

2022 WORLD ATHLETICS INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION POLICY: 18 - 20 MARCH BELGRADE, SERBIA

Note: Due to the current Covid-19 pandemic, there are ongoing risks relating to international travel. The wellbeing and safety of Athletics New Zealand members and staff is of key importance. The final decision whether to send a team to the 2022 World Athletics Indoor Championships will be at the discretion of the Board of Athletics New Zealand following consultation with the Chief Executive Officer, High Performance Director, any other personnel that the Board deems appropriate and after consideration of all relevant factors as determined by the Board, including then current overseas travel advice of the New Zealand Government.

1. SELECTION PHILOSOPHY

- 1.1 This Selection Policy is issued by Athletics New Zealand Inc. (“**Athletics NZ**”) and sets out the basis on which the Athletics NZ Selectors (refer to clause 2) will consider athletes for selection to compete at the 2022 World Athletics Indoor Championships (the “**2022 WIC**”).
- 1.2 The 2022 WIC is an Athletics NZ “Black” Singlet competition (i.e. an Olympic Games, a World Athletics Track & Field Championships or a Commonwealth Games).
- 1.3 Selections of Individual athletes for this team will be those deemed capable of a Top 16 placing at the 2022 WIC.

2. SELECTION PANEL

- 2.1 The board of Athletics NZ (“**Athletics NZ Board**”) has endorsed the following Convenor to consider and select athletes for the 2022 WICs:
 - a) Stephen Brown (“**Convenor**”)
- 2.2 The board of Athletics NZ (the “**Athletics NZ Board**”) will confirm the remaining two members of the Selection Panel prior to 31 December 2021.
- 2.3 The Athletics NZ Board reserves the right to replace any member of the Selection Panel at any time for any reason.

3. CONDITIONS OF SELECTION

- 3.1 As a condition of selection for the 2022 WIC, an athlete must:
 - a. Have achieved at least one (1) Performance Standard (refer to clause 4) that is listed on the official Athletics NZ rankings website and that is achieved within the following Qualification Period; and

Events	Qualification Period
Combined Events	1 January 2021 to 20 February 2022
Individual Events	1 January 2021 to 27 February 2022

- b. Be a registered member of Athletics NZ at the time of achieving their Performance Standard; and
- c. Have satisfied all World Athletics eligibility, nationality, participation requirements, including those set out in clause 5; and
- d. Enter into an athlete agreement with Athletics NZ (“**Athlete Agreement**”) **Note:** This agreement will be distributed upon selection; and

- e. Be and remain in “good standing” with Athletics NZ and at all times comply with all Athletics NZ and/or 2022 WIC and/or World Athletics codes of conduct and regulations and the terms and conditions of the Athlete Agreement and otherwise conduct themselves in a way that does not bring the sport or team into disrepute; and
- f. Not have used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected as being present in the athlete’s body tissue or fluids, would have constituted doping or used any prohibited method or committed any other doping offence as defined in any applicable Athletics NZ or World Athletics anti-doping or related rules or regulations.
- g. Have a NZ Government issued confirmation of Covid-19 vaccination by Friday 25 February 2022 or show evidence of satisfactory vaccination or immunity to any infectious diseases (including Covid-19) or medical rationale as to why they are unvaccinated, which needs approval by the Athletics NZ medical team prior to Friday 25 February 2022.

Note: It may not be logistically and/or financially viable to include athletes on the 2022 WCs team who are not vaccinated for Covid 19 in relation to: flight availability; quarantine requirements; quarantine costs; safety of other team-members and the like. This situation will be reviewed and updated based on the latest Government advice at the time of selections.

Note: Athletes should be aware that failure to comply with any of the requirements set out in clause 3.1 may render an athlete ineligible for selection.

Note: Nothing in this Selection Policy obliges Athletics NZ to select a full contingent of athletes in any event, regardless of the World Athletics Technical Regulations or the 2022 WIC Local Organizing Committee (“LOC”) entry requirements.

