

Somerset Not Levels 10/11 October 2026 Event Rules:

1) The event is open to those over 18 who have prior experience in long distance walking and have previously completed a 30+ mile event in cross country terrain.

2) Entries are to be made through SiEntries website.

3) The event will be limited to 100 Entries on a first come first served basis.

Any entrant who does not get a place will be able to join the reserve list and will be informed if/when a place becomes available.

4) The Start and Finish is at The Crowcombe Hall.

5) The event will be around 50 miles and to be completed by 08:30 on Sunday 11th October 2026.

6) The entry fee is £45.00 for members and £65 for non-members. An entry cancelled before 1st October will have the fee refunded less an admin fee of £5. Cancellation after this date will forfeit the full fee.

a) If the event is cancelled (at any point in the planning and delivery period) for any reason the organisers will do their best to contact entrants using the details provided on SiEntries.

Entrants are reminded to add their mobile phone contact details as part of SiEntries process.

The Organisers will put a notice on this website and the main LDWA website as a NEWSFLASH and entrants are strongly recommended to check this before departure.

Cancellation of the event will be at the discretion of the organisers and entry fees will be refunded less a proportional amount for unavoidable costs incurred.

7) The closing date for entries will be 30th September 2026. There will be no entries on the day.

8) Entrants must follow the official route published in the route description, subject only to any late amendments which will be notified at the start or in some exceptional circumstance as directed by a marshal or common sense. Any walker unintentionally finding themselves off the route must return to the official route as soon as possible without trespassing or breaking the Country Code in any other way. Any behaviour likely to bring the LDWA into disrepute will lead to disqualification.

9) Entrants may start at 08:30 or 10:30;

a) Entrants must notify registration of their intended start time

b) Checkpoint opening and closing times will be strictly enforced, entrants should take these into account and adjust their start time accordingly.

10) As well as the main checkpoints there may be some clipper points (described in the route description). These must be visited and entrants are responsible for making sure their tally cards are clipped at both Checkpoints and Clipper Points.

11) Those wishing to retire must do so at a main checkpoint. In an emergency – if retiring entrants cannot reach a checkpoint – they should pass their tally card to another person to hand in on their behalf or call the supplied emergency number. Under no circumstances should anyone retire without ensuring the organisers are informed. If you retire, you must ensure that your tracker is returned to HQ at Crocombe Hall.

12) The mandatory kit that is required for your safety is;

a) Route Description for the entire route from the start; this must be the official route description of the event and can be in:

I) Paper form and kept waterproof OR

II) Electronic version provided durability and adequate power supply for 24 hours can be demonstrated on request by a marshal.

b) Maps for the entire route from the start can be either;

I) OS Maps Explorer 140 and OL9.

II) Electronic Maps of at least 1:25000 scale covering 2km either side of the route and adequate power supply for 24 hours can be demonstrated on request by a marshal OR

III) Paper Maps of at least 1:25000 scale covering 2km either side of the route

c) Waterproof Jacket and either Waterproof trousers or Waterproof over-trousers.

The jacket must have taped seams and an integral hood.

d) An additional upper body layer to be worn or carried e.g. Long-sleeved Base Layer or Fleece.

e) Additional substantial full leg cover if you have waterproof over-trousers.

f) Hat (not a Buff/Bandana/Hoodie Sweatshirt or similar) and Gloves.

g) Compass graduated with degrees on the dial. This can include an electronic

device provided adequate power for 24 hours can be demonstrated on request by a marshal.

h) A working whistle.

i) A working torch with spare batteries sufficient for 1 night and spare bulb if not an LED device.

j) A survival bag (not a space blanket).

k) First Aid kit, which at a minimum must include plasters, adhesive dressing, antiseptic wipes, fixation tape and low adherent dressing.

l) Emergency food.

m) A resealable drinks container, minimum size 0.5 litre.

n) Reflective clothing or reflective markers on backpacks. These must be visible when walking at night

o) Mug or similar (some checkpoints have no cups/mugs).

p) A GPS tracker that will be supplied at the start of the event, must be worn throughout the event and which must be returned on returning to HQ at Crowcombe Hall. The tracker should be switched on at all times and positioned near to the top of your rucksack to facilitate good signal.

q) Suitable footwear with good tread.

13) No Dogs will be allowed to accompany entrants.

14) By taking part in the event entrants agree to the following;

a) "I agree to the Rules of the Event and participate in the "Somerset not Levels" event at my own risk. I understand that I am responsible for ensuring that I have undertaken the necessary preparation and training to participate in the event, that I am sufficiently fit and healthy to participate and that I will comply with all relevant UK Government and local COVID laws and guidelines should any exist. I understand that if I have a medical condition that would cause me to doubt whether I can participate in the event, then I will not do so unless I have sought reassurance from the medical profession. I will abide by the Countryside Code and understand that the Long Distance Walkers Association will not be held responsible or liable for any loss, damage, action, cost, expense, claim, injury, illness and in worst case scenario, death suffered as a result of my participation. On entering the event, I assume full and complete responsibility for any injury, accident, costs, expenses, damages, losses and any other liabilities which may occur while I am travelling to and from the

event and during the event.”

b) “I understand that my personal information submitted to the event will be held by the event organisers and retained securely for up to seven years after the event is held for the purposes of managing this event only. I accept that photographs are likely to be taken at the event, which may be featured in Strider magazine, group newsletters, on LDWA websites and on LDWA social media. I understand this will be held in perpetuity and I have the right to request deletion where it is physically possible for the LDWA to do so. I understand that my personal data may be published immediately and may be held in perpetuity for the purposes of providing a record of the event. I have the right to request that all my personal data be anonymised or removed where it is possible for the LDWA to do so. Please see the Data Protection and Privacy User Guide on www.ldwa.org.uk for further information.”

15) In all matters connected with the event the decision of the organisers is final. At checkpoints the decision of the marshals is final.