



Competition Regulations

for the conduct of the
**2027 Australian Teams
Championships - ATC**

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Preface

The Australian Little Athletics Championships incorporates the Australian Teams Championships which are conducted in accordance with the Standard Rules for Competition of Little Athletics (LA) and these Regulations.

LA uses World Athletics (WA) and World Para Athletics (WPA) rules as the basis for the rules and makes modification to suit the ages, nature and abilities of all athletes participating in Little Athletics.

Little Athletics and Australian Athletics (AA) have unified into one organisation, and some of the regulations contained in this document are designed to facilitate the transition into an aligned athlete pathway.

These Competition Regulations are specific to the 2027 Australian Teams Championships – ATC and contain processes that assist in providing a consistent and safe program to all participants.

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LA Rule 701: Australian Teams Championships - ATC

General

1. The Australian Teams Championships - ATC will be conducted in accordance with the Standard Rules for Competition of Little Athletics - LA, these Competition Regulations, and other Policies as applicable.
2. The Australian Teams Championships will comprise of a Competition for Athletes in the U12, and U13 age groups, including Multi-Class.
 - (a) The U12 & U13 age group, including U12 & U13 Multi-Class, is a Track & Field Teams Competition where athletes are representing their Member Association.
 - (b) Each athlete is eligible to gain points from events towards a total Team points score.
3. The Multi-Class Classifications for all age groups are:
 - (a) Hearing – T/F01
 - (b) Visual – T/F11-13
 - (c) Intellectual – T/F20 - T/F21
 - (d) Physical – T/F32-38, T/F40-46, T47, T/F51-54, F55-57, T/F60-64, T71-72
4. ii-3 athletes are not eligible for the ATC.
5. Multi-Class athletes will compete separately in each age group in Track and Field events, unless otherwise scheduled, due to athlete entries.
6. The Baseline Points Scoring system will be used to determine the results of all Multi-Class events.
7. **LA will appoint a Technical Delegate who has the responsibility:**
 - (a) To ensure that the Competition is run in accordance with the LA Standard Rules of Competition, these Regulations, other Policies, and will act as the Event Director.
 - (b) To develop the Competition schedule, and Call Room schedule.
 - (c) To ensure the Competition venue offers the correct conditions in respect of safety and dimensions for the conduct of the Championship whilst simultaneously providing a suitable spectacle for the promotion of the sport.
 - (d) To approve all equipment to be used at Competition and Warm up venues.
 - (e) To approve the appointment of Officials.
 - (f) To approve the Result, Timing and Scoring systems for the Competition.
 - (g) To validate the Competition entries.
 - (h) To conduct the meetings with Team Management and briefings with Teams.
 - (i) If required, assist the Competition Director, in the briefing with the Officials.
 - (j) To validate and approve the overall results of the Competition.
 - (k) To provide an ongoing assessment of the conduct of the ATC.
8. **LA will appoint a Competition Director who:**
 - (a) Plans the technical organisation of the Competition in conjunction with the Technical Delegate.
 - (b) Is fully aware of the Regulations and Policies and functioning of the IT systems.
 - (c) Ensures the plan is executed before and during the Competition.
 - (d) Ensures the accurate preparation and publication of the Call Room schedule, in conjunction with the Technical Delegate.
 - (e) Ensures any technical problems are resolved or an alternate solution put in place.
 - (f) Will conduct the meeting with the Officials.

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- (g) Directs the interaction between the Teams Liaison, Teams Management, maintains contact with all the Officials, including the Start Coordinator prior to each race.
- (h) Will manage all appointed Officials during the Competition.
- (i) Coordinates the activities of the Announcers, Presentation Team, and Broadcasters in the presentation of the Competition.
- (j) Will deal with any matter that is referred to them for consideration.

Entries & Selection Criteria

- 9. Entries to the ATC Competition must be submitted, using the specified portal / forms by the date & time as defined by LA.
- 10. Athletes can only compete in their correct age group for the ATC.
- 11. **All Athletes in every event, must demonstrate competency via a result performance within the previous 12 months, which must be entered on the Team entry form.**
- 12. A copy of the results will be required to be submitted, which will also assist with the Athlete Bio / Live Commentating on the day.
- 13. Minimum standards and maximum times have been set for the following events, which must have been achieved at a Zone, Region (or equivalent) or State Event / Championships, within the previous 12 months: This applies to all Athletic Competitions, including School meets from Region & above.
 - (a) **Race Walks (1500mts)** – Maximum time of 10:00mins
 - (b) **1500mts** – Maximum time of 6:30mins
 - (c) **Long Jump** – Minimum distance of 3.00mts
 - (d) **Triple Jump** – Minimum distance of 8.00mts
 - (e) **High Jump** – as per the Starting heights set per age group and gender.
- 14. Multi-Class athletes must have a National Classification, which is listed on the Australian Athletics Master List, or Sport Inclusion Australia for T/F 20 and T/F21. Proof of Classification may be requested, if there is any doubt on the status of the Classification.
- 15. Multi-Class athletes can only compete in one Classification for Track events, and one Classification for Field events.
- 16. **Multi-Class athletes must demonstrate competency via a result performance within the previous 12 months.**
- 17. Multi-Class athletes may only compete in the Multi-Class events. Once selected as a Multi-Class athlete, an athlete will not be allowed to compete in any other event.

