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## 2023 TCS LONDON MARATHON BALLOT ENTRY TO INCLUDE NON- BINARY OPTION

- All entrants in mass participation element of 2023 event will be able to select male, female or non-binary in entry system

For the first time, a non-binary gender option will be offered to applicants in the 2023 TCS London Marathon Ballot, which will open on Saturday 1 October.

The change is being introduced following an extensive review and consultation period by London Marathon Events (LME), organisers of the TCS London Marathon, as part of the work to make the event the most diverse, equitable and inclusive marathon in the world.

The three gender options (male, female and non-binary) will be offered to all participants registering for the mass participation element of the TCS London Marathon via other entry routes, including charity entries.

The elite athlete races, plus the Championship and Good for Age categories, which all operate under World Athletics rules, will not offer a non-binary gender option.

**Hugh Brasher, Event Director of the TCS London Marathon, said:** *“This is a significant step forward for the TCS London Marathon as we continue our journey to make our event truly inclusive.*

*“We know there is still much more to be done, but changes such as this demonstrate our commitment to making the TCS London Marathon an event that is for everyone.”*

In July, LME announced new entry policies for the 2022 TCS London Marathon that included entries for assisted participants, enhanced policies for participants who are pregnant or postpartum and special considerations for participants in the virtual TCS London Marathon. See [here](#) for more information.

This change to the entry system will also be implemented across the mass participation element of all events organised by LME. It is already offered for the mass participation sportives at RideLondon and the Standard Chartered Great City Race, the corporate race held in the City of London.

The 2023 TCS London Marathon will take place on Sunday 23 April. The ballot for the event will open on Saturday 1 October, the day before the 2022 TCS London Marathon on Sunday 2 October.

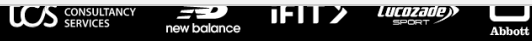
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### About the London Marathon

- The 2022 TCS London Marathon will take place on Sunday 2 October.
- The London Marathon was first held on 29 March 1981 and the millionth finisher in the history of the event crossed the line in 2016.
- Since the first London Marathon in 1981, the event has raised more than £1 billion for charity.
- British Heart Foundation is the Charity of the Year of the 2022 TCS London Marathon
- London Marathon Events gifts its surplus each year to The London Marathon Charitable Trust.
- Since 1981, [The London Marathon Charitable Trust](#) has awarded grants totalling in excess of £97 million to more than 1,500 projects in London and across the UK.
- For more information, visit [tcslondonmarathon.com](https://tcslondonmarathon.com)

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