

Frequently Asked Questions:

Does that mean there will be no National Events in 2021?

No. We are working hard to provide solutions to running events in the current climate. Each council will be monitoring the situation within their region and we are committed to running events in 2021.

What does this mean regarding Selection?

Each National Governing Body will be monitoring the COVID-19 situation in their area and will plan their individual competition calendars accordingly in hopes to deliver safe competition climbing for 2021.

Will there be a cost increase for 2021?

No. We do not anticipate any cost increase for competitions next year. You will need to be a BMC Member in order to participate in any BMC competitions. See [here](#).

How will you mitigate the spread of COVID-19 at BMC events?

Additional measures will be implemented to mitigate the risk of spread of Covid-19 at a BMC events. Covid event guidelines will be provided and discussed with the host venue to ensure appropriate measures are in place for safe delivery.

Will there be any Paraclimbing competitions in 2021?

We are currently assessing the best method for hosting competitions in 2021. We aim to deliver a skeleton schedule as a minimum which will encompass Paraclimbing as this is a key priority.

Will there be any additional competitions for young people?

Depending on the continuing COVID-19 situation this will reflect on the number of competitions we are able to effectively run in 2021. In light of the changes due to take place to the National Calendar in 2022, we aim to run an additional youth event for grassroots which will be a precursor to the Youth Climbing Series.

When will competitions in 2021 start?

We will be looking to announce further details by the end of January 2021. As above depending on the continuing COVID-19 situation will reflect on the number of competitions we are able to effectively run in 2021.

Can you please clarify if Youth E removal for YCS Grand Final is confirmed?

We can confirm Youth E will not be attending the YCS Grand Final. The overall regional winners will be awarded at Round 4 of the series.

How come the survey results show the majority are in favour of Youth D leading at National competitions, but the decision has been made for Youth D not to lead climb?

Following the survey and the comments received, as well as the Councils conducting research within the Industry, this has highlighted a lack of opportunities for Youth D to learn to lead and therefore it was felt that this would be a barrier to participation.

Are there any opportunities for those who missed out on competition due to aging-out in 2020 to enter youth competitions in 2021?

As above depending on the continuing COVID-19 situation will reflect on the number of competitions we are able to effectively run in 2021. This option can be explored once we have a clearer idea.