



**235<sup>th</sup> World Athletics Council Meeting  
30/31 July 2024 – Paris FRA  
Information and Decisions**

The Council of World Athletics, chaired by President Sebastian Coe, met on 30 and 31 July 2024, in Paris, ahead of the Paris 2024 Olympic Games which took place from 1-11 August 2024 (for the athletics programme).

## 1. REPORTS

Council received the following:

- President's Introduction
- Executive Board update
- CEO and Operations report, including a follow up on the agreed schedule for the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games, an overview on sport innovations, a report on competition research and analysis, an update on the 2026 World Athletics Ultimate Championships, an overview of the results of the ASOIF 5<sup>th</sup> review of IFs Governance, and the proposed appointments to the Nationality Review Panel
- Report from the Athletes' Commission
- Report from the Competition Commission including the timetable and qualification systems for upcoming World Athletics Series (WAS) Events, competition delegate appointments and amendments to World Athletics Rules and Regulations
- Report from the Development Commission
- Report from the Governance Commission including proposed amendments to rules and regulations
- Report from the Safeguarding Taskforce including a proposal for the completion of the safeguarding essentials course
- Report from the Gender Leadership Taskforce including revised terms of reference and proposed additional members
- Reports from the World Plan Implementation Taskforce, the Working Group on the status of Russians/Belarusians in international Competition and Events and the Working Group on Gender Diverse Athletes
- World Athletics Series Events and Olympic Games updates
- Report from the Athletics Integrity Unit Board, including a recommendation to ratify the agreed position of the AIU Board and the Bahrain Athletics Association (BAA) following a Notice of Charge for violations of World Athletics Anti-Doping Rules.

## 2. INFORMATION AND DECISIONS

### 2.1 WORLD ATHLETICS SERIES EVENTS

#### 2.1.1 World Athletics Championships Tokyo 25

##### **Timetable**

Council approved the competition timetable for the World Athletics Championships to be held in Tokyo from 13-21 September 2025.



All road events will be held during morning sessions, while all other finals will take place in evening sessions. There will be morning sessions across both weekends, plus Monday 15 September, which is a bank holiday in Japan. The remaining weekdays will just have evening sessions.

The championships will begin with the men's and women's 35km race walk, and the first day will end with the mixed 4x400m final. Both men's and women's 100m finals will be held on day two, while a packed final day of action features nine finals on the track, ending with the men's 4x100m – a break from the traditional championship-ending 4x400m.

The timetable can be found at appendix A.

### **Qualification System**

Council also approved the qualification system for the World Athletics Championships Tokyo 25. As has been the case for recent global championships, the qualification system for the championships will be based on a combination of entry standards and world rankings. The entry standards have been set with the aim of qualifying about 50% of the athletes.

The qualifying window for the marathon and 35km race walk is 5 November 2023 until 4 May 2025. For the 10,000m, 20km race walk, combined events and relays, the window runs from 25 February 2024 to 24 August 2025. For all other events, entry standards can be achieved from 1 August 2024 to 24 August 2025.

The World Athletics Relays Guangzhou 25 will be used as a qualifying event for the relays with the top 14 teams in each discipline securing their place at the World Championships.

As was the case for the last World Championships, the top five finishers at Platinum Label marathons and winners of individual events at Area championships (except for the marathon), regardless of marks, will be considered as having achieved the entry standard.

The complete qualification system and entry standards for the World Athletics Championships Tokyo 25 are available at appendix B.

#### **2.1.2 World Athletics Indoor Championships Nanjing 25**

Council approved the qualification system for the World Athletics Indoor Championships Nanjing 25, which will be held from 21-23 March next year.

Athletes can qualify in one of three ways for this event:

- by achieving the entry standard;
- by earning a wild card entry through winning their discipline on the World Indoor Tour;
- or by virtue of their position on the top performances list from 1 September 2024 to 9 March 2025 to complete, where necessary, the target number of athletes in each event.

The qualification system for the World Athletics Indoor Championships Nanjing 25 can be found at appendix C.



### 2.1.3 World Athletics Relays Guangzhou 25

Council also approved the qualification system for the next edition of the World Athletics Relays which will be held in Guangzhou, China on 10 and 11 May 2025.

The competition will feature five relay events:

- Men's 4x100 metres
- Men's 4x400 metres
- Women's 4x100 metres
- Women's 4x400 metres
- Mixed (Universal) 4x400 metres

Each Member Federation may enter one team per event, with up to eight athletes listed for each relay team. Any four of the listed athletes may be selected to compete in each race.

A total of 32 teams will be entered in each event:

- The top 16 teams from the Paris 2024 Olympic Games automatically qualify.
- The host country, China, may enter one team in each event.
- The remaining spots (up to 32 teams) will be filled based on the top lists during the qualification period from 1 January 2024 to 13 April 2025.

The qualification system for the World Athletics Relays Guangzhou 25 is set out in appendix D.

### 2.1.4 Delegate appointments

Council approved the proposed Competition Delegate appointments as follows:

	WIC Nanjing 2025 21-23 March 2025		WRE Guangzhou 2025 10-11 May 2025		WCH Tokyo 25 13-21 September 2025	
Technical Delegates	Brian ROE (AUS)	M	Helen Roberts (AUS)	F	Ximena Restrepo (COL)	F
	Daigo ASADA (JPN)	M			Jane Edstrom (CAN)	F
					Niels Van der Aar (NED)	M
Jury of Appeal	Abby HOFFMANN (CAN)	F	Abby HOFFMANN (CAN)	F		
	Claudia KA YAN SIN (HGK)	F	Carine Olivia ATTAN (SGP)	F		
	Kuldip SINGH (IND)	M	Kreeta SINTAWACHEEWA (THA)	M		
Sec to JoA	Pierce O'CALLAGHAN (WA)		Pierce O'CALLAGHAN (WA)			
	Luca VERRASCINA (WA)		Luca VERRASCINA (WA)			
	Vadim NIGMATOV (TJK) - Chief	M	Peter HAMILTON (AUS) - Chief	M		



	WIC Nanjing 2025 21-23 March 2025		WRE Guangzhou 2025 10-11 May 2025		WCH Tokyo 25 13-21 September 2025	
World Athletics Referees	Anna PALMERIUS (SWE)	F	Loreto PEREZ (ESP)	F		
	Kim OWENS (AUS)	F	Marko RISTOV (SRB)	M		
	Rui LOUCAO (POR)	M				
	Pasi OKSANEN (FIN)	M				
	Suren AYADASSEN (MRI)	M				
International Starter	Luis FIGUEREIDO (POR)	M	Kevin LEGRAND (FRA)	M		
International Photo Finish Judge	Janet NIXON (AUS)	F	Krisztina HORVATH (HUN)	F		
Statisticians	Andras SZABO (HUN)	M				
Announcers	Katharine MERRY (GBR)	F	Paul SWANGARD (USA)	M		
	Kristen (Kris) TEMPLE (GBR)	M				
Course Measurer					Tak Fung WANG (HKG)	M

*In green font: delegates appointed at the previous Council meeting*

## 2.2 WORLD ATHLETICS RULES & REGULATIONS

### 2.2.1 Athletes' Representative Rules

Council approved the proposed amendments to the Athletes' Representative (AR) Rules. Since their initial adoption, and with most obligations on athletes and ARs coming into force from January 2024, several areas for improvement have been identified. The proposed amendments and improvements will assist the AR Panel and HQ to regulate the relationship between ARs and stakeholders and enhance the system.

