

Selection Policy Information Session

2026 World Athletics Indoor Championships – Kujawy Pomorze, POL

Caveat

- Any discussion in this forum or any statements within the presentation cannot be taken as stand-alone information regarding selection. All selections are based on the published selection policy and that policy only - which must be understood in full.
- Only the Chair of Selectors may speak on selection matters, others passing comments (including AA staff) have NO standing on selection.
- Feedback to the Chair of Selectors and Panel also should be direct, you must assume any feedback related to availability, results or injuries etc. will not be passed on (confidentiality etc.). You can't be in a position to say I told x person (not the Chair of Selectors)...

What has changed (compared to 2025)?

- The Mixed 4x400m events has been added but how it works is unclear. There is no qualifying standard but only the final is scheduled. We have requested information from World Athletics.
- Qualification period commences on 1 November

Policy – Main Points

- The focus for Australia in 2026 is the Commonwealth Games and as a result this competition is focused on the very top athletes only.
 Athletes will be considered for selection if:
 - You have met the qualification mark for indoor and are qualified for Glasgow; or
 - You have been invited in combined events and have already qualified for Glasgow; or
 - You qualify via the top list and are qualified for Glasgow; or
 - You appear in the "Road to" top 20 (if more than 20 athletes are targeted) however this clause is specifically not applicable for combined events.
- Relays may be selected on a case by case basis.

WIC – the Policy

Selection

- Do not consider this unless you are confident of going to Glasgow, make Glasgow the focus
- Do not travel on the circuit in the hope of qualifying for the WIC, Glasgow is the focus
- How do I nominate?
 - Team nomination is available on-line via the AA website.

Note that the only questions answered are those related to selection. Any questions related to preparation or funding etc should be directed to High Performance.

- Are outdoor times accepted?
 - As per the policy, any competitions on the World Calendar
- What size team is AA going to take in 2026?
 - There is no pre-determined team size.
- Will AA be sending relay teams to world indoors?
 - No planning decisions have been made on relays as yet.

Thanks for listening

- <u>Australian Team Information</u> (including policy and World Athletics Qualification system)
- Further information <u>selectors@athletics.org.au</u>
- Wishing all athletes all the best

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