

2023 BUDAPEST WORLD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION POLICY, 19-27 August

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 will consider athletes for selection to compete at the 2023 Budapest World Athletics (“WA”) Championships (the “2023 WCs”).
- 1.2** The 2023 WCs is an Athletics NZ “Black Singlet” competition (i.e. an Olympic Games (“OGs”), Paralympic Games, senior WA/World Para Athletics Track & Field World Championships or a Commonwealth Games).
- 1.3** The specific selection philosophy for this Championships is to select athletes who are deemed capable of performing at a truly world class level and with distinction at the Championships. This means:
- i. Individual athletes deemed capable of a Top 16 placing at the 2023 WCs; OR,
 - ii. Individual athletes that have not previously competed at a senior WA World (outdoor) Championships or Olympic Games who are aged 22 years or younger on 31 December 2023 and are deemed to be tracking towards a Top 16 placing at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games; OR, Relay Team(s) that are eligible to be entered at the 2023 WCs.

2. SELECTION PANEL

- 2.1** The Selection Panel (“**the Selectors**”) to consider and select athletes for the 2023 WCs is:
- a) Stephen Brown (“**Convenor**”)
 - b) Craig Motley
 - c) Jo Mersh
- 2.2** The Athletics NZ Board reserves the right to replace any member of the Selection Panel at any time and for any reason.

3. CONDITIONS OF SELECTION

Individual Events

- 3.1** As a condition of selection for the 2023 WCs in an Individual Event an athlete must:
- a) Be a registered member of Athletics NZ at the time of achieving (within the relevant qualification period):
 - i. A 2023 WCs Entry Standard (as set out in Schedule 1); OR,
 - ii. Performances that are recorded on the WA “[Road to Budapest](#)” rankings site; AND,
 - b) Have satisfied all WA eligibility, nationality and participation requirements, including those set out in clause 5; AND,
 - c) Enter into an athlete agreement with Athletics NZ; AND,
 - d) Be and remain in “good standing” with Athletics NZ and at all times comply with all Athletics NZ and WA 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 the team into disrepute; AND,
 - e) Have competed at the relevant Compulsory Selection Competition in the event they are seeking selection, or otherwise:
 - i. Have been granted dispensation from the Convenor not to compete at the relevant Compulsory Selection Competition (as set out in clauses 6.4 and 6.5); OR,

- ii. Have received acknowledgement from the Convenor of an impaired performance at a relevant Compulsory Selection Competition as a result of injury or illness that occurred during the competition, or during the seven days prior the competition and can be verified by the provision of a Registered Medical Practitioner or Registered Physiotherapist certificate (as set out in clauses 6.6 and 6.7); AND,
 - f) Have not:
 - i. Used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected, would have constituted doping; OR,
 - ii. Used any prohibited method or committed any other doping offence as defined in [Athletics NZ Integrity Regulations](#) or [WA Anti-Doping Regulations or WA Integrity Regulations](#); AND,
 - g) Consult with and receive approval from the 2023 WCs Team Leader (Scott Newman) to compete in distances of half marathon (or further), or 10km race walk (or further), after Monday 26 June 2023; AND,
 - h) Comply with any Covid-19 or infectious disease mandates or obligations imposed as a requirement to attend the 2023 WCs. Where required, athletes must be prepared to show evidence of satisfactory vaccination to any infectious diseases (including Covid-19) as required by the Athletics NZ medical team prior to coming into the ANZ-HP Pre-entry Camp and/or Village. In the absence of proof of vaccination or immunity, athletes will be required to undertake said vaccinations unless there is a medical contraindication, or an exemption is provided by Athletics NZ.
 - i) Be able to be entered in accordance with the [2023 WCs Qualification System](#).
- 3.2** The Selectors may impose any other conditions upon selected athletes, that in their sole discretion they may determine.

