

Australian Cross-Country Championships

South Australian Team Selection Policy (All Ages)

1. Introduction

- 1.1. Athletics South Australia will be responsible for the selection of athletes in the age event championships and team event championships from U/14 age to Open.
- 1.2. This selection is independent from, and not for athletes who are already selected for the Secondary Schools Sports South Australia team.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1. Athletes who attend and compete at the Athletics SA State Cross Country Championships will be eligible for selection for the South Australian team.
- 2.2. All athletes must be registered with their applicable State Athletics Association and/or a member club.
- 2.3. Athletes must submit a nomination to be considered for selection. Nominations can be made on the Athletics SA website and will close on Friday August 5 following the State Cross Country Championships.
- 2.4. Athletes will be selected for the U14, U15, U16, U17, U18, U20, and Open age categories in able-bodied, and in U15, U17, U20 and Open for Para.

3. Selection Criteria

- 3.1. All Athletes must have competed in the Athletics SA State Cross Country Championships on Saturday July 30.
- 3.2. An invitation to the State Team will be extended to athletes competing in each age group and gender.
- 3.3. For those age groups and genders where more than 10 athletes wish to nominate for selection to the State Team, a selection panel will deliberate on the results from the State Cross Country Championships and confirm which athletes are to be selected.
- 3.4. Athletes will only be accepted if they are deemed to be competitive at the Australian Cross Country Championships by the Committee.

4. Appeals

4.1. To submit an appeal please email: pathways@athleticssa.com.au. Appeals will be considered for extenuating circumstances that prevented an athlete from reaching the selection criteria, provided they apply with all the appropriate documentation.

4.1.1. Examples of appropriate appeals include; illness, injury, family grievance, and travel that prevented the athlete from meeting the criteria.

4.1.2. Competition weather conditions are not deemed to be a satisfactory reason for an appeal.

5. Expectations and Requirements

5.1. Whilst selected athletes will be representing their State, they will be entering as an individual and will therefore be required to arrange their, transport, food, and any other costs incurred as applicable.

5.2. Selected athletes will be invoiced the applicable entry cost at the time of registration.

5.3. Athletes selected in junior age groups are required to wear the Athletics SA's State uniform.

6. Team Announcement

6.1. The team selection will be announced as soon as possible after the conclusion of the Championships and nomination deadline.

6.2. Selections will be made available on the Athletics SA website.

Last Updated: 8th June 2022