

This policy was written with guidance from the EA Second Claim Athlete Policy 2020.  
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## **Second Claim Club Athlete Policy**

### **Background**

England Athletics define the rules of competition for athletics clubs generally and running clubs in particular. Most, but not all, road races in England are run under the England Athletics rules.

### **Policy**

1.1 Under the rules, an athlete may compete for up to two clubs. One of these is known as the First Claim Club and the other optional club is the Second Claim Club. Only the athlete's First Claim Club can pay the athlete's affiliation fee to England Athletics but you may train with your second claim club.

1.2 You can only have a Second Claim Club if you are affiliated by your First Claim Club.

1.3 If you compete in a race in which your First and Second Claim Clubs are in contention then you must represent your First Claim Club. If the competition does not offer a team prize then you may compete for either club.

1.4 England Athletics allow a period of 12 months grace from the date your affiliation lapses in the hope your First Claim Club will renew your affiliation. After this time they will remove your record from both your First and Second Claim Club's England Athletics Club Portal.

1.5 Athletes will be asked to pay £17 club fee annually, towards their second claim club. This will not be used to pay an affiliation fee for England Athletics.

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