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### **CADENCE & STRIDE LENGTH**

### **EXAMPLE** (Excel created by Coach Zee, Link available at the bottom of document)

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Input / Output	Mins	Secs	Calculated Value	Notes
Pace (Mins: Secs) / Km	7	26	7.433333333	Convert Mins:Sec into Minutes
SPM	158		158	Steps per minute
Speed (in m/min)			134.529148	Speed in meter / min :: [1000/Pace in mins]
Stride Length =			0.851450304	Speed(in m) / Cadence
Stride Length			0.85 meter	Stride length / Stride

#### **SOME GENERAL GUIDELINES:**

Runners Height	Jogging Stride (m)	Running Stride (m)
5'5" (1.65 m)	0.68 m	1.20–1.40 m
6'0" (1.83 m)	0.75 m	1.40–1.80 m

For <b>jogging</b> , a stride length of <b>=41% of height</b> is common.	
For running/sprinting, it can be 100%–120% of height.	
Example: A <b>6-foot</b> runner might have:	7
Jogging stride: =0.75 m	
Fast running: 1.5–2.2 m	

Level	Typical Cadence (SPM)
Casual joggers	140–160
Efficient runners	165–180
Elite runners	180–200+

170–180 spm is considered ideal for efficient distance running.		
Lower cadence (<160) may mean <b>overstriding</b> , which can increase injury risk.		
Higher cadence reduces ground contact time and improves rhythm/form.		

### WHAT'S CONSIDERED "GOOD"?

Metric	Good Range	Notes
Stride Length	1.2–1.5 m for runners	Depends on height and pace
Cadence	170–180+ spm	Efficient, reduces injury risk
Stride/Height Ratio	0.9-1.1 (running)	>1.0 for sprinting; =0.4–0.5 for jogging

## **IDEAL COMBINATION FOR MOST DISTANCE RUNNERS:**

<b>Cadence</b> : 170–180 spm	
Stride length: Adjusted so you're not overstriding or heel-striking	
Form: Upright posture, slight forward lean from ankles, midfoot strike	

Link to download excel to calculate Stride Length: https://tinyurl.com/StrideCalculator