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## London Marathon 2021

London

3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021

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## Introduction

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The London Marathon continues to be of major national and global interest and the premier Marathon race in the UK, and just as in 2020, the event will be held in October this year due to the effects of COVID-19 and lockdown.

Due to the requirement for extensive coordination of wireless microphones, talkback, Camera's and audio links in and around central London, it is classified as a Major Event.

Our extensive knowledge of the layout and stages of the event supports the successful delivery of the frequency plan.

Gregory Smith will be the PMSE Spectrum Planner coordinating this event.



Greg (Frequency Coordinator)

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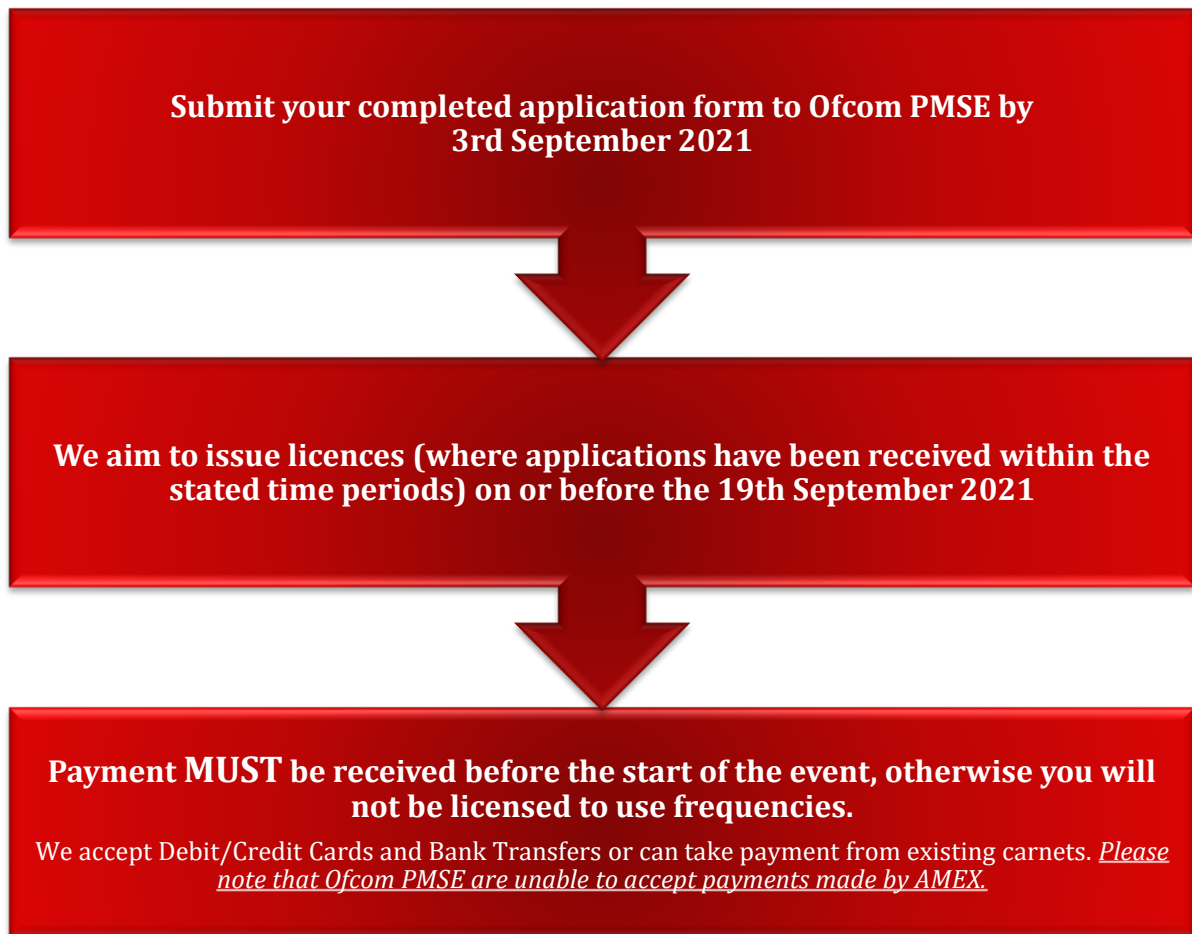
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# 1. Application Process



As the London Marathon is designated a Major Event, applications for frequencies will not be subject to Ofcom PMSE's usual three day turnaround rule. All frequency applications will be collated and worked on at the same time in order to achieve the best frequency allocation plan.

Applications can be processed online using the Event Application system or send an email containing the required application form to [PMSE@ofcom.org.uk](mailto:PMSE@ofcom.org.uk).

Application forms can be downloaded from our website <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/manage-your-licence/radiocommunication-licences/pmse/apply-for-a-pmse-licence>. The cut off point for these applications will be **3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021**. It is advisable to get them in as soon as possible as applications received after this date may not be accommodated as required.

The key information that we require when you apply is:

- The number of wireless microphones, IEMs and radio talkback systems you require
- The frequency range that your equipment will tune across and the tuning steps
- The dates and times that frequencies are needed
- Where your frequencies will be located
- The name of the team you are representing (if none please state)

The use of wireless microphones and IEMs is restricted throughout the UK due to Digital TV carrier signals. The list of available TV channels for these venues can be found on the UHF Mic Planner via the Login page. The availability of these frequencies will be limited due to other licensed users nearby and the digital footprint. You may want to consult this tool before applying.

## 2. Coordination and Licensing

### General Information

Upon receipt of your application you will be contacted to confirm that we are in receipt of it.

Any co-ordination issues or changes which may be required will be addressed directly with the applicant.

The route of the race has many different areas and sites that receive antennas can be placed, knowing the exact location of your equipment is vital to the co-ordination in this RF heavy event.

It is imperative that we receive payment before your licence is scheduled to start so we can issue your frequencies and send out your Licence documents. We aim to issue licences which have been paid in full on or before **19<sup>th</sup> September 2021.**

### Payment and Licence Documents

It is imperative that we receive payment before your licence is scheduled to start so we can issue your licence documents. To help with this we accept Debit/Credit Cards and Bank Transfers or can take payment from existing carnets. When paying by debit/credit card you will receive a secure payment link to your email address. Your licensing documentation will be dispatched upon receipt of payment. Please note that Ofcom PMSE are unable to accept payments made by AMEX.

## 3. Event Time

Operation of the frequencies during the event may be subject to strict licensing times. These times must be adhered to. It is your responsibility to ensure that these rules are followed. If there are concerns about licensing times please do contact the Event Coordinator.

If, when on-site, interference is experienced on your frequencies please contact the Event Co-ordinator or the Out Hours PMSE Spectrum Coordinator right away. The Co-ordinator will investigate possible sources of interference and offer you suitable alternatives within the constraints of your equipment should this be appropriate.

## 4. Useful Contacts

### Event Coordinator Details

E-mail: [gregory.smith@ofcom.org.uk](mailto:gregory.smith@ofcom.org.uk)

Direct Dial: +44 (0) 20 7981 3753

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### Office Details

Our office hours are 9:00 – 17:00 Monday to Friday

Telephone: +44 (0) 207 981 3803

Email: [pmse@ofcom.org.uk](mailto:pmse@ofcom.org.uk)

For help outside of these hours, please contact our out of hours Emergency Coordinator (Please note there is a £55 premium charge per schedule for our out of hours service) on emergency contact number: **+44 (0) 7866 423619**.