4. **SELECTION CONSIDERATIONS**

- 4.1 For an athlete to be considered for selection for the 2022 WIC in an individual or team event, based on results achieved during the Qualification Period, they must have achieved the following relevant Performance Standard:

Men			Event	Women		
Target #	Indoor	Outdoor		Indoor	Outdoor	Target #
56	6.63	10.10 (100m)	60m	7.30	11.15 (100m)	56
30	46.50	45.00	400m	52.90	51.00	30
18	1:46.70	1:44.00	800m	2:01.50	1:58.00	18
18	3:39.00 (1500m) 3:55.00 (Mile)	3:33.00	1500m	4:09.00 (1500m) 4:28.50 (Mile)	4:02.00	18
24	7:50.00	7:40.00 13:10.00 (5000m)	3000m	8:49.00	8:30.00 14:50.00 (5000m)	15
48	7.72	13.40 (110mH)	60mH	8.16	12.85 (100mH)	48
12	World Athletics Invitation		Hept/Pent	World Athletics Invitation		12
12	2.34		High Jump	1.97		12
12	5.81		Pole Vault	4.75		12
16	8.22		Long Jump	6.80		16
16	17.10		Triple Jump	14.30		16
16	21.10		Shot Put	18.30		16

Please Note: Achieving a Performance Standard gives no right or guarantee of selection.

5. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Age Categories

- 5.1 U20 Athletes: any athlete aged 18 or 19 years on 31 December 2022 (born in 2003 or 2004) may compete in any event.
- 5.2 U18 athletes: any athlete aged 16 or 17 years on 31 December 2022 (born in 2005 or 2006) may compete in any event except the Shot Put.
- 5.3 Athletes younger than 16 years on 31 December 2022 (born in 2007 or later) may not compete in any event.

Individual Events

- 5.4 Member Federations may enter a maximum of three (3) athletes per Individual Event. However, a maximum of two (2) athletes will be allowed to compete per nation, per Individual Event.
- 5.5 The Women's 3000m event shall be held as straight Final.
- 5.6 In the High Jump and Pole Vault, the events shall be held as straight Finals with 12 athletes starting in each event. The Entries will be determined by the World Athletics based on a combination of Entry Standards and Ranking.
- 5.7 In the Long Jump, Triple Jump and Shot Put, events shall be held as straight Finals with 16 athletes starting in each event. The Entries will be determined by World Athletics based on a combination of Entry Standards and Ranking.

Combined Events

- 5.8 For the Combined Events, 12 athletes will be invited by World Athletics in the Heptathlon and the Pentathlon as follows:
 - a) The winner of the 2021 Combined Events Challenge; and
 - b) The best 5 athletes from the 2021 Outdoor Lists (as at 31 December 2021), limited to a maximum of one per country; and
 - c) The 5 best athletes from the 2022 Indoor lists (as at 1 March 2022); and
 - d) 1 additional athlete may also be invited at the discretion of World Athletics.

6. COMPULSORY SELECTION TRIAL

- 6.1 There will be no Compulsory Trial for the 2022 WIC for any event.

7. ADDITIONAL SELECTION CONSIDERATIONS

- 7.1 Notwithstanding the provisions outlined in this Selection Policy, the Selectors have an overriding discretion to select any eligible athlete for the 2022 WIC if they, in consultation with the Athletics NZ High Performance Director ("**Athletics NZ HPD**"), believe it is in the best interests of Athletics NZ to do so.
In considering athletes for selection, the Selectors may consider any factor or combination of factors that they deem relevant to their decision whether to select an athlete for the 2022 WIC, including but not limited to the athlete's:
 - a) Potential to be highly competitive at the 2022 WIC;
 - b) Competitive record against other athletes under consideration for selection in the same event;

- c) Quality and consistency of performances during the Qualification Period;
 - d) Commitment and focus on competing at the 2022 WIC;
 - e) History of performances at previous selected individual or team events; and
 - f) Any other factors considered by the Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances.
- 7.2 In any decision regarding the selection of athletes for the team, the Selectors may, in their sole discretion, also take into account any extenuating circumstances, including but not limited to:
- a) Injury or illness;
 - b) Travel delays;
 - c) Equipment failure;
 - d) Bereavement or personal misfortune; and/or
 - e) Any other factors reasonably considered by the Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances.
- 7.3 Athletes unable to compete at competitions relevant to meeting the requirements outlined in this Selection Policy, must advise the [Convenor](#) of the extenuating circumstances and reasons (accompanied by a medical certificate if applicable) or other such details, in writing, as soon as the extenuating circumstances is known (or at least within 7 days). If the Convenor is not notified of any extenuating circumstances in accordance with this Selection Policy then the Selectors have no obligation to rely on such circumstances.

