

# INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ATHLETICS FEDERATIONS



## TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

FOR

## IAAF WORLD U18 CHAMPIONSHIPS

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### 401 GENERAL

401.1 The IAAF shall organise the IAAF World U18 Championships every two years, in odd years.

*Note: This event will be deleted from IAAF Competition Programme following the 2017 edition.*

401.2 The full event title shall be IAAF World U18 Championships followed by the venue and year of the competition. A shorter version of the event title can be considered subject to IAAF approval.

## 402 EVENTS PROGRAMME

402.1 The IAAF World U18 Championships, including the Opening Ceremony, shall be held on five consecutive days.

402.2 The programme shall comprise the following 39 events, 19 for Boys, 19 for Girls and one Mixed Relay:

### 402.2.1 Boys

100 metres	110m Hurdles (0.914m)	Discus Throw (1.5kg)
200 metres	400m Hurdles (0.838m)	Hammer Throw (5kg)
400 metres	High Jump	Javelin Throw (700g)
800 metres	Pole Vault	Decathlon
1500 metres	Long Jump	10,000m Race Walk
3000 metres	Triple Jump	
2000m Steeplechase	Shot Put (5kg)	

### 402.2.2 Girls

100 metres	100m Hurdles (0.762m)	Discus Throw (1kg)
200 metres	400m Hurdles (0.762m)	Hammer Throw (3kg)
400 metres	High Jump	Javelin Throw (500g)
800 metres	Pole Vault	Heptathlon
1500 metres	Long Jump	5000m Race Walk
3000 metres	Triple Jump	
2000m Steeplechase	Shot Put (3kg)	

### 402.2.3 Mixed

4 x 400m Relay

## 403 PARTICIPATION

### 403.1 Invitation to Participate

All IAAF Member Federations, hereafter called "Members", shall be invited by the IAAF to participate in the IAAF World U18 Championships. This invitation, in the official languages of the IAAF, shall be sent at least six months before the IAAF World U18 Championships.

The Organising Member, hereafter called "OM", shall, at the same time, also send a letter of invitation to all Members to participate.

### 403.2 Age Categories

Only athletes aged 16 or 17 on 31 December in the year of the competition (e.g. for the 2017 Championships, born in 2000 or 2001) may compete.

Team leaders must present athletes' passports upon arrival, or other official documents indicating the year of birth, to confirm ages in order for them to be photocopied by the organisers.

### 403.3 Entry Standards

403.3.1 Approximately twelve months before the IAAF World U18 Championships, the IAAF shall publish for all events, except the relays (for which there are no Entry Standards), the Entry Standards and relevant criteria.

403.3.2 The Entry Standards must be achieved during the period from 1 October in the year preceding the IAAF World U18 Championships to the closing date for final entries (403.6). Such Entry Standards must be achieved in accordance with criteria decided by IAAF.

### 403.4 Entry Rules

403.4.1 A maximum of two athletes from any one Member can compete in each event (except for Relay – [see 403.4.7]).

403.4.2 Three athletes can initially be entered per event, provided each has achieved the Entry Standard but only two will be allowed to compete.

403.4.3 The maximum number of events that an athlete can compete in is two individual events plus the Relay. If the two individual events are Track Events, only one of these two individual races may be longer than 200m.

403.4.4 **Unqualified Athletes** – Members who have no male and/or female qualified athletes whom they wish to enter in any Championships event, may enter one unqualified male athlete or one unqualified female athlete in one event of the Championships (except the Field Events [see 403.4.5] and Combined Events).

403.4.5 **Field Events** – Members who have no male and/or no female qualified athlete but whose best athlete excels in a Field Event, may submit to the IAAF, by the stipulated deadline, the name of their athlete plus performance they would like to enter in the Field Event. The Technical

Delegates will decide whether or not to accept such entry and, to do so, may seek the opinion of the relevant Area Association.