The amended Rules take effect from 09 August 2024 and are available [here](#) on the World Athletics website (Book C5.1: Competition – Athletes' Representatives Rules).

### 2.2.2 Technical Rules

- Rule 9.2 of the Technical Rules

Council approved the proposed amendments to Rule 9.2 of the Technical Rules to resolve contradictions with respect to the competitions in which mixed events in either Field Events or races of 5000m or longer are permitted, and to avoid future disputes:

*However, the following may be permitted ~~in all competitions except those held under paragraphs 1. (a), (b), (c) and 2. (a), (b) of the World Rankings Competition definition. In the case of competitions held under paragraphs 1 (e);~~*



~~(d) and 2. (c), (d), (e) of the World Rankings Competition definition such competition shall always be allowed in Field Events and in events per Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules, if specifically permitted by the relevant Area Association:~~

- **in competitions under paragraphs 1. (a), (b), (c) and 2. (a), (b), (c) of the World Rankings Competition definition in Field Events if permitted by the applicable regulations,**
- **in competitions under paragraphs 1. (d), (e) and 2. (d), (e) of the World Rankings Competition definition always in Field Events and if specifically permitted by the relevant Area Association in events per Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules,**
- **in competitions under paragraph 3 of the World Rankings Competition definition always in Field Events and if specifically permitted by the relevant National Member Federation in events per Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules:**

*9.2.1 mixed stadium competition in races of 5000m or longer but it is permitted only when there are insufficient athletes of one or both sexes competing to justify the conduct of separate races. The sex of each athlete ...*

...

*The intent of Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules is to facilitate the conduct of races of 5000m or longer, when small numbers of athletes of one or both sexes are entered, ~~or in the case of longer events (e.g. a track Race Walk of 10,000m or more), where timetabling constraints make it difficult to program separate races.~~ The intent of the Rule is not to provide opportunity for women to compete in races against men to achieve potentially better performance conditions.*

*To be clear, mixed competition ~~in Field Events and in races of 5000m or longer is:~~*

*a. **permitted in all national competitions in Field Events and if specifically permitted by the relevant National Member Federation in races of 5000m or longer according to Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules.** ~~subject only to the rules of the applicable federation.~~ (No additional permission from an Area Association is required);*

*b. **permitted in a competitions held under paragraphs 1. (d), (e) and 2. (d), (e) of the World Rankings Competition definition in Field Events and if specifically permitted by the relevant Area Association in races of 5000m or longer according to Rule 9.2.1 of the Technical Rules;***

*c. **not permitted in a competition held under paragraphs 1. (a), (b), (c) and 2. (a), (b), (c), ~~(e)~~ of the World Rankings Competition definition unless in the case of Field Events the applicable regulations for the competition so provide.***

- Rule 20.1 of the Technical Rules

The Repechage introduced for the Paris 24 Olympic Games is an additional qualification round between Round 1 and the semi-finals in which only those athletes who did not directly qualify from Round 1 to the semi-finals will compete. This requires the following amendment of Rule 20.1 of the Technical Rules:

*... Where Qualification Rounds are held, **all athletes must compete in, and qualify through, all such rounds except that the relevant governing body may, for one or more events, authorise the conduct of additional preliminary qualification round(s) either at the same competition or at one or more earlier competitions to determine some or all of the athletes who shall be entitled to participate and in which round of the competition.** ...*

*Note: Additional qualification round(s) may include preliminary qualification round(s) and/or Repechage Round(s).*

As a consequence, Council also approved that the same amendment (deletion of the term “preliminary”) be applied to Rules 20.2.1, 20.4.1 and 25.9 of the Technical Rules.



- Certification System procedures for facilities

Council approved to amend the current Certification System to allow for additional certificate extensions based on field test reports. The aim is to balance fairness, cost-effectiveness, and sustainability, considering the varied factors influencing the longevity of track surfaces. The agreed amendments include:

- Additional extensions above the current limit of 12 years may be issued based on field test reports by accredited laboratories:
  - It would be a fair approach as any owner could choose to do that if they believe their track still to be in good condition
  - If the test passes, then the costs for the field test are much cheaper than a full renovation
  - If the test fails, then scientific evidence justifies the requirement of a full renovation
- Maximum number of extensions to be aligned with accredited laboratories, as at some point other aspects than the surface itself have to be taken into account (e.g. the base below the surface)
- Current approach of decreasing extension periods to be continued, e.g. 12+3+2 or 12+3+3+2

### 2.2.3 Label Road Race Regulations

Upon the recommendation of the Competition Commission, Council approved the proposed amendments to the Label Road Race Regulations which are to ensure the continued integrity, competitiveness, and effective management of Label Road Races.

The amended Regulations which took effect on 9 August 2024, are available [here](#) on the World Athletics website (Book C: Competition – C1.6 Label Road Races Regulations).

### 2.2.4 Eligibility Regulations for the Female Classification (Athletes with Differences of Sex Development) and Disputes and Disciplinary Proceedings Rules

Council approved the proposed amendments to the DSD Regulations and Disputes and Disciplinary Proceedings Rules. The changes aim to streamline the process of handling breaches of DSD regulations, ensuring swift and decisive action to maintain the integrity and fairness of competitions and rankings. The amendments address the challenges linked to the delay for the AIU investigation of ineligible athlete competing and prosecution before the Disciplinary and Appeals Tribunal, affecting competition integrity and world rankings. The amendments will in future permit the Disciplinary Officer to take immediate action to disqualify the athletes or annul their results and remove ranking points as a simple breach of the regulations.

The amendments are not retroactive, and decisions of the Disciplinary Officer can be appealed to the Disciplinary and Appeals Tribunal. In addition, ongoing monitoring of known DSD athlete profiles will be carried out under strict confidentiality obligations with World Athletics' Statisticians and those Member Federations who have DSD athletes. All known DSD athletes will be notified of the monitoring process.

