

WFB 2020: Key Dates for your Diary



Close of entries: September 11th 2020.

Please note that sections may close early if there are excessive entries that we know we cannot accommodate even allowing for withdrawals. We run a waiting list for popular sections (usually the Championship and First Sections). Any entry fees paid by bands that can't be given a place will be returned after the contest. There is no refund for bands that withdraw.

The **contest draw** for the order of play will take place on: **Sunday 20th September 2020** (provisional)

Transfer applications must be received at the appropriate Registry by: **Friday October 2nd 2020**

New registrations need to be received at the relevant Registry by: **Friday October 23rd 2020**

By **Friday October 23rd 2020** WFB must receive the following at the postal address supplied by the WFB Contest Secretary.

- Full **scores** or conductor scores of your chosen programme (a set for each section your are entering). Photocopies will be returned to you after the results or destroyed if not collected. A pro forma will be supplied. Failure to comply will lead to automatic disqualification.
- A **list of music** you intend to play and must include the composer, arranger and publisher. This information is required for our PRS licence.
- The names of your **borrowed and unregistered players** (see below).
- Information about your young players aged 16 or under and your **Safeguarding** arrangements. This will enable WFB to apply for a **BOPA** via the Brass Bands England scheme. Failure to comply will lead to automatic disqualification.
- Information about **coach travel**, arrival and departure times. This helps us to plan parking and the deployment of our stewards and helpers.
- **Photographic** consent
- Advance and discounted **ticket orders** for your band supporters.

We are working on producing a **single pro forma** (as short as we can make it) on which to record all the above information which can be printed off and enclosed with your scores. It will be available on the website following the draw. Don't worry— it looks worse than it is!

Borrowed and unregistered players: Try to get your **names to us by Friday October 23rd** before the contest but we know that is not always possible (due to illness, accident etc.) so names can be submitted right up to the beginning of the contest if necessary. Just a word of warning though— borrowed players must have their Band Secretary's written consent so don't leave it too late! Pro forma for borrowed and unregistered players can be downloaded from the website.

All the necessary pro forma for the above, plus info about percussion, venue and hall layout, catering facilities, the draw etc. will appear on the WFB website in due course.