**403.4.6 Host Country** – If the host country of the IAAF World U18 Championships does not have a qualified athlete in an event, it may enter one athlete in this event regardless of any Entry Standard.

**403.4.7 Relay teams** – Every Member may enter one team for the relay race, composed by a maximum of three boys and three girls. Any four athletes (two boys and two girls) among those entered for the competition, whether for the relay or for any other event, may then be used in the composition of the team for the first round.

#### **403.5 Preliminary Entries**

IAAF shall only accept Preliminary Entries received from the Member Federation. Preliminary Entries must be submitted using the IAAF On-line Event Entry System: <http://evententry.iaaf.org>. The submission of Preliminary Entries will normally be possible from one month prior to the preliminary entry deadline which is three months before the first day of the IAAF World U18 Championships. The entries shall indicate the number of athletes and officials as well as the anticipated travel dates and accommodation requirements.

#### **403.6 Final Entries**

IAAF shall only accept Final Entries received from the Member Federation. Final Entries must be submitted using the IAAF On-line Event Entry System: <http://evententry.iaaf.org>. The submission of Final Entries on-line for the competition will be possible from one month prior to the final entry deadline which is not later than three Mondays before the first day of competition (e.g. Monday, 26 June for a competition starting on Wednesday, 12 July), midnight Monaco time. The IAAF may request a copy of the official results of the event where the performances have been achieved.

#### **403.7 Final Confirmation of Entries**

Unless otherwise specified in the Team Manual, for events held on the first day, Final Confirmation of Entries must be made before 12am (midday) the day before the first competition day and, for all subsequent days, before 9am on the day before the event.

#### **403.8 Team Uniform**

All athletes of the team shall wear the same colour competition uniform during the competition and in all ceremonies. The uniform must conform to IAAF Rules and Regulations. All Members must bring their team uniform to the accreditation centre for inspection, during the accreditation procedures.

#### **403.9 Team Officials**

The number of officials who may be entered and/or accommodated with the Team is limited and will be in accordance with the total number of athletes entered. See Appendix A.

## **404 FINANCIAL CONDITIONS**

### **404.1 Quota**

The Quota corresponds to the number of athletes for whom the IAAF and/or the LOC will provide financial support as detailed below. The quota is calculated for each Member Federation according to the number of finalists in the previous edition of the IAAF World U18 Championships (each relay team counts for two places). In any case the maximum quota for any Member is 20.

Member Federations without a set quota will have a quota of one athlete unless by the deadline for the Final Entries, they have two or more athletes (at least one boy and one girl) having achieved the standards; in this case, their quota will be increased to two.

The Host country has no quota.

### **404.2 Financial Support**

All athletes in the quota, representing Member Federations which are in Good Standing with the IAAF, will benefit from return economy class travel and full-board accommodation.

#### **404.2.1 Travel**

The IAAF will, in principle, make all the travel arrangements for the athletes, unless a specific written request is sent to the IAAF Office (by a set deadline) which includes a quote for approval. The IAAF will then confirm or reject the request. After the deadline, the IAAF reserves the right to refuse such requests.

#### **404.2.2 Accommodation**

All athletes in the quota will benefit from full-board accommodation in twin rooms paid for by the LOC and the IAAF for a maximum of seven nights during the subsidised period of the IAAF World U18 Championships.

The number of officials accommodated at subsidised rates is limited (see Appendix A). Depending on availability, the additional officials allowed may be offered accommodation at regular rates.

The accommodation invoice will be based on the entry details (number of people, arrival and departure dates) submitted by the Final Entries deadline, with a tolerance of two.

### **404.3 Competition Awards**

There are no competition awards for the IAAF World U18 Championships.

### **404.4 Penalties**

Member Federations must respect the deadlines and provide accurate information in their entries in order to avoid causing financial damage to the LOC. Failure to do so may result in the application of financial penalties as detailed below. The penalties will be debited to the account of the Member with the IAAF.

