



SELECTION POLICY

2025 EUROPEAN ATHLETICS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS: 28-29 JUNE, MARIBOR, SLOVENIA

GENERAL INFORMATION:

IMPORTANT DATES/CHECKLIST		
01 April 2025	National Team Declaration Form	Online Form
30 November 2023 to 08 June 2025	Qualification Period for all events	
09 June 2025	All Events Final Selection Meeting	Names published after nomination date on AAI website

1. CONDITIONS:

- 1.1** Performances must be achieved in a competition conducted according to World Athletics Competition and Technical Rules, or authorized by World Athletics, its Area Associations or its National Member Federations, and published on the [World Athletics Global Calendar](#).
- 1.2** Performances achieved in mixed events (between male and female participants), held completely in the stadium, shall not be accepted as entry standards;
- 1.3** Wind assisted performances in the relevant individual events and combined events will not be considered.

2. ENTRY RULES:

- 2.1** Each European Athletics Member Federation may enter one team comprising a maximum of 46 athletes.
- 2.2** Each team shall consist of one athlete in each discipline (Man and Woman), and to be represented with one team in each relay (Men, Women & Mixed).
- 2.3** Subject to the exceptions stated below, only athletes aged at least sixteen (16) years on 31 December of the year of the competition may participate in the athletics competition of the European Athletics Team Championships.
- 2.3.1** Only athletes aged at least 18 (eighteen) years on 31 December of the year of the competition may participate in the Shot Put (men) and Hammer Throw (men).
- 2.4** After the closure of final confirmation, replacements may be allowed only for medical reasons

3. SELECTION PHILOSOPHY:

- 3.1** Athletics Ireland sees this event as a critical indicator of our standing amongst European Nations, an opportunity to acquire World Ranking points, qualification standards, and valuable international exposure to key athletes as preparation for future major championships. Athletics Ireland aims to select the strongest team possible with the ambition of achieving the best team finish possible. In 2025 Athletics Ireland aims to gain promotion to Division 1 of the European Athletics Team Championships.

4. NOMINATION PROCESS:**Participation Criteria**

- 4.1** Nothing in this Policy obliges Athletics Ireland to nominate a full contingent of athletes in any particular event regardless of the Entry Rules. Athletics Ireland will nominate its Team according to the criteria set out in this Policy as allowed by Entry Rules.

Eligibility

- 4.2** In order to be eligible for selection all athletes must:
- 4.2.1** Fill out a [National Team Declaration Form](#) (NTDF) on Athletics Ireland High Performance website before 1 April 2025.
 - 4.2.2** Satisfy all World Athletics eligibility, nationality and European championship participation rules.
 - 4.2.3** Be a registered member of Athletics Ireland.
 - 4.2.4** Remain in "good standing" with Athletics Ireland and at all times comply with any established code of conduct or

athlete agreement and otherwise conduct themselves in a way that does not bring their sport or the National Team into disrepute.

4.2.5 Each European Athletics Member Federation may enter only those athletes who have received and hold valid certification for having completed European Athletics Anti-Doping Education Programme – [I Run Clean](#).

Performance Standards

4.3 No set Performance Standards will be used for nomination.

Performance Period

4.4 30 November 2023 to 08 June 2025.

Individual Selection Criteria

4.5 Athletics Ireland will select one male and one female athlete in each of the following events: 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 5000m, 100/110m hurdles, 400m hurdles, 3000m Steeplechase, Long Jump, Triple Jump, High Jump, Pole Vault, Shot Put, Discus, Hammer and Javelin.

4.6 The Selection Panel may exercise their sole and overriding discretion to consider any factor or combination of factors that, in their opinion, relevant to the nomination of an athlete, including, but not necessarily limited to the following general principles:

A. Point scoring potential

B. Consistency and Repeatability of performances (in all or any events), and showing current form and fitness

C. Statistical data (Annual performance lists, altitude/wind adjustments)

D. Championship performance history, in particular the history of the athlete's on-demand performances at major championships

E. The competitive **head to head** record of each athlete

F. Injury and illness history

G. Future major championships potential

Relays Selection Criteria

4.7 Athletics Ireland will nominate a panel of athletes for each of the following events: Men's 4x100m, Women's 4x100m, Mixed 4x400m.

