

## **Rising Star Award Criteria**

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### Background

The Rising Star Award was created to recognise those members of the LEI junior squad who have shown the potential to become outstanding orienteers.

### Duty of Care

LEI has a duty of care to the young members of LEI and has an obligation to adhere to the O-Safe policy of British Orienteering. With respect to the O-Safe policy 2.7.3 Talent and Elite, the club should endeavour to avoid placing undue pressure to perform on the young members of LEI.

### Criteria

A candidate being considered for the Rising Star Award should normally fit the following criteria.

- Be an active member of the LEI junior squad
  - *(ie take part in the CSC, YBT, PP Relays, etc)*
- Be within M/W12 - M/W18 age class
  - *(avoids undue pressure to perform on the very young)*
- Show consistent high level performance at the top level orienteering events
  - *(ie JK, Midland Championships, British Long Distance Championships, YBT Final, East Midland Championships)*
- Be orienteering to TD3 standard and above
- Has not won the Rising Star Award before

### Issues

LEI junior squad has youngsters competing at a variety of different TD standards. The issue is how do you compare youngsters to decide who is awarded the Rising Star Award? How can you compare one youngster competing at TD3 with another at competing at TD5? The simple answer is to compare them to their peers and see how they measure up. Therefore the Rising Star Award should be considered a performance award rather than an arbitrary award and as such, there may be years in which no junior reaches the required standard.

### Awarded By

The Rising Star Award is awarded by the Club Chairman with nominations from the Club Captains