

# THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LITTLE ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION INC.

## McDonald's STATE MULTI-EVENT CHAMPIONSHIP 2013/2014 SANTOS STADIUM - Mile End Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2014

### 4 Event Specific Rules

#### 4.1 Specified Dates

Nominations Close: 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014 (at 3:00pm)

Registration Cut Off: 10<sup>th</sup> January 2014

#### 4.2 General Information

1. The rules of this event are specified in the following pages, and should be read in conjunction with the General Rules of Competition.
2. Should there be too many entries for a particular event, the Competition and Technical Director may limit the fields to a manageable number. Performances on entry forms will be used to assist this process.

#### 4.3 Eligibility

1. To be able to enter this competition, athletes must be registered with the association by the registration cut off date.
2. Athletes in the Under 9 to Under 13 age groups must have recorded a performance equal to or better than the Multi Event Qualifying Standard in at least three of the five events to be conducted for their age group prior to the nomination close date, and have recorded a valid performance in the other two events.
3. Athletes in the Under 14 to Under 17 age groups must have recorded a valid performance in each of the five events to be conducted for their age group prior to the nomination close date.
4. All performances must have been achieved at a recognised Little Athletics meeting.
5. Where an athlete has been unable to meet these conditions due to illness or injury, an exemption may be sought by writing to the Competition & Technical Director (c/o the Association Office).

#### 4.4 Nominations

1. Athletes wishing to compete at this meeting are required to nominate **through their Centre** prior to the meeting.
2. Parents/athletes must therefore ensure that they provide nominations to their Centre in sufficient time to ensure that they can be forwarded and received by the Association Office by the closing time. Late entries are unable to be accepted.
3. Centres are to submit a completed Centre Summary Entry Form via email to [competition@salaa.org.au](mailto:competition@salaa.org.au) by the closing time for nominations. Individual nomination forms do not need to be forwarded to SALAA.
4. Centres are to forward all entry fees to SALAA to arrive no later than seven days after the close of nominations.
5. By submitting the Centre Summary Entry Form, the Centre certifies that all athletes have met the eligibility criteria for this event. Where an entry requires special consideration, the original entry form along with supporting documentation should be forwarded to SALAA.

#### 4.5 Events Provided

1. Five fixed events will be provided for each of the Under 9 to Under 17 age groups.
2. Athletes must enter all five programmed events set for their age group.
3. Refer to the attached program for details of the events provided for each age group.

#### 4.6 Entry Fees

1. The Santos Stadium has been hired at considerable cost to the Association for this meeting.
2. To help cover such costs a nomination fee for competitors has been set at **\$5.00 per athlete**.
3. The nomination fee must accompany the entry form.

## 4.7 Centre Responsibilities

Promote this meeting at the Centre and ensure that athletes and parents are aware of this competition and the rules and conditions of entry.

## 4.8 Parent Responsibilities

Parents are to provide full support to the running of events including reporting to the specified marshalling and events on time and to personally arrange alternatives if unable to attend at the allocated time.

## 4.9 Marshalling

1. Designated marshalling areas for competitors and officials will not be provided for this meeting.
2. Athletes are to report directly to their events 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the event.
3. Where an athlete fails to marshal prior to the officials being ready to commence the event, then that athlete will not be permitted to join the event.
4. Parents acting as officials are to report directly to their events 15 minutes prior to the start of their event or time-slot.

## 4.10 Special Competition Rules

1. Changes to the programs, rules or other conditions will be announced over the public address system. The onus is on competitors to be aware of any changes.
2. Athletes must compete in every event programmed for their age group.
3. An athlete who is disqualified at an event or who makes a trial but fails to score a legal performance is still able to compete in remaining events.
4. An athlete who fails to compete in any of the programmed events will be deemed to have abandoned the Multi-Event competition.
5. An athlete who has abandoned the competition is not eligible for medal consideration, and will not receive an aggregate point score.
6. At this meeting, a competitor will be permitted to be responsible for 2 false starts in an event. A third false start by that competitor will result in disqualification.
7. The only persons permitted to enter the competition area are those athletes involved in an event and others directly involved in officiating of an event or the meeting generally, except with the express approval of the Arena Manager.
8. Pacing or Coaching in the arena or any other competition area, or in any marshalling area is prohibited.
9. Any breach of the rules of this competition renders the competitor liable to disqualification.
10. Due to sizes of some fields, age groups may be split into two or more groups for field events.
11. Individual heats for the 800m, hurdles and 100m events will not be drawn. Athletes will be placed into heats by the start marshals to ensure full heats.
12. The Multi-Event Championship serves as the selection trial for the Under 15 State Team representatives. As such, field attempts will **not** be restricted for this age group in the event of the hot weather program being used.

## 4.11 Practice Jumps and Throws

Practice trials will be allowed in all field events subject to field size and time.

## 4.12 Progression from Heats to Finals

Not applicable for this competition.

## 4.13 Scoring System

Athletes are awarded points based on their performances in each event.

## 4.14 Protests and Appeals

Protests may be lodged at this meeting in accordance with General Rule 1.13.

## 4.15 Recording and Awards

1. A medal will be presented to the first three place getters in each Age Group based on aggregate points. Medals are not awarded for individual events.

2. Medal winners who must leave the venue prior to their medal presentation are requested to notify the presentation area so that the other medal winners in their event are not unfairly delayed in their medal presentation.
3. Every competitor will have a performance certificate detailing results achieved in each event forwarded to their Centre.

#### **4.16 State Best Performances**

State Best Performances (SBPs) may be claimed during this competition but must be ratified in accordance with the rules of the SALAA.