

Sprint Series Uses a “BUTTERFLY LOOP”

This is a point-to-point event. As usual, you must punch the controls in the same order as on your map and control description. If you skip punching a control, or not do them in the correct order, your result will be recorded as MP (mis-punch) and you will not receive a time for the event.

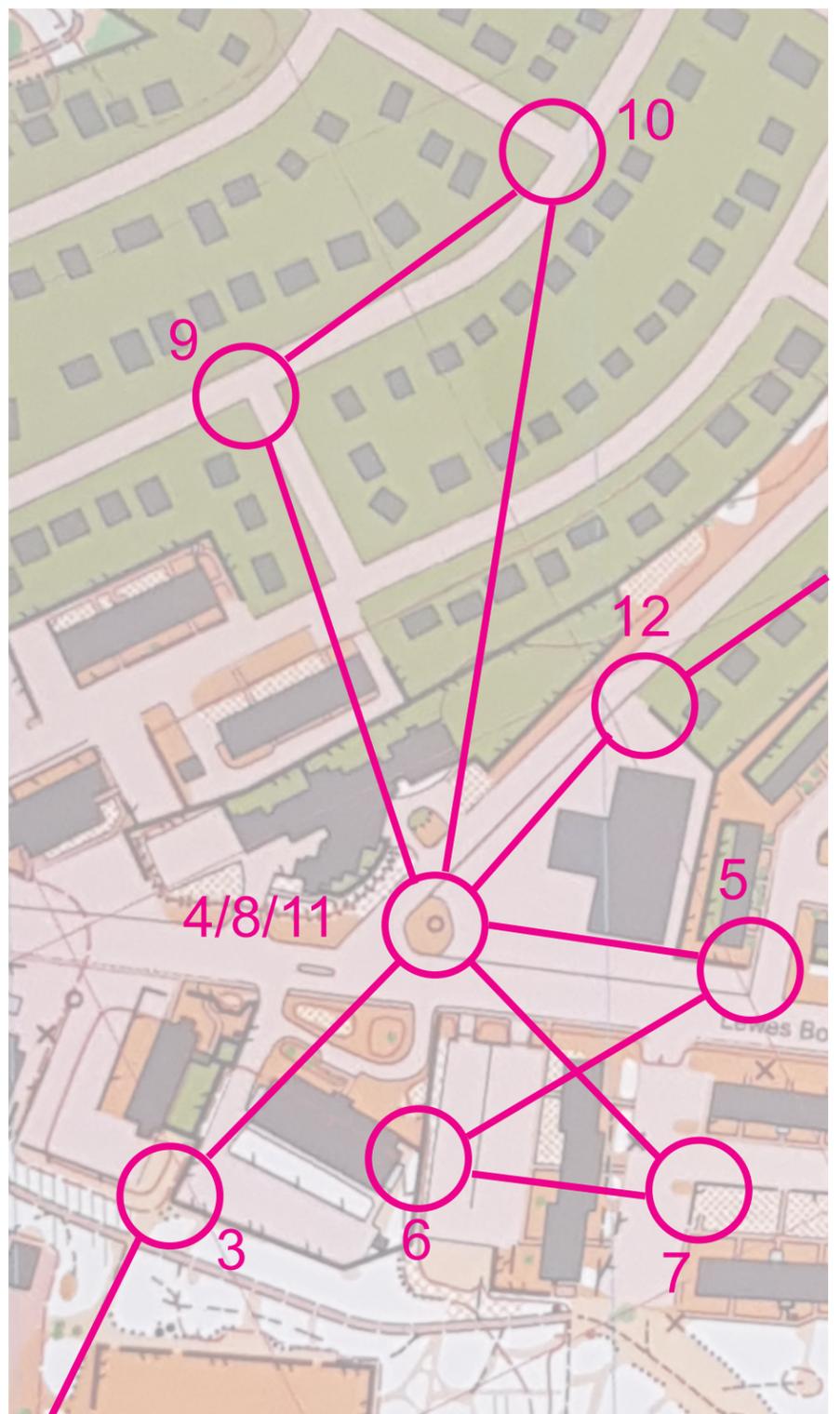
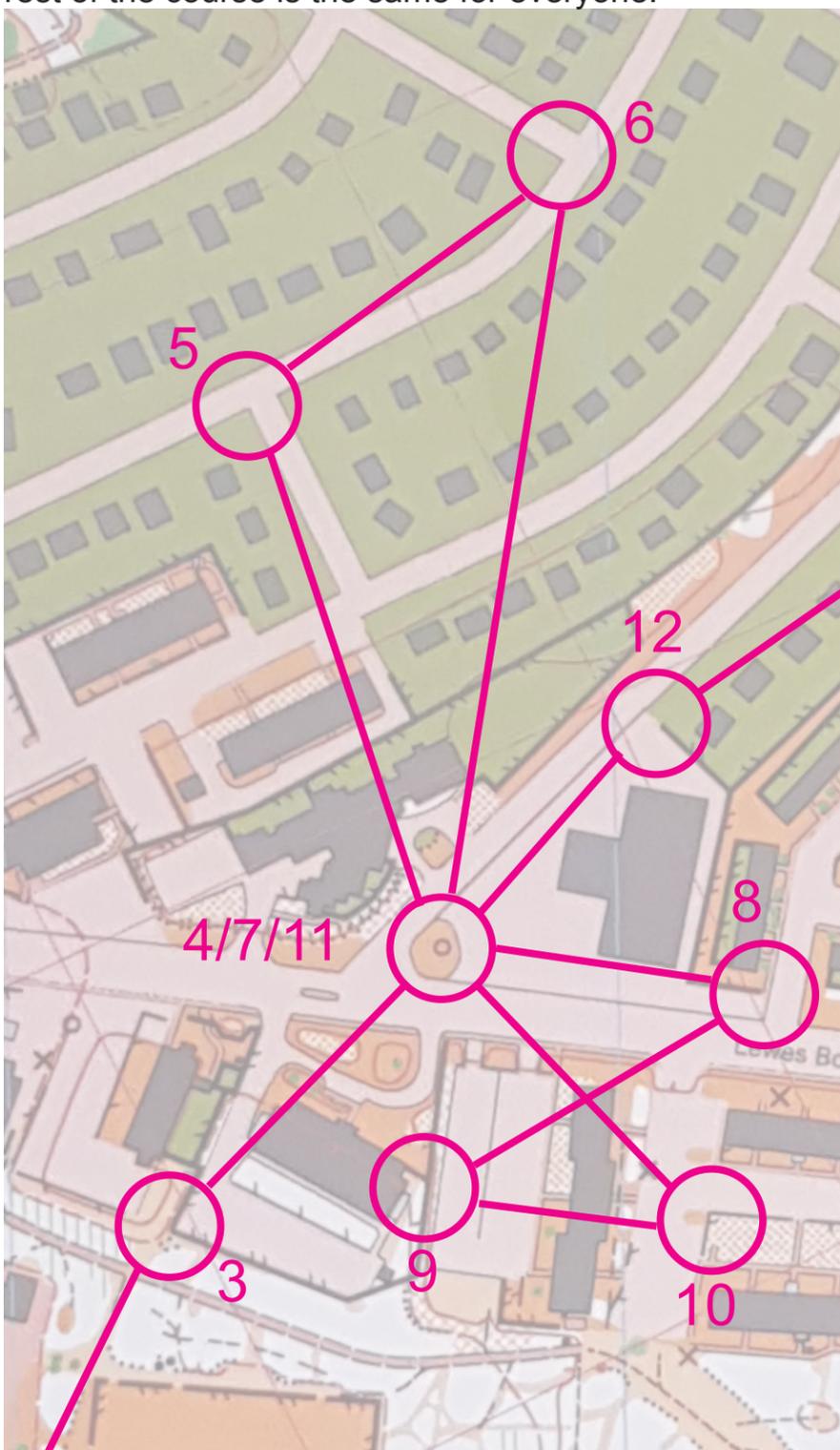
You will receive your map on the start line (not at registration), and it will be either an A or a B course. They are the same distance and the same controls - just with butterfly loops (see the sample below). The loops will not necessarily have the same number of controls. It does not matter, as everyone will eventually run both loops.