Teams

- 18. All athletes must be a current registered financial member with their Member Association (MA) of AA, in accordance with the Constitution and Rules / Regulations of their Association.
- 19. Teams will comprise of athletes from the Member Associations: CA, NSW, QLD, SA, TAS, VIC, AW, NT.
- 20. Consideration must be given to the Athletes workload to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all Athletes, especially those that are competing in both the ATC, and the Australian Athletics Junior Championships - AAJC.
- 21. **U12 Athletes and U12 Multi-Class Athletes**
 - (a) Each Team will be entitled to enter a maximum of 52 athletes, and 12 Multi-Class athletes:
 - U12 Teams - up to 26 boys and 26 girls.
 - U12 Multi-Class Teams - up to 12 athletes. Gender mix shall be at the MA's discretion.
 - (b) The selection process is controlled by the Member Association, working within the selection criteria requirements.

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- (c) Each Team may enter one U12 Team per gender in the 4 x 100m Relay, and one U12 Team per gender in the Swedish Medley Relay.
- (d) U12 athletes may compete in a maximum of 6 events, if eligible, according to the selection criteria.
- (e) Where conducted, the Relays are included in the maximum number of events.
- (f) U12 Multi-Class athletes can compete in a maximum of 6 events, if eligible, according to the selection criteria.
- (g) Each Team can have a maximum of 3 athletes per individual event, for both the U12 and U12 Multi-Class events.
- (h) As there are competency-based requirements to compete in an event, not all events will have full entries.
- (i) The Heats and Final(s) of the same track event are deemed to be one event.

22. **U13 Athletes and U13 Multi-Class Athletes**

- (a) Each Team will be entitled to enter a maximum of 52 athletes, and 12 Multi-Class athletes:
 - U13 Teams - up to 26 boys and 26 girls.
 - U13 Multi-Class Teams - up to 12 athletes. Gender mix shall be at the MA's discretion.
- (b) The selection process is controlled by the Member Association, working within the selection criteria requirements.
- (c) Each Team may enter one U13 Team per gender in the 4 x 100m Relay, and one U13 Team per gender in the Swedish Medley Relay.
- (d) U13 athletes may compete in a maximum of 6 events, if eligible, according to the selection criteria.
- (e) Where conducted, the Relays are included in the maximum number of events.
- (f) U13 Multi-Class athletes can compete in a maximum of 6 events, if eligible, according to the selection criteria.
- (g) Each Team can have a maximum of 3 athletes per individual event for both the U13 and U13 Multi-Class events.
- (h) As there are competency-based requirements to compete in an event, not all events will have full entries.
- (i) The Heats and Final(s) of the same track event are deemed to be one event.

Age Groups

- 23. Each Team must certify all Athletes meet the age requirements. The Technical Delegate has the authority to request proof of age, if so required.
- 24. **U12 Athletes and U12 Multi-Class Athletes**
 - (a) Eleven (11) years of age as at midnight on 31 December immediately prior to ATC.
 - (b) Athletes born in 2015 only.
- 25. **U13 Athletes and U13 Multi-Class Athletes**
 - (a) Twelve (12) years of age as at midnight on 31 December immediately prior to ATC.
 - (b) Athlete born in 2014 only.

Substitute Athletes

- 26. After the closing date for entries, an athlete may be substituted in the **Team**, in all age groups, up until two (2) days prior to the **first** day of Competition. Notification must be received by LA / Technical Delegate, within the timeframe advised.
- 27. From two (2) days prior to the first day of Competition, an athlete can only be substituted in **an event**, in all age groups, by an athlete already named in the Team.

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28. Where an athlete is to be substituted into an event, an athlete substitution form must be completed and submitted to the Team Liaison prior to the closing time of the Call Room of that event.
29. Once an athlete has commenced in a round of the applicable event, another athlete cannot be substituted into subsequent rounds.
30. All athletes that have been substituted into an event, can only compete up to the maximum number of events.
31. An athlete substituted into an event, must satisfy the selection criteria, of demonstrating competency in the event. The Technical Delegate / Teams Liaison will check the competency requirements, with the Team Manager prior to approving the Substitution.

Withdrawing Athletes

32. After the closing date for entries, an athlete, in all age groups **that is not being substituted**, may withdraw from any / all events up until two (2) days prior to the **first** day of Competition. Notification must be received by LA / Technical Delegate, within the timeframe advised.
33. From two (2) days prior to the first day of Competition, in all age groups, if an athlete withdraws from an event **without being substituted**, an athlete withdrawal form must be completed and submitted to the Teams Liaison, listing the event or events, prior to the closing time of the Call Room of that event.

