



ATHLETICS AUSTRALIA SELECTION POLICY

2022 WORLD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

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1. Overview

1.1 This selection policy (**Selection Policy**) sets out the basis on which Athletics Australia will select its representative team (**Team**) for the 2022 World Athletics Championships in Eugene, United States of America, between 15-24 July, 2022 (the **Event**).

1.2 This Selection Policy will, when approved by the Athletics Australia Board, constitute a Selection Criteria (as defined in the Athletics Australia By-Laws) in respect of the selection of individuals or teams for the Event.

As part of the 2022 World Athletics Championships Qualification System athletes score points based on a combination of result and place, with placing points weighted depending on the level of competition in which the result is achieved. The World Athletics World Rankings are then based on the average score over a certain number of competitions in a defined period.

2. Team Selection Summary

2022 World Athletics Championships Team Selection Summary							
AIMS	Selecting athletes and relay teams with the realistic potential to win a medal or finish in the top 8 Providing major Championships experience to likely 2024 Olympic Games medallists and top 8 finishers						
EVENT	Marathon	10,000m	20km Walk	35km Walk	Decathlon & Heptathlon	All other events	Relays
TRIAL	N/A	Zatopek:10 9-Dec	Australian 20km Walk TBD	Australian 35km Walk TBD	Australian Track & Field Championships 19 - 27 MAR		N/A
QUALIFYING PERIOD START	30 NOV 2020	27 DEC 2020		30 NOV 2020	27 DEC 2020	28 JUN 2021	27 DEC 2020
QUALIFYING PERIOD END	29 MAY 2022	26 JUN 2022		29 MAY 2022	26 JUN 2022		
AUTOMATIC SELECTION	N/A	1ST AT TRIAL & WORLD ATHLETICS STANDARD IN QUALIFYING PERIOD					ATHLETES SELECTED IN THE 100m (4X100m) & 400m (4X400m)
DISCRETIONARY SELECTION	INCLUDING AUTOMATIC SELECTIONS, THE MAXIMUM IN EACH EVENT IS THREE (3). THE REMAINING SLOTS WILL BE FILLED BY ATHLETES WITHIN THE FIELD SIZE ON THE WORLD ATHLETICS RANKINGS LISTS AT THE END OF THE QUALIFYING PERIOD.					INCLUDING AUTOMATIC SELECTIONS, THE MAXIMUM IN EACH RELAY SQUAD IS SIX (6). ATHLETES DO NOT HAVE TO ACHIEVE A WA STANDARD	

Event Disciplines	100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 5000m, 10000m, Marathon, 3000m Steeplechase, 100m/110m Hurdles, 400m Hurdles, High Jump, Pole Vault, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot Put, Discus Throw, Hammer Throw, Javelin Throw, Decathlon/Heptathlon, 20km Race Walk, 35km Race Walk, 4x100m (Men and Women), 4x400m (Men, Women and Mixed)
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3. Selection Philosophy

Athletes who are eligible to be selected for the Event will be considered for selection in accordance with the Athletics Australia Selection Philosophy.

- AA aims to facilitate the following outcomes through the selection of athletes for the World Championships:

- Send the most competitive possible athletics team to represent Australia at the World Athletics Championships;
- Select athletes and relay teams with the realistic potential to win a medal or finish in the top eight at the World Athletics Championships;
- Select athletes who are considered potential medallists or top 8 athletes at the 2023 World Athletics Championships and the 2024 Paris Olympic Games; and
- Considering the full calendar of world level competitions, select athletes to compete in the competition that will achieve the highest result, which may mean not being selected to compete in all available competitions.
- In all cases, the Selection Committee will consider each athlete's competitive record and demonstrated ability to plan the peak of their season at a major championship event.
- It is the expectation of AA that athletes will compete at the National Championships for their event and support the Australian Athletics Summer Series of events.

