



**SUNDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2026
EAST MIDLANDS CHAMPIONSHIPS
NATIONAL EVENT**

**NT LONGSHAW
FINAL DETAILS**



LOCATION

**NT at Longshaw Estate nr Sheffield
Postcode S11 7TZ SK 2664 8005**

TERRAIN

The NT Longshaw Estate has a mixture of managed parkland, heather moorland, quarries and ancient woodland.

Note :

1. For Near Start:

Linear features (easy to follow) used by White, Yellow and Orange courses include wire fences, stone walls, ditches and streams – so not all controls are on a path. No road crossings on shorter courses.

2. For Far Start Courses only:

The high wall (black line with two spots) must only be crossed at marked crossing points on the map.

Fence gate crossing points within the terrain must be used.

Padley Gorge crossing is a mandatory bridge crossing - the leg line bends towards the bridge.

There is a 60 second timed out crossing of a main road.

PARKING

On hard standing! The A625 road at Stony Ridge Road will be closed to weekend traffic from 0900 to 1530 allowing orienteers to park on this road.

DVO helpers will be directed to parking at the far end of the parking road.

TRADERS

CompassPoint will be in attendance, please support them!

Directions:

Note: We will be setting up a one-way system for entry to the parking.

From Calver take the road to Grindleford and proceed via B6521 to the T junction. TR and go past the Fox House Inn staying on the Hathersage Road. After 0.8 miles TR onto the A625 Stony Ridge Road (O signed). From Sheffield take the Hathersage Road A625 and TL onto Stony Ridge Road (O signed).

Exit from where you entered.

COURSES

East Midlands (EM) Orienteers should enter the Course designated by the EM Rules (if they wish to enter the Championship) but may enter any Course if they don't wish to do so. Orienteers from outside the EM may enter any Course.

Colour	Trophy Class	Novice Classes	BO (where different)
Black	M21		
Brown	M20, M35, M40		W21
Short Brown	M18, M45, M50, W21		W20, W35
Blue	M16, M55, M60, W20, W35, W40		W18, W45
Short Blue	M65, W18, W45, W50		M70, W16, W55
Green	M70, W16, W55, W60		M75
Short Green	M75, M80, W65, W70		
Very Short Green	M85+ W75+		
Light Green	M14, W14	M16B, M18B, W16B, W18B	
Orange	M12, W12	M14B, W14B	
Yellow	M10, W10	M12B, W12B	
White		M10B, W10B	

Course Summary

<i>Course</i>	<i>Controls</i>	<i>Length</i>	<i>Climb</i>
<i>White</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>1.7km</i>	<i>30m</i>
<i>Yellow</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>2.4km</i>	<i>50m</i>
<i>Orange</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>3.1km</i>	<i>60m</i>
<i>Light Green</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>3.8km</i>	<i>95m</i>
<i>Very Short Green</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>3.1km</i>	<i>75m</i>
<i>Short Green</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>4.4km</i>	<i>155m</i>
<i>Green</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>4.4km</i>	<i>210m</i>
<i>Short Blue</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>5.2km</i>	<i>185m</i>
<i>Blue</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>6.0km</i>	<i>235m</i>
<i>Short Brown</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>7.5km</i>	<i>260m</i>
<i>Brown</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>10.5km</i>	<i>340m</i>
<i>Black</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>11.0km</i>	<i>400m</i>

Punching System

Timing is by SportIdent.

Contactless punching is enabled for those with SIACs.

Everybody must punch conventionally at the Start and Finish.

Map

1:10000 5m ISOM 2000 for Short Green and above

1:7500 5m ISOM 2000 for VSG and below.

Courses overprinted on Waterproof paper.

Control Descriptions. Printed on map and available loose in start boxes.

Registration

Registration will be open from 9:30am for entry on the day (while maps are available), collection of hired SI cards and other enquiries.

Start Times

You will receive your exact Start time from Start Kite by email on the Friday before the event.

Start Times will be given within the Start Block that you nominated, as far as is possible.