Claiming an Australian Best Performance - ABP or ATC Meet Record

34. The following will apply for an Australian Best Performance.
 - (a) 2015 Athletes: can claim an U12 age group ABP.
 - (b) 2014 Athletes: can claim an U13 age group ABP.**Note:** Only the highest placed athlete / Team in an event may claim the ABP.
35. A permanent record of best performances set for each event at an ATC will be kept and will be known as an ATC Meet Record.
 - (a) ATC Meet Records for Multi-Class Athletes are based on the Baseline Percentage.**Note :** Member Associations Records cannot be measured/verified, checked any time during the ATC.

Coaching during Competition & Warm Up

36. **U12 & U13 athletes including Multi-Class**
 - (a) **All athletes** will be permitted to receive coaching advice from either the accredited Team Management or Private Coaches.
 - (b) Coaching areas will be inside the field of play, for Team Management, or at dedicated coaching areas on the fence line for private coaching.
 - (c) The athlete may view a device used by the Team Management or Coach, inside the coaching area only, where the athlete is receiving advice.
 - (d) Seated Athletes in Multi-Class that have their chair tied down, can receive coaching directly at the throwing circle, between trials, within the applicable time limits.
37. The Warm Up track and facilities is open to all private coaches and spectators.
 - (a) An Official will oversee the Warm Up facility, to ensure the safety of all participants, everyone must abide by their directions.
 - (b) All participants are subject to the Standard Competition Rules at the Warm Up track, as well as the main Competition venue.

Teams Area

38. Access to the Teams Area is controlled and is managed by both LA and the Team Management.

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- (a) Only athletes and accredited Team Management can access the Teams area.
- (b) Athletes can move in and out of the Teams area, as determined by the Team Management.
- (c) Athletes can watch their Team members at each event site.
- (d) Parents or carers of Multi-Class athletes with accreditation approved by LA / Technical Delegate and supplied by the Teams Liaison, will be permitted to access the Teams area.
- (e) Private coaches, Parents, and all other spectators are not permitted to enter the Teams area.

Check In

- 39. Athletes do not Check In at ATC.

Call Room Closing Times

- 40. Athletes must be in the applicable Call Room prior to the closing time for each event as below, for all age groups.
 - (a) **Jumps Events: 35mins** prior to the Jumps Event scheduled time.
 - (b) **Throws Events: 35mins** prior to the Throws Event scheduled time.
 - (c) **Track Events: 20mins** prior to the Track Event scheduled time.
- 41. Multi-Class Assistants / Guide Runners must present with their athletes at the times listed for the Call Room closing times.

Note: Only Assistants / Guide Runners, with accreditation will be permitted into the Call Room.

Timing and Judging System

- 42. The primary timing and judging system for ATC will be a fully automatic timing and photo finish system and have a certificate of accuracy issued within 4 years of the Competition.

Multi-Class Athlete Assistants/Guide Runners

- 43. Teams / Athletes must provide their own Assistants/Guide runners for Competitions.
- 44. The names and the roles of each Assistant / Guide runner, and the athlete they are assisting, must be supplied to LA / Technical Delegate seven (7) days prior to the start of Competition.
 - (a) A maximum of one (1) Assistant / Guide runner is permitted per day per athlete.
- 45. Teams shall use their own discretion and set rules for, off the field of play, for Assistants based upon the needs of individual athletes.
- 46. On the field of play Athlete Assistants must have a clear understanding of the rules for Competition. Any breach of a rule by an Athlete Assistant may result in the athlete being disqualified in that event.
- 47. Athlete Assistants are only permitted to provide assistance to the athletes as required, they cannot coach the athlete from within the seating area. Any coaching must be done from within the dedicated coaches' area only, otherwise the athlete is subject to disqualification.
- 48. Guide Runners must have a clear understanding of the rules for Competition. Any breach of a rule by a guide runner may result in the athlete being disqualified in that event.
- 49. Athlete Assistants must be suitably attired and wearing sports type shoes (runners/joggers). They must be clearly identifiable by wearing a Purple coloured vest and accreditation supplied by LA. The Teams Liaison will supply the vest and accreditation according to the approved list. The vest and accreditation must be returned to the Teams Liaison at the end of each day's events.
- 50. Guide Runners must wear a plain t-shirt with no branding, unless supplied with a Team top, and must be clearly identifiable by wearing a Purple coloured vest provided by LA. They are permitted to wear spike shoes during the race, according to the same rules for the athletes. The Teams Liaison will

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supply the vest according to the approved list. The vest must be returned to the Teams Liaison at the end of each day's events.

51. Guide Runners may be required to wear hip numbers for place judging.
52. Assistants / Guide Runners must present to the Call Room with athletes and will be subjected to all checks as per the Competition rules.

LA Rule 702: Protests

1. The protest must be handed to the Administration Manager, by the Team Manager only. The fee is \$50 which will be raised as a tax invoice to the Member Association, which only the Team Manager has approval to accept.
2. The tax invoice will be refunded if the protest is upheld by either the Referee or the Jury of Appeal. If the protest is dismissed by the Referee, or by the Jury of Appeal, the tax invoice will not be refunded, unless in extenuating circumstances, as approved by either the Referee or Jury of Appeal.