#### 404.4.1 **Respect of Deadlines**

A penalty of USD 1,000 may be imposed on any Federation which does not respect the Preliminary and/or Final Entry deadlines.

#### 404.4.2 **Realistic Entries**

A penalty of USD 1,000 per athlete, after the first two, may be imposed on Member Federations which:

- after having announced through the Preliminary Entries their participation in an IAAF competition do not take part;
- after having entered in the Preliminary Entries more than two athletes, attend the competition with a number of athletes 25% or more higher or lower than the entered number.

## 405 AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF THE IAAF COUNCIL

The IAAF Council shall:

- 405.1 approve the **Technical Regulations** of the IAAF World U18 Championships;
- 405.2 decide the **venue and date** of the IAAF World U18 Championships at the most appropriate Council Meeting to be held after the closing date for applications (normally three years before the year of the competition);
- 405.3 approve the **Entry Standards**, as proposed by the Technical Delegates for the Event, at least twelve months before the Competition;
- 405.4 approve the **Timetable of Events**, as proposed by the Technical Delegates for the Event, at least one year before the Competition;
- 405.5 approve the formula for the **Quota** and its benefit with regard to travel and accommodation, at least one year before the Competition;
- 405.6 appoint the relevant **International Delegates and Officials** (see 406.2).



## 406 DELEGATES AND OFFICIALS

### 406.1 General

- 406.1.1 The LOC shall receive IAAF Delegates and Officials as shown below. Travel and accommodation expenses (hereafter called "expenses") will be in accordance with IAAF procedures, i.e. LOC shall pay the travel costs for all Delegates in economy class and IAAF will pay the additional costs for business class (for all journeys longer than 2,500 kilometres). Full board accommodation costs are the financial responsibility of the LOC.
- 406.1.2 Whenever possible, at least on one occasion, the preparatory visits on behalf of Delegates shall be conducted simultaneously.
- 406.1.3 No IAAF appointed Delegate may be a member of his country's delegation.
- 406.1.4 All Delegates and International Officials shall act in conformity with current IAAF Rules, Regulations and Guidelines and shall have the ultimate authority in their respective fields of responsibility.
- 406.1.5 The LOC shall supply the Organisational Delegate, Technical Delegates, Press Delegate, Television Delegate, Medical / Anti-Doping Delegate and the Chief ITO with a mobile phone each, complete with a local chip and shall pay for all calls.

### 406.2 International Delegates and Officials appointed by the IAAF Council

#### 406.2.1 One Organisational Delegate (OD)

He is appointed two years before the competition.

He is the liaison between the IAAF Council, the Organising Member/Committee, the City and all other appointed Delegates. He shall, at all times, retain responsibility for ensuring that the IAAF World Youth Championships are organised to the established standards.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the Organisational Delegate for a period of not more than five days before the Competition until two days after the Competition, and for preliminary visits whenever deemed necessary by the IAAF for the successful staging of the Competition.

#### 406.2.2 Two Technical Delegates (TDs)

They are appointed two years before the competition from the panel of IAAF Delegates.

In particular, they shall submit to the Council proposals for:

- the **Entry Standards**;
- the **Timetable**, which shall have been drawn up together with LOC and been given to the relevant television authorities for comment;

Their other duties include:

- They shall approve the accommodation, together with the Organisational Delegate, for the athletes and the officials;

- They shall ensure that all technical equipment is checked and conforms to IAAF requirements;
- They shall determine and approve the make and type of **Implements** to be used at least one year before the Competition. The implements must have IAAF Certification (see 407.3.);
- A Technical Delegate shall chair the Technical Meeting.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the two Technical Delegates for not more than five days before the Competition until two days after the Competition and for preliminary visits whenever deemed necessary by the IAAF for the successful staging of the Competition.

