

Event safety statement for the 2006 Leinster Orienteering Championships

Orienteering is as an adventure sport - you take part at your own risk. The organisers of the 2006 Leinster Orienteering Championships, the Leinster Orienteering Council, the Irish Orienteering Association, Ajax Orienteering Club and its members accept no liability whatsoever for any injuries or damage/loss of property.

For your own safety it is strongly recommended that you carry a whistle. Full body cover is recommended but not mandatory. Goggles may be compulsory depending on weather conditions on the day. Any competitor who becomes seriously disoriented or lost should head due south until they reach the assembly area on the southern shore of Bull Island.

The mountain rescue services will not be notified of this event as it is taking place in a city centre location. If emergency medical facilities are required the organisers will rely on the 999 emergency services. The Gardai will be notified that this event is taking place.

There are no known hazardous areas in the competition area. Out-of-bounds areas will be indicated clearly on the map and may also be marked with red & white tape. Competitors who disregard these markings will be disqualified.

You are responsible for downloading your SportIdent card, regardless of whether you finish or retire early – in this way the organisers know that you have finished. Competitors who do not download are not welcome at future Ajax Orienteering events.

Lone competitors should use a buddy system or leave a set of car keys suitably labelled with the organisers so that an alert can be raised if they are seriously overdue.

All competitors must respect the environment, private property and other land users. Competitors whose behaviour could bring the sport into disrepute are not welcome at future Ajax Orienteering events. Special permission has been granted by Dublin City Council's Parks Department for Orienteers to use Bull Island and they will be monitoring the event. Competitors are requested to do their best to showcase Orienteering as an environment and family friendly sport.

All competitors must comply with the Irish Orienteering Association's rulebook and its Anti-Doping and Land Access Policies (see the library section of www.orienteeering.ie).

Ajax Orienteering Club