

GENERAL INFORMATION

LEINSTER SCHOOLS ORIENTEERING

CATEGORIES:

Primary:

- 5th Class Girls
- 5th Class Boys
- 6th Class Girls
- 6th Class Boys

Post-Primary:

- 1st Yr Girls
- 1st Yr Boys
- 2nd-3rd Yr Girls
- 2nd-3rd Yr Boys
- TY Girls
- TY Boys
- 5th-6th Yr Girls
- 5th-6th Yr Boys

COMPETITIONS:

To be eligible for a prize, a competitor must compete individually in at least 2 events of the league.

Competitors can take part as individuals or in pairs. If it is a mixed pair (boy + girl), they compete in the Boys category. However, **only individual runners qualify for prizes or earn points for their school team both in the league and the championships.** Runners are allowed to change partners in the next event. The 3 (Post-Primary), 4 (Primary) best finishers per school per category will count for Team purposes. Their scores will be added up and, at the end of the year, prizes will also be awarded to the top team in each category where more than 1 school competes. In the event of any tie, prizes will be awarded to the competitor/school with the highest placings.

COURSE:

The course will be a Score format and the same course for everyone.

LEAGUES:

There are 2 leagues: Primary; Post Primary.

CHAMPIONSHIPS:

There is 1 Leinster Championships event, where Primary & Post Primary schools will compete.

TIMING:

Sportident (SI) electronic timing will be used. SI cards will be issued to each school at Registration, for use by each competitor (1 SI card per pair). Pairs should remain together at all times throughout the course. All SI cards will be returned to the Organisers by the Teacher-in-Charge, when all their runners have finished. Any lost/unreturned SI card will incur a payment of €38, which is the replacement cost of the item.

MAPS:

Maps will be printed on waterproof paper and pre-marked with the course and control descriptions.

ENTRY:

All events are pre-entry. Entry fees for League events are **€3.50** per competitor (**1 pair = €7**). To enter, complete the 'Entries' excel document and email it to the Organiser. All entry

requirements **MUST** be received by the Organiser by 23:59 hrs on the entry deadline date (see [Events](#)). **Absolutely no exceptions will be made to extend this deadline time/date.** This deadline is created to allow the Organiser sufficient time to prepare an efficient and smooth-running event for you.

OPTION A

By Email: 1. Entries – (Post) Primary excel document

By Post: 2. Entry Payment
3. **Affiliation Fee to Irish Orienteering Schools Group (if required – see below)**

To Organiser: Mary Dennehy Healy, 11 Belmont Grove, Galloping Green, Blackrock, Co. Dublin A94 ED29. Email: marydennehyhealy@gmail.com

OPTION B

By Email: 1. Entries – (Post) Primary excel document

Entry Payment: 2. Lodgment online **OR** in any **AIB branch.**
+ Affiliation Fee to Irish Orienteering Schools Group
(if required – see below)

To Organiser: marydennehyhealy@gmail.com

Account Name: Mary Dennehy Healy

Account Number: 11213012

BIC: AIBKIE2D

IBAN: IE53AIBK93339211213012

Bank: Allied Irish Banks plc

Sorting Code: 93-33-92

Bank Address: Cornelscourt, Dublin 18.

CANCELLATION:

If a school finds that it cannot come to the event and has to cancel, a 50% refund can be given on receipt of notification of cancellation by the Organiser by 9.00 am a full 7 days before the event, ie by 9.00 am the Wednesday before if held on a Wednesday. Any later than this, there is no refund. Note, changes to the entry are not possible after the entry deadline, ie addition or deduction of competitors.

FINAL DETAILS:

A few days before an event, Final Details and School Lists will be published on our website, giving all relevant information for that event, ie directions & signposting, terrain/map description, courses details, safety information.

REGISTRATION:

Registration will be open from 10.30am and is usually situated adjacent to the Finish. On arrival, only the Teacher-in-Charge should come to the Registration, where they will collect their Event Pack. This pack will contain all the items they need to compete:-

1. Competitors' Maps
2. SI Cards
3. Competitors' Allocated SI Card Numbers list
4. Teacher's Map/s

STARTS:

Starts will be from 11:00-13:00. Teachers will start their own students themselves using a 'Start' box to begin timing. Courses will close at 14:00.

RESULTS:

There will be no download at the event. All SI cards will be downloaded by the Organiser when they return to their home.

Official Results will be posted as soon as possible to:

- Leinster Schools Orienteering website: www.schoolsorienteeing.ie
- Irish Orienteering Association website: www.orienteeing.ie
- All relevant National and Local media.

Team results will be calculated manually afterwards and uploaded to our website asap.

WHAT TO BRING:

Students should wear appropriate and sufficient comfortable clothes for the weather, which they do not mind getting quite dirty, wet or torn. A complete change of clothes/shoes should be brought, plus towel. No food or drinks allowed on the course. Any litter from food or drink should be brought home with you, as a requirement for the use of these parks is that we leave them as we found them. Smoking is not allowed. Interference with Controls/Sportident units will incur automatic disqualification.

PHOTOS:

Photos may be taken of individuals/groups at the events and displayed on our website/newspapers. No student will be identified by name/school. If any person/s do not wish their photo to be taken, please inform the organiser before the event.

All students must wear their school sports top, as identification and/or safety.

MEDIA:

Pre-event press releases and Results will be sent to all relevant media for Leinster – local and national. If you would like a particular media for your area contacted, please notify the Organiser, to ensure it is included.

IOSG AFFILIATION:

These are closed events and all schools taking part must affiliate to the Irish Orienteering Schools Group (IOSG) which is, in turn, affiliated to the Irish Orienteering Association. Affiliation fee for the school year September–June is a once-off payment of €5 per school, no matter how many events you enter in that period.

SAFETY:

The Organisers are organising these schools competitions as specialist advisors. It remains the responsibility of the supervising teachers/adults to ensure discipline, to obtain parental consent forms and to retain responsibility for the safety and wellbeing of the competitors under their care.

Schools are expected to provide adequate supervision for their own students and advise them regarding their obligations towards the Country Code. At least two teachers should accompany the students to the event: Teacher-in-Charge and Adult Helper. Any further teachers could go around the course on patrol. This could also be used as an instruction exercise.

Orienteering is an adventure sport and can be dangerous. Students take part at their own risk. Please ensure that your students are covered by your School Insurance policy for the day.

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