



**REGIONAL AUSTRALIA
Selection Policy**

**OCEANIA AREA CHAMPIONSHIPS
Townsville, Australia
25-28 June 2019**

1. Introduction

This document sets out the basis on which Athletics North Queensland in conjunction with Athletics Australia will select the Regional Australia Team for the 2018 Oceania Area Championships to be held in Townsville, Australia between the 25-28 June 2019.

The Team will include members in Open, Juniors (Under 20), and Youth (Under 18) categories. Different selection criteria (set out below) will apply to selection of the team for athletes competing in different age groups.

This Policy can be amended at any time by Athletics North Queensland in conjunction with Athletics Australia if they are of the opinion that such an amendment is necessary as a result of any change in the Participation Rules, 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 North Queensland in conjunction with Athletics Australia. Athletics North Queensland in conjunction with Athletics Australia shall not be responsible or liable in any way to anyone as a result of any such amendment.

At the time of nominating, athletes understand that Team Management will not be responsible for travelling with athletes to/from Townsville. It is the responsibility of athletes to book their own flights and make their own way to Townsville. If applicable, Athletics North Queensland will share the flights details for team management staff to give athletes a chance to book on the same flight.

2. Selection Philosophy

Athletics North Queensland in conjunction with Athletics Australia sees the Oceania Area Championships as an opportunity to expose athletes to an international event, where they will compete against the best athletes from around the Oceania Region and beyond.

For Under 20 and Under 18 athletes the Oceania Area Championships provide a competition and educational opportunity appropriate for Under 20, Under 18 athletes who have generally not had the chance to participate in regular and/or international level competition. This is also an opportunity to provide team experience and associated educational opportunities for enthusiastic and committed

coaches and other team staff from isolated areas.

3. Eligibility

- A. Only those athletes who qualify according to this clause 3A will be eligible for selection in the Team:
- ❑ Be a citizen of Australia
 - ❑ **Either** have their normal place of residence (defined as being a place where an athlete is resident and/or educated) in an “athletically remote area” of Australia (defined as a being a place more than 300km from any major city **or** “Northern Australia” (defined as comprising the Northern Territory, parts of Western Australia and North Queensland, north of 26th parallel south latitude).
 - ❑ Be a registered member of Athletics Australia through an affiliated club
 - ❑ Complete and submit the Application for Consideration for Selection by **Wednesday 12 April 2019.**
 - ❑ Remain in ‘good standing’ with Athletics North Queensland / Athletics Australia and at all times comply with Athletics North Queensland / Athletics Australia Code of Conduct and otherwise conduct themselves in a way that does not bring their sport or the national team into disrepute.
- B. In addition to meeting all of the eligibility requirements set out in 3A above, athletes seeking selection in the Under 18 events must comply with the additional requirements set out in this clause 3B.

Athletes must have reached a minimum age of 15 years by the 31st December 2019.

4. Selection criteria

Up to three (3) Athletes will be selected per age group in priority order of their ranking as of 12th April 2019, provided they have achieved the performance standard. Performances will only be considered competitions from 1st August 2018 - April 2019.

For Para events, up to three (3) Athletes will be selected per age group in priority order of their ranking as of 12th April 2019. There are no qualification standards for Para Events.

Athletes should consider the standards in schedule 1 as a guideline to the performance level required for selection. **Achievement of the standard does not give an athlete a right to selection in the Team.**

5. Funding

This will be a wholly self-funded Team (travel, accommodation, levies and team uniform together with all other associated expenses).

6. Announcement of the Team

The Team will be publicly announced no later than the week beginning 29 April.

7. Accommodation

It is optional that all athletes that are part of the Regional Australia team stay at the team accommodation for the duration of the Championships. It is however mandatory that all athletes attend team meetings during the whole period of the Championships.

Schedule 1 – Entry Standards

	Open Men	Open Women	U20 Men	U20 Women	U18 Men	U18 Women	Para
100m	11.40	13.20	11.80	13.70	11.95	13.90	No Standard
200m	23.40	27.00	24.00	28.00	24.20	28.40	No Standard
400m	51.50	59.00	55.00	63.00	58.00	63.00	No Standard
800m	2.07.00	2.23.00	2.15.00	2.40.00	2.15.00	2.45.00	
1500m	4.20.00	5.20.00	4.30.00	5.25.00	4.40.00	5.30.00	
2000m Steeplechase					7.44.00	9.00.00	
3000m Steeplechase	11.00.00	13.00.00	12.00.00	15.40.00			
3000m			10.00.00	12.00.00	10.00.00	12.00.00	
5000m	17.20.00	22.30.00	17.45.00	24.30.00			
10000m	35.00.00	42.00.00					
100m Hurdles		17.00		18.00		19.00	
110m Hurdles	17.00		17.00		17.00		
400m Hurdles	60.00	68.00	63.00	72.00	68.00	76.00	
5000m Road Walk					30.30	35.00	
10000m Road Walk	56.00	62.00	59.30	64.00			
Long Jump	6.00	4.80	5.60	4.40	5.40	4.60	No Standard
Triple Jump	12.00	10.50	11.60	10.00	11.20	10.00	
High Jump	1.75	1.50	1.65	1.35	1.55	1.25	
Pole Vault	3.40	3.00	3.00	2.70	2.70	2.40	
Discus	36.00	30.00	34.00	28.00	32.00	28.00	
Hammer	40.00	32.00	32.00	27.00	30.00	30.00	
Javelin	45.00	32.00	40.00	31.00	35.00	30.00	No Standard
Shot Put	11.50	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	No Standard
4x100m Relays	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
4x400m Relays	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Mixed 4x400m Relay	Yes						

RAT will be allowed to enter one (1) relay team per relay event