

2019 MEDITERRANEAN INDOOR U23 CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. PROMOTION AND RIGHTS

- 1.1. The Mediterranean Athletics Union (hereinafter MAU) shall promote a Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships in every uneven year.
- 1.2. All rights in and arising from the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships are the exclusive property of MAU. These rights include but are not limited to rights of ownership, marketing, advertising, broadcasting, filming, televising and all or any other means of exploitation. No other entity may exercise any of these rights without the written consent of MAU.
- 1.3. For the strict and limited purpose of promoting MAU, the sport of Athletics or any particular athletics competitions and for non-commercial use, MAU may without charge and on a worldwide basis use any images of Mediterranean athletes in any media at or in conjunction with any athletics competitions in which MAU has an ownership interest, including Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships.
- 1.4. Should an athlete not agree with such procedure, a written letter stating the reasons for this opposition shall be sent to the MAU Headquarters two weeks prior to the respective event.
- 1.5. Furthermore, any competition images from any MAU events shall not be used by the athletes for commercial use. However, the use of event images on social media sites, as long as there is no commercial purpose, is not prohibited.
- 1.6. The athletes acknowledge and agree to MAU use of the personal data, included but not limited to the first name, name, date of birth, club affiliation, results, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation Act on Data Protection, as well as disclosure of athletes' personal data to MAU affiliates, employees, agents, representatives and third party organisations worldwide for the purpose of promotion of the sport and to provide statistics.
- 1.7. Athletes further acknowledge and agree to MAU use of the personal data if required to do so by law or in the good faith belief that any such preservation or disclosure is reasonably necessary to comply with legal process, enforce these Regulations, respond to claims that any content violates the rights of third parties, or protect the rights, property, or personal safety of other users or the public.

2. PROGRAMME

- 2.1. The Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships shall be staged over one day and in accordance with the applicable Competition, Advertising, Doping and other relevant Rules and Regulations of the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF).
- 2.2. The programme shall comprise the following 8 (eight) events for Men and 8 (eight) events for Women:

Championships years 2019, 2023, 2027....			Championships years 2021, 2025, 2029....		
Men	Running	60m, 400m, 800m, 1 500m, 60m Hurdles,	Men	Running	60m, 400m, 800m, 1 500m, 60m Hurdles,
	Jumps	Pole Vault, Long Jump		Jumps	High Jump, Triple Jump
	Throw	Shot Put.		Throw	Shot Put.
Women	Running	60m, 400m, 800m, 1 500m, 60m Hurdles,	Women	Running	60m, 400m, 800m, 1 500m, 60m Hurdles,
	Jumps	High Jump, Triple Jump		Jumps	Pole Vault, Long Jump
	Throw	Shot Put.		Throw	Shot Put.



- 2.3 For the races of 60m, 60m Hurdles and 400m, there will be Round 1 and Final if it is needed according to the number of athletes entered.

For the races of 800m and 1 500m, there will be a straight Final and if there are more athletes than 9 (800m) or 12 (1 500m), Finals will be conducted in two or more races (Final A, Final B..). Distribution of athletes in each Final will be done by the Technical Delegate and trying to gather the best athletes in Final A. Classification of MAU Indoor U23 Championships at each race will be done according top performances obtained by athletes at any of the Finals.

- 2.4 Special format in the field events: In case a qualification round is held, there should be at least 8 athletes in the final.

3. ENTRIES AND CONFIRMATION

- 3.1 All MAU Member Federations in good standing shall be entitled to enter athletes in the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships.

- 3.2 No athlete may take part in the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships unless entered by the Member Federation which he/she is eligible to represent in accordance with the IAAF Rules.

- 3.3 National Teams representing a Country of less than 50,000 inhabitants can send athletes who are not citizens of this country, at the condition that these athletes can proof that they are resident and have an athletics license in this Country since at least 3 years without interruption at the date of the competition (official permit of residence, signed and sealed from the National Authority) and have no participation to a continental or world championship with any other country.

- 3.4 Only athletes aged at least 18 (eighteen) and not more than 22 (twenty two) years on 31 December of the year of the competition may participate in the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships For the competition of 2019, athletes have to be born in 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 or 2001.

