



## **OAA COMPETITION CIRCULAR – 05.18 Oceania Combined Event Championships 2019**

7 February 2019

The Oceania Athletics Association will conduct the Oceania Area Combined Events Championships in Townsville, Australia alongside the Oceania Area Athletics Championships.

### **Competition Information**

Oceania Championships – Townsville, Australia - June 25 – 28.

Senior, U20 and U18 competitions will be conducted for both Male and Female.

A Decathlon and Octathlon will be conducted for Males athletes and Heptathlon for Female athletes.

Please note a male athlete may only compete in the Decathlon OR Octathlon – no athlete is permitted to compete in both events.

### **Funding**

All Member Federations are entitled to a basic quota of one male or one female where the Member Federation conducts regular Combined Events competition with verifiable results.

The representative should be the winner of the Federation's National Combined Events Championship or the next best available athlete from that National Combined Events Championships. Nominated athlete must have verifiable results in all combined event disciplines.

If appropriate a Federation may apply to have another athlete represent them should this 'best' athlete temporarily reside in another country or is unavailable to participate in that Federation's National Combined Events Championships.

Where the National Combined Events Championships is held after the Oceania Area Combined Events Championships results from other Combined Event competitions can be taken in to account where verifiable results are available.

Final selections will be endorsed by the OAA Council.

### **Travel**

For athletes within the quota, 100% of an economy class airline ticket from their Member Federation to the official airport in Australia (Townsville), will be paid by Oceania Athletics Association. All travel will be organized by the Oceania Athletics Association.

*NB: Member Federation Quota Athletes 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:*

- *Tonga Athlete living in New Zealand will receive an airfare from New Zealand.*
- *Cook Island athlete living in the USA will receive the equivalent cost of travel from the USA to Auckland - whichever is the cheapest possible option as determined by the OAA Office.*
- *Norfolk Island athlete living in Sydney will receive an airfare from Sydney.*

All domestic airfares are the responsibility of the Federation.

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.

The following is the departing international airport for each Federation for the 2019 Oceania Area Combined Event Championships:

**Federation Airport**

ASA	Pago Pago
AUS	Major or Capital City Airports
COK	Rarotonga
FSM	Chuuk / Pohnpei
FIJ	Nadi
GUM	Guam
KIR	Tarawa
MHL	Majuro
NCL	La Tontouta International Airport
NRU	Nauru
NFI	Norfolk Island
NIU	Niue
NMI	Saipan
NZL	Auckland, Christchurch, Wellington
PLW	Koror
PNG	Port Moresby
SAM	Apia
SOL	Honiara
PYF	Papeete
TGA	Tongatapu
TUV	Funafuti
VAN	Port Vila

## **Accommodation**

For athletes within the quota, share accommodation in Townsville will be offered by OAA. The number of nights will be determined by the incoming flight schedule.

## **Ground Transport**

Ground transport for athletes in the quota will have access to ground transport for the period of the Championships.

***Associate Member Federations will be offered Accommodation and Ground Transport for the period of the Championships.***

## **Competition Venue**

Townsville Sports Reserve has hosted previous Australian All Schools Championships, as well as Queensland Championships.

<https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/facilities/townsville>

## **Visas**

Athletes and officials traveling to Australia may require a visa. Visas are the responsibility of the Federation and or athlete/official.

# **Final Entries Close: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2019**

**Final Entries will not be confirmed until proof of visa has been received by the OAA Office**