



**BALDIVIS LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE
INCORPORATED**

Registration Number: A1025103V

**CENTRE CHAMPIONSHIP
POLICY AND PROCEDURES**

14/06/2024



GENERAL

1. Eligible Criteria

Registered athletes may nominate for the Centre Championships if they have fulfilled the minimum fifty per cent (50%) competition completion requirement in the current season.

The fifty per cent (50%) completion requirement is calculated from the registration date. Athletes must participate in and complete the minimum number of events from the age group's program, in at least fifty per cent (50%) of competitions, as follows:

- U6-U7 2 events
- U8-U11 2 events
- U12+ 4 events

Athletes not meeting the minimum completion requirement can request consideration under exceptional circumstances, provided a written request is received at least fourteen (14) days prior to the Centre Championships. Written correspondence must be sent to the Records and Rankings Officer for Committee review.

Parents/Guardians must complete a minimum of seven (7) rostered parent help duties within the Centre's season for their athlete to be eligible. Of these duties, three (3) or four (4) must be completed before the Christmas break, with the remainder to be completed after.

2. Nomination for Events

Athletes must nominate for their chosen Centre Championship events.

Maximum event selections per age group are as follows:

- U6-U9 4 events
- U10-U12 5 events
- U13+ 6 events

Athletes may select events across two (2) available days, not exceeding the maximum selections.

To compete in nominated events, athletes must have previously competed and recorded a legitimate attempt in each event.

Nominations are to be completed online per Centre instructions by the specified deadline; late submissions will not be accepted.



RULES OF COMPETITION

1. Track Events

Athletes must compete only in events they have nominated for. Event start lists amendments require approval from the Records and Rankings Officer.

Heats are timed to 100th of a second; finals include fastest athletes based on Centre Rules. The finalist count depends on track conditions and equipment availability; event changes are notified before the event (i.e. straight finals due to numbers of athletes).

2. Field Events

Athletes in U6 to U8 age groups are allowed three (3) attempts in each jump/throw event to determine their best performance. Athletes in U9 to U17 age groups are allowed three (3) attempts in all field events. After these attempts, the top eight (8) athletes proceed to one (1) additional attempt. The winning performance may come from any of the four (4) attempts. In the case of a tie for eighth (8th) place, no count back will be used; both or more athletes proceed to the final attempt. If less than eight (8) competitors at the start of the event, all athletes will receive three (3) attempts.

Placings are decided on count back if identical jumps or throws occur. To resolve ties in High Jump or Scissors, the competitor with the fewest jumps at the height of the tie receives the higher place. If the tie persists, the competitor with the fewest failures up to and including the last cleared height, is awarded the higher placing. If the tie remains, equal placing is awarded without a jump-off.

Medals are presented to First, Second, and Third places in all track and field finals.

Marshalling rules are strictly followed; athletes failing to report to the marshalling area forfeit participation in the event.

PROTESTS AND APPEALS

Protests must be lodged within fifteen (15) minutes of the official results posting. Accepted protests address technicalities or judge decisions. Committee conveys dismissal or uphold decision; personal video evidence may be used if deemed conclusive and fair. Oral protests for U13 to U17 field events may result in a measured attempt if deemed necessary to preserve fairness.



VERSION HISTORY

VERSION	DATE	REVISED BY	COMMENTS
Original V1.0	14/06/2024	Jessica Muir	Endorsed at Committee Meeting.