#### 406.2.3 **Three Members of the Jury of Appeal**

They are appointed one year before the Competition and must include at least one member who is currently, or previously was, an IAAF International Technical Official. A Chairman of the Jury and a permanent Secretary to the Jury shall also be appointed.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the Members of the Jury of Appeal for a period of not more than two days before the Competition until one day after the Competition.

#### 406.2.4 **One Television Delegate**

He is appointed two years before the competition.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the Television Delegate for a period of not more than two days before the Competition until one day after the Competition, and for a maximum of two preliminary visits.

#### 406.2.5 **One Medical / Anti-Doping Delegate**

He is appointed two years before the competition.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the Medical / Anti-Doping Delegate for a period of not more than two days before the Competition until one day after the Competition, and for one preliminary visit, if it is deemed necessary.

#### 406.2.6 **One Press Delegate**

He is appointed two years before the competition.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the Press Delegate for a period of not more than three days before the Competition until one day after the Competition, and for a maximum of two preliminary visits.

#### 406.2.7 **Eight International Technical Officials (ITOs)**

They shall be appointed one year before the Competition and shall be selected from the IAAF Panel. One amongst them shall be appointed Chief ITO.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the ITOs for a period of not more than two days before the Competition until one day after the Competition.

**406.2.8 One Chief and Five Other International Race Walking Judges (IRWJs)**

They shall be appointed one year before the Competition and shall be selected from the IAAF Panel.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the IRWJs for a period of not more than two days before the first Race Walking event until one day after the last Race Walking event.

**406.2.9 One International Starter (IS)**

He is appointed one year before the competition and shall be selected from the IAAF Panel.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the IS for a period of two days before the Competition until one day after the Competition and for attending the Test Event prior to the Competition.

**406.2.10 One International Photo Finish Judge (IPFJ)**

He is appointed one year before the competition and shall be selected from the IAAF Panel.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the IPFJ for a period of two days before the Competition until one day after the Competition.

**406.2.11 Two Statisticians**

They shall be appointed one year before the competition.

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the Statisticians for a period of not more than five days before the Competition until one day after the Competition;

**406.2.12 One English Announcer**

He shall be appointed one year before the Competition

The LOC shall bear the expenses of the Announcer for a period of not more than two days before the Competition until one day after the Competition.

**406.3 National Competition Officials Appointed by the OM**

The OM is responsible for the appointment of all National Referees, Judges and other Technical Officials, whose competence must be guaranteed. The Referees must be approved by the IAAF Technical Delegates.

## 407 TECHNICAL MATTERS AND REQUIREMENTS

### 407.1 Facilities

#### 407.1.1 Main Stadium

The IAAF World U18 Championships shall be held in a stadium conforming in all respects with the requirements of IAAF Rules and must hold a Class 1 IAAF Athletic Facility Certificate.

The track facility must be of a single radius bend construction, or if of a double radius bend design, the smaller radius may not be less than 30.00m.

The infield shall be natural grass or covered in a synthetic surface approved by the IAAF.

#### 407.1.2 Warm-up Facility

It is mandatory that there be a warm-up facility, including a separate area for Long Throws within easy walking distance of the stadium.

#### 407.1.3 Training Areas

Adequate training facilities must be provided to ensure training possibilities for all events at appropriate times. The TDs shall inspect and decide upon the most suitable facilities during the Site Visit(s).

#### 407.1.4 Functional Areas

A number of technical and functional offices and rooms must be provided by the LOC.

A basic list is as follows:

- **Call Room(s)**;
- **A Mixed Zone** for Media interviews
- **A Post Event Area** where athletes are able to recover and collect their clothing
- **A Photo-finish** control room
- **A Results Management** room
- **A gathering area for the medal ceremonies**
- **A Doping Control station**, the location and layout of which needs to be agreed with the Anti-Doping Delegate;
- **A Technical Information Centre (TIC)** located at the Stadium;
- **Competition Information Desks (CIDs)** located at the athletes' accommodation venue(s);
- **A rest area** for the Combined Events athletes at the main stadium;
- Adequate **seats** close to the Field Event sites need to be reserved by the LOC for the Field Events coaches. Such seats cannot therefore be sold and access can be granted by form of a pass or tickets.
- **Seating** for the Teams.