The amended Rules and Regulations which took effect on 31 July 2024, are available [here](#) on the World Athletics website (Book C: Competition – C3.6 Eligibility Regulations for the Female Classification and Book D: Integrity and Disciplinary – D5.2 Disputes and Disciplinary Proceedings Rules).

## 2.3 SAFEGUARDING ESSENTIALS COURSE

Following the approval of the updated and revised version of the World Athletics Safeguarding Policy by Council in February, the Policy is now available on the [World Athletics' website](#) in English, French and Spanish.



In addition to the policies that have been implemented and are taking effect in Member Federations and Area Associations, Safeguarding Plans were completed with all the local organising committees for the five WAS Events in the first half of the year. Few concerns were reported, indicating increased safeguarding awareness.

Council supported a proposal put forward by the Safeguarding Task Force, mandating the completion of the online [Safeguarding Essentials](#) training course for safeguarding officers, Safeguarding Task Force Members, World Athletics staff, roles involved in the investigation or adjudication of safeguarding matters, Athletes' Commission Members, Council Members (including Area Presidents) and the Vetting Panel.

#### 2.4 THE BAHRAIN ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION (BAA): ANTI-DOPING RULE 15 BREACHES & ADMISSION OF CHARGE AND ACCEPTANCE OF CONSEQUENCES

In December 2023, the AIU Board issued a Notice of Charge against the Bahrain Athletics Association (BAA) for breaches of Rule 15 of the Anti-Doping Rules (ADR), which imposes anti-doping obligations on Member Federations of World Athletics which are separate to the obligations of the World Anti-Doping Code. This followed a thorough investigation by the AIU into the BAA's compliance with its Rule 15 ADR obligations over the course of an 18-month period from mid-2022 to late 2023. The impetus for the investigation was the serious anti-doping rule violations committed by two Bahrain athletes at the Tokyo Olympic Games (from a team of just 13) for homologous blood transfusions and the discovery that the BAA had engaged a coach to work with the National Team between 2019 and 2021 who was in fact banned from sport for anti-doping rule violations.

The BAA have admitted the charges and accepted the consequences to be imposed upon the BAA.

In summary, the BAA admitted breaching ADR 15.4.1 and 15.4.6 and agreed that the following consequences would apply:

- BAA participation in both the Paris 2024 Olympic Games and WCH Tokyo 2025 will be limited to a maximum of 10 athletes
- BAA will not participate in any other WAS event for 12 months from 1 June 2024
- BAA will not apply for any transfers of allegiance or recruit any foreign athletes until 2027
- BAA will spend up to \$7.3 million over 3 years on the following measures to address the doping and integrity risk in athletics in Bahrain:
  - implementing a detailed Strategic Plan and Operational Roadmap (SPOR) as agreed with the AIU to transform the Federation and properly manage integrity matters
  - BAA will guarantee that an independent and WADA compliant Bahrain NADO will be established in Bahrain and fully funded by the Bahrain government until at least the end of 2026 (a step which the BAA has taken with the NADO now fully operational)
  - BAA will establish and fund a Talent Academy to prioritise the development of local talent
- BAA will pay the AIU's costs of investigation and in supervising the delivery of the SPOR.

The AIU noted that the BAA's conduct, while serious, the BAA's leadership had not been involved in deliberate rule breaches and shown contrition and commitment to reform, having already begun implementing changes in 2023. The Council supported the AIU Board's recommendation to ratify the measures and corrective actions stated in the Admission of Charge and Acceptance of Consequences, which balances punitive measures with the goal of systemic change, sending a strong message to other federations and the broader athletics community.

The Council, by email consultation on 16 August 2024, decided:

1. to note the BAA's admission that it has committed violations of ADR 15.4.1 and 15.4.6; and



2. in accordance with ADR 16.1.1 and 16.2, to impose upon the BAA the measures and corrective actions as set out in the Admission of Charge and Acceptance of Consequences Form.

Further details are provided in the related [press release](#) which was issued on 22 August 2024.

## 2.5 COMMISSIONS & WORKING GROUPS

### 2.5.1 Commissions

The Athletes', Competition, Development and Governance Commissions all met in the lead up to the Council Meeting and each reported to Council on their key activities and areas of focus since the last Council meeting. Their approved recommendations are set out in this Circular.

#### **Athletes' Commission**

Council received a summary of the main activities and areas of focus for the Athletes' Commission since the last Council meeting. The Commission has continued to provide critical feedback on proposed principles to governance changes, competition regulations, and the introduction of new initiatives and global events, including the World Athletics Ultimate Championship.

The Athletes' Commission also emphasised the importance of athlete consultation in decision-making processes. The Commission has been actively involved in cross-commission collaboration, athlete education initiatives, and safeguarding, with ongoing efforts to improve communication and resources for athletes globally.

#### **Development Commission**

Council received a report from the Development Commission detailing its recent activities and focus areas. The Commission has been progressing its three key workstreams:

1. **More Participation:** The success of the 2024 Kids' Athletics Day was highlighted, with 125 countries participating and approximately 300,000 children. The theme, "The World Mile Challenge," led to over 1.3 million miles completed globally. While the event saw significant engagement, challenges in data collection were noted, and the need for improved methods to accurately measure participation and impact was emphasised.

2. **More People:** The Commission's efforts to address global inequalities in the number and qualification of athletics coaches and officials were detailed through a skills gap analysis. Initial steps involve reviewing existing data collection methods to better target support and education. The report also touched on the analysis of the World Athletics' eLearning platform and recommendations to further enhance the user experience, revise course content, and promote community interaction through features like chats and forums.

3. **Area & Member Federation Empowerment:** The focus was on clarifying the roles and responsibilities of World Athletics, Areas, and MFs to enhance collaboration and effectiveness. A new onboarding module for MF presidents and general secretaries has been developed to provide essential information and strengthen governance and operational capacity within MFs.

### 2.5.2 Working Group on the status of Russians/Belarusians in International Competitions & Events

Since the last Council Meeting in February, the working group has carried out the following action: posing questions to, and meeting with, independent research individuals, the Athletics Integrity Unit and the Belarus and Russia Member Federations respectively. The Working Group, after reviewing all the information collated, updated Council on each area of work within its remit. The Working Group identified that more work needs to be conducted





as it was important for World Athletics to review how the selection and inclusion of Russian and Belarusian athletes from other sports at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games was handled.

The review of experiences in other sports from the Paris 2024 Olympic Games is to be completed between September and December. To carry out this additional work the Working Group's remit, which was due to end on 13 August 2024, needed to be extended and membership reviewed. Council approved that the term of the working group on the status of Russians/Belarusians in International Competitions & Events continues until the Council's next plenary meeting, currently scheduled for 3/4 December 2024. If the working group is unable to conclude its work by then, it may, with prior written notification to Council, continue its remit until the Council's next plenary meeting in 2025.