LA Rule 703: Event Clashes

1. After the close of entries, a Clash Summary Report will be created by LA and sent to Team Management in the week of the ATC.
2. A Clash Manager will use the Clash Summary Report to move athletes from event to event, without the need for Team Management to interact with the athletes or Officials.
3. Each Field Event Chief Official will have a copy of the Clash reports, and will ensure the athletes have as many attempts, or warm up attempts as possible, prior to leaving the Field event, under the supervision of the Clash Manager only.
4. Athletes can compete out of order and out of round in all rounds. Athletes can also warm up out of order.
5. It is not permitted for an athlete to have consecutive trials (except for seated throws), nor can an athlete demand to have a trial that has been missed.
6. The first three rounds of trials must be completed, and a final eight determined prior to any other subsequent rounds of trials being commenced.
7. In High Jump where a clash occurs, the Chief Judge may allow the athlete to compete out of order. The athlete re-joins the Competition at the current height of the bar.
8. Clashes that may occur on the day of the Competition, due to athlete substitutions or other factors, require a Clash Forms to be completed, and submitted to the Teams Liaison, prior to the Call Room closing time of the event.
9. Clash forms once submitted, will be copied and distributed to the Clash Manager, Call Room and Field Event Chiefs, via the Teams Liaison.

LA Rule 704: Uniform, Footwear, and Bibs

1. Each Team will compete in the approved Uniform.
2. The ATC Uniform Booklet is an Appendix of these Regulations.
3. All sponsorship requirements must be adhered to.
4. Athletes may wear a short-sleeved t-shirt under their Competition singlet; however, it must be plain white or the same colour as the Competition top, and have no branding showing, other than the approved suppliers logo.
5. Athletes may wear bike / compression pants underneath their Competition shorts, however only non- branded bike / compression pants, or with the logo of the approved supplier, can be worn. The colour of these bike / compression pants must be the same as the Competition shorts or black.

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6. Compression pants with non-approved branding, or contrast stitching cannot be worn. Taping over logos is not permitted.
7. No part of the uniform shorts shall extend beyond the top of the knee.
8. Track suit pants cannot be worn in Competition, unless approved by the Competition Director on the day of the event, and only in extenuating circumstances in certain events.
9. Athletes will be allowed to wear any Competition socks (including compression socks); however, all socks must be below knee height. Compression socks must not have any branding or only have a small logo. All socks must be designed to be non-objectionable with LA having the ability to determine final suitability.
10. Any venue specific rules in relation to the type and maximum length of spikes will be advised by LA. Below is specific to the 2027 ATC held at QSAC, Brisbane.
 - (a) Athletes in the **U12** age groups can wear spikes in Track Events run entirely in lanes, only. In the Swedish Medley Relay, **only** the starting athlete can wear spikes. Spikes can also be worn in all Jump Events, and Javelin.
 - (b) Athletes in the **U13** age groups can wear spikes in all Track Events, except Race Walking. Spikes can also be worn in all Jump Events, and Javelin.
 - (c) Shoes can only have 2 blanks installed, with all holes filled.
 - (d) The maximum allowable spike length is **7mm for Track events, 9mm for Field events**.
 - (e) **Christmas Tree, Pyramid, and Blanks** spikes are only permitted.
 - (f) **High Jump / Javelin – 2 Step, Needle, Pin / Tartan** or **Modified Christmas Tree** spikes, and other variations are Not permitted.

Christmas Tree, Pyramid, Blanks			High Jump / Javelin				
 Christmas TreePyramidBlanks							
4 - step Permitted			2 -step - Not Permitted				
Needle	Pin/Tartan Needle		Modified Christmas Tree / Compression				
							
All sizes	All sizes		3-step	3- step	4-step	4 -step	4-step
Not Permitted	Not Permitted		Not Permitted				

- (g) A crouch start, or a standing start may be used by the Starting athlete.
- (h) Athletes wearing spikes cannot do a crouch start without using blocks.

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11. Each athlete will be provided with two bibs which during the Competition, must be worn visibly on the front of the torso, and on the back, except in the jumping events, where one bib may be worn on the front of the torso only. Athletes' surnames instead of numbers will be used on the bibs.
12. In the Race Walking events, athletes will be supplied with four adhesive labels with numbers that correspond to the start list. Larger numbered labels will be worn on the front and back, with smaller labels worn on the left and right hip.
13. Hip numbers will be used for all unlaned events, or events not entirely run in lanes.

LA Rule 705: Events for the U12 & U13 Athletes

U12 Athletes – 15 events:

1. 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 80m Hurdles, 1500m Race Walk, High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot Put, Discus, Javelin, 4 x 100m Relay, Swedish Medley Relay (100m, 300m, 200m, 400m).

U13 Athletes – 16 events:

2. 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 80m Hurdles, 200m Hurdles (5 flights), 1500m Race Walk, High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Shot Put, Discus, Javelin, 4 x 100m Relay, Swedish Medley Relay (100m, 300m, 200m, 400m).