The TDs shall inspect and decide upon the most suitable solutions during the Site Visit(s).

## 407.2 Technical Services

### 407.2.1 General

Technical Services must be provided as detailed below according to standards determined by the IAAF. To ensure such standards are met, the IAAF may identify preferred partner companies for certain services, the involvement of which will be discussed with the Local Organising Committee as required. In all cases, technical service providers are subject to final IAAF approval.

### 407.2.2 Time and Distance Measurement, False Start Control

For capturing the results of the competition:

- Fully Automatic Timing and Photo Finish System must be used. Transponder timing may be used additionally for intermediate timing and lap counting purposes.
- Scientific distance measuring equipment must be provided and shall be used as appropriate.
- In addition, starting blocks must be fitted with approved false start control apparatus which must have an automatic recall system.

### 407.2.3 Competition Data Processing

A highly specialised results service company must be appointed for the competition data processing and disseminating the results, able to guarantee full compatibility with the timing and measurement services but also with the very specific technical requirements of Television, Media and Event Presentation including the provision of a Commentary Information System (CIS).

### 407.2.4 Race Walking Events Posting Board

It is mandatory that a Posting Board be provided by the OM/LOC displaying the red cards received by the athletes. The size, layout and position of the board shall be decided in agreement with the Technical Delegates and Chief Race Walking Judge.

### 407.2.5 Video Recording

It is mandatory that a dedicated video system be provided to record all events (IAAF Rule 150). Such recordings shall be made in accordance with the IAAF Video Recording and Video Referee Guidelines.

### 407.2.6 Event Presentation

The LOC, in collaboration with the IAAF Event Presentation Team, is responsible for the planning and delivery of the Event Presentation elements, in accordance with the IAAF Event Presentation Guidelines. Expenses associated with ensuring a world class event presentation is the responsibility of the LOC. These elements include:

- A complete Event Presentation Team
- At least one adequately sized video board in the stadium for the public showing of the television signal. The size of such board shall be agreed with the IAAF in advance.

- There should also be at least one electronic scoreboard to display results.
- A suitable sound system for public address and Event Presentation purposes.

### 407.3 **Implements**

#### 407.3.1 **Official Implements List**

The TDs, in conjunction with the LOC and based on the implements most commonly used, shall determine a list of Official Implements which the LOC shall provide to the athletes. In principle a minimum of four items shall be required for each implement, to cover the needs of the competition, warm-up and training venues.

#### 407.3.2 **Additional Implements**

Further Implements may be added to the approved list if requested by Member Federations or by Manufacturers with the endorsement of a Member Federation (by a deadline set by the Technical Delegates) and if supplied to the LOC free of charge (by a deadline set by the Technical Delegates). However, all such implements must have IAAF certification and be approved by the Technical Delegates. Four items of each additional implement shall be required.

#### 407.3.3 **Personal Implements**

Personal implements may be allowed, providing they are readily identifiable, they have IAAF certification, they are not on the official list and have been checked for compliance with the Rules in accordance with the Technical Delegate's instructions. These implements must be available for use by the other participants, until the end of the event.

#### 407.3.4 **Usage statistics**

The LOC must keep an accurate record of the implements (official or personal) used during the competition and produce usage statistics to be used for the purpose of compiling suitable official implements lists for future competitions.

### 407.4 **Equipment**

#### 407.4.1 **Competition Equipment**

All competition equipment must be in accordance with current IAAF Rules.

#### 407.4.2 **Equipment for Warm-up and Training Areas**

The LOC must provide adequate and sufficient equipment for all warm-up and training venues.

