

# SUMMER HANDBOOK 20/21

## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

### 1. ENTRIES

1. The following NSW Club Championship events will be conducted in 2020/21 for the following age groups:

**Junior U18** - 100m, 400m, 1500m, 4x100m, Long Jump, Shot put.

**Open** - 100m, 400m, 1500m, 4x100m, Long Jump, Shot Put.

**Masters 45+** - 100m, 400m, 1500m, 4x100m, Long Jump, Shot Put.

Each team must have two (2) team members in the 100m and one (1) team member in all other events for that age group.

2. The following event positions are required to be filled from each age group:

**Junior U18** – 6 individual positions plus relay

**Open** - 6 individual positions plus relay

**Masters 45+** - 6 individual positions plus relay

3. Team compositions have minimum and maximum limits. The following team number limits are as follows:

**Junior U18** – 4-6 athletes

**Open** – 4-6 athletes

**Masters 45+** – 4-6 athletes

A team must start with the minimum number of athletes for their age division.

4. Ages are calculated as at December 31 of the year of competition for all age groups (including junior and masters age groups).
5. Athletes competing must be registered with Athletics NSW for the 2020/21 season and wear their 2020/21 registration numbers and club uniform. Athletes who do not wear their club uniform will be disqualified. Event officials will advise the Technical Delegate by way of note on the event sheet when an athlete appears to have competed in anything other than a recognisable club uniform.
6. Club administrators are to enter teams online via the online registration portal.
7. Online entry for team entries closes 10am Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2020.
8. All athletes will be charged \$15 via an online registration portal for their entry into the NSW Club Championships. The athlete registration portal will close 10am Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020
9. Any club that wishes to have their athletes not pay for their entry fee must contact Athletics NSW no later than 10am, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2020, to arrange for the club to be invoiced for their athletes' entry fees after the competition.
10. No late team entries will be accepted on the day of competition under any circumstance.

11. Team Managers must confirm the names of the athletes of each team that intend to compete via email [competitions@nswathletics.org.au](mailto:competitions@nswathletics.org.au) by 5pm Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Any team changes must be submitted to Competition Management at least one (1) hour prior to the each team's first event. All team managers are also required to confirm teams at this point.
12. At the 1 hour confirmation point, any teams that do not meet the required minimum 4 athletes will be listed as exhibition and those athletes will not be awarded points.
13. Country clubs will be able to enter regional teams, as long as members of the team are not required to fill positions by their first claim club.
14. An athlete may enter no more than 2 individual events across any age/gender divisions.
15. An athlete may not compete in the same event across multiple teams within the same age/gender division.
16. Athletes will have the ability to either age up (Junior teams) or age down (Masters team) into Open teams.
17. An athlete may not run more than one relay leg or for more than one relay team in an age/gender division.
18. Athletes are required to use implements and race in accordance with event specifications for that team's age division. Athletes competing in the Men's U18 Shot Put must be at least 14 years of age as of the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020. Athletes competing in the Women's U18 Shot Put must be at least 13 years of age as of the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020. Masters age divisions will use implement weights based on the athlete's age division. Performances will be recognised for point scoring in the, Junior U18, Open and Masters 45+.
19. Masters age groups are calculated based on the average age of the team. A master's athlete must be at least 30 years of age.
20. If a club cannot field an athlete/team for an event, they will be automatically attributed 0 points for that event.
21. If an athlete is disqualified, does not finish, or does not start a track or field event, they will be automatically attributed last place for that event and attributed the last place points for that event.
22. In track events, if there are multiple timed finals in an age division, points will be attributed based on the overall placings of the compiled results from that event.
23. In the event of a tie, points will be split in between the relevant number of athletes who achieved an equal placing (i.e. if 1<sup>st</sup> place is shared by two athletes, the points will be split 39.5 between the clubs of those two athletes). This is in reference to a result that cannot be split via photo finish, for track events, or via the countback method by the Field Referee, for field events.
24. Athlete registration with Athletics NSW is not available on the day at the Club Championships.
25. Events may be cancelled if the Technical Delegate considers the equipment or site to be unsafe.
26. If an athlete is entered in both a track and field event held at the same time (or two field events), the athlete may move between the two events and where appropriate the referee may change the field event competition order in any given round. However, if an athlete misses their attempt and the competition continues into the next round, the athlete will be deemed to have passed that attempt. Athletes will need to manage their own events and liaise with event Technical Officials.

## **2. RULES AND PROCEDURES**

### **Field Events-**

1. Field reporting time is 20 minutes before the start time at the event site, to allow warm up attempts to occur prior to the scheduled start time.
2. Events begin at the time scheduled. Athletes who report later may receive fewer warm up attempts. Athletes who report after the commencement of the competition may only be permitted to compete at the discretion of the field event referee.

3. For all field events, **there will be 3 rounds** and each athlete may have one attempt in each round.

### **2.2 Track Events-**

1. Track reporting time is 10 minutes before the start time, at the event start area, to provide the start area officials time to seed races.
2. Races will be seeded based on overall standings at that point of the competition program (i.e. the club in that age division who is placed first prior to a track event, will be seeded in the top timed final for that event).
3. The first track event for all age divisions will be randomly seeded.
4. Multiple teams from one club may be seeded in the top timed final.
5. The order of the timed finals will be based on the overall standings with the top seeded teams competing in the last of the timed finals.
6. Races for all age groups may be combined if there are insufficient numbers for separate races.

### **2.3 Relays-**

- a. A Club is to advise relay teams 60 minutes prior (on the supplied team list mentioned in 1.11) to the scheduled start time to allow athletes and umpires to be advised of the lane draw. The athletes' names and running order do not need to be declared.

### **2.4 Resolving Ties-**

- a. Count back rules will be applied in field events to determine overall event places.
- b. Equal times in the same timed final of a track event may be given separate places by the judges.
- c. When times are equal and track judges have not awarded a dead heat in a race, the judge's placing will be used. Equal times in different timed finals of a track event will be attributed the same place, and therefore, share those place points for that event.

## **3. POINT SCORING**

1. Three age divisions will be offered at the 2020/21 NSW Club Championships; Junior U18, Open, Masters 45+. There is no overall winner but rather a division winner per age group.
2. Teams will be awarded points based on placings in each event for their respective age division. Points will be scored from first to last place in event.
3. Points will be awarded for places 1<sup>st</sup> through to last in each of the three age divisions as indicated in the table below.

The point score allocation will be as follows:

<b>Place</b>	<b>Points</b>
1	40
2	39
3	38
4	37
5	36
6	35
7	34
8	33
9	32
10	31
11	30
12	29
13	28
14	27
15	26

16	25
17	24
18	23
19	22
20	21

4. The club team with the most points will be the winner of the age division.
5. If there are multiple teams that are disqualified/do not finish, then those teams will all be awarded last place points depending on how many teams are entered for that event. E.g. if three teams do not finish in a division with 20 teams, they will all be awarded 21 points.
6. All teams who do not field an athlete or relay team will be awarded 0 points.