Council also approved that the membership of the working group be reviewed for the period from 14 August 2024 to the end of the working group's remit and following such review if any new members are proposed then Council's written approval will be sought.

### 2.5.3 Working Group on Gender Diverse Athletes

The Council was updated on the work that has been conducted by the working group since February 2024. The Science Workstream of the working group focused on understanding the female and prepubertal contributions to the performance gap, including presentations on female sexual development and prepubertal performance differences. The Inclusion Workstream discussed the arguments for and against including transgender women and XY DSD athletes in the female category at the elite level, examining the definition of 'elite' and the standard arguments for inclusion. The Impacts Workstream did not meet but will convene in September to discuss recommendations for mitigating the impacts of regulations.

Final sessions for each workstream are scheduled in September, with a final working group meeting in October to agree on conclusions and recommendations for the December Council meeting.

## 2.6 APPOINTMENTS

### 2.6.1 Nationality Review Panel (NRP)

In accordance with the Terms of Reference of the NRP, Council approved:

- Donna Raynor be appointed as Council Member and Chair of the Nationality Review Panel for the period 01 August 2024 to the end of her term on Council in the 2023-2027 period;
- Cydonie Mothersill's term of appointment be extended on the Nationality Review Panel to align with her term on Council in the 2023-2027 period.

### 2.6.2 Gender Leadership Taskforce (GLT)

Council was provided with an overview of the achievements made since the GLT was formed in 2017 and the ongoing projects. It was emphasised that opportunities are restricted for women in sports administration, coaching and officiating and that there remain challenges in implementing gender equity policies. To maintain awareness and change mindsets and policies, the terms of reference for the GLT have been revised to reflect the key areas of focus for the GLT which include to:

- Oversee the strategy for gender equity
- Continue to raise awareness and promote gender equity with supporting programmes
- Sustain and grow the pipeline of female leaders for decision making positions throughout athletics
- Increase gender equity across administration, referees and coaches



- Strengthen gender equity through improved governance, frameworks and processes
- Develop key gender equity measures and initiatives aligned with the World Plan
- Monitor progress and feedback through data-led insights.

Council approved the revised terms of reference for the GLT and the appointment of three additional members to the GLT. The GLT now comprises the following members:

- Stephanie HIGHTOWER (USA), Chairperson
- Ximena RESTREPO (COL), Member
- Beatrice AYIKORU (UGA), Member
- Jaya MYLVAGANAM (SGP), Member
- Annette PURVIS (NZL), Member
- Nuala WALSH (IRL), Member
- Adille SUMARIWALLA, Council Member (IND), new member
- Drumeco ARCHER, President (BAH), new member
- Karin TORNEKLINT, coach (SWE), new member

#### RELATED PRESS RELEASE

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WORLD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS – TOKYO 2025 – 13-21 SEPTEMBER

DAY 1 - Saturday, Morning, 13/09			
8:00	35km Race Walk	M	Final
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9:00	Discus Throw	W	Q A
10:55	Shot Put	M	Q A+B
10:55	Discus Throw	W	Q A
11:08	100m	M	Prelim
11:40	4 x 400m Relay	X	R1

DAY 2 - Sunday, Morning, 14/09			
8:00	Marathon	W	Final
9:00	Hammer Throw	W	Q A
9:35	1500m	M	R1
10:45	Hammer Throw	W	Q B
11:20	100m H	W	R1

DAY 3 - Monday, Morning, 15/09			
8:00	Marathon	M	Final
9:00	Hammer Throw	M	Q A
9:05	Pole Vault	W	Q A+B
9:15	3000m SC	W	R1
10:45	Hammer Throw	M	Q B
11:20	400m H	W	R1

DAY 4 - Tuesday, Morning, 16/09			

DAY 5 - Wednesday, Morning, 17/09			

DAY 1 - Saturday, Evening, 13/09			
18:05	3000m SC	M	R1
0.76042	Long Jump	W	Q A+B
18:50	Pole Vault	M	Q A+B
18:55	100m	W	R1
19:50	1500m	W	R1
20:35	100m	M	R1
21:10	Shot Put	M	Final
21:30	10,000m	W	Final
22:20	4 x 400m Relay	X	Final

DAY 2 - Sunday, Evening, 14/09			
18:35	400m	M	R1
18:40	High Jump	M	Q A+B
19:10	Discus Throw	W	Final
19:25	400m	W	R1
20:20	100m	W	SF
20:40	Long Jump	W	Final
20:43	100m	M	SF
21:05	1500m	W	SF
21:30	10,000m	M	Final
22:13	100m	W	Final
22:20	100m	M	Final

DAY 3 - Monday, Evening, 15/09			
19:35	400m H	M	R1
19:40	Long Jump	M	Q A+B
20:10	Pole Vault	M	Final
20:20	110m H	M	R1
21:00	Hammer Throw	W	Final
21:05	100m H	W	SF
21:30	1500m	M	SF
21:55	3000m SC	M	Final
22:20	100m H	W	Final

DAY 4 - Tuesday, Evening, 16/09			
19:35	800m	M	R1
19:40	Triple Jump	W	Q A+B
20:35	High Jump	M	Final
20:40	110m H	M	SF
21:00	Hammer Throw	M	Final
21:05	400m	W	SF
21:35	400m	M	SF
22:05	1500m	W	Final
22:20	110m H	M	Final

DAY 5 - Wednesday, Evening, 17/09			
19:05	Triple Jump	M	Q A+B
19:10	Javelin Throw	M	Q A
19:30	200m	W	R1
20:10	Pole Vault	W	Final
20:15	200m	M	R1
20:45	Javelin Throw	M	Q B
20:50	Long Jump	M	Final
21:00	400m H	W	SF
21:30	400m H	M	SF
21:57	3000m SC	W	Final
22:20	1500m	M	Final

DAY 6 - Thursday, Morning, 18/09			

DAY 7 - Friday, Morning, 19/09			

DAY 8 - Saturday, Morning, 20/09			
7:30	20km Race Walk	W	Final
9:20	100m Dec	M	Heats
9:25	Discus Throw	M	Q A
9:45	20km Race Walk	M	Final
10:05	Long Jump Dec	M	A+B
10:10	Shot Put	W	Q A+B
10:55	Discus Throw	M	Q B
11:30	Long Jump Hep	W	A+B
11:45	Shot Put Dec	M	A+B

DAY 9 - Sunday, Morning, 21/09			
9:05	110m H Dec	M	Heats
9:55	Discus Throw Dec	M	A
11:05	Discus Throw Dec	M	B
11:35	Pole Vault Dec	M	A
12:20	Pole Vault Dec	M	B

