



New South Wales Selection Policy

2018 Australian Cross Country Championships
Saturday 25th August,
Maleny Golf Course, Sunshine Coast

Athletics New South Wales (ANSW) will be selecting athletes to represent the state at the 2018 Australian Cross Country Championships as part of the NSW team in Under 14, Under 16, Under 18, Under 20 and Open age groups.

Multi-class athletes will also be selected in the Under 14, Under 16 and Under 20 age groups.

NOMINATIONS

All athletes wishing to be selected in the NSW team for the 2018 Cross Country Championships must submit a nomination via the online portal. Nominations are now open and will close **9:00am Tuesday 10th July**. There is no cost to nominate during this period.

There will be a late nomination portal open from **5:00pm Tuesday 10th July** and will close **5:00pm Friday 13th July**. All late nominations will incur a \$20.00 late fee.

No nominations will be accepted after **5:00pm Friday 13th July** for any reason.

All nominations must be submitted through the online portal. Nominations will not be accepted in any other format. If you do not nominate, you cannot be selected.

SELECTION EVENTS

Athletes will be selected into the Athletics NSW Cross Country team based on performances at the following event:

- Waratah Series Challenge Inc. Greater Bank Fun 5 (NSW Cross Country Championships)
Saturday 23rd June, Nowra

All athletes wishing to be selected MUST compete in this event, have submitted a nomination and meet the eligibility criteria.

UNDER 14, UNDER 16 AND UNDER 18 TEAM SELECTION

Athletics NSW will select **TEN** male and **TEN** female athletes in the Under 14, Under 16 and Under 18 age groups.

AUTOMATIC SELECTIONS

The top **FIVE** eligible performances at the 2018 Athletics NSW Cross Country Championships (23rd June, Nowra) in the Under 14, Under 16, Under 18 age groups will be **automatically** selected into the NSW Team (pending nomination and eligibility criteria have been met).

DISCRETIONARY SELECTIONS

An additional **FIVE** male and **FIVE** female athletes will be selected to each age group based on performances at the Athletics NSW Cross Country Championships (23rd June, Nowra), and other Athletics NSW winter series events.

Results from other relevant events may be considered, provided they are Athletics Australia permit events (i.e. interstate cross country championships), and the results are publicly available online. Athletes must provide specific details about their performance in order for it to be verified.

UNDER 20 TEAM SELECTION

Athletics New South Wales will select **SIX** male and **SIX** female athletes in the under 20 age group who will score points towards a team total (Official Scoring Representatives). An additional **TEN** male and **TEN** female athletes will also be selected and will run as Official Non-Scoring Representatives for New South Wales.

There is no restriction on the number of athletes allowed in the Under 20 age group, therefore any athletes who are not selected as official representatives will be permitted to race as Additional Competitors (AC) (pending nomination and eligibility criteria have been met).

AUTOMATIC SELECTIONS

The top **THREE** male and **THREE** female eligible performances at the 2018 Athletics NSW Cross Country Championships (23rd June, Nowra) in the Under 20 age group will be **automatically** selected into the Athletics NSW team (pending nomination and eligibility criteria have been met). These three athletes will be official scoring runners for New South Wales.

The next best **THREE** male and **THREE** female eligible performances at the 2018 Athletics NSW Cross Country Championships (23rd June, Nowra) will also achieve a **secondary automatic** selection. These athletes may still be considered as the discretionary selections for the top six scoring athletes (see below).

DISCRETIONARY SELECTIONS

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Results from other relevant events may be considered, provided they are Athletics Australia permit events (i.e. interstate cross country championships), and the results are publicly available online. Athletes must provide specific details about their performance in order for it to be verified.

From this pool of **TEN** athletes from each gender, plus the **THREE** athletes who achieved secondary automatic selections, the remaining three official-scoring positions will be filled. The other ten athletes will make up the official non-scoring positions.

OPEN ATHLETE TEAM SELECTION

Athletics New South Wales will select **SIX** male and **SIX** female athletes as Official Representatives (OR) who will represent the state and score points towards a team total.

There is no restriction on the number of athletes allowed in the Open age group, therefore any athletes who are not selected as official representatives will be permitted to race as Additional Competitors (AC) (pending nomination and eligibility criteria have been met).

AUTOMATIC SELECTIONS

The top **THREE** male and **THREE** female eligible performances at the 2018 Athletics NSW Cross Country Championships (23rd June, Nowra) in the open age group will be **automatically** selected into the Athletics NSW team (pending nomination and eligibility criteria have been met).