4. Athlete Eligibility Criteria

Only those athletes who qualify according to this clause will be eligible for selection in the Team:

- 4.1 Be a citizen of Australia. For the avoidance of doubt, Australian permanent residency is not acceptable. Athletes must hold or be eligible for an Australian passport;
- 4.2 Be eligible to be selected as an athlete in a representative team pursuant to the Athletics Australia By-Laws;
- 4.3 Be a registered member of Athletics Australia through their Member Association;
- 4.4 Satisfy all participation/eligibility rules of the governing body for the Event;
- 4.5 Meet the minimum age of eligibility as determined by the governing body for the Event;
- 4.6 Compete in the event discipline in which they seek selection in the 2022 Australian Track and Field Championships if applicable, with the exception of those athletes whose event is not being conducted. To meet this criterion, any athlete wishing to compete in an alternate event at this qualifying event, or seeking injury exemption from the event, must provide this request in writing for approval by the Chair of the Selection Committee in consultation with the General Manager of High Performance;
- 4.7 Complete and submit the online nomination form (which may be found at www.athletics.com.au) for each event discipline in which the athlete is seeking selection. The form must be submitted no later than 17:00 (AEDT) 18 March, 2022. The date for submission of the nomination form may be extended at the discretion of the Chair of the Selection Committee on the recommendation of the General Manager of High Performance;
- 4.8 Be and remain in 'good standing' with Athletics Australia and at all times comply with Athletics Australia's Code of Conduct and conduct themselves in a way that does not bring themselves, their sport or the Team into disrepute. Athletics Australia may consider past and present behavioural conduct in determining whether an athlete is in 'good standing'. If Athletics Australia determines that an athlete is not

in 'good standing', Athletics Australia may in its absolute discretion choose not to select that athlete;

- 4.9 Commit to signing and/or abiding by any Athletics Australia Team Agreement, Code of Conduct and other relevant Athletics Australia policies and procedures as reasonably directed from time to time;
- 4.10 Commit to completing all reasonably expected education courses, including but not limited to anti-doping e-learning modules level 1 & 2, Sport Integrity Australia's "Keep Sport Honest" e-learning (anti-match fixing) module and any other integrity education requirements Athletics Australia sets from time to time;
- 4.11 Agree to comply with any pre-Championships preparation policy that will be published by Athletics Australia's General Manager of High Performance, including travel plan and travel arrangements outlined for the Event. This policy may include the requirement to prove form and fitness to compete in the Event;
- 4.12 The following age restrictions apply. Athletes must:
 - 4.12.1 Be aged 18 or 19 (born in 2004 or earlier) to compete in any event other than the Marathon or 35km Race Walk.
 - 4.12.2 Be aged 16 or 17 (born in 2006 or earlier) to compete in any event other than the Combined Events, 10000m, Marathon or Race Walks.
 - 4.12.3 Any athletes under the age of 16 (born 2007 or later), may not enter.
- 4.13 Given the proximity of these Championships to the 2022 World Under-20 Championships and the 2022 World University Games, athletes will not be considered for selection for the 2022 World Athletics Championships if they choose to compete in either of these two Championships, unless prior approval is given by the General Manager - High Performance.

The rules of the governing body applicable to the Event can be found here: [WCH-Oregon22-Qualification&EntryStandards-Dec2020\(approved by Council\)](https://www.worldathletics.org/~/media/World-Athletics/2022-World-Athletics-Championships-2022-World-University-Games-2022-World-Under-20-Championships/2022-World-Athletics-Championships-Qualification-Entry-Standards-Dec-2020-approved-by-Council.pdf)
[worldathletics.org](https://www.worldathletics.org)

5. Selection Procedure

5.1 Team Size and Event Entry Criteria

- 5.1.1 Pursuant to the rules of the governing body applicable to this Event, Athletics Australia may select:
 - 5.1.1.1 Three (3) athletes per individual Event discipline.
 - 5.1.1.2 In an Event where an Australian athlete has been offered a Wild Card (as defined in the 2022 World Athletics Championships Qualification Guide) Athletics Australia may select four (4) athletes in that Event (as allowed for by World Athletics). If two athletes qualify for a Wild Card in the same Event there

will still be a limit of four (4) selected athletes, and the Selectors will determine which;

- 5.1.1.3 One (1) team in each relay for the men's and women's 4x100m relays and one (1) team in each relay for the men's and women's 4x400m relays comprising of up to six (6) eligible athletes. These must include the individual athletes entered in the respective individual event (100m and 400m).
- 5.1.1.4 One (1) team in each relay for the mixed 4x400m relay comprising of up to four (4) eligible athletes.
- 5.1.1.5 Athletics Australia will consider athletes for Selection under this Selection Policy who have qualified for the championships in one of two ways:
- Achieving the Entry Standard for an Event within the relevant Qualification Period; or
 - Have qualified within the field size on the World Athletics Ranking lists, at the date the qualifying period ends. You can view the current lists on the World Athletics website [here](#).

