. Difficulty ranking due solely to length.
32	6.69	163.29	8	Runs on the well-known Terry Hershey Trail. Has a couple of small rolling inclines.
33	4.47	167.76	29	On Briar Forest straight towards downtown through well-preserved neighborhoods.
34	5.33	173.09	12	Through the Tanglewood subdivision, ending in Memorial Park.
35	5.18	178.27	18	The Captain's Leg is part trail & part sidewalk. Contains spectacular views of the city and finishes at the heart of downtown across from our host hotel, the Hyatt.
36	5.58	183.85	13	Starts downtown, runs around the Toyota Cntr, eventually reaches golf course and Mason Park on Houston's east side. (Dog deterrent advised as free dogs have been seen here.)
37	4.40	188.25	30	Through not-as-financially-privileged neighborhood before going straight down Galveston to Cesar Chavez High School. (Dog deterrent recommended.)
38	6.45	194.70	5	A flat leg that is ranked high in difficulty due to the many turns. Travels through Pasadena neighborhoods.
39	3.28	197.98	38	Short leg continuing through neighborhoods, crossing beneath the Sam Houston Tollway indicates you're getting close to the finish.
40	5.31	203.29	17	Wide quiet open roads through businesses (closed on Sunday) and power plants give way to views of the Monument from a long way off.
Epi	0.38	203.67		Finish with your team!

***** Intersections with traffic signals in Houston (Legs 32 - 40) will have Police assistance.*****