- 3.5 Every athlete entered for the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships shall, produce official documentary evidence of his or her date of birth, before the Technical Meeting.

- 3.6 A Member Federation may enter one athlete in each event, irrelevant to any standard. If a Member Federation wants to enter a second athlete in the same event he/she must comply with the qualification standards (Appendix B).

- 3.7 **Preliminary Entries:** Not later than 2 (two) months before the first day of the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships, each Member Federation shall send to MAU (usually via the teams on-line entry system) a preliminary list of entries indicating its anticipated numbers of athletes per event and the numbers of accompanying officials.

- 3.8 **Final Entries:** Not later than 8 days before the first day of the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships, each Member Federation shall send to MAU a final list of entries plus the names of accompanying officials.

No additional athletes will be accepted after the closing of the Final Entries.

Final Entry information shall be supplied in the manner to be prescribed by MAU (usually via the teams' on-line entry system) and shall include such details as required by MAU, including the names and best performances of each athlete.

- 3.9 Final Declarations: Confirmation of Final Entries and the Final Declaration of athletes to compete shall be made according to the procedures defined in the Team Manual.

- 3.10 MAU may reduce financial support (for board/accommodation grants, etc.) to any Member Federation which, after having announced their participation, does not take part or attend the competition with a number of athletes and officials materially higher or lower than the number stated in the Preliminary Entry by 20% (3.8 above). The latter applies only if the Preliminary Entry is more than 4 (four).

4. APPLICATIONS TO STAGE THE MEDITERRANEAN INDOOR U23 CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 4.1 Any MAU Member Federation in good standing may apply to stage the Event provided that the proposed venue and city comply with the criteria established by MAU and that the application is made jointly with the proposed city.
- 4.2 Each applicant shall complete the MAU official application forms and supply such information and undertakings as MAU shall require. The applications shall be completed in English and any application that is not fully and properly completed may be regarded as invalid.
- 4.3 The MAU Council shall approve the time and deadlines for applications, which shall be announced by the MAU General Secretary, and these will normally include:
- Indication of interest in the event bidding questionnaire.
 - Confirmation of candidature, with the name of the bid city.
 - Formal application to be submitted by the Member Federation and City.
 - Decision of the MAU Council.
- 4.4 The written undertakings required to be submitted with the application shall normally include:
- The bidding Member Federation's and city's joint undertaking to respect the applicable Rules and Regulations of the IAAF and other competent authorities and to enter into an organiser agreement with MAU.
 - The undertakings in writing of relevant national, regional and other authorities that they support the application.
 - A guarantee from the respective authorities for the right of safe passage and free entry into the country to all participants and free import and export of material/equipment as necessary for the organisation of the event.
 - A detailed budget of income and expenditure for the event.

5. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE VENUE

- 5.1 The Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships shall be staged in a stadium and city which are appropriate to the event. MAU may establish criteria by which the suitability of a proposed venue may be decided. The city shall be of an appropriate size and standing and the stadium shall have modern facilities and be fully equipped in conformity with the respective IAAF rules.

6. DOPING CONTROL

- 6.1 Doping control shall be conducted in accordance with the respective IAAF Rules and Guidelines and shall be carried out under the supervision of the MAU Technical Delegate

7. THE ORGANISING CONTRACT

- 7.1 Immediately after the decision of the MAU Council to appoint an organiser, the appointed Member Federation and city shall enter into an organising contract with MAU, such contract to establish the respective rights and obligations of the parties in relation to the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships.

8. THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE MAU

- 8.1 Notwithstanding the organising contract, MAU shall retain the overall care and responsibility of the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships. In exercise of this role, the MAU Council shall:
- Decide the dates, venue and the organiser.
 - Appoint Delegates and other persons (see 11.3).
 - Set qualifying standards for entry to the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships.

Such standards shall normally be established not later than 30 November in the year preceding that in which the respective Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships will be held and must be achieved in bona fide competition (either indoors or outdoors) between the 1st January in the year preceding the year in which the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships are held and the closing date for Final Entries.

