



THE LONDON BMX SERIES 2026-27

Technical Guide



WELCOME TO THE LONDON BMX SERIES

2026-27

The London Series dates back to 2013 and was originally part of the London 2012 Olympic legacy, aimed at all abilities of BMX riders. After being halted by Covid lockdowns in 2020, we were thrilled to relaunch the series last year with the support of all the central London BMX clubs and TNT in Gravesend. With a continued influx of new riders entering the sport, we hope this winter series will grow into one of the biggest in the country. We are massively excited this year to be holding the finale of the season at Lee Valley Velopark in East London - the original site of BMX racing at the 2012 Olympics.

The races are the perfect starting point for novice riders. They provide a taste of how regional and national BMX events run, offering the excitement of racing in a supportive environment. We want all novices and intermediates at London clubs to race, and we hope they will graduate to full regional racing next year. We ask all Experts to come and show them how by fighting for the title of fastest in the city.

Please read the rest of this document, as it sets out how the series will run this winter. If you still have questions, please speak to your club or contact bmxlondonseries@gmail.com



2026–27 SERIES CALENDAR

Round 1 — 4 October — Merton

Round 2 — 8 November — Peckham

Round 3 — 22 November — Brixton

Round 4 — 17 January — Hayes

Round 5 — 31 January — TNT@Cyclopark

Finale — 7 March — HACKNEY@OLYMPIC PARK

ONLINE REGISTRATION

Registration is via British Cycling's online system only and closes on the Thursday before each race at 21:00. No paper, phone, or on-the-day registration. Online entry is capped at 300 riders.

A no-show = no refund. Withdrawals are allowed until 9pm Friday before the event.

NOVICE ELIGIBILITY

Novice categories are open to riders who have raced fewer than 3 full UK summer season regional races, i.e. South regional, East regional etc. For clarity, London Series is not a full regional race and if you raced London Series last year but did not race more than 3 regionals in the summer that followed, you can still race as a novice in 2026-27.

CLASSES / CATEGORIES

When entering this series, enter the class you will ride in 2027. Categories are based on 2027 minus the rider's year of birth. (e.g. if you are male and born in 2015 or 2016, you should enter Male 11–12).

Categories with fewer than 5 riders may be merged. Novice girls may be merged with novice boys of the same age for racing, but will be separated in series results and prize-giving.

CATEGORIES

Novice Male 6 & Under	Expert Male 6 & Under
Novice Male 7-8	Expert Male 7-8
Novice Male 9-10	Expert Male 9-10
Novice Male 11-12	Expert Male 11-12
Novice Male 13-15	Expert Male 13-14
Novice Male 16+	Expert Male 15-16
Novice Male 30+	Expert Male 17-29
Novice Female 6 & Under	Expert Female 6 & Under
Novice Female 7-8	Expert Female 7-8
Novice Female 9-10	Expert Female 9-10
Novice Female 11-12	Expert Female 11-12
Novice Female 13-15	Expert Female 13-14
Novice Female 16+	Expert Female 15-16
Novice Female 30+	Expert Mixed 30 +
	Expert Female 17-29 (Payback)
	££ Payback ££

Riders must be 4 in 2027 to compete, as per British Cycling BMX rules.

MANDATORY SIGN-ON

- Sign-on next to the track in the admin gazebo; the commentator will announce the location.
- All novice riders (parent/guardian if aged 17 or under) must sign on before 10am. Experts register by riding the track.
- Group signing-on prohibited.
- If you are not signed in by 10:30, you will be classed as a no-show and removed.
- Pre-sheets and Moto sheets will be posted online at Our Sqorz.

PRIZES

Novice riders competing in 4 out of 6 rounds receive end-of-series award at final round.

The top 8 in each Expert class up to 12 years old will receive end-of-series awards. For older Expert categories only podiums will win awards.

PAYBACK

Payback prizes are as follows: First place £100; Second £60; Third £40. Prizes for each race will only be paid out if at least six riders register and race the Payback category. If you race Payback once, you must race in the category for the remainder of the Series.

COMMUNICATIONS

London BMX Facebook page; questions to bmxlondonseries@gmail.com.

SERIES RULES

1. All riders must hold British Cycling membership and at least a valid provisional race licence (free with membership). No licence = no race. Under-16s join free for first year.
2. Mandatory equipment: full-face one-piece peaked helmet; long-sleeved top; gloves; jeans or BMX race pants only (no tracksuit bottoms). Riders may race on 20" or 24" BMX bike or jump bikes no bigger than 26" wheels. There are no separate cruiser categories. We also expect Experts to wear BMX race tops made from rip resistant material.
3. Number plates: it is standard to use the last three digits of your BC membership number; national riders may use 2026 national series plates; Brits plates will not be accepted; clashes will be resolved on the day; please keep the same number for the whole series.
4. Riders may race up into a different age/gender category but must stay in it for the entire series.
5. Youngest category permitted clipless pedals is 13+ (UCI rules).
6. Series points are awarded for overall position. The top 16 at each race in each category will compete in A and B finals. There will be no finals outside the top 16. Countback follows UCI rules.
7. Categories with fewer than 5 riders merged.
8. Personal videos cannot be accepted as proof of finishing position.

TRANSPONDERS

Experts must have working transponder; novices race without transponders; please ensure novice bikes have no transponders; Mylaps ProChip FLEX Transponders can be bought via HS Sports.

SERIES POINTS

The best 4 results from 6 rounds in the same category count toward end-of-series awards.

PARKING

Where possible each host club will provide parking. It is, however, not always possible in London – if club parking is unavailable please park considerately for local residents.

CATERING

Where possible basic catering (tea, coffee, water) will be provided; some races will have external caterers but please remember to bring your own food/drinks.

ZERO TOLERANCE

The series is entirely volunteer-run and we are here to run a professional, fun and competitive event. All riders, volunteers and parents must be treated with respect. Aggressive, abusive or violent behaviour will not be tolerated. Anyone behaving unacceptably will be asked to leave the event and may face disqualification. Continued violations may result in removal from the series. There is no appeal process.

Speak to race administration if you want to join the volunteer. BMX is a crazy, fun sport, and volunteers keep it that way.

THANK YOU

LONDON BMX TEAM