DAY 9 - Sunday, Evening, 21/09			
17:40	Javelin Throw Dec	M	A
18:45	Javelin Throw Dec	M	B
19:30	High Jump	W	Final
19:35	800m	W	Final
19:50	5000m	M	Final
20:00	Discus Throw	M	Final
20:25	4 x 400m Relay	M	Final
20:40	4 x 400m Relay	W	Final
20:55	1500m Dec	M	Final
21:10	4 x 100m Relay	W	Final
21:20	4 x 100m Relay	M	Final

DAY 6 - Thursday, Evening, 18/09			
19:05	5000m	W	R1
19:15	High Jump	W	Q A+B
19:55	800m	W	R1
19:45	Javelin Throw	M	Final
21:00	Triple Jump	W	Final
21:02	200m	M	SF
21:24	200m	W	SF
21:45	800m	M	SF
22:14	400m	M	Final
22:24	400m	W	Final

DAY 7 - Friday, Evening, 19/09			
17:33	100m H Hep	W	Heats
19:30	Javelin Throw	W	Q A
18:20	High Jump Hep	W	A+B
20:05	5000m	M	R1
20:30	Shot Put Hep	W	A+B
20:45	800m	W	SF
20:50	Triple Jump	M	Final
21:00	Javelin Throw	W	Q B
21:15	400m H	M	Final
21:27	400m H	W	Final
21:38	200m Hep	W	Heats
22:06	200m	M	Final
22:22	200m	W	Final

DAY 8 - Saturday, Evening, 20/09			
19:05	High Jump Dec	M	A+B
19:10	Javelin Throw Hep	W	A+B
19:35	4 x 400m Relay	M	R1
20:00	4 x 400m Relay	W	R1
20:05	Shot Put	W	Final
20:25	4 x 100m Relay	M	R1
20:45	4 x 100m Relay	W	R1
21:05	Javelin Throw	W	Final
21:08	800m Hep	W	Final
21:26	400m Dec	M	Heats
21:50	800m	M	Final
22:05	5000m	W	Final

DAY 9 - Sunday, Evening, 21/09			
17:40	Javelin Throw Dec	M	A
18:45	Javelin Throw Dec	M	B
19:30	High Jump	W	Final
19:35	800m	W	Final
19:50	5000m	M	Final
20:00	Discus Throw	M	Final
20:25	4 x 400m Relay	M	Final
20:40	4 x 400m Relay	W	Final
20:55	1500m Dec	M	Final
21:10	4 x 100m Relay	W	Final
21:20	4 x 100m Relay	M	Final



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## Qualification System and Entry Standards

### Entry conditions

- **Individual Events**
  - Each Member Federation will be allowed to participate with up to a maximum of three qualified athletes (four in case of a Wild Card) in each event, subject to the below. A fourth (fifth in case of a Wild Card) qualified athlete can be entered as a reserve.
- **Relay Events**
  - Each Member Federation will be allowed to enter one qualified team in each relay event, subject to the below. A total of six athletes may be entered. These must include the individual athletes (up to four) entered in the respective individual event (100m and 400m) – note that this does not apply to the Mixed 4x400m.
- **Unqualified athletes**
  - Members who have no:
    - male and/or no female athletes who have achieved the Entry Standard or considered as having achieved the Entry Standard (see below);
    - male and/or no female athletes qualified by World Rankings;
    - qualified relay team;may enter one unqualified male athlete OR one unqualified female athlete in one individual event of the Championships (except the Road Events and Field Events [see below], Combined Events, 10,000m and 3000m Steeplechase).
  - Members whose best athlete excels in a Field Event or Road Event, may submit to World Athletics the name of their athlete whom they would like to enter together with their best performance during the qualification period. The Technical Delegates will decide whether or not to accept such an entry and, to do so, may seek the opinion of the relevant Area Association.
  - If the Host Country does not have an athlete who has achieved the Entry Standard in an event, or a qualified Relay Team, it may enter one athlete (or Relay Team) in that event, with the exception of the Combined Events and Field Events where the above will apply.
  - Unqualified athletes will be added to the quota of qualified athletes.
  - Where the approval by the Technical Delegates is required, preference will be given to the athletes in the best world rankings position as at the closing date for applications (to be sent to [teamservices@worldathletics.org](mailto:teamservices@worldathletics.org)):
    - **4 May 2025** for the Marathon
    - **24 August 2025** for the 20km Race Walk and Field Events
- **Age categories**
  - Under 20 Athletes – Athletes aged 18 or 19 years on 31 December 2025, (i.e., born in 2006 or 2007), may compete in any event except the Marathon and the 35km Race Walk.
  - Under 18 Athletes – Athletes aged 16 or 17 years on 31 December 2025 (born in 2008 or 2009), may compete in any event except the throwing events, the Combined Events, 10,000m, Marathon and the Race Walks.
  - Athletes younger than 16 – No athlete younger than 16 years of age on 31 December 2025 (born in 2010 or later) may be entered.



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## Qualification System

- **General**
  - The Qualification System will be based mainly on a combination of Entry Standards and World Rankings. The first will be set to qualify about 50% of the athletes.
  - The Entry Standards for the Events with an 18 months' qualification period, were approved by the World Athletics Council in February 2024.
  - The Entry Standards for the Events with a 12 months' qualification period, will be approved by the World Athletics Council in July 2024.
  
- **Qualification period valid for Entry Standards and World Rankings**
  - For the Marathon and 35km Race Walk: 18 months from 5 November 2023 to midnight 4 May 2025 (regardless of the time zone).
  - For the 10,000m, 20km Race Walk, Combined Events and Relays: 18 months from 25 February 2024 to midnight 24 August 2025 (regardless of the time zone).
  - For all other events: Entry Standards can be achieved from 1 August 2024 to midnight 24 August 2025 (regardless of the time zone). Current event ranking rules and period will apply for World Ranking. Results achieved during Olympic Games Paris 24 will also be considered valid for World Ranking even if outside of the one-year period.
  
