



ENTRY POLICY

INDOOR SEASON 2026

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ENGLAND ATHLETICS ENTRY POLICY

OVERVIEW

England Athletics has implemented an entry policy for the Indoor championships 2026 to ensure clarity for entry to the England Athletics championship events.

This policy sits in line with our event entry terms and conditions which is available on [Roster](#).

ELIGIBILITY

These are open championships, therefore athletes from England and the Home Countries may enter this competition. Athletes from outside the UK will not be granted access to championship competitions, unless in exceptional circumstances in specific event groups only. This is at the discretion of the event organisers, and these athletes would not be eligible for a medal.

Athletes must be registered as first claim with a Home Country affiliated club to be eligible to compete in this event. Athletes who are first claim with an English club are eligible for the championship medals. Athletes who are first claim to a Home County club will be eligible for guest medals. Foreign athletes registered with an English first claim club will be eligible for a championship medal.

Eligible clubs are listed on our website as a PDF document and updated monthly

- [Download latest list](#)

Para athletes must have a national classification to compete in these championships. U13 athletes will not be permitted to compete up an age group to compete in the U15 Championships.



ENTRY STANDARDS

Combined Events

Entry for Combined events will be a first come first served, with a maximum of 32 in each age group for the competition. For all vertical jumps there will be minimum starting heights and set height progressions.

	U15G	U15B	U17W	U17M	U20W	U20M	SW	SM
High Jump	1.11	1.20	1.24	1.38	1.26	1.45	1.30	1.45
Pole Vault				2.00		2.50		2.80

Athletes must also be competent and have competed in all technical event prior to entering the championships.

Age Group Championships

Entry standards are in place for the U20, U17 and U15 Championships and all events which fall within these Championships. To ensure the event will be held in line with UKA rules and under the 8-hour competition day, entry numbers for each event will be capped. Further information on capped numbers can be found on the Entry Standards. Athletes will be accepted based on performance as of the entry closing date, with the top ranked athletes (as per capping) accepted in each event.

- [View entry standards](#) (PDF)

Important to note:

- The entry standard must have been achieved between 1 January 2025 and 18 January 2026.
- The entry standard, where appropriate, must be obtained at a licensed competition, which is a level 1 or level 2 competition held within the UK or an event with a World Athletics permit if the standard is obtained abroad. [View a list of licensed competitions](#).
- Performances achieved with illegal wind speeds will not be accepted.
- Performances obtained on the road for endurance events will be accepted.
- Entries will only be accepted for performances with the relevant age group implements. For example: Shot Put weight, Hurdle height.
- Standards obtained outside of the entry standard window may be accepted on occasion at the discretion of England Athletics.
- England Athletics reserve the right to cap entries and create a reserve list on any event.



Para events

Para-athletes must have achieved the standards for the Senior Para Championships from the 1 January 2025. There will be no entry standards for the Junior Para Championships. Athletes can compete in this event if they do not have the standard.

- [View entry para-standards](#) (PDF)

ENTRY APPROVAL

Combined Events

England Athletics will manually approve competition entries on a first come first served basis. Athletes will not immediately receive notification that their entry has been approved for the competition.

Please wait until the entry has been confirmed and payment made before committing to travel plans. Payment must be made within 48 hours of approval. Any travel plans made before approval has been issued is the responsibility of the entrant. England Athletics accepts no responsibility for this.

Age Group Championships

England Athletics will manually approve competition entries after the closing date (18th January 2026). Therefore, athletes will not immediately receive notification that their entry has been approved for the competition. Athletes will be approved based on performances as of the closing date with the top ranked athletes (within the capping number) approved. Payment must be made within 48 hours of approval.

Please wait until the entry has been confirmed and payment made before committing to travel plans. Any travel plans made before approval has been issued is the responsibility of the entrant. England Athletics accepts no responsibility for this.

WAITING LIST

A waiting list will be in operation for the England Athletics Combined Events. Athletes will be approved from the waiting list based on best performances. This will not be a first come first served system.

ENTRY REJECTION

Should your entry be rejected, it will be based upon not having an appropriate standard for the competition or being ineligible to compete. If your entry has been rejected and you have further queries, please email eventsupport@englandathletics.org

ENTRY REFUNDS

Combined Events

England Athletics will refund athletes who withdraw from the event up to 48 hours before the event. This is to ensure that athletes who are unable to compete withdraw in a timely manner to allow an athlete on the waiting list the opportunity to compete.

Age Group and Para Championships

England Athletics will refund athletes who withdraw from the event up until the entry closing date. Refunds will not be issued for withdrawals once the entry closing date has passed.

TIMETABLE

The timetable for the competition will be updated on the [Roster Athletics platform](#) approximately one week before the competition. Please download the app, find, and follow the competition for updated information.

N.B. The timetable will not be amended for athletes competing in multiple events.



EVENT CANCELLATION

- 1) England Athletics may cancel the event. If circumstances beyond its control force England Athletics to cancel the Event because of (without limitation) predicted severe weather conditions, flooding, landslides, political unrest, terrorism, or war.
- 2) England Athletics may cancel an event where insufficient participation numbers make the event either not deemed a championship competition, meaning less than three participants, or it is economically unviable. The participant is not entitled to claim any cost, expenses, or loss (including economic and/or consequential loss) under such circumstances, provided England Athletics has given reasonable notice of the event cancellation.
- 3) Para events: if there are two athletes or fewer, the event will be cancelled unless we can find a suitable integration opportunity.
- 4) If the event is cancelled by England Athletics in the circumstances set out in clause (1) and clause (2) above, refunds and/or transfers of your entry fee will be made.