3. U12 & U13 Athletes - 100m, 200m, 80m Hurdles, 200m Hurdles (U13 only)

- (a) There will be up to Three (3) Heats consisting of an athlete from each Team in each Heat.
- (b) Selection for each Heat will be drawn by lot and within each Heat, lane allocation will be drawn by lot.
- (c) There will be up to Three (3) Finals of Eight (8) athletes. There will be an A, B & C Final, depending upon the number of athletes.
- (d) Progression to the A Final will be only the winner from each Heat and the next fastest Five (5) performances.
- (e) If number of Heats is reduced, refer to the table below for progression to the A Final.

Heats	Winner of each Heat	Progression - Fastest Performances
3	1	5
2	1	6

Note 1: The A Final may consist of more than Eight (8) athletes if a tie for the last qualifying position based on time occurs. Refer to LA Rules.

- (f) Progression to the B & C Final will be based on performance from the Heats.

Note 2: The Competition Director has the discretion to alter the number of athletes competing in any Final, to more than Eight (8) athletes, if the number of lanes available allow it, or number of athletes competing warrant it.

- (g) Where there is a tie for the last qualifying position based on time, across all heats, all athletes will be progressed to the applicable final. If that is not practicable, lots shall be drawn to determine which athlete(s) will be progressed to the applicable final.

Note 3: Photo Finish times read to the 1/1000th sec, will be used to separate athletes.

- (h) Only those athletes who qualify for the A Final will compete in the A Final, regardless of if any other athlete scratches from the A Final.
- (i) Lane allocation for the finals will be based on the ranking of performance only.

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When using **Lanes 1 – 8**, three draws will be made.

- (i) The Top 4 ranked athletes will be randomly drawn in lanes 3, 4, 5, 6.
- (ii) The 5th & 6th ranked athletes will be randomly drawn in lanes 2 & 7.
- (iii) The 7th & 8th ranked athletes will be randomly drawn in lanes 1 & 8.

When using **Lanes 2 – 9**, three draws will be made.

- (iv) The Top 4 ranked athletes will be randomly drawn in lanes 4, 5, 6, 7.
- (v) The 5th & 6th ranked athletes will be randomly drawn in lanes 3 & 8.
- (vi) The 7th & 8th ranked athletes will be randomly drawn in lanes 2 & 9.

Note 4: If there are fewer or more athletes competing, the above lane draws will alter accordingly. The inside lane should not be used where possible.

- (j) Where there is a tie in performance from the qualifying heats, a ballot between the tied athletes will be used to determine the seeding for lane allocation in the applicable Final.
- (k) Where **Eight (8)** or less athletes are at the Call Room at the time the Call Room closes for the event, the event will be conducted as a Final at the time that the Heat was scheduled. Only those athletes that originally marshalled for the event will be allowed to compete in the Final once the Call Room has closed for that event.

Note 5: The Clash Summary or Clash Forms must be checked to ensure athletes are not listed, before any consolidation into a single Final is decided.

- (l) Final placing will be based on performances from the A Final first, and then the remaining ranked performances from the consolidated placings in the B & C Finals combined.

4. **400m**

- (a) The events will be conducted as a series of up to Three (3) Timed Finals.
- (b) The seeding will be based on the ranking of each athlete's performance achieved at their Association's preceding 400m Final, or where an athlete did not compete in that event, their season's best performance shall be provided, as per Rule 701.11.
- (c) The Final with the lowest ranked athletes will be run first and the Final with the highest Eight (8) ranked athletes will be run last.
- (d) Within each Final, lane allocation will be seeded, as per Rule 705.3 (i).
- (e) Final placing and points will be based on the performances from all Timed Finals.

Note: The Competition Director has the discretion to alter the number of athletes competing in a Timed Final / Final, to more than Eight (8) athletes, if the number of lanes available allow it, or number of athletes competing warrant it.

5. **800m**

- (a) The event will be conducted as a series of up to Two (2) Timed Finals, with a maximum of 12 athletes per Timed Final.
- (b) The seeding will be based on the ranking of each athlete's performance achieved at their Association's preceding 800m final, or where an athlete did not compete in that event, their season's best performance shall be provided, as per Rule 701.11.
- (c) The Final with the lowest ranked athletes will be run first and the Final with the highest ranked athletes will be run last.
- (d) Athletes will be drawn by lot into lanes for the 800m. Where there are more than 8 athletes in the 800m, there may be more than one athlete in a lane.

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Note: The Competition Director has the discretion to alter the number of athletes competing any Timed Final / Final, if the number of lanes available allow it, or number of athletes competing warrant it.

