



## Selection Policy - Athletics NSW Relay Squads

2019 Australian All Schools Championships

Western Australian Athletics Stadium, Perth

6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Athletes who are selected in the New South Wales team for the Australian All Schools Championships for relevant events will be selected in initial relay squads.

It is the responsibility of the athlete to be aware of the National competition timetable where individual events may impact their availability to compete in a relay, or where competition in an individual event may inhibit adequate recovery time prior to a relay.

Relay squad members will be selected based on legal performances (not wind assisted) recorded during the 2019 New South Wales All Schools Championships, as well as performances recorded at the 2019 Australian All Schools Championships, at least three hours prior to commencement of the relay. No other performances will be considered outside of these two events. Team selection will be completed by NSW State Team Management Staff. Personal coaches, parents and athletes will have no input in the selection process.

A minimum of six (6) athletes will be named in the initial team announcement prior to departure for the National Championships (Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019). Athletes who are named are required to advise NSW State Team Management whether they wish to accept this initial position, and advise of any circumstances that may affect their participation.

Following the initial squad announcement, selected athletes will be requested to attend a squad training session to be held at Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre prior to departure. Training sessions will be run solely by Athletics NSW Team Staff, personal coaches will not be permitted to have input into the training session. The same applies for competition warm up at the National Championships, Athletics NSW State Team Management will have sole responsibility for the warm up and preparation of relay squads prior to the relay event.

Athletes who fail to attend the pre-departure training session without adequate reasoning, or fail to present for relay warm-up at competition may be excluded from final selection into the competing team. Selectors will name the final composition of each relay team by selecting four athletes from the relay squad. Selectors reserve the right to name the final team three hours prior to the event start time.

Selectors reserve the right to name an athlete in the final team who was not named in the initial selection if extenuating circumstances prevent one of the initial athletes from fulfilling their position in the team.