Relay Athletes

- 3.3** As a condition of selection for the 2023 WCs as a member of a Relay Team, an athlete must be a registered member of Athletics NZ and comply with all requirements set out in clauses 3.1b, 3.1c, 3.1d, 3.1e, 3.1f, 3.1h; and 3.1i.

4. SELECTION CONSIDERATIONS

All selections remain conditional until the Final Selection Announcement on Sunday 6th August 2023. On or before the Final Selection Announcement the Selectors will have determined whether each conditionally selected athlete has met all the selection and entry conditions required within this Selection Policy.

Individual Events

4.1 Qualification periods for selection in Individual Events:

- a) Athletes achieving a 2023 WCs Entry Standard must do so during the following WA Qualification Periods to be considered for conditional selection.

Events	WA Qualification Periods
Marathon and 35km Race Walk	1 December 2021 to 30 May 2023
Combined Events, 10,000m and 20km Race Walk	31 January 2022 to 30 July 2023
Throws, Jumps, Sprints, Hurdles, 800m, 1500m, 5,000m and 3,000m Steeplechase	31 July 2022 to 30 July 2023

- b) Athletes who have not achieved a 2023 WCs Entry Standard, must fulfill the requirements for conditional selection outlined in clause 4.3 during the following Athletics NZ Qualification Periods.

Events	Athletics NZ Qualification Periods
Combined Events, 10,000m and 20km Race Walk	31 January 2022 to 2 April 2023
Throws, Jumps, Sprints, Hurdles, 800m, 1500m, 5,000m and 3,000m Steeplechase	31 July 2022 to 2 April 2023

- c) Athletes who have not achieved a 2023 WCs Entry Standard but have received an Exceptional Circumstances Extension (as set out in clause 4.14), must fulfill the requirements for selection outlined in clauses 4.5a and 4.5b of this Selection Policy during the following Athletics NZ Qualification Period Extensions.

Athletes who have received an <u>Exceptional Circumstances Extension</u> for the following Events:	Athletics NZ Qualification Period Extension for Exceptional Circumstances
Combined Events, 10,000m, 20km Race Walk, Throws, Jumps, Sprints, Hurdles, 800m, 1500m, 5,000m and 3,000m Steeplechase	3 April 2023 to 30 July 2023

Initial Conditional Selection Announcement

- 4.2** On or before the Initial Conditional Selection Announcement (Friday 14 April 2023), the Selectors will consider for conditional selection up to two athletes per Individual Event that have achieved the 2023 WCs Entry Standard during the Athletics NZ Qualification Periods and are deemed capable of achieving a Top 16 placing at the 2023 WCs or, for those athletes who are aged 22 or younger on 31 December 2023, are deemed capable of a Top 16 placing at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games.
- 4.3** On or before the Initial Conditional Selection Announcement (Friday 14 April 2023), the Selectors will also consider for conditional selection athletes for Individual Events that meet at least one of the following criteria:
- a) Athletes that have not previously competed at a senior WA World (outdoor) Championships or Olympic Games or athletes who are aged 22 years or younger on 31 December 2023 that:
 - i. Are tracking positively towards capability of achieving a Top 16 placing at either the 2023 WCs or the 2024 Paris Olympic Games; AND,
 - ii. Are Ranked on the [Road to Budapest](#) website in the Top 38 on Wednesday 5 April 2023, or at such later time that the competition results up to 2nd April 2023 are incorporated in the Rankings.
 - b) Athletes aged 23 years or older on 31 December 2023 who have previously competed at a senior WA World (outdoor) Championships or Olympic Games that:
 - i. Have demonstrated they are capable of achieving a Top 16 placing at the 2023 WCs; AND,
 - ii. Are Ranked on the [Road to Budapest](#) website in the Top 30 on Wednesday 5th April 2023, or at such later time that the competition results up to 2nd April 2023 are incorporated in the Rankings.

Other Conditional Selection Announcements

- 4.4** At any stage after the 15th April 2023 and before the WA Qualification Periods end, the Selectors will consider for conditional selection (up to a total of 2 athletes per event, including those already announced) athletes that have achieved the 2023 WCs Entry Standard Periods and are deemed capable of achieving a Top 16 placing at the 2023 WCs or, for those athletes who are aged 22 or younger on 31 December 2023, are deemed capable of a Top 16 placing at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games.

