

Scottish Championships Eligibility

Purpose

Scottish Championships events are open to all. However, not everyone is eligible to be declared Scottish Champion. This document defines the eligibility criteria.

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Trophies

All members of Scottish open clubs (where that club is their main or first club) shall automatically be recognised as “Scots”. All other orienteers claiming to be a “Scot” must notify the organiser before the event.

An orienteer qualifies as a “Scot” if any of the following is/are true:

1. They were born in Scotland.
2. One of their parents was born in Scotland.
3. They are a member of a Scottish university or college student orienteering club and a current member of the Scottish Orienteering Association and are currently enrolled as a part-time or full-time student at the university or college.
4. They are a member of an armed forces orienteering club (as their main club) and are posted to Scotland and are a member of the Scottish Orienteering Association (via a local club).

Ideally, the entry system should include a question asking the competitor if they fulfil the above criteria, making it easy for the Organiser to collate a list of eligible competitors who are not in an open Scottish club.

Medals

Medals may be awarded to first, second, and third in each class (irrespective of being a “Scot”).

Explanation: When the SOA medals were introduced, the intention was to provide a standard quality championships prize, rather than leaving prizes up to the organising club. At previous events, there had been a wide variety, including certificates, medals, other mementoes of varying quality, prizes of goods donated by local companies.