

Gloucestershire AAA - County Championship Race Eligibility

County Championship Races

County Championship races are allocated to selected races at given distances (if available). These are:

- 1 mile
- 5k
- 10k
- Half marathon.

Age classification

County championship medals are awarded to the first three individuals in both senior (and junior, where applicable) and age category groups, male and female:

Junior (e.g. U11, U13, U15, U17, U20 – at the discretion of Glos AAA)

Senior

Veteran (V35*, V40, V45, V50, V55, V60, V65, V70, V75, V80...).

** applies to female only*

Eligibility

Races must be UKA licenced to qualify as County Championship events.

Organisers of the County Championship races will clearly state, or provide a link to, the eligibility criteria on their entry form along with a check box for entrants to confirm eligibility.

This distinction must be available to the results officials / timing providers in order to ensure that the prize allocation is available on race day.

Eligibility for county championship prizes is by:

Birth within the county (includes mother's residence at time of birth)

Residence in the county for 9 months or more

Posting to a base of HM Forces within the county for 9 months or more

Not having represented another county in the current, or preceding, competition year.

Note: membership of an affiliated athletic club within the county is not a criterion.

Details of eligibility are included in the Appendix on the next page.

The onus is on the entrant to confirm eligibility, by checking the appropriate box, when entering the race.

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Appendix – UKA Guidance for County Championship Qualification

English County Qualification

- i County Championships are open to all eligible athletes possessing a County qualification.
- ii A County qualification may be acquired as follows:
 - a By birth (see also Rule G2 S4(1)).
 - b By nine month's continuous bona fide residence in the County immediately prior to the competition.
 - c By service in a Unit of HM Forces stationed in the County for nine months immediately prior to the date of the competition. Temporary absence on duty shall not break a qualification acquired under this paragraph.
NOTE: Membership of a Club affiliated to a County Association does not, of itself, provide an athlete with a County qualification unless at least one of a – c is above is satisfied.
- iii Competitors who have qualified and competed, under ii b or c above retain that qualification until they have acquired a residential qualification and competed in the Championship of another County or represented another County in an Inter-County Championship.
- iv A student at school, college or university does not acquire a residential qualification by residence in the County during term time only.
- v An athlete who has competed in a County Championship (other than that allowed at the discretion of Glos AAA) or represented a County in an Inter-County competition, may not compete in the Championships of, nor represent, another County in that Competition Year.

Rule G2 (21) S 4 UKA Supplement – Competition Conditions

- 1. Birth qualification:
For the purpose of determining place of birth for a competition qualification this may be either at the location of actual birth or at the domicile of the mother at the time of birth, if different. In the event that the different locations are in different Counties or Districts then the athletes may make an irrevocable selection for which County or District they wish to be eligible.