

13th IAAF World Championships in Athletics
Daegu, Korea – 27 August-4 September 2011

- ENTRY STANDARDS -
(Partial)

As announced in Circular M/38/09, dated 23 December 2009, changes have been introduced in the qualification period for the IAAF World Championships. Beginning with the Daegu 2011 World Championships, the qualification period shall be as follows:

- 1 January 2010 to 15 August 2011 for the 10,000m, Marathon, Race Walk, Relays and Combined Events (Heptathlon and Decathlon)
- 1 October 2010 to 15 August 2011 for all other events

The IAAF shall publish the Entry Standards and relevant criteria for Daegu 2011 qualification as follows:

- In March 2010 for the 10,000m, Marathon, Race Walk, Relays and Combined Events
- In November 2010 for all other events

The approved Entry Standards for the 10,000m, Marathon, Combined Events, Race Walks and Relays as well as the applicable specific Rules and Conditions are as follows.

Men		Event	Women	
A Standard	B Standard		A Standard	B Standard
27:40.00	28:00.00	10,000m	31:45:00	32:00:00
2:17:00		Marathon	2:43:00	
		Heptathlon	6150	5950
8200	8000	Decathlon		
1:22:30	1:24:00	20km Race Walk	1:33:30	1:38:00
3:58:00	4:09:00	50km Race Walk		
39.20		4x100m Relay	44.00	
3:04:00		4x400m Relay	3:32:00	

ENTRY RULES:

- Each Member is entitled to enter two, three or four athletes per event (see below for Marathon and Relays), as follows:
 - 1, 2, 3 or 4 athletes with the "A" standard;
 - 1 athlete with the "B" and 1, 2 or 3 athletes with the "A" standard.In both cases a maximum of three athletes will be allowed to compete.
- Each Member is entitled to enter two athletes per event who have both reached the "B" standard for that event but only one will be allowed to compete.
- The **Area Champions** in all the individual events (except the Marathons) automatically qualify for the World Championships and will be considered as having achieved the "A" standard (see specific Regulations below).
- **Unqualified athletes:**
 - Members who have no male and/or no female qualified athletes whom they wish to enter in any event may enter one unqualified male athlete and/or one unqualified female athlete in one individual event except the 10,000m, 3000m Steeplechase and the Combined Events.
 - The acceptance of unqualified entries in the Field Events is at the discretion of the Technical Delegates.
 - Entries for unqualified athletes must be submitted by 1 August 2011. If another athlete then achieves the entry standard before the end of the qualification period, it will be possible to change the entry accordingly.
- If Korea, as **host country**, has no qualified athlete (or relay team) in any event of the Championships, it is entitled to enter 1 athlete (or one relay team) regardless of the entry standard.
- In the **Relays**, Member Federations can enter up to 6 athletes; these must include all athletes (up to the 4th reserve) eventually entered in the respective individual events (100m and 400m).
- The **World Marathon Cups** (Men and Women) are incorporated in the IAAF World Championships in Athletics and run as part of the Marathon competition. Therefore in the **Marathon**, a maximum of seven athletes may be entered for each team; no more than five will be allowed to start, with three to score. The current World Outdoor Champion may also compete if entered by his Federation (see below), but he must be within the five member team. Any country with three finishers will be included in the team results.
- In addition to the above, Member Federations are entitled to enter the **Reigning World Champion** regardless of whether he / she has achieved the corresponding entry standard (in the case of the Marathon see above).
- **Lower ages limits**
 - Junior athletes (any athlete aged 18 or 19 years on 31 December 2011) may compete in any event except the Marathon Races and the 50km Race Walk Men.
 - Youth athletes (any athlete aged 16 or 17 years on 31 December 2011) may compete in any event except the Men's Throws, Decathlon, 10,000m, Marathon Races and Race Walks.
 - Athletes younger than 16 years on 31 December 2011 CANNOT be entered in any event.

