

## Terms & Conditions for Fundraising for the London Marathon 2026

By applying for a charity place with Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF UK) for the 2026 TCS London Marathon, you agree to the following terms and conditions:

### 1. Application & Selection

- a. Places are awarded based on a competitive application process.
- b. If you are formally offered a charity place for MSF UK, you will need to **pay a non-refundable and non-transferrable registration fee of £100, within 7 days**. This registration fee cannot be used towards your minimum fundraising target. If you have not paid within 7 days, we will assume you no longer want a charity place with MSF UK, you will risk losing your place and may need to reapply.
- c. If you are successful in securing a charity place with MSF UK, we have legitimate interest to contact you in relation to the London Marathon 2026, to share information about the charity, logistics and administration throughout your marathon journey with us.

### 2. Fundraising Commitment

- a. You agree this is a fundraising event and pledge to raise a **minimum fundraising target of £2,500, excluding Gift Aid, paid no later than 27<sup>th</sup> May 2026**. You can only use your charity place to fundraise for MSF UK. London Marathon charity places come at a financial cost to MSF UK and therefore failure to raise this minimum target for the charity will be at a financial loss to MSF UK.
- b. You must only use lawful means to fundraise for MSF UK and must not do anything which harms, or is likely to harm, the charity's brand or reputation.
- c. You agree that MSF UK has the **right to withdraw your charity** place from the London Marathon 2026 event at any time if you are not deemed committed to raising the minimum fundraising target of £2,500.
- d. You are required to have **reached a minimum of £660 by 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026** or you will risk losing your charity place with MSF UK.
- e. If you are fundraising as part of a team, each participant is responsible for meeting their individual minimum fundraising amount of £2,500 and you will communicate with MSF UK of any changes within the group as soon as possible.
- f. Donations made will be unrestricted so that MSF can direct your fundraising where the needs are greatest. Please contact the team if you have any further questions.
- g. Donations must be collected via approved platforms (JustGiving, Enthuse) or with approval from MSF UK, paid directly into our bank account.
- h. MSF UK will not cover personal expenses incurred by fundraising activities.
- i. Where possible, you should explore employer match funding and notify MSF if applicable.

### 3. Completion of the Event

- a. If the London Marathon is postponed or cancelled for any reason, either by London Marathon Events or on the advice or instruction of the UK Government, we will adhere to any guidance set out by either party. We are committed to keep runners informed and updated throughout their marathon journey.
- b. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are fit enough to participate in a marathon and we encourage you to inform the London Marathon Events of any pre-existing medical conditions that may affect your participation. If you are unsure about this in any way, you should seek medical advice and we take no responsibility.
- c. On race day, if you start the run but are unable to finish, this counts as using your MSF UK charity place for that marathon year. If you would like to run in a subsequent year to complete your marathon, you will be required to formally reapply to receive another place.
- d. You must be 18 years old or over on the day of the race.
- e. If you wish to withdraw after accepting a place, you must notify MSF UK as soon as possible.
- f. If withdrawing **after January**, you are expected to have raised at least **one third of the fundraising target** unless due to extenuating circumstances.
- g. MSF UK reserves the right to keep any money raised prior to your withdrawal.

#### **Deferral Policy**

- a. If you are unable to commit to your charity place, due to injury or sickness, and would like to defer your place, please contact us as soon as possible. Retaining your charity place will be treated on a case-by-case basis and you may need to formally reapply.
- b. You can only defer your charity place if you have raised a minimum of £660 or you will need to formally reapply for a charity place.
- c. You can only defer your charity place for one London Marathon season or you will need to formally reapply for a charity place.

#### **4. Event Participation & Branding**

- a. Runners agree to represent MSF UK appropriately, wearing **MSF-branded kit** on race day.
- b. Any independent sponsorship deals must be approved by MSF UK and comply with MSF's policies on Corporate Gift Acceptance. Please get in touch with the team if you have any questions.
- c. You agree to respect and uphold MSF UK principles of independence, impartiality and neutrality and agree not to wear or publicise any political statements whilst representing MSF UK.

#### **5. Use of Fundraising Materials & Data**

- a. You agree that by running for MSF UK, you consent to the charity using photographs and videos from training days and race day in our promotional materials for publicising future events and the work of the charity

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact the events team via [fundraisinghelp@london.msf.org](mailto:fundraisinghelp@london.msf.org) or call 02074046600