

Planning a Night Event

Here are some notes for planners of a Night Event, to accompany the Organising a Level D Event Document.

One course, winning time of 30 to 35 mins. Shorter version, to be on the same map, if possible, to be created by adding a cut off leg, via an extra control, to give a course no more than 2/3rds the length of the longer course. For instance, a longer course might be 5k in length, with controls 1 to 15. The shorter version might use controls 1 to 7, then go to control 11 via control 16 to create a course of 3.2k.

Terrain night events do not have a mass start. Competitors will choose when to start between 1800 and 1900, but should not start within 30 secs of anyone else. Registration will open at 1730. Courses will close at 2000, by which time all competitors must have reached either the finish or download.

Competitors in urban night events have the choice of either a mass start at 1830 or an individual start between 1800 and 1830. Planners may include a pair of butterfly loops, or similar, shortly after the start to break up any runners choosing the mass start.

Competitors will be invited to stay until 2000, in case someone fails to return by the course closing time.

The planner is responsible for deciding how many maps to print and organising that job with the map printer.

The planner is responsible for producing the xml file for his courses and sending that file to the SI Manager, to arrive at least a week before the event. The SI Manager can advise how to produce this file.

The planner is also responsible for sending to the SI Manager the information to be uploaded to the website, including parking location, any directions and specific details for that event. A template is available from the SI Manager or you can see what is required by looking at other level D events listed on the LOC website.

For Routegadget, the planner also needs to send to the SI Manager a copy of the OCAD base map, plus an 'all controls' map. Again, the SI Manager can advise on the production of these files.

For the 2017/2018 series, the SI boxes to be used are numbered 131 to 165.