Final Selection Announcement

- 4.5** On or before the Final Selection Announcement (Sunday 6 August 2023), the Selectors will consider for selection athletes in Individual Events that meet at least one of the following criteria:
- a) Athletes that have not previously competed at a senior WA World (outdoor) Championships or Olympic Games or athletes who are aged 22 years or younger on 31 December 2023, that have been granted an exceptional circumstances extension by the [Convenor](#) that:
 - i. Are tracking positively towards capability of achieving a Top 16 placing at either the 2023 WCs or the 2024 Paris Olympic Games; AND,
 - ii. Are Ranked on the [Road to Budapest](#) in the Top 38 (10,000m Top 27 and Combined Events Top 24) on Thursday 3 August 2023; OR,
 - b) Athletes aged 23 years or older on 31 December 2023 who have previously competed at a senior WA World (outdoor) Championships or Olympic Games that have been granted an exceptional circumstances extension by the [Convenor](#) that:

- i. Have demonstrated they are capable of achieving a Top 16 placing at the 2023 WCs; AND,
- ii. Are Ranked on the [Road to Budapest](#) website in the Top 30 (10,000m Top 27 and Combined Events Top 24) on Thursday 3 August 2023.

4.6 On or before the Final Selection Announcement (Sunday 6 August 2023), the Selectors will consider for selection, whether conditionally selected athletes have met the conditions of their selection.

Winners of the 2022 Oceania Championships

4.7 Having won the 2022 Oceania Area Championships does not make an athlete automatically eligible to be considered for selection for Budapest. The points achieved at the 2022 Area Championships are retained in an athlete's world rankings score until the next Area Championships.

Other Factors

4.8 The Selectors may consider any combination of factors that they deem relevant in their decision whether or not to select an athlete, including but not limited to an athlete's:

- a) Performance at the NZ Track & Field Championships
- b) Performance at the Australian Track & Field Championships
- c) Potential to be highly competitive at the 2024 Paris OGs
- d) Competitive record against other athletes under consideration for selection in the same event
- e) Quality and consistency of performances during the WA Qualification Periods
- f) Commitment and focus on competing at the 2023 WCs
- g) History of performances at previous international competitions
- h) Recent injuries or illness

4.9 In any decision regarding the selection of athletes for the 2023 WCs team, the Selectors may, in their sole discretion, also take into account any extenuating circumstances, including but not limited to:

- a) Travel delays
- b) Equipment failure
- c) Bereavement or personal misfortune
- d) Any other factors reasonably considered by the Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances

4.10 The Selectors, in consultation with the ANZ-HP Director (Scott Newman), may at their sole discretion and for any reason, where permitted by WA, nominate additional athletes ranked outside the WA target field sizes for consideration for entry into the Championships. The provisions of clauses 4.3 a. ii., 4.3 b. ii., 4.5 a. ii. and 4.5 b. ii. will not apply in such circumstances.

Extenuating Circumstances

4.11 If at any stage during the relevant Qualification Period an athlete is unable to compete to the best of their ability, they must advise the [Convenor](#) in writing of the extenuating circumstances and the reasons/details (accompanied by a Registered Medical Practitioner or Registered Physiotherapist certificate if applicable) as soon as the extenuating circumstances are known (or at least within seven days). If the [Convenor](#) is not notified in writing of any extenuating circumstances in accordance with this Selection Policy, then the Selectors have no obligation to rely on or to take into account such circumstances.

Relay Teams/Athletes

4.12 Relay Teams can qualify for the 2023 WCs in accordance with the [2023 WCs Qualification System](#) by being one of the best Ranked teams at the end of the WA Relays Qualification Period to fill the remaining 9 - 16 places. [Placings 1 - 8](#) have already been secured from results at the 2022 Eugene WCs.

