

Information for all Officials, Marshals and Competitors

NATIONAL TEST OF EMERGENCY PHONE ALERTS SUNDAY 23RD APRIL 2023 at 15:00



The UK government's new Emergency Alerts system will enable people to be contacted via their mobile phone when lives are in danger. It will be used to warn you in emergencies such as severe flooding.

The Government has announced this will take place on Sunday 23rd April at 3pm.

Emergency Alerts are sent to all compatible mobile phones when there's a danger to your life, health or property in the area you're located. They don't track your location, need your phone number, or collect personal data. Only the government and the emergency services will be able to send them. If you receive an alert, you will hear a loud siren-like sound for up to 10 seconds and a message will appear on the screen until you acknowledge it.

You **MUST NOT hold** a mobile phone while driving or riding a motorcycle. It is illegal to do so. If you receive an alert while driving, do not pick up your phone and attempt to deal with the message. Continue driving as normal, staying in full control of your vehicle. If you feel the need to look at your phone, you must find a safe and legal place to pull over first.

To find out more, visit gov.uk/alerts