DISCRETIONARY SELECTIONS

In the Open age group, an additional **THREE** male and **THREE** female athletes will be selected based on performances at the Athletics NSW Cross Country Championships (23rd June, Nowra), and other Athletics NSW winter series events.

Results from other relevant events may be considered, provided they are Athletics Australia permit events (i.e. interstate cross country championships), and the results are publicly available online. Athletes must provide specific details about their performance in order for it to be verified.

UNDER 14, UNDER 16 AND UNDER 20 MULTI-CLASS ATHLETES TEAM SELECTION

Multi-class athletes who nominate and meet the eligibility criteria, will be selected into the Athletics NSW Cross Country team based on performances at the NSW Cross Country Championships (23rd June, Nowra), with a maximum of **SIX** athletes in each age group.

If more than six athletes qualify and nominate in one age group, the Athletics NSW selection panel will determine the top who will be selected.

Multi-class athletes are also required to achieve the qualifying standard for their classification in order to be selected (see notes). All multi-class athlete selections will be **discretionary selections**.

DISCRETIONARY SELECTION – PANEL

All discretionary selections will be determined by a panel appointed by Athletics NSW. All decisions made by the panel will be final, no appeals will be accepted.

Results from Athletics New South Wales competitions will be weighted more heavily than Non-Athletics New South Wales events for discretionary selections.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

All athletes wishing to be selected in the Athletics NSW team must:

1. Be a current member of Athletics NSW through one of the registered clubs.
2. Be a minimum of 12 years of age as at 31 December 2018
3. Have competed at the Athletics NSW Cross Country Championships (23rd June, Nowra), and at least **ONE** other Athletics NSW winter series event.
4. Multi-class athletes must have at least a provisional classification and must have achieved the qualifying standard for their classification.

ATHLETICS NSW WINTER SERIES EVENTS

Waratah Series St. George Classic

Waratah Series Sydney 10 & Greater Bank Fun Run

Waratah Series Relays

Waratah Series Challenge Inc. Greater Bank Fun 5

Waratah Series Short Course + Greater Bank Fun 5

Saturday 21st April, Ramsgate

Saturday 5th May, SOPAC

Saturday 26th May, Miranda Park

Saturday 23rd June, Nowra

Sunday 8th July, West Dapto

KEY DATES

Saturday 23 rd June	Athletics NSW Cross Country Championships, Nowra
Saturday 23 rd June	Athletics NSW Team Nomination Portal Opens (9:00am)
Tuesday 10 th July	Athletics NSW Team Nomination Portal Closes (9:00am)
Tuesday 10 th July	Athletics NSW Team LATE Nomination Portal Opens (5:00pm)
Friday 13 th July	Athletics NSW Team LATE Nomination Portal Closes (5:00pm)
Monday 16 th July	Athletics NSW Selection Panel to meet
Tuesday 17 th July	Athletics NSW Team announced and athletes notified
Tuesday 24 th July	Athletics NSW team registrations due (5:00pm)

NOTES ON SELECTION

1. Athletics NSW and School Sport NSW will be sending two separate teams to compete at these championships. The Athletics NSW team will be selected and confirmed prior to the School Sport NSW Championships. All registrations for the Athletics NSW team will be finalised by **Tuesday 24th July**.

If an athlete confirms their position in the Athletics NSW team, is then selected in the School Sport NSW team and chooses to take up that position instead, they will forfeit their position in the NSW Athletics team.

2. Following the close of nominations, Athletics NSW will select its team and successful athletes will be notified via the email address supplied within their nomination. Athletes must then complete the online registration via the link emailed to them in order to confirm their position in the team. Registrations are due at **5:00pm, Tuesday 24th July**.

No registrations will be accepted after this deadline for any reason. Any athlete who is selected within the team and fails to complete their registration will be deemed to have declined their position. **Athletics NSW will not be replacing any athlete who fails to register.**

3. As is outlined in the entry rules for the Australian Cross Country Championships, Athletics NSW is permitted to select more than ten athletes in the Under 20 and Open age groups. In these age groups, ten 'Official Representatives' (OR) will be selected as the primary team. Other athletes who nominate and meet the eligibility criteria may be accepted and may compete at the Australian Championships as "Additional Competitors" (AC).
4. Athletics NSW reserves the right to amend this policy at any time if it is deemed that such an amendment is necessary as a result of any change in Athletics Australia's participation rules, or if any new information comes to hand. Any new information will be published on the ANSW website if and when it becomes available.