The MAU Council shall be entitled to vary the qualifying conditions if it is the interests of the MAU Indoor U23 Championships so to do.

- Approve the procedure for deciding the timetable of events.
- Decide the distribution of free places (quotas) and approve the accommodation sites and also the room prices.

9. THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ORGANISER

9.1 The organiser shall be responsible for organising and staging the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships and in compliance with the Rules and Regulations and the directions of the MAU.

10. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

For the Organiser

10.1 The organiser shall be responsible for all costs of organising and staging the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships but may retain the income from the sale of admission tickets, approved local marketing and subventions and grants from national and/or local authorities.

10.2 Based on the quotas referred to in 8.1, the organiser should pay the costs of the full board accommodation of participating athletes (limited to the number of competition days plus two). No contribution shall be made in respect of athletes representing the host Member Federation.

10.3 For the avoidance of doubt, the organiser shall be responsible for the following costs:

- Travel and full board accommodation at the event and at the site visits for the Delegates appointed by MAU (see 11.3), the Staff and the representatives of MAU.
- Doping control costs including all laboratory costs for all tests requested by MAU as well as for tests requested for World or Area Records but excluding tests specifically requested by Member Federations.

For the Mediterranean Athletics Union

10.4 MAU shall not be responsible for any costs other than those referred to in these regulations.

For the participating Member Federations

10.5 The Member Federations shall be responsible for all costs incurred as a result of their participation in the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships which exceed any contributions made by the Organiser in accordance with 10.2 above.

Full board accommodation rate for extra quotas/period is 110 euros per day (in twin room).

10.6 The final account for accommodation attributable to each Member Federation shall be based on the numbers declared in the Final Entries and this shall be paid in full, no allowance being made for subsequent any reduction in the actual numbers of athletes and/or officials.

10.7 Member Federations are responsible for taking out their own insurance to cover illness or injury to any member of their party when travelling to and from and during the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships.

11. THE MAU OFFICIATING PERSONS

- 11.1 The MAU co-presidents and the MAU General Secretary shall have the overall responsibility for the care and supervision of the Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships.
- 11.2 MAU shall designate a member of its professional staff to be the Project Leader having the responsibility to coordinate the MAU Officiating Persons and other staff members and to direct the operational management of the event in cooperation with the organiser.
- 11.3 The MAU Council shall appoint the following Delegates and other persons to provide specialist advice and guidance to the organiser
- One Technical Delegate.
 - Two International/Area Technical Officials (ITO/ATO).
 - Three Jury of Appeal Members (to be appointed at the Technical Meeting).
- 11.4 As soon as possible after the decision to appoint an organiser MAU shall inform the organiser as to the names and roles of the MAU Officiating Persons and the organiser shall cooperate with and follow the reasonable and proper directions of such persons.

12. PROTOCOL, CEREMONIES, AWARDS

- 12.1. All matters concerning protocol, ceremonies, awards and related matters shall be decided by MAU which may, from time to time, establish guidelines.
- 12.2 **Opening and Closing Ceremonies:** Subject to 12.1, the organiser shall propose Opening and Closing Ceremonies of styles and content appropriate to the venue. These may include ceremonies and/or celebrations held either inside or outside the stadium.
- Such proposals shall be subject to the approval of MAU and shall be appropriate to a Mediterranean Indoor U23 Championships.
- 12.3 **Victory Ceremonies:** The winner, second placed and third placed shall receive gold, silver and bronze medals respectively.
- During the ceremony, the athletes must wear their official team uniforms and the national anthem of the winner's country shall be played.
- The President of MAU shall decide the medal presenters.

13. INFORMATION, NAMES AND ABBREVIATIONS

- 13.1 All information shall be printed, displayed or announced in English.
- 13.2 The names and abbreviations of all Member Federations shall, at all times, conform to those approved and decided by the IAAF.

14. FINAL PROVISIONS

- 14.1 All matters not provided for by these Regulations shall be decided by the MAU Council.
- 14.2 These Regulations are drawn up in English.
- 14.3 These Regulations may be amended by the MAU Council.