5.1.2 An eligible athlete may compete in an unlimited number of Event disciplines as long as they have (i) achieved the Event Selection Standard set out in Appendix 1 for that Event discipline (a **Selection Standard Performance**) and (ii) been selected for that Event discipline in accordance with this Selection Policy.

5.1.3 Special conditions:

Athletes can only compete at the World Championships if invited by World Athletics and if Athletics Australia accepts the invitation. Athletics Australia is under no obligation to accept the invitation of any particular athlete.

Further, and for the avoidance of doubt, if World Athletics amends its qualification rules in any way, that may impact this Policy.

There is still ongoing risk associated with COVID-19 and its associated restrictions affecting the qualification processes and potentially this Selection Policy.

If any of these occur, Athletics Australia reserves the right to amend this Selection Policy in accordance with section 10 and it will provide as much notice as practical to affected people.

5.2 Performance Standards

The Event Selection Standards set out in Appendix 1 of this document, however selection will be in accordance with this Selection Policy. All Selection Standard Performances by eligible athletes must be achieved within the Qualification Period.

5.3 Qualification Period

All Selection Standard Performances must be achieved between the following dates:

Qualifying Start

Qualifying End

Events		
Marathon & 35km Race Walk	30 November, 2020	23:59 (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on 29 May, 2022
Combined Events	27 December, 2020	23:59 (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on 26 June, 2022
10000m	27 December, 2020	23:59 (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on 26 June, 2022
20km Race Walk	27 December, 2020	23:59 (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on 26 June, 2022
Relays	27 December, 2020	23:59 (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on 26 June, 2022
All other Events	28 June, 2021	23:59 (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on 26 June, 2022

5.4 Eligible Selection Standard Performances

5.4.1 Official Performance:

[A trial will be held for all Event disciplines except the Marathon and Relays. The table below shows the dates for each Event discipline trial.]

Event discipline	Selection Trial	Venue	Date
10000m	Australian 10000m Championships	Melbourne, AUS	9 December, 2021
20km Race Walk	Australian 20km Racewalking Championships	Adelaide, AUS	TBD
35km Race Walk	Australian 35km Racewalking Championships	Melbourne, AUS	TBD
Combined Events	Australian Combined Event Championships	Brisbane, AUS	TBD
All Other Events	2022 Australian Track and Field Championships	Perth, AUS	19-27 March, 2022

All Selection Standard Performances (referred to below as performances) must be achieved during official competitions sanctioned by the governing body of the Event (and provided those competitions are organised in conformity with the rules of that governing body). Athletics Australia will confirm the list of those sanctioned meets throughout Australia through the Athletics Australia website.

5.4.2 Mixed Events:

Performances achieved in mixed events, will only be accepted under the following circumstances:

5.4.2.1 For all field events held completely in the stadium the results will be automatically accepted if achieved at official competitions sanctioned by the governing body of the Event (and provided those competitions are organised in conformity with the rules of that governing body), and the two events (Men's and Women's) were conducted concurrently with separate results; and

5.4.2.2 Never accepted for track events.

5.4.3 Wind Assistance

5.4.3.1 Wind assisted performances shall not be accepted. Outdoor performances in 100m, 200m, 100m/110m Hurdles, Long Jump and Triple Jump must be accompanied by wind gauge readings. For 100m, 200m, 100m/110m Hurdles, Long Jump and Triple Jump the wind reading must not exceed the allowance provided for in the rules of the governing body of the Event (2.0m/s).

5.4.3.2 For Heptathlon/Decathlon for those events where wind velocity is required to be measured, performances must be accompanied by wind gauge readings. The average velocity for all the events in the Heptathlon/Decathlon required to have wind gauge readings, based on the algebraic sum of the wind velocities, as measured for each individual event, divided by the number of such events, must not exceed +2.0m/s.