- **Qualification in Individual Events**
  - Athletes can qualify in one of four ways:
    - By achieving the **Entry Standard** within the qualification period in accordance with the criteria detailed below.
    - By virtue of the **Finishing Position** at designated competitions as follows (in these cases the athletes shall also be considered as having achieved the Entry Standard):
      - The Area Champions in all the individual events (except for the Marathons) on condition that there is no better entry (by World Rankings) of another athlete from the same Area in the same event. The Member Federation of the Area Champion will have the ultimate authority to enter the athlete or not, based on its own selection criteria. See specific additional conditions below.
      - The top 5 finishers at the Platinum Label Marathons held during the qualification period and the winners of the Gold Label Marathons held on 2025.
    - By **Wild Card** as:
      - Defending World Champion from 2023
      - Winner of the 2024
        1. Diamond League
        2. World Race Walking Tour (to participate in the 20km OR the 35km)
        3. World Combined Events Tour
        4. Leading hammer performers (by result) on the Continental Tour
  - If two athletes from the same country would qualify for a Wild Card in the same event, only one of the two can be entered with this Wild Card. If a Member Federation has four athletes in one event as a result of this regulation, all four will be permitted to compete.
  - By virtue of the **World Rankings Position** achieved at the end of the qualification period according to the respective Event Ranking Rules (and ranking periods). In case of ties, athletes with the next best Performance Score will prevail.
  - For the 10,000m, a quota of 3 athletes will be assigned to the top positioned athletes, not otherwise qualified through entry standards or other ways, in the senior Men's and Women's Cross-Country Tour Ranking at the end of the qualification period. In case of ties (after having already considered the next best performance score), this is broken in favour of the athlete with the best time in the 10,000m in the

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qualification period. In case of places declined, the quota will go to the next best in the 10,000m World Rankings.

- World Athletics will keep a regularly updated running list of the qualification situation for each event in the lead up to the World Athletics Championships. This will be published in due course on the Stat Zone section of the World Athletics Website ([www.worldathletics.org/stats-zone](http://www.worldathletics.org/stats-zone)).
- Individual Athletes Ranking Process
  - Following the end of the qualification period, based on the target numbers, for each event World Athletics will determine:
    - the number of athletes having achieved the entry standard (either directly or by finishing position at the selected competitions, including approved Area Champions);
    - the eligible wild cards;
    - the athletes subsequently qualified by virtue of their World Ranking position to complete the target number in each event – should the target number of athletes in any event be reached (or surpassed) through entry standards and wild cards, no athletes would qualify by virtue of their World Rankings position;
    - the athletes in the next best World Ranking position.
  - The list so determined will be published on 27 August 2025
  - Member Federations shall be invited to pre-submit their entries by 29 August 2025 (midnight Monaco time) and to include, in addition to the qualified athletes, also the next best by World Rankings they would be willing to enter.
  - Based on the pre-entries submitted, World Athletics shall determine the number of next best athletes by World Rankings proposed for entry to be accepted and shall notify the respective Member Federation accordingly by 30 August 2025 (midnight Monaco time).
  - Member Federations shall review and complete their final entries by the entry deadline of 1 September 2025 (midnight Monaco time).

- **Qualification in Relay Events**

- Relay Teams can qualify in one of two ways
  - First fourteen placed teams at the **World Athletics Relays** Guangzhou 25.
  - Be one of the best ranked teams at the end of the qualification period to fill the two remaining places. For the purpose of being ranked, the results of relay races will be valid only on the condition that they are part of a competition staged in compliance with World Athletics Rules and that at least two different international teams, representing at least two countries, compete in the event. In case of a tie the results will be separated by the thousands. If the tie remains, the best performance achieved in the World Relays will be take precedence.
- Relays Ranking Process
  - Following the end of the qualification period (i.e., 25 August 2025) and knowing the Relay Teams that have qualified from the 2025 World Athletics Relays, World Athletics will identify the teams qualified by virtue of their position in the World Athletics Top Lists (according to the best performances in the whole qualification period).
  - World Athletics, within 48 hours of the closing of the Qualification Period, will notify the Member Federations concerned by email to their World Athletics email address ([xxx@mf.worldathletics.org](mailto:xxx@mf.worldathletics.org)) and replies will be expected within 24 hours.
  - Upon refusals, cancellations or no reply, the next eligible relay team will be identified and invited. The invitation process will end on 29 August 2025, midnight Monaco time.
  - Any unqualified host country team will not take a quota place.



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Target number of athletes / teams by event  
(not including the unqualified athletes)

Events	Target Number
100m	48
200m 400m	48
800m	56
1500m	56
3000mSC	36
5000m	42
10,000m	27
100mH, 110mH, 400mH	40
Field Events	36
Combined Events	24
Marathon	100
20km Race Walk	50
35km Race Walk	50
Relays	16

## Entry Standards

Men	Event	Women
10,00	100m	11,07
20,16	200m	22,57
44,85	400m	50,75
1.44.50	800m	1.59.00
3.33.00 (3.50.00)	1500m (Mile / Road Mile standard)	4.01.50 (4.19.90)
13.01.00	5000m / 5km road	14.50.00
27:00:00	10,000m / 10km road	30:20:00
2:06:30	Marathon	2:23:30
8.15.00	3000m SC	9.18.00
13,27	110mH / 100mH	12,73
48,50	400m H	54,65
2,33	High Jump	1,97
5,82	Pole Vault	4,73
8,27	Long Jump	6,86
17,22	Triple Jump	14,55
21,50	Shot Put	18,80
67,50	Discus Throw	64,50
78,20	Hammer Throw	74,00
85,50	Javelin Throw	64,00
	Heptathlon	6500

8550	Decathlon	
1:19:20	20km Race Walk	1:29:00
2:28:00	35km Race Walk	2:48:00
Top 14 at WRE + 2 from Top Lists	4x100m	Top 14 at WRE + 2 from Top Lists
Top 14 at WRE + 2 from Top Lists	4x400m	Top 14 at WRE + 2 from Top Lists
Top 14 at WRE + 2 from Top Lists	4x400m Mixed	Top 14 at WRE + 2 from Top Lists

