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**TCS Mini-London Marathon
Saturday 22nd April 2023 – London, England**

Overview

The TCS Mini-London Marathon will take place in London, England on Saturday 22nd April 2023. This provides junior athletes with the opportunity to compete in a highly enjoyable race in the heart of London on the final 2.6km of the TCS London Marathon course. In the Championship race, Wales will be one of the regional teams competing against other regional teams from across the United Kingdom and against London Borough teams. Following the race transport back home is provided. However, families are very welcome to take the opportunity to collect their children and make this into a day or weekend visit to London.

Welsh athletes not running for the regional team are highly recommended to compete in the mass participation races. For families of runners wishing to take this option, please note that you will have to organise your own transport and accommodation as the TCS London Marathon only provide transport and accommodation for those running in the regional teams.

Policy Aim

The provide junior athletes with the opportunity to take part in this highly enjoyable race in the heart of London on London Marathon weekend.

Athlete Eligibility

To compete for the Wales regional team at the TCS Mini-London marathon the athlete needs to be born in, live in or go to school in Wales.

Competition Format

The TCS Mini-London Marathon Championship has U17, U15 and U13 races, with six male and six female athletes running for each team in each age group. Age groupings are as follows:

U17: DoB 01/09/2005 – 31/08/2007

U15: DoB 01/09/2007 – 31/08/2009

U13: DoB 01/09/2009 – 31/08/2011

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How the team is chosen



The first six runners (who meet the eligibility criteria) across the finish line in their age group race in the Welsh Cross Country Championships in Brecon on Saturday 25th February will be provided with the opportunity to compete for the Welsh regional team in The TCS Mini-London Marathon Championship race. If any of those six are unable or decline to take this opportunity to race, then the next runner home in the Welsh Cross Country Championships will be provided with the opportunity. This will continue until the six allocated places in that team are filled.

There shall be no right to appeal this process.

De-Selection Process

De-selection of an athlete may occur following:

1. Failure to adhere to the Welsh Athletics athlete code of conduct
2. In the event of an athlete sustaining an injury or illness following acceptance of their position on the team, they are required to inform the team leader immediately. If it is deemed that the injury or illness will negatively affect the athlete's performance this will result in de-selection.

Equal Opportunities

Welsh Athletics is committed to offering equal opportunities to all athletes in Wales. Any Welsh athletes who has met the criteria that is laid out within this policy will be provided with the opportunity to race. Welsh Athletics will not discriminate against any athlete on the basis of any protected characteristics.

Amendment

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