



## FINAL RACE INSTRUCTIONS: Poole Festival of Running **Minithons 2026**

Poole Runners is looking forward to welcoming you to the best junior races of the summer in Poole Park on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

**Please read through these instructions and let your child know what will be happening.**

To view information on nearby car parking, a site map, the race route, race rules and Frequently Asked Questions, please visit <https://poolerunners.co.uk/events/poole-festival-of-running/>

Make sure your child is running in the correct age group race: Ages 6/7: 9.00am. Ages 8/9: 9.15am. Ages 10/11: 9.30am. Ages 12/13: 9.45am. Under 6 plus parent fun run: 9.50am. Runners in the first four races must all wear race numbers. No numbers will be worn in the Under 6 plus parent fun run.

**Numbers for runners in the Ages 6/7, 8/9, 10/11 and 12/13 races will NOT be posted out in advance.** Numbers will be available for collection either at the Junction Sports Centre, Railway Approach, Broadstone BH18 8AX from 7.30pm until 9pm on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June or from the number collection tent on the West Field in Poole Park from 7.30am until 8.30am on the morning of the Minithons.

Race numbers must be pinned to the front of your child's vest or T shirt and must not be cut or folded. **Please supply your own safety pins.** Each number contains a chip for race-timing. We cannot issue replacement numbers on the day so **all runners must have their numbers with them in order to be able to race.** Emergency contact and medical details should be written on the back of the number.

Poole Park will be closed to traffic up to 2pm on the day of the event and there will be no parking in the Park. Visit the event website (address shown above) for information on nearby car parking.

You should congregate on the West Field which is inside Poole Park near the Kingland Road entrance (post code BH15 1TN, what3words text.fallen.pinks). There will be toilets and portaloos on the West Field but no changing facilities. Food and drink will be available from catering outlets in the Park. Water will be available at the start/finish area where you are welcome to refill your water bottles. Visit the event website (address shown above) for a map of the event site. Please dispose of litter and recycling in the bins provided.

The start/finish area will be located on the road opposite the Kitchen Restaurant next to the West Field.

All Minithon race routes are on roads within Poole Park and head out towards the Ark restaurant with different loops depending on race distance. Visit the event website (address shown above) for a map of the race routes.

No dogs, buggies or pushchairs will be allowed on the course. Headphones must not be worn.

A QR code with a link to the timing website will be displayed at the administration tent and near the start/finish area. This will allow you access final race results.

All finishers will receive a Poole Festival of Running medal. Prize presentations for the first three girl and first three boy finishers in each age group race (excluding the Under 6 race) will take place at 10.15am on the day in front of the fountain by the start/finish area.