6. **1500m, 1500m Race Walk**
 - (a) The event will be conducted as one (1) Final.
 - (b) Athletes will be drawn by lot into starting positions.
 - (c) All athletes must demonstrate competency via the selection criteria, as per Rule 701.13.
7. **4x100m Relay, Swedish Medley Relay (100m, 300m, 200m, 400m)**
 - (a) The event will be conducted as one (1) Final.
 - (b) Teams will be drawn by lot into lanes.
8. **Simultaneous Competition**
 - (a) Age groups and genders may be combined where numbers warrant it.
 - (b) Athletes will participate together, with separate results for each age group and gender, with medals and points awarded accordingly.
9. **Field Events General**
 - (a) Events will be conducted on one pit or circle; they will not be split across multiple pits or circles.
 - (b) All implements will be provided by LA, athletes cannot use private implements or take them onto the Competition area. Private implements can be used on the Warm Up venue only, not during the Warm up at the Competition site.
10. **Time Limits**
 - (a) Table below indicates the time limit for athletes to commence their trial.
 - (b) In all rounds, with 15 seconds remaining in the time allowed, a Yellow flag will be raised. If the athlete hasn't commenced their trial, once the Yellow flag is dropped, the Chief Official will raise a Red flag to indicate an invalid trial.

Track & Field	High Jump	Other Field Events
All rounds of Competition	60 seconds	60 seconds
Only 2 or 3 Athletes left	1 min 30 seconds	60 seconds
Only 1 Athlete left	3 minutes	Not applicable
Consecutive Trials	2 minutes	60 seconds – Multi-Class seated throws only

11. **Long Jump**
 - (a) There will be one (1) take off board, 2mts from the edge of the pit.
 - (b) All athletes must demonstrate competency via the selection criteria, as per Rule 701.13.
12. **Triple Jump**
 - (a) The Triple Jump boards will be set at 7mts, 9mts and 11mts.
 - (b) All athletes must demonstrate competency via the selection criteria, as per Rule 701.13.

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13. High Jump

(a) The starting height for High Jump for all athletes is shown in the table below:

Age Group	Girls	Boys
U12	1.15m	1.25m
U13	1.25m	1.30m

(b) All athletes must demonstrate competency via the selection criteria, as per Rule 701.13.

(c) The height of the bar is raised by 5cm increments until there are Four (4) or less athletes remaining. The height of the bar is then raised by 2cm increments.

(d) When only one (1) athlete remains, and they have won the competition, that athlete may choose the increments.

14. Number of Trials

(a) In Field events, except for High Jump, each athlete will have Three (3) trials.

(b) The Top 8 athletes after the 3 trials, will have one (1) additional trial.

(c) The last trial will be in reverse order to the places after the three (3) trials.

(d) Final placing and points will be based on the performances of all trials.

LA Rule 706: Events for the U12 & U13 Multi-Class Athletes

U12 & U13 Multi-Class Athletes – 8 events:

1. 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus, Javelin.

(a) All athletes must demonstrate competency via the selection criteria, as per Rule 701.16.

Note: Athletes can only compete in events offered in their Classification. Refer LA Standard Rules for Competition – Table 2.

2. Track Events

(a) All track events will be Timed Finals or Final only.

(b) Track chairs must be used for all track events for Sport Classes T32-34 and T51-54. Standard day chairs are not permitted for any track events.

(c) Wearing of helmets in Sport Classes T32-34 and T51-54 is compulsory in all Wheelchair and Race Running races. Helmets must meet the relevant safety standard.

3. 100m, 200m

(a) Selection for each Final if required, will be drawn by lot.

(b) Lane allocation will be drawn by lot.

(c) Final placing and points allocation will be based on the percentage performances from all Finals using the Baseline Scoring Tables.

Note: Where there are less than the full number of athletes entered, or there are requirements for the use of only alternate lanes, the Technical Delegate has the discretion to re-seed Finals.

4. 400m

(a) The events will be conducted as a series of up to Three (3) Timed Finals.

(b) The seeding will be based on the ranking of each athlete's performance achieved at their Association's preceding 400m Final, or where an athlete did not compete in that event, their season's best performance shall be provided, as per Rule 701.16.

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- (c) The Final with the lowest ranked athletes will be run first and the Final with the highest Eight (8) ranked athletes will be run last.
- (d) Within each Final, lane allocation will be seeded, as per Rule 705.3 (i).
- (e) Final placing and points allocation will be based on the percentage performances from all Finals using the Baseline Scoring Tables.

Note: The Competition Director has the discretion to alter the number of athletes competing in any Timed Final / Final, to more than Eight (8) athletes, if the number of lanes available allow it, or number of athletes competing warrant it.

5. 800m

- (a) The event will be conducted as a series of up to Two (2) Timed Finals, with a maximum of 12 athletes per Timed Final.
- (b) The seeding will be based on the ranking of each athlete's performance achieved at their Association's preceding 800m final, or where an athlete did not compete in that event, their season's best performance shall be provided, as per Rule 701.16.
- (c) The Final with the lowest ranked athletes will be run first and the Final with the highest ranked athletes will be run last.
- (d) Athletes will be drawn by lot into lanes for the 800m. Where there are more than 8 athletes in the 800m, there may be more than one athlete in a lane.
- (e) Final placing and points allocation will be based on the percentage performances from all Finals using the Baseline Scoring Tables.

