



BOLTON UNITED HARRIERS & ATHLETIC CLUB

POLICY

v2.2

28th Sept 2016

London Marathon: Distribution of Club Places

1. Objectives:

- 1.1 Each year, Bolton United Harriers & AC receives a limited number of places for the London Marathon. These places can be allocated to members of the Club to enable them to participate in this event. This policy defines how that allocation process takes place.
- 1.2 On receipt of notification of the number of places allocated to BUH&AC for the forthcoming London Marathon, a notification inviting members to apply for places shall be placed on suitable Club information hubs, such as the Club website, social media and/or noticeboards. It shall state the name of the person responsible for collecting applications and applying this Policy, and the deadline by which applications must be received.

2. Policy:

- 2.1 Initially, the allocation of places will only be to members who fulfil all of the following criteria:
 - a) They have been a member of the Club for a minimum of 12 months;
 - b) They have received a rejection notification/slip from their personal application for a place in the forthcoming London Marathon;
 - c) They were not allocated a Club place in the previous THREE London Marathons (including deferments from a previous year), despite being eligible (i.e. a BUH&AC member).
- 2.2 In the absence of applicants fulfilling 2.1c, the following criteria shall be considered on a hierarchical level, with the first having priority:
 - a) They were not allocated a Club place in the previous TWO London Marathons (including deferments from a previous year), despite being eligible (i.e. a BUH&AC member).
 - b) They were not allocated a Club place in the previous ONE London Marathon (including deferments from a previous year), despite being eligible (i.e. a BUH&AC member).
- 2.3 If there are still more applicants meeting the eligibility criteria than there are places available, then a ballot will be undertaken by the General Committee (or by a club member nominated by the Executive) to choose those members to whom the available places will be allocated.
- 2.4 Where members are unsuccessful through the balloting process of 2.3, their names will be noted and they will be given priority at the same stage, should they choose to re-apply for a place in the following year.
- 2.5 If, however, there are more allocated places available than there are members who fulfil the eligibility criteria, then each member who meets the above eligibility



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criteria will be allocated a place and any remaining places will be allocated to members on the following basis:

- a) Those who fulfil criteria 2.1a and 2.1b, then
- b) Those who fulfil criteria 2.1a.

2.6 If, at any stage of the process in 2.5, there are more applicants than there are places, a ballot will take place in the same vein as 2.3.

2.7 The General Secretary will maintain a list of members to whom places have been allocated and those who applied for a place but were unsuccessful.

Document History (*Version*)

v2.2	28th Sept 2016	Updated to reflect new rules by London Marathon organisers to calculate number of places each club is eligible to receive. Two separate Policy options discussed before this version adopted at Committee Meeting on 10th Oct 2016.
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