



England Representative Opportunities in Road Running

Granollers Half Marathon, 6 February 2022

England Athletics value the importance of competitive road running opportunities for athletes seeking first time international experience as well as those looking to further develop themselves through international competition. We aim to both reward and acknowledge athletes meeting the selection criteria for the first time as well as providing opportunity for those athletes with the potential to challenge for future global championship teams, including the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham.

The Granollers Half Marathon which takes place in Catalonia is a well-established and popular race with both elite and recreational runners with a field of 15,000 runners. The race attracts elite runners from across Spain as well as East Africa and provides a good level of competition. The current course records are held by Samuel Wanjiru (KENYA) in 59:26 and Gete Wami (ETHIOPIA) in 70:24. For further details go to: www.halfmarathonbarcelona.com

Eligibility

To be considered for selection, athletes must satisfy the following:

- I. Be a registered athlete and be eligible to compete for England (i.e. full British passport holder).
- II. Have achieved a relevant England Athletics development standard within the qualification period.

Qualification Standards

Men	Event	Women
1:06:00	Half Marathon	1:17:00
2:20:00	Marathon	2:40:00

**Qualification performances must be achieved between 00:00 (GMT) 1 January 2020 & 24:00 (GMT) 02 January 2022 (GMT).*

Selection Process & Criteria

- I. The team will be selected the week beginning 3 January, 2022.
- II. Up to a maximum of three men and three women athletes may be selected.
- III. The Selection Panel will select athletes who meet the qualification standards, based on current form and fitness, head to heads and competition history up to and including 2 January, 2022.
- IV. Strong weighting is given to current form when making selections between eligible athletes
- V. In exceptional circumstances only England Athletics reserve the right to select athletes without a current standard.
- VI. England Athletics reserves the right to withdraw, or review, the team from the competition in line with Government or Local Organising Committee advice regarding the changing circumstances arising from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Appeals

There shall be no right of appeal to the selection of the England Team made by the Selection Panel. The provisions of the UK Athletics Selection and Nomination “Fast” Appeals Procedure” do not apply to the England team selections for the Granollers Half Marathon.

Additional Notes

Any selected athlete with doubts over their fitness in the lead up to the race may be required to evidence a fitness test. England Athletics reserve the right to deselect athletes who the selection panel feel are not fit or competitive enough in the final month before the event.

Athletes who withdraw themselves for reasons other than illness or injury may also be liable to cover the costs of their flights or a change of name to the ticket where there is the option to substitute.

Expressions of Interest

Expressions of interest should be made by completing the form at this link;

<https://forms.gle/AEFEpaFnA2rr148j9>

If you have any problems completing the form please email your expression of interest to Tom Craggs, Road Running Manager, tcraggs@englandathletics.com no later than **midnight Sunday 2 January, 2022**.