CONDITIONS FOR THE VALIDITY OF PERFORMANCES:

- Performances must be achieved during the **qualification period** from 1 January 2010 to 15 August 2011 (midnight Monaco time).
- Performances must be achieved during competitions **organised or authorised by the IAAF, its Area Associations or its Member Federations**. Thus, results achieved at university or school competitions must be certified by the Member Federation of the country in which the competition was organised (for Race Walks, Marathons and Relays, see hereunder).
- Performances must be achieved during an official competition organised in **conformity with IAAF Rules**.
- Performances achieved in **mixed events** between male and female participants, held completely in the Stadium, may be accepted under specific circumstances and conditions (see Rule 147).
- **Wind-assisted performances** shall not be accepted.
- **Wind in Combined Events: Wind in Combined Events:** Rule 260.27 as published in IAAF Competition Rules 2010-2011 applies specifically to World Records. For qualification to the World Championships, the conditions of the wind specified in the previous text (IAAF Competitions Rules 2009) shall apply.
- **Hand-timed performances** in 100m, 200m, 400m, 110m/100m Hurdles, 400m Hurdles and 4x100m relay shall not be accepted.
- **Indoor performances** for all field events and for races of 400m and longer, shall be accepted.
- For the running events of 400m and over, performances achieved on **oversized tracks** shall not be accepted.
- In the case of **race walks**, track performances (20,000m or 50,000m) shall be accepted.
- **Race Walk Events**
 - a) Performances achieved at Race Walk Events staged at International Competitions defined under IAAF Rule 1.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) or (j) are valid towards the achievement of the Entry Standards providing the following conditions (where applicable) are respected:
 - the course is (or will be) measured by an IAAF/AIMS Grade “A” or “B” International Road Race Course Measurer;
 - a minimum of 3 International or Area Race Walking Judges are on duty.
 - b) Performances achieved at International Competitions defined under IAAF Rule 1.1 (i) and (j) or National Competitions are valid towards the achievement of the Entry Standards **ONLY** if the Area Association or Member Federation concerned submits a specific application to the IAAF. The application letter, indicating the date, venue and programme of events of the Competition, must confirm that the above conditions will be respected. The list of such competitions for 2010 is published on the IAAF website while applications for 2011 must be received by the IAAF by 31 December 2010. The IAAF reserves the right to accept or reject the application.
- **Marathons**

Only performances achieved at Marathon Races that respect the following criteria are valid towards the achievement of the Entry Standards:

- the course is (or will be) measured by an IAAF/AIMS Grade “A” or “B” International Road Race Course Measurer
- the measurement certificate must have been established no more than 5 years before the date of the race;
- the overall decrease in elevation between the start and finish shall not exceed 1:1000, i.e. 1m per km.

The list of qualifying Marathons for 2010 which meet these criteria and which comply with the IAAF Rules is published on the IAAF website. The list for 2011 will be published by 15 January 2011.

For 2011 additional races, if requested to the IAAF by the host Member Federation before 31 December 2010 (for Races held in 2011) can be included in the list, providing that the above conditions are respected.

In addition, the top 10 finishers at the IAAF Gold Label Marathons (in 2010 and in 2011) held within the qualification period will also be considered as having achieved the “A” Standard (the list of the Gold Label Marathons for 2010 is published on the IAAF Website).

- **Relays**

Results of relay races shall count towards the achievement of the Entry Standards for Daegu 2011 on condition that they are part of a competition staged in compliance with IAAF Rules and that at least three international teams compete in the race.

AREA CHAMPIONS:

Regulations for Automatic Qualification to the IAAF World Championships in Athletics (does not apply for relays and marathon)

1. The Area Champion (in each individual event to be contested at the World Championships) automatically qualifies for the World Championships, irrespective of whether his performance has reached the “A” or “B” standard.
2. The Area Champion shall be the one who has achieved the title either in 2010 or 2011. If an Area does not have Area Championships in that period, then the Area may organise an alternate event to select the Area Champion.
3. The Member Federation of the Area Champion will have the ultimate authority to enter the athlete or not, based on its own domestic standard or qualification system.
4. If the Member Federation of the Area Champion enters the athlete, he will be considered as having achieved the “A” standard.
5. If the Area Champion, for whatever reason, is not entered, his quota will not be delegated to the second placed athlete and the normal entry rules and conditions apply.
6. For those Area Championships that do not have certain events, the Area Associations can organise alternate Area specific event Championships with conditions conforming to Area Championships Regulations.
7. For an Area having “restricted” Area Championships (where the participation is not open to all athletes), the Area Association may specify an existing competition of a suitable standard for the purpose of identifying the Area Champion. In such cases, it is necessary that all Member Federations within the Area be invited to compete in this Competition.