4.13 In consultation with the ANZ-HP Director ([Scott Newman](#)), the Athletics NZ Relays Event Group Lead and/or relevant appointed relays coaches, the Selection Panel will consider athletes for selection to the Relay teams that have met the eligibility requirements stipulated in clause 3.3.

Exceptional Circumstances Extension

4.14 An Exceptional Circumstances Extension may be granted at the discretion of the [Convenor](#). Applications for such extensions need to be received by the [Convenor](#) by 5pm Sunday 2 April 2023.

Top 16 Placing Capability for Individual Events

- 4.15** In determining whether or not an athlete is capable of achieving a Top 16 placing at the 2023 WCs, the Selectors will consider any combination of factors that they deem relevant to their decision, including but not limited to:
- a) Whether or not the athlete's performance during the 2023 WA Qualification Period consistently matched or exceeded the performances achieved by athletes that finished in the Top 16 at the Tokyo OGs and/or the 2022 WCs or that those athletes achieved during the respective Qualification Periods for those meets.
 - b) Whether or not the athlete's performance record during the 2023 WA Qualification Period is of a sufficient quality and depth that the Selectors believe it demonstrates that the athlete will be competitive at the 2023 WCs and perform creditably at the 2024 Paris OGs.
 - c) Whether or not the athlete's 'performance tracking data' indicates they are tracking towards a Top 16 placing at the 2023 WCs or for athletes who are aged 22 years or younger on 31 December 2023, tracking towards top 16 at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games.
 - d) Performance record against their key rival competitors at key meets during the Athletics NZ Qualification Period or Athletics NZ Qualification Period Extensions.
 - e) Performance trajectory over the last 3 years, particularly for first time athletes that have had limited opportunity to access higher-level meets.
 - f) Proven ability to perform in championships conditions (i.e. rounds, semis and a final), particularly in events that require tactics.

Seeking Permission to Start in an Additional Event

- 4.16** Athletes conditionally selected or anticipating being selected in either an Individual Event or Relay can seek permission to start in an additional event by placing a request for consideration with the Team Leader [Scott Newman](#) no later than 5pm Friday 28 July 2023.
- 4.17** Requests for permission to start in additional events will be considered on the basis of whether or not:
- a) Competing in the additional event would have a detrimental effect on the priority event for which the athlete gained selection; AND,
 - b) The athlete can be entered into the additional event in accordance with the WA [2023 WCs Qualification System](#).

5. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Age Requirements

- 5.1** U20 Athletes aged 18 or 19 years on the 31 December 2023 (i.e. born in 2004 or 2005) may compete in any event except the Marathon and the 35km Race Walk.
- 5.2** U18 Athletes aged 16 or 17 years on the 31 December 2023 (i.e. born in 2006 or 2007) may compete in any event except the throwing events, the Combined Events, 10,000m, Marathon and the Race Walk events.
- 5.3** Athletes younger than 16 years on the 31 December 2023 (i.e. born in 2008 or later) cannot be entered in any event.

Individual Events

- 5.4** Member Federations may confirm a maximum of 3 athletes per Individual Event.

Marathon Events

- 5.5** Member Federations can only enter athletes in Marathon events if they have achieved their entry performance at an WA accepted Marathon Competition (i.e. as listed on the WA website).

Race Walk Events

- 5.6** Member Federations can only enter athletes in Race Walks Events if they have achieved their entry performance at an WA accepted Race Walks Competition (i.e. as listed on the WA website).

Relays

- 5.7** Member Federations may enter one Relay Team of up to six athletes in each Relay Event as long as the relevant Relay Team has achieved the WA qualifying requirements as set out in clause 4.12.

Note: Athletes competing in an Individual Event that corresponds to a Relay Team (i.e. 100m corresponds to the 4x100m and 400m corresponds to the 4x400m) must be listed among the 6 athletes for the respective Relay Team (i.e. each athlete takes a “slot” even if the Member Federation does not intend for them to run in the Relay Team).

