

Qualification System and Entry Standards (amended on 2 December 2020)

Target number	Men	Event	Women	Target number
64	10.58	100m	11.85	64
64	21.38	200m	24.35	64
56	47.35	400m	54.85	56
48	1:50.80	800m	2:08.70	48
45	3:48.00	1500m	4:28.00	45
20	8:14.00	3000m	9:25.00	20
18	14:12.00	5000m	16:35.00	18
30	9:07.00	3000m SC	10:35.00	30
56	14.15 (0.991m)	110m H / 100m H	14.15	56
56	53:10	400m H	1:00.75	56
34	43:40.00	10,000m Race Walk	50:30.00	34
28	2.16	High Jump	1.82	28
28	5.10	Pole Vault	4.07	28
28	7.58	Long Jump	6.15	28
28	15.60	Triple Jump	12.90	28
28	18.30 (6kg)	Shot Put	14.60	28
28	57.00 (1.75kg)	Discus Throw	49.00	28
28	68.50 (6kg)	Hammer Throw	58.00	28
28	69.50	Javelin Throw	50.50	28
		Heptathlon	5350	24
24	7100	Decathlon		
24	No standard	4x100m Relay	No standard	24
24	No standard	4x400m Relay	No standard	24
24	No standard	4x400m Relay Mixed		

Entry Rules

- Only athletes **aged 16, 17, 18 or 19 on 31 December 2021** (born in 2005, 2004, 2003 or 2002 may compete. The maximum number of events in which a Youth athlete (born in 2004 or 2005) can compete is two individual events plus one of the relays. If the two individual events are Track Events, only one of these may be longer than 200m
- A **maximum of two athletes** from any one Member can compete in each event (with the exception of the Relays).

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- Three athletes can initially be entered per event, provided each has achieved the Entry Standard, but **only two will be allowed to compete**.
- Members who have no male and/or female qualified athletes whom they wish to enter in any Championships event, may enter **one unqualified male athlete OR one unqualified female** athlete in one event of the Championships (except the Field Events (see below), Combined Events, 5000m and 3000m Steeplechase).
- Members who have no male and/or no female qualified athlete but whose best athlete excels in a **Field Event**, may submit to World Athletics, by the time of the Preliminary Entry deadline, the name of their athlete plus performance they would like to enter in the Field Event. The Technical Delegates will make the final decision and, to do so, may seek the opinion of the relevant Area Association.
- If the **host country** of the World U20 Championships does not have an athlete qualified in an event, it may enter one athlete in these events regardless of any entry standard.
- Every Member may enter one team for each **relay race**, composed by a maximum of six athletes. Any four athletes among those entered for the competition, whether for the relay or for any other event, may then be used in the composition of the team for the first round.

Conditions for Validity of Performances

- All performances must be achieved during the period **1 October 2019 to 5 April 2020 and from 1 December 2020 to 8 August 2021**. Please note that the Final Entries deadline remains **three Mondays before the first day of competition, i.e. 2 August 2021**.
- All performances must be achieved during an official competition organised **in conformity with World Athletics Rules**.
- All performances must be achieved during competitions **organised or sanctioned** by World Athletics, its Area Associations or its Member Federations. Thus, results achieved at school competitions must be certified by the Member Federation of the country in which the competition was organised.
- Performances achieved in **mixed competitions** in track events will not be accepted. Exceptionally, in accordance with Rule 9 of the Technical Rules, performances achieved in events of 5000m may be accepted in circumstances where there were insufficient athletes of one or both genders competing to justify the conduct of separate races and there was no pacing or assistance given by an athlete(s) of one gender to an athlete(s) of the other gender. In this case, a specific request must be submitted to World Athletics before the end of the qualification period. For Race Walks the results will always be accepted.
- **Wind assisted performances** (over 2m/sec) will not be accepted.
- **Indoor performances** will be accepted.
- **Hand-timed performances** for events up to and including 800m **will not be accepted**.
- For Race Walks:
 - **road performances** will be accepted
 - results of races conducted using the **penalty zone** will be accepted
- For the running events of 200m and over, performances achieved on **over-sized tracks** will not be accepted.