5.4.4 Hand-Timing

5.4.4.1 Hand-timed performances for events up to and including 800m will not be accepted.

5.4.5 Indoor Performances

5.4.5.1 Indoor performances for all field events and for races of 400m and longer, will be accepted.

5.4.6 Track Size

5.4.6.1 For the running events of 200m and over, performances achieved on over-sized tracks will not be accepted.

5.4.7 Minimum Competition

5.4.7.1 Performances must be achieved in a competition where a minimum of three athletes are competing.

5.4.7.1.1 For throwing events, all three athletes must be competing with the same implement specifications.

5.4.7.1.2 For hurdle events, all three athletes must be competing with the same hurdle heights.

5.5 Automatic Selection

Subject to each athlete meeting all Eligibility requirements set out in this Selection Policy, and the Further Obligations after Selection, the following athletes will be automatically selected in the Team for the Event:

- 5.5.1 Any athlete who is offered a Wild Card (as defined in the 2022 World Athletics Championships Qualification Guide). If two athletes are offered a Wild Card in the same Event the Selection Committee will determine which of the two will be Automatically Selected. The one that is not Automatically Selected will be eligible for Discretionary Selection.
- 5.5.2 Any athlete who wins the selection trial and has achieved the World Athletics standard prior to that trial and within the qualification period will be automatically selected.
- 5.5.3 For absolute clarity, Athletics Australia will not Automatically select Area Champions or athletes who are top 10 finishers at the Platinum Label Marathons within the qualifying period.

5.6 Selection at the Discretion of the Selection Committee

- 5.6.1 Subject to the rules of the governing body of the Event relating to the number of athletes who may be selected for each class of event and for the Team overall, the Selection Committee may exercise discretion to select further athletes to the Team. This discretion will be exercised in line with the Athletics Australia Selection Philosophy. This discretion is absolute and need not be exercised.
- 5.6.2 In order to be eligible for discretionary selection, athletes must:
 - 5.6.2.1 Meet the eligibility criteria set out in section 4;
 - 5.6.2.2 Have qualified within the field size on the World Athletics Ranking lists, at the date the qualifying period ends. You can view the current lists on the World Athletics website [here](#).
 - 5.6.2.3 The exception to 5.6.2.2 is the Women's 35km walk. As a new event on the program the World Athletics Qualification Standard is untested. For athletes in this event to be considered for Discretionary Selection athletes should have achieved the Qualification Standard. Only athletes who have an international record of note at the 20km walk (top 20 at a GW categorized Championship or achievement of the 20km Race Walk Qualification Standard) will be considered if qualified only through the World Athletics Ranking lists.
 - 5.6.2.4 For absolute clarity Athletics Australia will not automatically accept the qualification of the Area Champions or athletes who are top 10 finishers at the Platinum Label Marathons within the qualifying period. To be considered under this Selection Policy as Discretionary Selections, Area Champions or athletes who are top 10 finishers at the Platinum Label Marathons within the qualifying period must still qualify in the field size on the World Athletics Ranking lists.

- 5.6.3 Without limiting its discretion, the Selection Committee, in consultation with the General Manager - High Performance, may consider any factor, or combination of factors that in its opinion is relevant for consideration when selecting athletes for the team, including without limitation those factors listed in the Athletics Australia Selection Philosophy to identify priority athletes.

5.7 Relay Selection

- 5.7.1 Relay teams can qualify in one of two ways.

5.7.1.1 First 10 (12 in the Mixed 4x400m) placed teams at the 2021 World Relays.

5.7.1.2 Be one of the best ranked teams at the end of the qualification period to fill the remaining places (six or four).

5.7.2 As the Relay events and program are an important part of the AA High Performance program it is intended that if Australia qualifies teams under 5.7.1 those teams who qualify for will be selected and prioritised under this policy.

5.7.3 If an athlete is selected in a relay squad, the relay will form an integral part of that athlete's competition. Should this not be accepted by the individual athlete and/or coach, that athlete may be withdrawn from the team.

5.8 Selection Meetings

The Selection Committee will meet to determine the athletes who will be selected in the Team for the Event as follows:

5.8.1 For Automatic Selections the selection meeting will be held in the week immediately following the Australian Athletics Championships, commencing 4 April, 2022.

For all Discretionary Selections the selection meeting will be held in the week commencing 28 June 2022.

5.9 Selection Process

The Selection Committee will select the Team as follows:

5.9.1 Athletes will be selected in accordance with this policy, up to three per Event (or four in an Event a Wild Card is offered).

5.9.2 The Selection Committee may choose to notify reserve athletes, depending on their proximity to the cut-off of the field size.

5.10 Nomination of athletes

5.10.1 The nomination of any athlete to participate as a member of the Team for the Event is at the absolute discretion of Athletics Australia.