6. **COMPULSORY SELECTION COMPETITIONS**

6.1 The following are the Compulsory Selection Competitions for the 2023 WCs:

- a) Athletics New Zealand 2023 Combined Events Championships, Whanganui, 25-26 February 2023
- b) Athletics NZ Track & Field Championships, Wellington, 2-5 March 2023

6.2 There will be no Compulsory Selection Competition for the Marathon, 10,000m or Race Walks Events.

6.3 All athletes seeking selection for the 2023 WCs must have either:

- a) Competed in the relevant Compulsory Selection Competition in the event most relevant to the event in which they are seeking selection; OR,
- b) Received dispensation from the relevant Compulsory Selection Competition as set out in clauses 6.4 and 6.5; OR,
- c) Received a medical exemption from the [Convenor](#) as set out in clause 6.6.

Dispensations Not to Compete at Compulsory Selection Competitions

6.4 Athletes seeking dispensation from competing at either of the Compulsory Selection Competitions (other than a medical exemption covered by clause 6.6) must make a request by email to the [Convenor](#) no later than seven days prior to the competition.

6.5 Dispensations from either of the Compulsory Selection Competitions will be at the sole discretion of the [Convenor](#) and will generally only be granted to athletes in exceptional circumstances and may be granted with or without conditions.

Medical Exemption from Compulsory Selection Competitions

6.6 Athletes that are unable to effectively compete at their relevant Compulsory Selection Competition as a result of injury or illness that occurred during the competition, or during the seven days prior to the competition, must make a request for a Medical Exemption by e-mail to the [Convenor](#) as soon as they are aware of their situation, but no later than 48 hours after the conclusion of the relevant Compulsory Selection Competition. Such requests must be accompanied by a copy of a Registered Medical Practitioner or Registered Physiotherapist certificate to verify the situation.

Requirements for athletes granted a Dispensation or a Medical Exemption

6.7 Athletes who are granted a dispensation or a medical exemption from competing at a Compulsory Selection Competition will generally be required to complete an alternative Proof of Fitness trial by a date agreed between the athlete, their personal coach (if applicable) and the [Convenor](#) in consultation with the 2023 WCs Team Leader (Scott Newman).

7. **SELECTION PROCESS AND ANNOUNCEMENT DATES**

Step 1	Initial Selection The Selection Panel will select Individuals and Relay Teams in accordance with the criteria set out in this Selection Policy.
Step 2	Board Ratification The Selectors provide the Athletics NZ Board with details of the process undertaken by the Selection Panel in relation to the athletes they have selected. The Athletics NZ Board ratifies the selections (conditional or otherwise) prior to each Selection Announcement.
Step 3	Initial Conditional Selection Announcement The Initial Conditional Selection Announcement will be published on the Athletics NZ website by 5pm Friday 14 April 2023 and will include conditionally selected athletes who have met clauses 4.2 and 4.3 (up to a maximum of two athletes per event).
Step 4	Additional Conditional Selection Announcements

	Additional Conditional Selection Announcements (up to a maximum of two athletes per event) of athletes who have met clause 4.4, can be published on the Athletics NZ website at any stage after the 15 th April 2023 and before the WA Qualification Period ends.
Step 5	Final Selection Announcement The Final Selection Announcement of athletes confirmed as selected for the 2023 WCs will be published on the Athletics NZ website by 5pm on Sunday 6 August 2023.

8. **CONDITIONAL SELECTION QUERIES & APPEALS PROCESS**

- 8.1** Athletes can query their non selection (conditional or otherwise) after any of the applicable Selection Announcements by contacting the [Convenor](#).
- 8.2** Any athlete whose selection is not ratified by the Athletics NZ Board in accordance with this Selection Policy may appeal this to the New Zealand Sports Tribunal providing they submit a notice of their intention to appeal their non selection in writing to the [CEO of Athletics NZ](#) within two business days of the applicable Selection Announcement being published on the Athletics NZ website.
- a) Initial Conditional Selection Announcement: appeals window closes 5pm Tuesday 18th April 2023
- b) Final Selection Announcement: appeals window closes 5pm Tuesday 8th August 2023
- 8.3** 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. General provisions relating to appeals in the Athletics NZ Constitution and Regulations of Athletics NZ will not apply.

