

# IMPORTANT NOTES ON SELECTION

Updated 19/01/23

## 2023 Australian Athletics Championships

Queensland Sport and Athletics Centre, Nathan  
U13-U18



All athletes are **required to register** through the Queensland Athletics website by no later than **9am** 22nd of March.

### ELIGIBILITY

#### 1. Membership

To be considered a member of Queensland Athletics for the purposes of this team, athletes must be registered as a gold or platinum member for the 2022/2023 track and field season through a Queensland Athletics or Athletics North Queensland club.

**If you are a current base member with QLD athletics you will be required to upgrade your membership in order to represent Queensland.**

#### 2. Age

Athletes must be a minimum of 12 years of age as at the 31 December 2023. Please refer to point 2 in the 'Additional Notes' section below for clarification on age groups.

#### 3. Competing in QA competitions

Athletes are required to compete in the Queensland Athletics Championships (9th-12th of March 2023), Queensland Combined Events Championships or the Queensland 3000m Championships and at least one other QA competition during the 2022-2023 season. The competitions included in the 2022/2023 QA Shield Series are available on the Queensland Athletics website.

Athletes that live further than 200 km from the Queensland Sport and Athletics Centre, or who have extenuating circumstances, may apply to the Queensland Athletics CEO for an exception. **Athletes registered with ANQ** are not required to compete in the Queensland Athletics Championships or take part in any further QA competitions during the season.

### 1. QUALIFYING

#### 1. Place at Championships

Athletes that finish in the first three places at the 2022 Queensland Secondary School Track and Field Championships, Queensland 3000m Championships, 2022 Queensland Combined Events Championships and the first two places in the 2022 Athletics North Queensland Track & Field Championships\* will automatically qualify up an age group, regardless of any changes in implement weights or hurdle heights. *For example, the first three places in the U15 (aka 14 years) 100 metres at the 2022 Secondary School Championships will qualify for the U16 100 metres at the 2023 Australian Track & Field Championships.*

In 2023 the Queensland Athletics Championships will be conducted in the following age groups – U14, U15, U16, U17, U18 and U20 (the same age groups as the Australian Championships). Athletes that finish in the first three places in each age group at the Queensland Athletics Championships will be eligible to nominate for the team for that event.

This clause should be read in conjunction with point 2 in the 'Additional Notes' section below.

\*ANQ registered athletes only

#### COMBINED EVENTS:

The qualifying period for the Combined Events began on 1 October 2021.

Top 3 from the 2022 Queensland Combined Events Championships will be automatic qualifiers pending nomination.

## 2. Achieve Entry Standard

Athletes who achieve the qualifying standard for their nominated event during the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 to 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023 are eligible for selection for the Australian Athletics Championships in that event. Athletes must achieve the standard for their age group in 2023 and must ensure they achieve it with the correct implement or hurdle height where relevant.

Wind readings may be up to 4.0m/s.

Performances can be achieved at any of the following meets:

- (a) Any meet conducted by the IAAF (eg. World Juniors) or Athletics Australia;
- (b) Any meet conducted by Queensland Athletics (Queensland Championships, Schools Knockout, QA Shield competitions, QA Permit Meets, Athletics North Queensland events etc.) and similar standard meets conducted interstate.
- (c) The 2022 Queensland Secondary Schools Track and Field Championships
- (d) The following school championships:
  - GPS, AIC, CSGSSA, TAS, QGSSSA.

### ADDITIONAL NOTES

1. Queensland Athletics reserves the right to amend this Selection Criteria in circumstances where the rules governing the event are amended by the event organisers (Athletics Australia) or further information comes to hand. Any such amendments or further information will be added to the Queensland Athletics website ([www.qldathletics.org.au](http://www.qldathletics.org.au)) as soon as it becomes available.
2. **Under 13** - athletes must not have their thirteenth birthday on or before 31 December 2023  
(must be born in 2011)  
**Under 14** - athletes must not have their fourteenth birthday on or before 31 December 2023  
(must be born in 2010 or 2011)  
**Under 15** - athletes must not have their fifteenth birthday on or before 31 December 2023  
(must be born in 2009 or later)  
**Under 16** - athletes must not have their sixteenth birthday on or before 31 December 2023  
(must be born in 2008 or later)  
**Under 17** - athletes must not have their seventeenth birthday on or before 31 December 2023  
(must be born in 2007 or later)  
**Under 18** - athletes must not have their eighteenth birthday on or before 31 December 2023  
(must be born in 2006 or later)

### UNDER 13 AGE GROUP:

U13 will compete in conjunction with U14 at the 2023 Australian Junior Championships.

Medals will be awarded to U13 and U14 athletes.

Entry standards for the U13 age group will be the existing U14 entry standards currently advertised.

The top 3 U13 and the top 3 U14 will be determined from the U14 events at the 2023 Queensland Athletics Championships.

No relay event for U13. No U13 Combined events.

3. Athletes may enter in multiple event age groups if an athlete has bettered the relevant entry standard. **This rule is subject to the following criteria as set out under the following rules:**  
Provided an athlete has bettered the relevant entry standard for a higher age group than their own, the athlete may be entered in an individual event for such age group, subject to the following:
  - Athletes may only enter events in a maximum of two age groups.
  - No athlete may enter the same or similar events within the U15 and U16 age groups.
  - No athlete may enter the same or similar events within the U17 and U18 age groups.

**\*\* Same or Similar event** means 80/90/100/110m hurdles; 200/400m hurdles; 3000/5000 metres and 1500/3000/5000m walk and each of the throwing events (regardless of change in weight of implements).

The list of events to be contested in each age group and the relevant specifications are shown on the attachments.

Athletes may enter events across the different age groups.

Athletes 12 or 13 years of age are not permitted to enter the Steeplechase event.

\* Please note that selection policy is subject to change