6. Further Obligations after Selection

Athletes selected in the Team for the Event pursuant to this Selection Policy must:

- 6.1 Prove their fitness to compete in the Event by the achievement of pre-Australia departure standards to be set by the General Manager of High Performance in consultation with relevant Athletics Australia Coaches. **Failure by a selected athlete to meet the Australian pre-departure standard will, at the discretion of the General Manager - High Performance, result in an athlete who has been selected in the Team being withdrawn from that Team;**
- 6.2 Undertake any medical assessments and testing requested by the Athletics Australia Chief Medical Officer, or their delegate, and disclose to the Athletics Australia Chief Medical Officer, or their delegate, any relevant medical history and known medical condition or issue that may be or become relevant to participation in the Team;
- 6.3 Adhere to all anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by applicable anti-doping rules, including the Athletics Australia Anti-Doping Policy and the anti-doping rules of the governing body of the Event;
- 6.4 Sign an Athletics Australia Team Agreement and the Athletics Australia Code of Conduct governing their selection in the Team and participation in the Event; and
- 6.5 Attend a mandatory pre-competition training camp in a location TBD, unless a waiver has been provided by Athletics Australia permitting the athlete not to attend the camp. Such waivers will not be unreasonably withheld.

7. Removal of Athletes

- 7.1 A selected athlete may be removed from the Team for any of the following reasons:
 - 7.1.1 A voluntary withdrawal notified in writing by the athlete to Athletics Australia;
 - 7.1.2 Injury or illness certified by a medical practitioner approved by Athletics Australia;
 - 7.1.3 A violation of the athlete's Team Agreement or the Athletics Australia Code of Conduct;
 - 7.1.4 A failure to comply with any pre-Event preparation policy (including a failure to meet an agreed pre-departure standard);
 - 7.1.5 The athlete's eligibility status changes so that the athlete is ineligible to participate in the Event; and/or
 - 7.1.6 The athlete's event is removed from the Event program.
- 7.2 An athlete who is removed from the Team pursuant to this provision has the right to an appeal in accordance with By-Law 8 of the Athletics Australia By-Laws.

8. Replacement of Athletes

- 8.1 Replacement athletes will be determined in accordance with the following process:

- 8.1.1 If the replacement athlete is to be determined prior to nominating Team names, the replacement athlete will be selected based on the selection procedure set out in Section 5.
- 8.1.2 If the replacement athlete is to be determined after nominating Team names to the governing body of the Event, the replacement athlete will be nominated subject to the eligibility and nomination rules set out by the governing body of the Event and selected based on the selection procedure set out in Section 5.

9. Selection Appeal Process

9.1 The selection appeal process can be found in the Athletics Australia By-Laws (section 8) available at www.athletics.com.au.]

10. Amendment to Policy

10.1 This Policy may be amended at any time by Athletics Australia if it is of the opinion that such an amendment is necessary as a result of any change to the participation/eligibility rules of the governing body for the Event, to give effect to the Policy following discovery of a drafting error or oversight, or for any other reason determined to be in the best interests of Athletics Australia. Athletics Australia shall not be responsible or liable in any way to any one as a result of any such amendment.

Appendix 1: Athletics Australia Event Selection Standards

Men	Event	Women
10.05	100m	11.15
20.24	200m	22.80
44.90	400m	51.35
1:45.20	800m	1:59.50
3:35.00	1500m	4:04.20
13:13.50	5000m	15:10.00
27:28.00	10000m	31:25.00
2:11:30	Marathon	2:29:30
8:22.00	3000mSC	9:30.00
13.32	110mH/100mH	12.84
48.90	400mH	55.40
2.33	High Jump	1.96
5.80	Pole Vault	4.70
8.22	Long Jump	6.82
17.14	Triple Jump	14.32
21.10	Shot Put	18.50
66.00	Discus Throw	63.50
77.50	Hammer Throw	72.50
85.00	Javelin Throw	64.00
-	Heptathlon	6420
8350	Decathlon	-
1:21:00	20km Race Walk	1:31:00
2:33:00	35km Race Walk	2:54:00
Top 10 at IWR + 6 from Top Lists	4x100m	Top 10 at IWR + 6 from Top Lists
Top 10 at IWR + 6 from Top Lists	4x400m	Top 10 at IWR + 6 from Top Lists
Top 12 at IWR + 4 from Top Lists	4x400m Mixed	Top 12 at IWR + 4 from Top Lists