## MDOC NIGHT STREET LEAGUE: Safety Notice (2022/23)

COVID-19: British Orienteering's Code of Conduct (current version dated August 2021) must be observed by all participants. In particular:

- You must not attend an event if you have any COVID-19 symptoms, or are currently required to selfisolate
- Be mindful of others who wish to observe social distancing.

We will review our event safety arrangements should the Code of Conduct or Government Guidance be updated and inform NSL participants accordingly.

## In case of injury:

- Ring the Emergency number on your Answer Sheet. Also, when necessary, ring 999.
- Give current location (e.g. nearest control number) if you need to be picked up.
- State if you need to be taken direct to A&E or to the Finish.

## **General Notes:**

- 1. All competitors MUST wear a high-visibility top.
- 2. Under 16s MUST be accompanied (rather than shadowed) by an adult.
- 3. You will need a torch and, depending on the terrain and the absence of street lighting, the Planner/Organiser may recommend that you carry a back-up light and means of summoning help (e.g. a whistle).
- 4. In case of Emergency, you are recommended to carry a mobile phone. Many modern phones have a Torch App which could be used as a back-up light.

  But use it discreetly so as not to attract attention and potential mugging.
- 5. Dress according to the weather conditions (rain/hail/cold).
- 6. You may like to carry a compass.
- 7. Take care crossing roads, tramlines and railway lines even when racing to the finish!
- 8. A person running across a road in such a way as to cause a road user to swerve, thereby causing injury to someone else (the driver or another pedestrian), is likely to be held responsible in that their actions caused the incident.
- 9. A person running around a 'blind' street corner is responsible for not colliding with another pedestrian so please run wide around corners.
- 10. Take care on slippery surfaces and uneven ground; depending on the terrain, the Planner/Organiser may recommend trail shoes.
- 11. When sharing the pavement or towpath with others "Share the Space, Drop your Pace".
- 12. Give dogs a wide berth.
- 13. Take care carrying your pencil/pen to avoid injury.

## **Existing Medical Conditions**

 If you wish, please make the Planner/Organiser aware of an existing medical condition. The information will be passed to the Series Co-ordinator and kept in confidence.