We have decided to seed orienteers within a block of time to ensure a fairer event.

Two Starts.

Near Start – Shorter Courses – VSG and below - 850 m from car park exit

Far Start – Longer Courses SG and above – 1.7 km from car park exit

NB If you need to take someone to the Near Start be aware you must re-trace the 850m to link up with the route to the Far Start. There is no short cut!

Do **NOT** take any short cuts from the marked route. Allow yourself plenty of time to walk/jog to your Start.

The Starts will be arranged into three one minute boxes (-3, -2, and -1)

Please ensure you have cleared and checked your SI/SIAC cards before you start.

Remember to “punch” at the start box.

There is a warm up area to the side of the Far Start.

If you would prefer a “quiet” Start, speak with one of the Start Officials who will help facilitate this request.

Note:

1. A main road has to be crossed from the car park to get to both Starts. Warning signs to traffic with “Runners Crossing” will be placed on this road 100m from the crossing point. It is your responsibility to cross the road in a safe manner.
2. There is a second road to cross on the way to the Start for the Longer Courses.
3. There is a compulsory crossing point on the Longer Courses. You have **one minute** to cross the road **safely**.

Control Descriptions

Printed on the map and available loose in the start boxes.

Finish and course closure time

It will be a punching finish. **Courses close at 14:00.**

Note. After finishing, you have to re-cross the main road at the designated point to get back to the car park.

Download

Download will be in the car park. Please ensure that if you retire you must report to Download so that we can account for you.

Results

Results will be displayed at Download and if wifi is available with Live-O.

Prize Giving. EMOA prize giving 2.30 at Assembly. Note: Whilst there are no prizes for B classes, names of Winners will be read out.

Toilets

Portable toilets in the car park with Urinal.

Catering. Podium Catering and EMJOS will be selling drinks and food. Please support them. You may want to take some cash/card with you so you can purchase on your return to your car.

Dogs

Dogs are not permitted on Courses but are allowed in the car park under control.

Insurance: From 1st Jan 2026, if you're not currently a member of British Orienteering, you won't be covered by the organisation's public liability insurance. You're very welcome to take part, but please be aware that you do so at your own risk

Clothing. Full body cover is **mandated**. Longshaw can be a very cold area in inclement weather. For this reason, it is also mandated that you wear OR carry a **waterproof hooded jacket/coat**. (**It is a long way back to the car park to fetch one!**)

So you can:

- a. Put the waterproof hooded jacket/coat in a "bum bag" worn around the waist***
- b. Tie the waterproof hooded jacket/coat around the waist***
- c. Wear the waterproof hooded jacket/coat***

Safety

Whistles are compulsory at this event.

A comprehensive Risk Assessment has been carried out by the Organiser.

Participants take part at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety during the

event.

Once you have started a course, it is a rule that you don't leave the event without reporting to a download official **even if you retire**.

If you wish to leave medical or emergency contact details, place them in a sealed envelope labelled with your name and class and hand in at Registration. The details will only be accessible to the Organiser or first aiders and will be destroyed after the event.

Child and Vulnerable Adults Safety

This event is organised in accordance with British Orienteering regulations for child safety. This includes ensuring that courses selected by competitors aged under 18 are suitable for their level of experience. Where there is doubt, please ensure your child is shadowed on a colour coded course. Adults who wish to be competitive must complete their own course before shadowing. DVO volunteers are available at enquiries to advise and to support newcomers in selecting an appropriate course.

Nearest Hospital

The nearest A+E hospital is Northern General Hospital, Herries Road, Sheffield S5 7AU (24 Hours)

Minor Injuries: Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Glossop Road, Sheffield S10 2JF (0800-2000)

Entries

On-line entries will remain open until 23.59 on the Saturday evening whilst maps remain available. EOD is possible whilst maps are available.

Officials:

Organiser:

Stuart Swalwell (DVO) - 07941-842780

Planner: Ann-Marie Duckworth (DVO)

Controller: Mark Chapman (SYO)