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# Welsh Schools' Athletic Association Cymdeithas Athletau Ysgolion Cymru



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### Cymru Welsh Athletics U20 International – Cardiff (Wales)

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2023

Overview:	The overall objective of the Welsh Athletics and Welsh Schools' Athletics Association (WSAA) International Competitions Programme is to support athletes to experience high level competition and aspire to perform at their best against athletes across the UK and abroad. As part of that strategy, Welsh Athletics and Welsh Schools' Athletics Association are committed to providing domestic and international competition opportunities to developing and aspirational Welsh athletes.
Athlete Eligibility:	To be considered for a Welsh Schools Team pupils must be in school/college in Wales.  Pupils in school/college years 12-14 will be given priority for selection. At the discretion of the selection panel pupils in school years 10 and 11 may be considered for the team.
Competition format and Age Groups	This fixture provides an U20 age group competition for Welsh Schools' Athletics Association pupils against home countries teams and a Welsh Athletics team.  1 pupil per gender in the following events will be selected:  U20 Men: 100m, Ambulant 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 3000m, 2000m S/C, 5000 walk, 110m Hurdles, 400m Hurdles, Long Jump, Ambulant Long Jump, High Jump, Pole Vault, Triple Jump, Shot Put, Ambulant Shot, Discus, Ambulant Discus, Javelin, 4 x 100m Relay, *Mixed Para 4x100m Relay, 4 x 400m Mixed Relay (2 male athletes)  U20 Women: 100m, Ambulant 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 1500m, 3000m, 2000m S/C, 1500m S/C, 5000m walk, 110m Hurdles, 400m Hurdles, Long Jump, Ambulant long Jump, High Jump, Pole Vault, Triple Jump, Shot Put, Ambulant Shot, Discus, Ambulant Discus, Javelin, 4 x 100m Relay, *Mixed Para 4x100m Relay, 4 x 400m Mixed Relay (2 male athletes)  *The Mixed Para 4x100m Relay will consist of athletes already selected in the wider team. The team will be made up of 2 Male and 2 Female athletes - One of each gender should be ambulant and one should be able-bodied.
Selection Date:	The selection panel will meet on <b>15<sup>th</sup> August 2023</b>

Selection Panel:	The International Selection Panel will comprise of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WSAA International secretary</li> <li>• WSAA Chair</li> <li>• 1 Team Manager from each of the eight school districts</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Welsh Athletics representative (including the Athletics Para Pathway lead)</li> </ul>
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Selection Basis:	<p>Selections will be based on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pupils must have achieved the WSAA U20 international competition standard outlined below between January 1<sup>st</sup> and August 13<sup>th</sup> 2023. Performances must be ratified on the power of 10 rankings website.</li> <li>2. Pupils are required to attend the 2023 Welsh Schools' Athletics Association Track and Field Championships held on <b>Saturday July 1st</b>. A commitment to competing for your school and district will be taken into consideration by the selection panel.</li> <li>3. Para athletes will be selected based on Raza Points and 2023 power of 10 rankings. Para athletes must have an IPC or UKA classification.</li> <li>4. <b>Please note there is no obligation for the panel to fill all available positions</b></li> </ol>
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Men	Event	Women
11.20	100m	12.60
22.75	200m	25.80
51.00	400m	59.50
1.58	800m	2.17
4.11/4:02	1500m	5.10/4.45
8.55	3000m	10.30
6.36	2000m S/C	7.30
NA	1500m S/C	5.40*
23:00	5000m Walk	27:00
15.20	110m/100Mh	15.75
57.00	400H	65.50
13.00	TJ	10.75
6.30	LJ	5.30
1.85	HJ	1.63
4.10	PV	3.40
13.50	Shot	11.00
43.00	Discus	33.00
48.00	Hammer	40.00
52.00	Javelin	38.00

\*In the Welsh U20 International, the U20 women will race 2000m S/C, not 1500m S/C. However, as there are few 2000m S/C race opportunities for U20 women, athletes with the international match standard for the 1500m S/C can be considered for selection for the 2000m S/C.

Pupil Notification:	Pupils will be notified of their selection within 24 hours of the Selection Meeting.
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Appeals Process:	There shall be no right of appeal to the selection of the Welsh team made by the Panel.
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De-Selection Process:	<p>De-selection of a pupil may occur following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Failure to achieve the standard fitness testing protocols</li> <li>2. Failure to adhere to the Welsh Athletics and Welsh Schools' Athletics Association athlete code of conduct</li> </ol> <p>If any pupil sustains an injury following acceptance of their position on the team, they are required to inform the team contacts below immediately.</p>
Clean Sport:	<p>Welsh Athletics and the Welsh Schools' Athletics Association are fully committed in supporting the UKAD (United Kingdom Anti-Doping) Clean Sport Programme - <a href="http://www.ukad.org.uk/athletes">www.ukad.org.uk/athletes</a></p> <p>We will continue to deliver athlete, coach and staff training to sure a high level of knowledge and understanding to protect our sport.</p>
Equality Statement:	<p>Welsh Athletics and the Welsh Schools' Athletics Association are committed to offering equal opportunities to all athletes in Wales. Any pupil who goes to school in Wales is eligible to be selected and will be considered as part of the selection process, providing they have achieved all that is laid out within this selection policy. Welsh Athletics will not discriminate in the selection of any individual on the basis of any protected characteristic.</p>
Amendment:	<p>Welsh Athletics and the Welsh Schools' Athletics Association reserve the right to amend this Selection Policy at its sole discretion and will make any amended version publicly available (including the date on which the amendment was made) at <a href="http://www.welshathletics.org">www.welshathletics.org</a></p>
Contact:	<p>Team coordinator <a href="mailto:bethan.davies@welshathletics.org">bethan.davies@welshathletics.org</a>  Team selection &amp; composition <a href="mailto:neil.taylor@welshathletics.org">neil.taylor@welshathletics.org</a>  Welsh Athletics Para Pathway Lead <a href="mailto:neil.taylor@welshathletics.org">neil.taylor@welshathletics.org</a>  Lead Team Manager <a href="mailto:daigatehouse@gmail.com">daigatehouse@gmail.com</a> &amp; <a href="mailto:daiwilliams@tiscali.co.uk">daiwilliams@tiscali.co.uk</a></p>