



SECONDARY SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY SELECTION POLICY 2024

Introduction

This selection policy is in reference to Wellington Secondary School Athletes** being selected to represent Wellington Centre at the NZ Secondary Schools Cross Country Relay Championships, at Christchurch on **Sunday 16 June 2024**.

** Wairarapa Secondary school athletes have their own regional team

1. Selection Policy Philosophy

The key objectives are:

1. To select competitive Athletics Wellington teams in all grades to these events, where possible.
2. To select teams, with reserves, based on selection events and entry by the individuals through their schools into the NZSS Cross Country Individual Championships held on Saturday 15 June.
 - a. Athletes must enter the Individual Championships through their school sports dept.
See the Link <https://nzssaa.org.nz/static/nz-xc-2024/entry-info.pdf>
3. The intention will be to field teams in each division for Year 9, Juniors, and Seniors for both Boys and Girls and the Mixed Relay team.
 - a. A maximum of two teams will be entered per division only [A & B teams]
 - b. Reserves will be named by age divisions.
4. Teams' final composition will be determined post the Individual Championships on Saturday Day 1 of the Championships.

2. Expression of Intention

Athletes wishing to be considered for selection **must notify the Selectors** of the events they wish to be considered for at least two days prior to the relevant selection date, by completing both:

- ✓ the online [Expression of Interest](#) [EOI] to notify your intention to be selected and that you will be in Christchurch for the Sunday competition.

If an athlete subsequently becomes unavailable, the athlete must notify the Selectors immediately. For Athletes to be considered it is recommended they have ANZ membership as a current member of an Athletics Wellington club.

3. Selections

The following are they key Selection Events:

- AW Interclub Shaw Baton XC Relay on **Saturday 27 April** at Battle Hill
- CSW Cross Country Relays on **Tuesday 14 May**, at Wakefield Park, Berhampore
- CSW Cross Country Championships on **Wednesday 22 May**, at Harcourt Park Upper Hutt
- AW Interclub University Relays on **Saturday 11 May** at QE II Park, Paekakariki

Selections Timelines:

Selections will be made for the following events on the following dates:

- Announcement of provisional relay teams/squads will be made following the CSW Championships on 22 May 2024
- Initial Confirmation of teams will be once athletes are entered on NZSSAA Individual entries.



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- **FINAL Relay Team** confirmation will be made by the AW team manager(s) post day one of the NZSS Cross Country Championships on Saturday on June 15th.
- AW will support only an “A” and “B” team in each relay event, including Mixed Relays
- If a selected athlete withdraws from the team, the selectors may replace that athlete at any time.

Note: Late withdrawals could result in the loss of a team which effects other athletes

4. General

Athlete Details

- a. On advice of selection in the team, the athlete must let the Athletics Wellington General Manager or Event Team Manager know their uniform requirements and travel and accommodation plans
- b. Athletes must confirm their availability for the Sunday event
- c. Online forms will be set up for these requirements.

Team Uniform and Hoodie

Selected athletes will be able to purchase an Athletics Wellington team singlet and hoodie. These are only available for purchase to those named in Athletics Wellington teams for these events. An online form will be set up for this.

5. Selectors and Managers

The **Selectors** and Team Managers for this event will be:

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