## Conditions for the validity of performances

- All performances must be achieved during competitions organised or authorised by World Athletics, its Area Associations or its National Federations and conducted in conformity with World Athletics Rules.
- Starting **1 January 2023**, in the case of National Permit competitions, in addition to compliance with the above, all performances must be achieved in a competition for which an application has been submitted in advance to World Athletics through the established platform. The list of such competitions will be published on the Global Calendar pages of the World Athletics website.
- For Track and Field Events, the following applies:
  - Performances achieved in mixed competitions in track events will not be accepted. Exceptionally, in accordance with Rule 9 of the World Athletics Technical Rules, performances achieved in events of 5000m and 10,000m may be accepted in circumstances where there were insufficient athletes of one or both genders competing to justify the conduct of separate races and there was no pacing or assistance given by an athlete(s) of one gender to an athlete(s) of the other gender. If applicable, Member Federations must submit a specific request to the World Athletics Competitions department ([competition@worldathletics.org](mailto:competition@worldathletics.org)) providing the documentation as required.
  - Performances which are wind assisted or for which a wind reading is not available will not be accepted for Entry Standards purposes (but will be valid for the World Rankings with the appropriate adjustments).
  - Hand timing performances in 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 110m/100m Hurdles, 400m Hurdles and 4x100m Relay will not be accepted.
  - Short Track performances for races of 200m and longer, will be accepted.
  - Performances in running events conducted on an oversized Short Track (its length is greater than 201.2m [220 yards] but no greater than 400m) shall be valid and recognised as if they were achieved on a standard 400m track.
  - For the Combined Events at least one of these conditions must be met:
    - The wind velocity in any individual event will not exceed plus 4 metres per second.
    - The average wind velocity (based on the algebraic sum of the wind velocities, as measured for each individual event, divided by the number of such events) will not exceed plus 2 metres per second.
- For Road Races and Race Walks, the following applies:
  - Road Races (Marathons, Half Marathons, 10km, 5km and Road Mile)
    - Performances for qualifying purposes may only be achieved on a course measured by a World Athletics/AIMS Grade “A” or “B” International Road Race Course Measurer with the measurement certificate established no more than 5 years before the date of the race.
    - For Entry Standards the overall decrease in elevation between the start and the finish will not exceed 1:1000, i.e., 1m per km.
    - For Entry Standards in the Mile, 5km and 10km, women’s performances achieved in Mixed races will not be accepted.
    - For World Rankings in case of performances achieved on courses with a drop in elevation which exceeds 1:1000, a correction will be made in the result score from which points will be deducted depending on the drop.
    - The contact email address for any matters related to qualifying marathon courses is [alessio.punzi@worldathletics.org](mailto:alessio.punzi@worldathletics.org).





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- Race Walks
  - Performances for qualifying purposes may only be achieved on a course measured by a World Athletics/AIMS Grade “A” or “B” International Road Race Course Measurer with the measurement certificate established no more than 5 years before the date of the race.
  - A minimum of 3 World Athletics Gold, Silver or Bronze Level Race Walking Judges must be on duty.
  - Track performances (20,000m or 35,000m) will be accepted.
  - Performances achieved in competitions conducted with the penalty zone rule will be accepted.
  - The contact email address for any matters related to qualifying race walk competitions is [competition@worldathletics.org](mailto:competition@worldathletics.org).

## Area Champions

The following regulations shall apply for Automatic Qualification to the World Athletics Championships (not applicable for relays and marathon):

1. The Area Champion (in each individual event to be contested at the World Championships) automatically qualifies for the World Championships, irrespective of whether his performance has reached the Entry Standard, on condition that there is no better entry (by World Rankings) of another athlete from the same Area in the same event.
2. The Area Champion shall be the one who won the title at the last Area Championships, either in 2023, 2024 or 2025.
3. The Member Federation of the Area Champion will have the ultimate authority to enter the athlete or not, based on its own domestic standard or qualification system.
4. If the Member Federation of the Area Champion enters the athlete, he will be considered as having achieved the Entry Standard.
5. If the Area Champion, for whatever reason, is not entered, his place will not be delegated to the second placed athlete and the normal entry rules and conditions apply.
6. For those Area Championships that do not have certain events, the Area Associations can organise alternate Area-specific event Championships with conditions conforming to Area Championships Regulations. World Athletics shall be notified of such alternative Championships at least two months in advance of the event being held.

## Competition Manipulation Watchlist

The World Athletics Council, in July 2022, has established a Competition Manipulation watchlist of Member Federations.

For the purpose of qualification to Tokyo 2025, whether by Entry Standard or by World Rankings, World Athletics will only recognise results achieved at the following competitions hosted by such Member Federations:

- Official International or Area Championships;
- Competitions which form part of the following International Competition structures:
  - Diamond League
  - Continental Tour
  - World Indoor Tour
  - World Race Walking Tour
  - World Combined Events Tour
  - World Cross Country Tour
  - World Athletics Label Road Race



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For any other competition (including National Senior Championships subject to a specific application to be submitted to World Athletics at least 30 days in advance ([competition@worldathletics.org](mailto:competition@worldathletics.org)), World Athletics reserves the right, at its sole discretion and if it so requires, to appoint up to a maximum of three International Technical Officials (World Athletics Referees) to officiate at any of these competitions at the cost of the host Member Federation. This will be considered a condition for their inclusion in the Global Calendar.

# World Athletics Indoor Championships Nanjing 25

## Qualification System and Entry Standards



### ENTRY RULES

- **Individual Events** (except CE – see later)
  - Each Member will be allowed to participate with a maximum of two qualified athletes (three in case of a Wild Card) in each event, subject to the below.
  - A third (fourth in case of a Wild Card) qualified athlete can be entered as a reserve.
- **Relays**
  - There is no entry standard, and each Member Federation will be able to enter one team of up to eight athletes in each event.
- **Unqualified Athletes**
  - Members who have **no male and/or no female qualified athletes** (eligible by Entry Standard) in any event may enter one unqualified male athlete OR one unqualified female athlete in a running event (except the 800m).
  - In exceptional cases, and as agreed by the Technical Delegates, entry of unqualified athletes in the 800m, Long Jump, Triple Jump or Shot Put may be accepted. Applications for such entries must be submitted to World Athletics ([teamservices@worldathletics.org](mailto:teamservices@worldathletics.org)) by no later than **2 March 2025**.
  - If the **host country** does not have a qualified athlete in an event, it may enter one athlete in this event regardless of any Entry Standard (except for the Combined Events). For the Field Events and 800m, the entry is at the discretion of the Technical Delegates and must be submitted to World Athletics (by no later than **2 March 2025**).

### **Age Requirements**

- U20 Athletes: any athlete aged 18 or 19 years on 31 December 2025 (born in 2007 or 2006) may compete in any event.
- U18 athletes: any athlete aged 16 or 17 years on 31 December 2025 (born in 2009 or 2008) may compete in any event except the Shot Put.
- Athletes younger than 16 years on 31 December 2025 (born in 2010 or later) may not compete in any event.

### QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

- **Individual athletes (except Combined Events) can qualify in one of three ways:**
  - By achieving the Entry Standard within the qualification period in accordance with the conditions detailed below.
  - By World Indoor Tour Wild Card
    - The individual overall winner of each event of the World Indoor Tour 2025 will automatically qualify for the World Athletics Indoor Championships by Wild Card.
    - The Member Federation of the Continental Indoor Tour winner will have the ultimate authority to enter the athlete or not, based on its own criteria or qualification system.
    - If a Member Federation has three athletes qualified as a result, all three will be permitted to compete.
  - By virtue of their position in the Top Performances list from 1 September 2024 as of 9 March 2025 to complete, where necessary, the target number of athletes in each event
  - For the avoidance of doubt, the accepted unqualified athletes will be added to the target number.  
A *Road to Nanjing* list will be published and updated every week on the World Athletics website starting from 1 November 2024.
- **Qualification in Combined Events**
  - Up to 14 athletes will qualify in the **Heptathlon** and in the **Pentathlon** as follows:

# World Athletics Indoor Championships Nanjing 25 Qualification System and Entry Standards



- Member Federations will be required to send to World Athletics [teamservices@worldathletics.org](mailto:teamservices@worldathletics.org) a declaration of interest on behalf of the athletes willing to compete at the 2025 World Indoor Championships. This declaration must be sent by no later than by 31 December 2024.
    - On 10 January 2025, World Athletics will publish a list of qualified athletes together with a list of reserve athletes, from their World Rankings.
    - Member Federations are expected to inform World Athletics of athletes who withdraw in a timely manner to allow the next highest ranked athlete to compete.
    - One athlete may be invited at the discretion of World Athletics
    - The competing 14 athletes will be confirmed at the same time as all final entries close.
  - In total no more than two male and two female athletes from any one Member will be allowed to compete. Upon refusals or cancellations, the invitations will be extended to the next ranked athletes in the same list respecting the above conditions.
- **Athletes qualified by Top performances list**
  - Following the end of the qualification period and the submission of Final Entries, World Athletics shall, for each event (except relays and combined events), assess the number of athletes entered based on:
    - Qualification by entry standard
    - Qualification by Wild Card
  - In those events where the target number of entries (see below) has not been reached, World Athletics shall invite the athletes with the next best performance (based on a list starting 1 September 2024 and calculated as at 9 March 2025 included) in order to reach the established target number while respecting the maximum quota by Member Federation by event.
 

**NB:** *In order to pro-actively identify those athletes, MF are asked to pre-enter by 10 March 2025 any athlete who would be competing at the WIC if qualified by Entry Standards or subsequently selected by Top performances list. Athletes whose names are not pre-entered, will not be considered.*
  - In case of ties, these will be broken in favour of the athlete with the next best result.
  - On 12 March 2025 World Athletics shall publish the final list of athletes qualified by Entry Standards and by Top performances list (and whose names were pre-entered by the MF *by 10 March 2025*)
  - MFs will be asked to confirm their Final Entries by Thursday 13 March 2025 (midnight Monaco time)

## TARGET NUMBER OF ATHLETES/TEAMS BY EVENT\*

The target number of athletes/teams by event will be as follows:

Events	Target Number
60m	56
400m	30
800m	30
1500m	30
3000m (Men's) – straight final	15
3000m (Women's) – straight final	15

# World Athletics Indoor Championships Nanjing 25 Qualification System and Entry Standards



60m hurdles	48
High Jump, Pole Vault	12
Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot Put	16
Combined Events	14
Relays	n/a

\* Accepted unqualified entries will be considered on top of the target numbers

## ENTRY STANDARDS AND CONDITIONS

The Entry Standards will be approved by the Council in July 2024 following the below scheme:

WOMEN	EVENT	MEN
7.15	60m	6.55
10.90	100m	9.92
51.00	400m	45.20
2:00.00	800m	1:45.00
4:03.00 (4:22.50 Mile)	1500m	3:33.50 (3:50.50 Mile)
8:33.00 (14:25.00 5000)	3000m	7:31.00 (12:45.00 5000)
7.94	60m H	7.57
	100m / 110m H	
1.97	HJ	2.34
4.75	PV	5.85
6.90	LJ	8.26
14.60	TJ	17.40
19.50	SP	22.00

## CONDITIONS FOR THE VALIDITY OF PERFORMANCES:

- For the Entry Standards, performances must be achieved during the qualification period of 1 September 2024 to 9 March 2025 included
- Performances must be achieved in a competition conducted according to **World Athletics Competition and Technical Rules**, or authorised by **World Athletics**, its Area Associations or its National Member Federations, and published on the World Athletics Global Calendar: <https://www.worldathletics.org/competition/calendar-results>.
- Performances achieved in **mixed competitions in track events** will not be accepted. Exceptionally, in accordance with Rule 9 of the Technical Rules, performances achieved in the 5000m event may be accepted in circumstances where there were insufficient athletes of one or both genders competing to justify the conduct of separate races and there was no pacing or assistance given by an athlete(s) of one gender to an athlete(s) of the other gender under specific circumstances and conditions (see TR9).
- **Wind-assisted performances** will not be accepted.
- **Hand-timed performances** in 60m, 100m, 400m, 800m and 60m Hurdles 100m/110m Hurdles will not be accepted.
- Performances can be achieved on any track from 200m to 400m

# World Athletics Relays Guangzhou 25 Qualification System



## Entry Rules

### Age Categories

Any athlete aged at least 16 on 31 December 2025 (born in 2009 or earlier) may compete. Athletes younger than 16 on 31 December 2025 (born in 2010 or later) may not compete.

### Events

The program shall comprise five relay events:

Men

4x100 metres

4x400 metres

Women

4x100 metres

4x400 metres

Mixed (Universal)

4x400 metres

### Entries by Event

A maximum of one team from any one Member can compete in each relay event and a maximum of eight athletes may be entered for each Relay Team. Any four athletes among those entered for the competition, may then be used in the composition of the team.

### Entry Conditions

32 teams will be entered in each event.

Top 16 teams in the Olympic Games Paris 24 will qualify for entry to Guangzhou 25 World Relays.

The Host Country may enter one team in each event regardless of any Entry Conditions.

The remaining Teams (up to 32) will be determined through the Top Lists in the **qualification period** from 1 January 2024 to Sunday 13 April 2025.

Starting 1 October 2024, World Athletics will maintain a weekly list of Relay Teams qualified according to the above, the final version of which will be published on Tuesday 15 April 2025. In order to allow for the possible re-allocation of unused places, Member Federations are invited to notify World Athletics if they will not take up a qualified spot by 17 April (midnight Monaco time) by email to [teamservices@worldathletics.org](mailto:teamservices@worldathletics.org). World Athletics will then notify the next best team(s) as required.

Member Federations will then be able to submit their Final Entries by Monday 21 April 2025.

### Conditions for Validity of Performances

- All performances must be achieved during the period **1 January 2024 to Sunday 13 April 2025**.

Performances must be achieved in a competition conducted according to World Athletics Competition and Technical Rules, and authorised by World Athletics, its Area Associations

## World Athletics Relays Guangzhou 25 Qualification System



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or its National Member Federations, and published on the World Athletics Global Calendar:  
<https://www.worldathletics.org/competition/calendar-results>.

- At least **two different international teams, must compete in the event**, where “international teams” means at least two different national teams, or one team composed by athletes of different countries (e.g. a university or club team).
- **Short Track (indoor) performances** will be accepted.
- **Hand-timed performances** for the 4x100m will not be accepted.
- Performances achieved on **over-sized short tracks (indoor)** will be accepted.