### 407.5 **Team Manual**

The LOC, in close cooperation with the IAAF, is responsible for the production of a Team Manual. The Team Manual must be posted on the LOC website (and be available for download) no less than two months before the competition and

Members informed. A printed version must be available for distribution on site, upon teams' arrival.

#### **407.6 Training in the Competition Stadium**

Athletes shall be given an opportunity to inspect and, if possible, train in the main competition stadium on at least one occasion prior to the start of the championships. Such training to be no more than two hours in duration and should normally be arranged one or two days before the competition at a time when most of the athletes are on site and which would not conflict with other activities in the stadium or the general organisation of the event.

#### **407.7 Technical Meeting**

One day before the first day of the Competition, a Technical Meeting shall be held which not more than two representatives (and, if necessary, an interpreter) from each delegation may attend.

#### **407.8 Bib and Hip Numbers**

The athletes' bibs (including those for the medal ceremonies), as well as the hip numbers, will be provided by IAAF.

#### **407.9 Athletes Behaviour**

Any athletes' behaviour which infringes the rights of the sponsors can lead to the application of financial penalties.

#### **407.10 Special Technical Rules for the U18 Championships**

##### **407.10.1 Height of Hurdles**

The height of the hurdles shall be according to IAAF Rule 168.3.

##### **407.10.2 Specification of Implements**

The specifications of the implements shall be according to IAAF Rules 187, 188, 189, 191 and 193.

##### **407.10.3 Combined Events**

The IAAF Combined Events Scoring Tables will be used to score these events, notwithstanding the lower weights of the implements or the height of the hurdles.

##### **407.10.4 4 x 400m Mixed Relay**

Final Entries for the Relay shall be accepted until the Final Confirmation deadline. Each team will be composed of two boys and two girls. The running order is free and will be decided by the Member Federation at the time of the Final Declaration.

##### **407.10.5 Seedings, Draws and Qualification in Track Events**

To accommodate the large number of entries in some events, alternate tables to those provided for in Rule 166.2 may be used by the Technical Delegates for seeding, draws and qualifications in Track Events. See Alternate Tables in Appendix B.

#### 407.10.6 **Pit Lane**

In the 5000m and 10,000m Race Walks, the “Pit Lane” Rule will be used. After receiving a third red card, athletes will serve a penalty time of 30 seconds and 60 seconds, respectively, in the Pit Lane.

If the athletes then receive a fourth Red Card (from judges who had not previously sent them one), they shall be disqualified.



## **408 PROTOCOL MATTERS**

### **408.1 Opening Ceremony**

If the OM/LOC wishes to stage an Opening Ceremony, it must obtain the IAAF's approval of the principle and of the script of any such Ceremony.

### **408.2 Medal Ceremonies**

408.2.1 Gold, Silver and Bronze medals shall be presented to the first three placed athletes in each individual event and the first three placed relay teams who shall mount the awards podium.

For relay teams, the four athletes of each team who competed in the Final shall mount the awards podium. Other athletes (maximum two) who competed for any of these teams in the competition will subsequently receive their medals. It is the LOC's duty to ensure that each team is given the correct number of medals.

In all cases, the medals will be presented in ascending order: third, second, first.

408.2.2 The medals shall be presented by one person appointed by the IAAF.

408.2.3 The awards podium should, whenever possible, be located outside the infield in a location to be agreed by the IAAF. The medal ceremony shall begin once all athletes and the presenting person are in position behind the awards podium. The medal ceremony shall consist of each athlete or team being presented their medals, followed by the national anthem of the first placed athlete or team together with the raising of the flags of the respective countries. An alternative format may be implemented if agreed by the IAAF Council.

408.2.4 IAAF will provide and pay for the medals.

### **408.3 Closing Ceremony**

There should be a simple ceremony to hand over the flag to the following organisers. However, if the LOC wishes to stage a more elaborate Closing Ceremony, the IAAF's approval must be sought and the script of any such Ceremony approved.