4.8 The Nomination Panel may use their sole and overriding discretion to consider any factor or combination of factors that, in their opinion, are relevant to the selection of an athlete to the relay panel, including, but not necessarily limited to the following general principles:

A. Consistency and Repeatability of performances in relevant events, and showing current form and fitness

B. Statistical data (ranking/performance list, performance-time curves, course ratings, altitude/wind adjustments)

C. Championship performance history, in particular the history of the athlete's on-demand performances at major championships

D. The competitive **head to head** record of each athlete

E. Injury and illness history

G. Relay splits taken from prior championship or non-championships events may be considered.

H. Commitment to relay programme and relay panel initiatives.

4.9 Final Relay Team Selections

The "Strike Four" athletes for any Relay Team(s) that run at the championships will be **selected by the appointed Relay Coach in consultation with team management** before final relay declarations. There are "No Appeals" against the final running order or to the selection of the "Strike Four" athletes.

Selectors Meetings

4.10 The Selection Panel members and the [Selectors Terms of Reference can be found here](#).

4.11 Selectors meetings will be held on **9 June 2025**.

After Selection

4.12 For the purposes of clarity, it is the intended operation of this Policy that **all selections in the Team remain conditional** up and through the championships given the athlete shows form and fitness.

4.12.1 Failure by a selected athlete to show form and fitness prior to the Championships will, at the discretion of the Selectors, High Performance Director and/or Team Manager result in an athlete who has been initially selected to the team being withdrawn.

4.13 An athlete who enters the Athletics Ireland Team Camp and/or the 2025 European Athletics Team Championship village will be subject to an injury evaluation/assessment by the championship Team Management staff. The injury evaluation/assessment will be carried out by Athletics Ireland's Physio (or appointed Team Physio).

4.13.1 If as a result of such injury evaluation/assessment the Team Physio, Team Management staff, and Team Leader/Manager considers an athlete does not have the standard of fitness or is otherwise not in condition to compete due to injury at a level appropriate to the event(s) for which they have been selected, the Team Leader/Manager will have the sole discretion to withdraw the athlete from the competition.

4.14 An athlete who is found to have breached any Athletics Ireland, World Athletics, EAA, LOC or other relevant code of conduct may be withdrawn from the competition at the sole discretion of the Team Leader/Manager.

Selection Queries

4.15 Athletes can seek clarification regarding selection policy from the [Athletics Ireland Performance Director](#).

Non-Selection Appeals Process

4.16 The publishing of selected athletes (Selection Announcement) on Athletics Ireland website after a selection meeting will be **deemed the commencement of the 24-hour period to lodge non-Selection Appeals** in accord with this Selection Policy.

4.17 Any athlete who is not selected in accordance with this Selection Policy may appeal their non-selection to Athletics Ireland providing they:

4.17.1 Have submitted an NTDF in accordance with timelines contained in this Selection Policy and;

4.17.2 Submit a notice of their intention to appeal their non-selection via online [Notice of Appeals Form](#) within 24 hours of the selection decision published on the Athletics Ireland website (i.e. the Selection Announcement). The Notice of Appeal Form is submitted to the Chair of the Appeals Panel and the CEO of Athletics Ireland.

4.18 The [Selection Appeals Procedure](#) can be found on the HP section of Athletics Ireland website.

4.19 The Grounds upon which a Selection decision may be appealed are limited to the following:

4.19.1 There has been an alleged failure by Selection Panel to follow or apply the relevant Selection Procedure and/or criteria set out in the Selection Policy, and/or

4.19.2 The decision for selection for the championship has been reached based on an error of fact.

5. GENERAL INFORMATION:

5.1 This policy and criteria may be amended at any time by the Directors of Athletics Ireland, if Athletics Ireland is of the opinion that such amendment is necessary in the best interests of Athletics Ireland or as a result of any change in participation rules and/or guidelines. Any amendment to the policy and criteria will be published on the Athletics Ireland High Performance website.

Funding

5.2 Athletes may receive funding for the event under their Athletics Ireland carded 'Athlete Agreements'. The decision whether to provide funding to an athlete who has been selected and the extent of any funding will be made by the High Performance Director.

Meet Information

5.3 Selected athletes' personal coaches/family outside of the selected "Official Irish Team" will be responsible for their own travel, accommodations, tickets, and accreditations for the 2025 European Athletics Team Championships.