Note 1: The Competition Director has the discretion to alter the number of athletes competing in any Timed Final / Final, if the number of lanes available allow it, or number of athletes competing warrant it.

Note 2: The Multi-Class 800m may also be run without lanes using an arched start line or group start.

6. Long Jump

- (a) There will be one (1) take off board, marked 1mt from the edge of the pit.
- (b) Athletes in the T11-12 Classification, use a 1.00mt x 1.22mt mat covered with damp sand or similar, where the foot imprint can be observed.

7. Seated Throws

- (a) All seated throws events will be conducted from a site with tie down devices.
- (b) An athlete may use a standard day wheelchair to compete in throws. LA takes no responsibility for any damage caused to a chair through being restrained.
- (c) All seated throws events will have four (4) consecutive trials for each athlete.
- (d) Athletes competing in seated throws, will be seeded last, unless competing at a separate event site, which will be confirmed by the Technical Delegate.
- (e) Time to secure throwing frames is per LA Standard Competition Rule WPA35.1.

8. Number of Trials

- (a) In all Field events, each athlete will have Four (4) trials.
- (b) There will be no change to the Competition order for the fourth trial.
- (c) Final placing and points allocation will be based on the percentage performances using the Baseline Scoring Tables for all Field events.

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9. Simultaneous Competition

- (a) Age groups and genders may be combined where numbers warrant it.
- (b) Athletes will participate together, with separate results for each age group and gender, with medals and points awarded accordingly, based on the percentage performances using the Baseline Scoring Tables.

LA Rule 707: Presentations

- 1. Approved Team uniforms must be worn at all Presentation ceremonies.
 - (a) Competition uniform with Bib displayed must be worn for Medal presentations.
 - (b) Casual uniform Track top / Hoodie, Track pants / Shorts to be worn for Closing ceremony.
- 2. Medal presentations will occur immediately after the conclusion of the event.
 - (a) The first 3 placegetters in each event once confirmed, both Track and Field, will be taken to the Medal Presentation Marshal Point, after the completion of the event, except where presentations have been scheduled later.
 - (b) Once the Official results have been verified, the Athletes will walk out from the Presentation Marshal Point, accompanied by the Presentation Officials to the dais.
 - (c) Athletes will be presented with their medals and any other sponsorship items to be worn.
 - (d) Photos will be taken on the dais and against the LA media wall, under the direction of the Official photographer.

U12 Athletes and U12 Multi-Class Athletes:

- 3. The following Trophies will be awarded using point scoring as per Rule 708:
 - (a) **Maxine Boyd Trophy:** for the Team with the highest overall points score from the U12 athletes and U12 Multi-Class athletes combined.
 - (b) **Dick Healey Trophy:** for the Team with the highest overall points adjusted score, from the smaller Member Associations: CA, SA, TAS and NT, from the U12 athletes and U12 Multi-Class athletes combined.
 - (c) The Winning Teams will receive a replica of the Perpetual Trophies to keep.
- 4. Medals for U12 athletes will be presented to the first three placegetters in each Track Final and Field event, or after all Timed Finals have been conducted and overall results confirmed.
Note: Medals are only awarded in the A Final, not the B / C Final, where conducted.
- 5. Medals for U12 athletes will be presented to the first three placegetters (Teams), in each Relay Final.
- 6. Medals for the U12 Multi-Class athletes will be presented to the first three placegetters in each Track Final, and Field event, or after all Timed Finals have been conducted and overall results confirmed; after the conversion of percentages from the Baseline Scoring Tables.
- 7. A Team medal will be presented to the athletes of the Winning Team of each Trophy.

U13 Athletes and U13 Multi-Class Athletes:

- 8. The following Trophies will be awarded using point scoring as per Rule 708:
 - (a) **Trevor Billingham Trophy:** for the Team with the highest overall points score from the U13 athletes and U13 Multi-Class athletes combined.
 - (b) **Alan Triscott Trophy:** for the Team with the highest overall points adjusted score, from the smaller Member Associations: CA, SA, TAS and NT, from the U13 athletes and U13 Multi-Class athletes combined.
 - (c) The Winning Teams will receive a replica of the Perpetual Trophies to keep.

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9. Medals for U13 athletes will be presented to the first three placegetters in each Track Final and Field event, or after all Timed Finals have been conducted and overall results confirmed.
Note: Medals are only awarded in the A Final, not the B / C Final, where conducted.
10. Medals for U13 athletes will be presented to the first three placegetters (Teams), in each Relay Final.
11. Medals for the U13 Multi-Class athletes will be presented to the first three placegetters in each Track Final and Field event, or after all Timed Finals have been conducted and overall results confirmed; after the conversion of percentages from the Baseline Scoring Tables.
12. A Team medal will be presented to the athletes of the Winning Team of each Trophy.

Event Cancellation / Extreme Weather:

13. Where the event is cancelled due to extreme weather, as per the ATC Extreme Weather Guidelines, if 50% of events have been completed the Trophy winners will be presented as per the current Team points in Meet Manager. If less than half of the events have been completed, then no Trophies will be awarded.

