

Coronavirus (COVID 19) update: upcoming British Orienteering events

British Orienteering wishes to reassure all competitors, volunteers and spectators that safety of all attending our events is a priority. We are aware of the concerns surrounding the current Coronavirus outbreak and are regularly reviewing our processes and procedures and staying up to date on government advice.

At present (5th March 2020), the British Championships (21st – 22nd March) and JK events (10th – 13th April) are due to go ahead.

British Orienteering will comply with Public Health England (PHE) advice, which is available online (www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public), and is subject to regular updates. At present the advice is that any competitor/spectator/official who falls into one of the categories below cannot enter or attend any of our competitions and training camps (unless, in some cases, they have complied and completed the self-quarantine provisions):

- Hubei province in China in the last 14 days, even if you do not have symptoms
- Iran, lockdown areas in northern Italy or special care zones in South Korea since 19 February, even if you do not have symptoms
- other parts of mainland China or South Korea, Hong Kong, Japan, Macau, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan or Thailand in the last 14 days and have a cough, high temperature or shortness of breath (even if your symptoms are mild)
- other parts of northern Italy (anywhere north of Pisa, Florence and Rimini), Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar or Vietnam since 19 February and have a cough, high temperature or shortness of breath (even if your symptoms are mild)

For full details of the advice published by PHE, including advice surrounding the areas above, please visit:

www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public

By attending the event, participants and volunteers represent that they are not captured by the government advice (UK and foreign if relevant) and so are not prohibited from attending the event. In addition, all those attending competitions in any capacity must comply with the advice produced by Public Health England on attendance at public events.

If you have any specific queries relating to this, please contact British Orienteering directly.

This is a developing situation and British Orienteering will provide further updates on the status of all and any events as and when new advice is published or if we are required to change our approach to our event delivery.

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