5. Age for all event groups is calculated as at **31 December 2018**. Age groups are outlined as follows:

- Under 14: Born 01 January 2005 – 31 December 2006
- Under 16: Born 01 January 2003 – 31 December 2004
- Under 18: Born 01 January 2001 – 31 December 2002
- Under 20: Born 01 January 1999 – 31 December 2000
- Open: athletes may be of any age but will need to provide evidence that they are of the ability to compete in this age group.

Athletes must be a **minimum** of twelve years of age to compete at these championships (must turn 12 in the year of competition).

6. If there are any discrepancies between the information contained within this document and any other information regarding the Athletics NSW team for the 2018 Australian Cross Country Championships, the details within this document shall prevail.
7. The selection panel who will determine discretionary selection of athletes, will be appointed by Athletics NSW and will have sole authority over these selections.
8. Following the close of nominations, Athletics NSW will select its team and successful athletes will be notified via the email address supplied within their nomination. Athletes must then complete the online registration via the link emailed to them in order to confirm their position in the team. Registrations are due at **5:00pm, Tuesday 24th July**.

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9. All Official representatives within the Athletics NSW team will be required to wear the Athletics NSW state team uniform. Athletes in the Under 20 and Open age groups who are selected as Additional Competitors may choose to wear the state team uniform, but it is not required. More information about uniform purchase will be supplied to athletes once selected within the team.

MULTI-CLASS ATHLETES QUALIFYING STANDARDS

CLASS	GIRLS 3000M			BOYS 3000M		
	13 YEARS	14-15 YEARS	16-19 YEARS	13 YEARS	14-15 YEARS	16-19 YEARS
T01	17:58.8	17:27.0	16:55.3	18:00.3	17:31.1	17:01.9
T11	24:38.7	23:55.2	23:11.7	21:27.7	20:52.9	20:18.1
T12	21:09.9	20:32.5	19:55.2	16:47.0	16:19.8	15:52.6
T13	19:02.1	18:28.5	17:54.9	17:03.1	16:35.4	16:07.8
T20	18:25.8	17:53.3	17:20.8	16:35.3	16:08.4	15:41.5
T35 - 36	24:48.7	24:04.9	23:21.1	21:50.8	21:15.4	20:39.9
T37	22:20.2	21:40.8	21:01.4	17:47.3	17:18.4	16:49.6
T38	21:49.1	21:10.6	20:32.1	17:12.2	16:44.3	16:16.4
T44	25:18.5	24:33.8	23:49.2	25:39.3	24:57.7	24:16.1
T45 - 46	21:11.2	20:33.8	19:56.4	15:50.8	15:25.1	14:59.4
T40 - T41	39:40.0	38:30.0	37:20.0	40:29.8	39:24.2	38:18.5

NOMINATION PROCESS

All athletes vying for selection must complete the nomination form available on the Athletics NSW website. There will be **TWO** nomination portals open for the following purposes:

Portal One – Athletes who meet ALL eligibility criteria

Athletes nominating via the primary portal must meet all of the required eligibility criteria:

1. Be a current member of Athletics NSW through one of the registered clubs
2. Be a minimum of 12 years of age as at 31 December 2018
3. Have competed at the Athletics NSW Cross Country Championships (23rd June, Nowra), and at least **ONE** other Athletics NSW winter series event.

Multi-Class athletes must also meet eligibility point 4:

4. Multi-class athletes must have at least a provisional classification and must have achieved the qualifying standard for their classification.

Portal Two – Athletes who are unable to meet ALL eligibility Criteria

This secondary portal is for athletes who are unable to compete at the Athletics NSW Cross Country Championships (23rd June, Nowra) due to **exceptional circumstances** and wish to request **special consideration**. All nominations in this portal must still meet the following eligibility criteria:

1. Be a current member of Athletics NSW through one of the registered clubs
2. Be a minimum of 12 years of age as at 31 December 2018

Multi-Class athletes must also meet eligibility point 4:

3. Multi-class athletes must have at least a provisional classification and must have achieved the qualifying standard for their classification.

NOTE: Athletes are only to submit a nomination through ONE of the portals.

REGISTRATION

See 'NOTES ON SELECTION' point 2. Please note that ALL athletes whose nomination is successful will not have their place within the Athletics NSW team confirmed until they have completed their online registration.