LA Rule 708: ATC Point Scoring

U12 and U13 Athletes

1. Points Allocation:

- (a) Point scores for all athletes will be calculated by accumulating the total points allocated to each athlete in each individual event and each Team in each Relay event, where conducted.
- (b) In Track events, the points are allocated in the Final / Timed Final only, not the Heats.
- (c) If an athlete does not compete in the Track Final / Timed Final, they will not score points.
- (d) In Track events, Athletes / Teams who are DQ, DNS, or DNF, will not score points.
- (e) Points will be allocated according to the number of Track Finals being conducted in the event.
 - i. In a straight Final, points will be allocated based on the Athletes / Teams place, once all results have been confirmed.
 - ii. In a Timed Final, points will be allocated based on the Athletes overall place, once all results have been confirmed, from all Timed Finals.
 - iii. For A, B & C Finals, the overall points allocation will be based on performances from the A Final first, and then the remaining ranked performances from the consolidated placings in the B & C Finals combined.
 - iv. Regardless of performance, results from the B & C Finals, cannot score more points than the A Final, and will commence at one place less than the number of athletes that qualified for the A Final, regardless of any DNS, DNF, DQ in the A Final.
- (f) Relay events will be awarded the same points scored in individual events.
- (g) In Field Events, the points will be allocated based on the Athletes place, once all results have been confirmed.
- (h) In Field events, Athletes who are DQ, DNS, or NM, will not score points.
- (i) In the event of a tie after relevant countbacks have been applied, (including Track events) the points allocated to the tied placing will be as per the final place. Points will **not** be added together and divided by the number of athletes that have tied.

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U12 and U13 Multi-Class Athletes

2. Points Allocation:

- (a) Point scores for all athletes will be calculated by accumulating the total points allocated to each Athlete in each event.
- (b) Points are allocated based on the Athlete's final place after the conversion of the Baseline scoring tables.
- (c) For events where there are Timed Finals, points are based on the overall places once all results are confirmed, from all Timed Finals.
- (d) Athletes who are DQ, DNS, DNF or NM, will not score points.
- (e) In the event of a tie after relevant countbacks have been applied, (including Track events) the points allocated to the tied placing will be as per the final place. Points will **not** be added together and divided by the number of athletes that have tied.

Wild Card Points

3. Points Allocation:

Wild Card Points are available to all Teams, due to the introduction of competency-based selection criteria, as per Rule 701.11,12,13,16.

- (a) Every athlete must demonstrate competency in the event to be selected.
- (b) Not all events will have full entries, unless the athletes have met the minimum standards / maximum time limits as listed in Rule 701.13, or competency-based requirements as per Rule 701.11,12, 16.
- (c) To assist with managing Team selections, and to minimise the removal of potential points, Teams predetermine which events they would like to receive the Wild Card points, based on the number of athletes selected in the event.
- (d) Wild Card points are available for up to 3 events per age group and gender, for the U12 and U13 Athletes. A total of 12 events available.
- (e) Wild Card points are available for up to 3 events per age group, for the U12 and U13 Multi-Class athletes. A total of 6 events available.
- (f) All Teams have a potential of 18 events for Wild Card points.
- (g) Teams must nominate the Wild Card events, when submitting the Team Entry Form.
- (h) Following the close of entries, changes cannot be made, unless submitted as part of an Athlete Substitution up to 2 days prior to the start of the Competition.
- (i) Within 2 days of the start of the Competition, or during the Competition, Wild Card events cannot be altered even when submitting athlete substitutions or withdrawals.

4. Wild Card Points will be awarded as follows:

- (a) In Wild Card events:
 - i. If a Team has **1** athlete in an event, they score **1.5** times the athlete's points score.
 - ii. If a Team has **0** athletes in an event, they score **2** points below the last placed athletes' points score.
- (b) Wild card points do not apply to events where a Team has **2 or 3** athletes in the event.
- (c) Wild card points will not be awarded in events, where an athlete is DNS, DNF, DQ, or NM.

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Points Table for all Athletes:

PLACE	POINTS	PLACE	POINTS	PLACE	POINTS
1 st	25	9 th	16	17 th	8
2 nd	23	10 th	15	18 th	7
3 rd	22	11 th	14	19 th	6
4 th	21	12 th	13	20 th	5
5 th	20	13 th	12	21 st	4
6 th	19	14 th	11	22 nd	3
7 th	18	15 th	10	23 rd	2
8 th	17	16 th	9	24 th	1

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Appendix: Document History

Date	Version	Purpose/Change
April 2023	1.0	Document created to incorporate new structure of ALAC. Australian Teams Championships – ATC Australian Junior Athletics Championships – AJAC Australian Combined Events Championships - ACEC
August 2023	1.1	Updated document to reflect changes in ALAC structure, naming conventions and addition of U15 athletes in the Track & Field events.
October 2023	1.2	Updated Team Medal presentations to only athletes of the Winning Team.
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