9. **PRE-ENTRY PROOF OF FITNESS REQUIREMENTS**

- 9.1** Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness requirements will be confirmed by the 2023 WCs Team Leader (Scott Newman) in consultation with the athlete and their coach.
- 9.2** The time frame for all athletes to complete all Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness requirements will be at the discretion of the 2023 WCs Team Leader (Scott Newman). This may require satisfaction prior to them leaving for the 2023 WCs from New Zealand or their place of residence.
- 9.3** Failure by a selected athlete to meet the Pre-Entry Proof of Fitness requirements may result in that athlete's selection for the team being withdrawn. Such a decision is the responsibility of the 2023 WCs Team Leader (Scott Newman) based on feedback and advice from the Selectors and relevant medical personnel.

10. **GENERAL INFORMATION**

- 10.1** This Selection Policy may be amended at any time prior to the Final Selection Announcement (Sunday 6 August 2023) by the Athletics NZ Board. Any amendment will be published on the Athletics NZ website.

Funding

- 10.2** A travel expenses contribution of at least \$3,000 per athlete will be covered by the ANZ-HP Programme.
- 10.3** Accommodation and a contribution to the costs of meals for athletes attending the Pre-Camp (France) will be covered by the ANZ-HP Programme for approximately 10 days prior to the 2023 WCs.
- 10.4** Accommodation and the costs of meals for athletes competing at the 2023 WCs for the duration of the Championships will be covered by the ANZ-HP Programme.
- 10.5** Some support may be available for personal coaches of athletes in Individual Events attending the Pre-Camp and/or 2023 WCs.

Team Leader/Coach/Staff Appointments

- 10.6** The 2023 WCs Team Leader is Scott Newman.
- 10.7** The 2023 WCs Team Leader will identify a shortlist of possible team coaches and or additional support staff and liaise with them regarding their availability for the 2023 WCs.
- 10.8** For further information regarding staff appointments contact [Kat Austin](#).

SCHEDULE 1**World Athletics Budapest World Championships
Entry Standards**

Athletes who achieve the following 2023 WCs entry standards during the WA Qualification Periods may be considered for selection. Achieving a 2023 WCs entry standard gives no right or guarantee of selection.

Men	Event	Women
10.00	100m	11.08
20.16	200m	22.60
45.00	400m	51.00
1:44.70	800m	1:59.80
3:34.20 / 3:51.00	1500m / Mile	4:03.50 / 4:22.00
13:07.00 / 13:07	5000m / 5k Road	14:57.00 / 14:57
27:10.00 / 27:10	10,000m / 10k Road	30:40.00 / 30:40
2hr09:40	Marathon	2hr28:00
8:15.00	3000m SC	9:23.00
13.28	110m H/100m H	12.78
48.70	400m H	54.90
2.32	High Jump	1.97
5.81	Pole Vault	4.71
8.25	Long Jump	6.85
17.20	Triple Jump	14.52
21.40	Shot Put	18.80
67.00	Discus Throw	64.20
78.00	Hammer Throw	73.60
85.20	Javelin Throw	63.80
-	Heptathlon	6480pts
8460pts	Decathlon	-
1hr20:10	20km Race Walk	1hr29:20
2hr29:40	35km Race Walk	2hr51:30
Top 8 at Oregon WC + 8 from Top Lists	4x100m	Top 8 at Oregon WC + 8 from Top Lists
Top 8 at Oregon WC + 8 from Top Lists	4x400m	Top 8 at Oregon WC + 8 from Top Lists
Top 8 at Oregon WC + 8 from Top Lists	4x400m Mixed	Top 8 at Oregon WC + 8 from Top Lists