

## SELECTION POLICY

### AUSTRALIAN ALL SCHOOLS TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### CAIRNS 7<sup>TH</sup> – 9<sup>TH</sup> December 2018

This is an Athletics Tasmania policy that details the conditions under which an athlete can qualify for selection in the Tasmanian Team to compete in the 2018 Australian All Schools Track and Field Championships. These Championships are to be held in Cairns from December 7th until December 9th, 2018.

#### Athletics Tasmania Selection Objective

Athletics Tasmania's selection philosophy is to select athletes in Tasmanian teams whose current results indicate that the athlete will be a worthy representative of Tasmanian athletics. Athletics Tasmania will select a team that will maximize the total number of points that can be gained. It should be noted that Athletics Tasmania consider the Australian Junior Championships, to be held in Sydney, NSW, in March 2019, as the premier underage athletics championship of the season.

#### Selection Trial

There will be one official selection trial:

#### **Tasmanian All Schools Track and Field Championships**

Venue: Domain Athletics Centre, Hobart

Date: 27th – 28th October 2018

***Athletes must complete an online 2018 Australian All Schools nomination by 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018.***



**Late nominations will be accepted on the day of competition – this will incur a \$30 late fee, in addition to the \$150 nomination fee. This payment can only be made via the Athletics Tasmania office 6234 9551 or 0407 352 021. In the event the athlete is not selected, the nomination fee will be refunded LESS a \$10 administration fee plus the \$30 late nomination fee.**

### **Selection Information**

- i) Athletes wishing to be selected for the team must compete at the official selection trial (subject to point's vi and vii).
- ii) Athletes must be bona fide school student in Tasmania.
- iii) Age groups for the 2018 Australian All Schools are U18, U16 and U14. However, there is a provision in the Athletics Australia Selection Guidelines for U17 and U15 athletes to be considered for selection in the U18 and U16 categories respectively. Athletes must be of the correct age as at 31st December 2018. Please refer to the Selection Criteria.

#### Under 14

Athletes must not have their fourteenth birthday on or before 31st December 2018  
(i.e. must be born in 2005 or 2006)

#### Under 16

Athletes must not have their sixteenth birthday on or before 31st December 2018  
(i.e. must be born in 2003 or later)

#### Under 18

Athletes must not have their eighteenth birthday on or before 31st December 2018  
(i.e. must be born in 2001 or later)

- iv) **Athletes must complete an online 2018 Australian All Schools nomination by 17<sup>th</sup> October** in addition to entering the selection trials. This nomination must contain detailed and accurate information of relevant performances. If the information is not accurate, athletes risk not being considered for selection. Nominations are to be submitted online on the Athletics Tasmania website: <http://www.tasathletics.org.au>
- v) **An online deposit payment of \$150 is required with the submission of this nomination.** This deposit is fully refundable less \$10.00 administration fee if an athlete is not selected. If the athlete is selected the deposit will be subtracted from the overall final costs owed to Athletics Tasmania. If an athlete nominates for the team and is selected and then does not choose to attend the deposit will not be refunded. **If there are any outstanding monies owed to Athletics Tasmania a nomination will not be accepted and the opportunity to represent Tasmania will not be possible.**
- vi) Athletes who are aware, prior to the selection trials, that they will not be able to compete due to illness, injury or family bereavement and still wish to be considered for selection for the Tasmanian Team must:
- 1) Notify the Chairman of Selectors prior to the official AT selection trial that they are unable to attend;
  - 2) Forward, if they are ill or injured, a medical certificate to the Chairman of Selectors by 6.00pm on the Thursday before the official selection trial;
  - 3) Forward, if extenuating circumstances exist, a summary of the extenuating circumstances to the Chairman of Selectors by 6.00pm on the Thursday before the official selection trial;
  - 4) Forward details of current (2018 year) performances to the Chairman of Selectors by 6.00pm on the Thursday before the official selection trial. The performances must be accompanied with all details including dates, locations, events and results;
  - 5) The decision of the Chairman of Selectors whether to grant an exemption will be final.
- vii) Athletes unable to compete at the selection trial due to illness, injury or extenuating circumstances that occur **during** the course of the selection trials (this includes the Friday before the AT official selection trial begin) must:

- 1) Notify the Chairman of Selectors during the official AT selection trial that they were unable to compete due to injury, illness or extenuating circumstances;
- 2) Forward, if they are ill or injured, a medical certificate to the Chairman of Selectors by 6.00pm on the Tuesday following the official selection trial;
- 3) Forward, if extenuating circumstances exist, a summary of the extenuating circumstances to the Chairman of Selectors by 6.00pm on the Tuesday following the official selection trial;
- 4) Forward details of current (2018 year) performances to the Chairman of Selectors by 6.00pm on the Tuesday following the official selection trial. The performances must be accompanied with all details including dates, locations, events and results;
- 5) The decision of the Chairman of Selectors whether to consider an athlete still eligible for selection will be final.

## Selection Criteria

- i) The 2018 Australian All Schools is a team's event. The Athletics Tasmania Selection Panel will select a team that will gain maximum points.
- ii) Athletes must compete in the events in which they wish to be selected.
- iii) Athletes who finish top two (and nominated for that event) will be automatically selected for that event
- iv) Athletics Tasmania may enter a maximum of:
  - o Under 14 – two athletes per event
  - o Under 16 – four athletes per event, where at least two must be U15
  - o Under 18 – four athletes per event, where at least two must be U17
  - o Para athletes – two ambulant and two wheelchair per event in both U16 and U18 age groups (para divisions will still be calculated as one, not individual medals for ambulant and wheelchair)

When exercising their discretion under this policy, the Athletics Tasmania Selections Panel may consider any combination of factors that in their opinion is relevant, including but not limited to:

- Quality of performance at the AT official selection trial.
  - Quality of performance in official AT sanctioned / administered events during 2018
  - Athletics Australia 2018/19 Qualifying Standards
  - Any athlete who has been exempt from the selection trials
- v) The maximum possible number of athletes will be selected at the discretion of the selection panel.
- vi) Athletes may not be selected if specific event requirements are not achieved at the selection trial, i.e. starting height and take off board(s) standards at the Australian All Schools Championships.

	Pole Vault	High Jump	Triple Jump
	Starting Height	Starting Height	Take-off boards
Under 14 Men	1.60m	1.40m	9/11m
Under 14 Women	1.60m	1.35m	9/11m
Under 16 Men	1.80m	1.60m	9/11m
Under 16 Women	1.80m	1.40m	9/11m
Under 18 Men	2.60m	1.65m	11/13m
Under 18 Women	2.10m	1.45m	9/11m

vii) The Athletics Tasmania Selection Panel may request athletes nominate the event(s) in which they wish to compete in priority order. This will occur if there is a clash in the timetable or the workload is considered excessive given it is only a two-day event.

viii) **The nominated team will be announced during the week following the selection trials. Please refer to the Athletics Tasmania website – News item ‘Tasmania All Schools Team Announced’**

ix) It is **compulsory** for all sprinters (100m, 200m, 400m) to make themselves available for relay selection, unless illness, injury or extenuating circumstances that occur during the course of the Australian All Schools Championships.

Any queries relating to selection must be emailed to the Athletics Tasmania office [info@tasathletics.org.au](mailto:info@tasathletics.org.au) within 24 hours of the team announcement.

The Chairman of Selectors role is a voluntary position – any queries are to be emailed ONLY.



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