

Virgin Money Giving Mini London Marathon 2020

Team Croydon

Selection Policy

The Virgin Money Giving Mini London Marathon will take place on Sunday 26th April 2020. The course is a three-mile road race stretching from Old Billingsgate to The Mall.

The Croydon squad will be made up of 36 athletes (six athletes per event). Boys and girls race in three age categories*:

Boys and Girls – Under 13

- Must be at least 11 years old on 26 April 2020 or 12 on 31 August 2019
- Born between 1 September 2006 and 28 April 2009

Boys and Girls – Under 15

- Must be 13 or 14 on 31 August 2019
- Born between 1 September 2004 and 31 August 2006

Men and Women – Under 17

- Must be aged 15 or 16 on 31 August 2019
- Born between 1 September 2002 and 31 August 2004

**There are also races for ambulant and para athletes (local trials for these events are not being held; those wishing to represent Croydon in these race categories, please contact the Active Lifestyles Team directly).*

An athlete may represent Croydon if they either:

- Live in Croydon
- Go to school in Croydon
- Were born in Croydon

Trial:

Athletes are invited to attend trials being held by Croydon Harriers in conjunction with the Surrey Cross Country Leagues.

Date: 2pm Saturday 7 March 2020

Venue: Lloyd Park, Coombe Road, CR0 1BD

Event	Start Time	Distance
All Age Categories	2.00pm	4k

Meet organiser: Matthew Kiernan (Croydon Harriers)

Email: secretary@croydonharriers.com

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How to enter:

If you are an **affiliated member** of an **Athletics Club**, your club will enter/register you and provide you with a race number. **Please check with the relevant contact within your club***.

If your **Athletics Club is not entering** the competition, or you are **not an affiliated member** of an athletics club and would like to enter as an independent athlete, **please sign in with the Croydon Council Active Lifestyles representative on the day to collect your race number.**

***ALL ATHLETES MUST SIGN IN WITH THE CROYDON COUNCIL ACTIVE LIFESTYLES REPRESENTATIVE ON THE DAY.**

Email: SDO@croydon.gov.uk **Phone:** 0208 760 5592 **Website:** www.croydon.gov.uk/mini-marathon

Selection:

Anyone can register to participate regardless of experience or membership to an Athletics Club (please ensure you are fit enough to complete your relevant distance). To ensure that selection of athletes is fair and transparent, the Active Lifestyles team have set out the following selection criteria:

1. Attendance at the trial on Saturday 7 March – the first three athletes in each category will be guaranteed selection.

If you are not able to attend the trial date, the Active Lifestyles team will consider:

2. The submission of a three-mile (or further) race performance achieved at a UK Athletics licensed event, or Parkrun times, since 1 September 2019. This must be received no later than 6pm on Saturday 7 March.

There are six places and two reserve places per event available within the Croydon Mini Marathon squad.

The Active Lifestyles team reserves the right to exercise discretion when selecting the team. As a result, the above criteria does not guarantee selection and we strongly advise athletes to attend the trial.

Those who have been selected or placed on the reserve list will be notified week commencing 23 March 2020.

Should you require further information or have any queries, please contact us by email at SDO@croydon.gov.uk