



OAA COMPETITION CIRCULAR 06.18

Polynesian Regional Championships 2018

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As you are aware we have had some difficulties with the hosting of the 2018 Polynesian Regional Championships. Samoa, who was awarded the Championships is now not in a position to host as they have track renovations planned for late this year. This led us to New Zealand where we were hopeful that we would be able to secure a venue. Unfortunately, the timing was not good for New Zealand and therefore they were unable to host the Championships.

With limited possibilities and following a very generous offer from the Tahitian Government we are now in a position to advise that the 2018 Polynesian Regional Championships will be conducted in Tahiti.

Papeete, Tahiti

23rd and 24th November 2018

Polynesian Championships

The Polynesian Championships will be conducted as an Under 18 and Senior Event. Where possible there will be Paralympic and Masters Exhibition events included in the program.

Polynesian Member Federations: **ASA, COK, PYF, NZL, NIU, SAM, TGA, TUV**

OAA Funding

Quota Athletes and Official/s will be funded according to previous attendance at Area and Regional Championships. The quota will be distributed to each Member Federation individually.

Quota Team Members will receive the following financial support:

- Airfare from departing international airport
- Accommodation (calculated according to the least number of days required according to airline schedules)
- Meals (calculated according to accommodation)
- Ground Transport in Host City
- Any necessary Overnight Stays to and from Host City
- All associated Competition Costs

Where a Member Federation's Athletes do not meet the Championship Entry Standard up to one male and one female athlete and one official will be deemed to be the maximum quota.

Associate Member Federations will be responsible for their own Airfares, however OAA will offer a quota to cover accommodation, meals, ground transport and competition and venue expenses. This quota will be agreed to prior to booking flights in consultation with the OAA Competition Manager.

NB: Member Federation Quota Athletes and Official will only be offered an airfare from their home Federation OR from where they reside – whichever is the cheapest possible option as determined by the OAA Office.

Examples:

- ❖ Cook Island Athlete living in New Zealand will receive an airfare from Auckland or the cost from the Cook Islands - whichever is the cheapest possible option as determined by the OAA Office.
- ❖ Tongan athlete living in Sydney will receive an airfare from Sydney or the cost from Tonga - whichever is the cheapest possible option as determined by the OAA Office.

Airfares will only be funded from the departing International airport (listed below) in the Member Federation or from where the participant resides - whichever is the cheapest possible option as determined by the OAA Office.

All other domestic airfares are the responsibility of the Member Federation

The following is the departing international airport for each Federation for the 2018 Oceania Regional Championships:

Federation	Airport
ASA	Pago Pago
COK	Rarotonga
NZL	Auckland
SAM	Apia
TGA	Tongatapu
TUV	Funafuti

Federation Funding Obligations

- Visa Applications (if your Federation requires visas to attend the Polynesian Regional Championships or any transiting countries please write to the OAA Office for advice)
- Departure taxes
- Medical and travel insurance
- Additional accommodation outside of the agreed period according to arrivals and departures
- Once travel bookings are made they will **NOT** be able to be changed without financial penalty to the Federation

Additional Athletes / Team Officials

The Association would like to encourage your Federation to send more than your quota of Athletes. Any additional persons will be the financial responsibility of the Member Federation.

The Member Federation will be responsible for the cost of additional athletes/officials Airfares. Accommodation, Ground Transport and Meals for additional team members will be at a cost **AUD80** per person / per day payable prior to or on arrival into the host city for the Regional Championships.

Event List:

The following events will be conducted for both Male and Female, and in both Under 18 and Senior.

100m
200m
400m
800m
1500m
3000m
5km - Out of Stadia Race
Sprint Hurdles
400m Hurdles
Long Jump
Triple Jump
High Jump
Discus Throw
Shot Put
Javelin Throw
Hammer Throw
Mixed Relays

Entry Standards

	Open Men	Open Women	U18 Men	U18 Women
100m	11.30	13.40	11.80	13.70
200m	23.30	27.50	24.20	28.20
400m	52.00	63.00	58.00	65.00
800m	2.06.50	2.23.00	2.17.00	2.45.00
1500m	4.30.00	5.20.00	4.40.00	5.30.00
3000m	10.00.00	12.00.00	10.00.00	12.00.00
5000m Out of Stadia	No standard	No standard	No standard	No standard
100m Hurdles		18.00		19.00
110m Hurdles	17.00		17.50	
400m Hurdles	61.50	70.00	68.00	76.00
Long Jump	6.00	4.80	5.30	4.40
Triple Jump	12.00	10.50	11.20	10.00
High Jump	1.60	1.50	1.45	1.25
Discus	36.00	30.00	32.00	28.00
Hammer	40.00	32.00	30.00	30.00
Javelin	40.00	30.00	32.00	28.00
Shot Put	11.00	10.00	10.00	10.00

Entries

As there are only limited flights available into Papeete we will require your Entries to be submitted to the OAA Office no later than the **21 September 2018**.

It would be appreciated if Federations would use the attached Entry form and list as much information as possible in regards, Athlete's full name, birth date and performances.

Athletes must have achieved the OAA Entry Standard in competition between 1 August 2017 and 30 September 2018.

Where appropriate an Entry Standard has been set in the Under 18 and Open Age Groups. Each Federation is invited to enter up to (three) 3 athletes per event who have reached the minimum entry standard.

Federations will be required to submit verifiable performances for all athletes who are entered. No athlete will be permitted to compete at the Championships or shall be accepted in a Federation's quota unless they have met the minimum Championship Qualifying Standards.

Age groups are calculated on the 31st December in the year of competition. **Traveling athletes must have reached a minimum age of 15 years by the 31st December 2018.**

Athletes in the Under 18 Age Group should be born no earlier than 2001.

A COPY OF EACH ATHLETE AND OFFICIAL'S PASSPORT MUST ACCOMPANY THE ENTRY FORM

NO PASSPORT NO ENTRY

For further information please contact the OAA Office:

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