



OAA COMPETITION CIRCULAR

Micronesian Regional Championships 2018

29 March 2018

The Micronesian Regional Championships will be held:

Saipan, Northern Marianas Islands

June 14 – 16, 2018

Micronesian Championships

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

Micronesian Member Federations: **FSM, GUM, KIR, MHL, NMI, NRU, PLW**

Entries

Preliminary entries for Micronesian Championships are due with the Oceania Athletics Office **9 April 2018**.

Final Entries will close on **May 1, 2018**.

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

Entry Standards

Entry Standards and Event List for the 2018 Regional Championships are contained in a separate document attached to this.

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.

Athletes must have achieved the OAA Entry Standard in competition between 1 August 2017 and 29 March 2018.

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 in 2001, 2002, or 2003.

OAA Funding

Quota Athletes and Official/s will be funded according to previous attendance at Area and Regional Championships. In most cases up to six (6) athletes – preferably, three male / three female (who meet the Regional Championship Entry Standards) and one (1) official per Federation will receive financial support. ***Where possible Member Federations may receive funding for additional athletes to attend the 2016 Regional Championships.***

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.

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:

- ❖ *Marshall Islands Athlete living in the USA will receive an airfare from the cheapest port or the cost from the Marshall Islands - whichever is the cheapest possible option as determined by the OAA Office.*
- ❖ *Guam athlete living in Hawaii will receive an airfare from Hawaii or the cost from Guam - 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
FSM	Chuuk / Pohnpei
GUM	Agana
KIR	Tarawa
MHL	Majuro
NMI	Saipan
NRU	Nauru
PLW	Koror

Federation Funding Obligations

- Visa Applications (*if your Federation requires visas to attend the Micronesian 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 / 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 and Meals for additional team members will be at a cost **USD120** per person / per day payable prior to or on arrival into the host city for the Regional Championships.

For further information please contact the OAA Office: competitions@oceaniaathletics.com

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

NO PASSPORT NO ENTRY