

Competition Rule N : The Badge Scheme

These Rules must be read in conjunction with the British Orienteering Rules of Orienteering and Appendices, Where these Rules vary or supplement British Orienteering Rules of Orienteering, then these Competition Rules will take precedence. Any questions regarding these Rules should be emailed to: rules@britishorienteering.org.uk.

1. General information

1.1 Purpose

- 1.1.1 The British Orienteering Badge Scheme is an incentive scheme which aims to recognise individual performances across the full range of disciplines at the highest level of domestic competition.
- 1.1.2 A Badge standard remains current for two calendar years including the year in which it was achieved.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1.1 Only the results of those entering the competition as British Orienteering members will be used for badge calculations.

2.2 The Championship Badge

- 2.2.1 This is awarded each calendar year to Elite, Long or A course competitors who have achieved the Championship Badge qualifying time at any three of the following level A events:

- The British Long Distance Orienteering Championships
- The British Middle Distance Orienteering Championships
- The British Sprint Orienteering Championships (A Finals only)
- The British Night Orienteering Championships
- The Jan Kjellström Sprint Orienteering Championships
- The Jan Kjellström Individual Orienteering Championships (**Middle and Long separately**)

- 2.2.2 The badge is awarded for all British Orienteering age classes. However, a qualifying time in one age class does not count towards a badge in another age class.

- 2.2.3 The qualifying time is calculated as follows:

- a) If there is an Elite class:

Elite Class:	Winner's time * 1.25
Long Class:	Elite Winner's Time x Length of Long Course x 1.225 Length of Elite Course
Short Class:	No Award

- b) If there is no Elite class:

Long Class:	Winner's time * 1.25
Short Class:	No Award

- c) If there is no Elite class and competitors have been seeded out of the Long Course 1 onto the Long Course 2:

Long Class 2:	Long Class 1 Winner's Time x Length of Long Course 2 Length of Long Course 1
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2.3 Senior (M/W21 and older) Gold, Silver and Bronze Badges

- 2.3.1 Badges are awarded on performances at the level A events listed above.
- 2.3.2 The scheme is open to competitors who compete in age class competitions and reach the required standard on three occasions in the same class within two years. Badges are awarded in all British Orienteering senior age classes.
- 2.3.3 The qualifying times are calculated as follows:
 - (1) Compute the Base time:
 - (a) over 20 starters – average of the first three results
 - (b) 11 to 20 starters – average of first two results
 - (c) 10 or fewer starters – winner’s time.

If there is an Elite Class, base time on the Long Class will be:

Elite Class Base Time x Length of Long Course Length of Elite Course

For Short Classes (or L2 classes where competitors have been seeded down from L1 – read “Short” as L2 in this case), the base time will be calculated as follows:

Long Class Base Time x Length of Short Course Length of Long Course

- (2) Compute Badge times:

- Gold Base time x 1.25
- Silver Base time x 1.5 Bronze Base time x 2.0

- 2.3.4 A Badge standard remains current for two calendar years including the year in which it was achieved.

2.4 Junior (M/W 20 and younger) Gold, Silver and Bronze Badges

- 2.4.1 Badges are awarded on performances at the level A events listed above.
- 2.4.2 The scheme is open to competitors who compete in age class competitions and reach the required standard on three occasions in the same class within two years. Badges are awarded to all British Orienteering junior age classes.
- 2.4.3 For L, S and A classes the calculation of Badge times follows the same rules as seniors, with A classes treated in the same way as L classes.
- 2.4.4 For B Classes
 - Silver Base Time x 1.25
 - Bronze Base Time x 1.5

3. Administration

- 3.1.1 See the British Orienteering website, <https://www.britishorienteering.org.uk/Badge>, for details of how to apply for a Badge and the evidence required.