Control descriptions will only be printed on the map. There will not be loose control descriptions, because until you start, you do not know if you will be on an A or B course.

When you get your map, you will follow a marked route to the start triangle. Both the marked route (a dashed pink line similar to a trail) and the start triangle are shown on your map. You may look at your map as soon as it is handed to you. As usual, you can walk or run, be competitive or recreational. Have fun!

In the example below, everyone will visit and punch the hub-control a total of 3 times during the event. It is always the same flag, with the same control number (i.e. the number on the SI unit). There may be more than one unit at the control mounted on a saw-horse. It does not matter which of the two you punch - they will be programmed to be the same SI unit number. You MUST punch this hub control each time it appears on your map and control description, or you will mis-punch.

Depending on whether you have the A or B course, you will do the “butterfly loops” in a different sequence. The rest of the course is the same for everyone.



Example Course A - hub control is 4/7/11. After leaving control 3, the orienteer will punch control 4 (4/7/11 on the map), complete the **upper loop** (controls 5 and 6) and come back and punch control 7 (4/7/11 on the map). Then they will complete the **right loop** (8, 9 and 10), punch control 11 (third time at the hub control 4/7/11), before continuing to 12.

Example Course B - hub control is 4/8/11. After leaving control 3, the orienteer will punch control 4 (4/8/11 on the map), complete the **right loop** (controls 5, 6 and 7) and come back and punch control 8 (4/8/11 on the map). Then they will complete the **upper loop** (9 and 10), punch control 11 (third time at the hub control 4/8/11), before continuing to 12.

Note - map has been dimmed in this example to highlight the numbers.