8. SELECTION PROCESS

- 8.1 At the end of the Qualification Period, Athletics NZ will select Individual/s in accordance with the criteria set out in this Selection Policy and as allowed by the 2022 WIC Technical Regulations and the LOC entry requirements.

Ratification Review

- 8.2 The Athletics NZ Board must ratify selections prior to the Selection Announcement.

Selection Announcements

- 8.3 The Selection Announcement of athletes selected for the 2022 WIC will be published on the Athletics NZ website by 5pm Monday 7 March 2022.

9. NON-SELECTION QUERIES &/OR APPEALS PROCESS

- 9.1 Non-selected athletes can query their non-selection after the Selection Announcement by contacting the [Convenor](#) (i.e. to seek clarification regarding their non-selection).

Non-selection appeals process

- 9.2 The time of the publishing of the Selection Announcement on Athletics NZ website will be deemed to be the commencement of the 48 hour period to lodge non-selection appeals in accordance with this Selection Policy.
- 9.3 Any athlete whose selection is not ratified by the Athletics NZ Board in accordance with this Selection Policy may appeal their non-selection to the New Zealand Sports Tribunal providing they:
- a) Submit a notice of their intention to appeal their non-selection in writing to the CEO of Athletics NZ ([Peter Pfitzinger](#)) within 48 hours of the decision of the Athletics NZ Board being published on the Athletics NZ website (i.e. the Selection Announcement).

- 9.4 Any appeal will be considered by the Sports Tribunal under its Rules and the grounds for an appeal will be as set out in those Rules. This provision will apply in relation to non-selection appeals. General provisions relating to appeals in the Constitution and Regulations of Athletics NZ will not apply.

10. VILLAGE PRE-ENTRY PROOF OF FITNESS

- 10.1 All selections for the 2022 WIC remain conditional until each athlete has met their Village Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness.
- 10.2 All Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness will be confirmed by the 2022 WIC Team Leader in consultation with the athlete and their coach.
- 10.3 The time frame for all athletes to achieve specific Village Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness will be at the discretion of the 2022 WIC Team Leader. However, generally it will be prior to them leaving for the 2022 WIC from New Zealand or their place of residence.
- 10.4 Generally, failure by a selected athlete to meet the Village Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness may result in that athlete who has been selected to the team being withdrawn from the 2020 WIC. Such a decision is at the discretion of the 2022 WIC Team Leader and the Convenor.
- 10.5 Athletics NZ reserves the right to select a replacement athlete if any athlete is withdrawn or otherwise fails to meet the requirements set out in this Selection Policy.

11. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 11.1 This Selection Policy may be amended at any time prior to the Selection Announcement by the Athletics NZ Board. Any amendment will be published on the Athletics NZ website.

Funding

- 11.2 A travel expenses contribution of at least \$3000 per athlete will be covered by the ANZ-HP Programme.

Note: The ANZ-HP Programme cannot currently commit to fully covering the cost of flights, insurances, COVID testing and/or quarantine/isolation expenses. It is not currently possible to budget for these costs. We will re-visit as we receive more clarity regarding post-Covid international travel logistics.

Team Leader/Coach/Staff Appointments

- 11.3 The 2022 WIC Team Leader will be named by 5pm Monday 7 March 2022.
- 11.4 The 2022 WIC Team Leader will identify a shortlist of possible team coaches or additional support staff and liaise with them regarding their availability for the 2022 WIC.
- 11.5 For further information regarding staff appointments contact [Brianna Maynard](#).

12. ADDITIONAL COMPETITION INFORMATION

- 12.1 For further information regarding the 2022 WIC refer to the [website](#) or contact [Brianna Maynard](#).