



NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP BATANG PINOY



COMPETITION PROCEDURE AND TECHNICAL GUIDELINES

Date and Venue

Date: December 15 – 22, 2024
Venue: Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

I. General Rules

1.1 The competition will be held in accordance with the World Athletics rules. Unforeseen incidents not covered by the Rules shall be dealt with as follows:

- 1.1.1 Cases of general nature will be resolved by the General Manager/ Tournament Director of the Meet and will be treated as final decision.
- 1.1.2 Technical questions will be resolved in accordance with the 2024 World Athletics Competition Rules.
- 1.1.3 Philippine Athletics Track and Field Association Inc., (PATAFA) accredited officials shall officiate in the competition.
- 1.1.4 Competitors must wear their official uniforms (at least upper uniform) and observe regulations contained in WA rule 143.
- 1.1.5 All participants in running events from 100 meters to 400 meters, including relays and hurdling events shall be required to start from crouch with starting blocks.
- 1.1.6 The starting and successive heights of the bar in the High Jump and Pole Vault will be decided by the Competition Manager at the Technical/Coaches Meeting before the competition.
- 1.1.7 In the 1500m, 3000m, 3000msc, 5000m, athletes who shall be overlapped by the lead athlete shall automatically eliminated from the race unless only sixteen (16) runners remaining.
- 1.1.8 Qualifying to the next round will initially be by best time for the Heats/Round 1. Subsequently, WA Rule for qualifying for the next round will be applied.
- 1.1.9 If it is semi – finals or heats and only eight (8) or less competitors/teams report at starting line, it will be run in the final schedule. Finalist will be based on eight (8) best times, in case of tie, position in heat will be considered
- 1.1.10 No changes in entries will be entertained once competition starts except in relay where two (2) may be substituted from the official list of the six (6) relay team members.
- 1.1.11 In the relays, Team Members must wear the same uniform, print, color (singlets or shirt).

1.2 Competition Format

1.2.1 Team Composition

U16 BOYS	U16 GIRLS	U18 MEN	U18 WOMEN
10	10	12	12

1.2.2 Age Category

U-18 **Junior (Boys / Girls)** – Any athlete of 16 and 17 years on 31st of December in the year of competition (athletes born in the year 2007 and 2008)

U-16 **Youth (Boys / Girls)** – 15 years old or younger on the 31st of December in the year of competition (athletes born in the year 2009 or later)

- 1.2.3 An athlete who wishes to compete in a higher category is not permitted.
- 1.2.4 Any athlete may register for maximum of (3) individual events and maximum of three (3) relays.
- 1.2.5 Each LGU may enter up to two (2) competitors for each individual event and one (1) team for each relay event.
- 1.2.6 Each LGU may enter one (1) team for each relay event. Eight (8) athletes (including four [4] reserves may be entered for each relay. Once a relay team has begun the competition, only four (4) additional athletes may be used as substitutes in the composition of the team for subsequent rounds.
- 1.2.7 Minimum Entries - In order for any event to proceed to competition, there must be a minimum of two (2) LGUs with a minimum of three (3) participating or competing athletes/entries in the case of individual events and a minimum of three (3) LGUs participating in the case of relay team events.

1.3 Entries

- 1.3.1 All entries must be submitted to PSC Batang Pinoy secretariat.
- 1.3.2 According to PSC Batang Pinoy Guidelines the Online registration will be open/start on July 1, 2024 and it will be close/end on September 15, 2024.
- 1.3.3 “Failure to Participate” Rule will be strictly applied. It means that an athlete shall be excluded from participation in all further events (including other events in which he is simultaneously participating) in the competition, including relays, in cases where:
- 1.3.3.1 A final confirmation was given that the athlete would start in an event but then failed to participate
- 1.3.3.2 An athlete qualified in a preliminary round of an event for further participation in that event but then failed to participate further;

1.3.3.3 An athlete failed to compete honestly with bona fide effort. The relevant Referee will decide on this and the corresponding reference must be made in the official results.

1.3.3.4 An athlete sufficiently found to have committed unsportsmanlike act will be immediately excluded from the competition in all events entered.

An individual athlete or team who withdraws, whether voluntarily or by DNS (Did Not Start), from one event will automatically be excluded from participating in all succeeding events he/she/they have been entered. However, if an athlete qualifies for the next heat of his/her event he/she will be allowed to compete until the finals of that event wherein, but he/she can no longer compete in the succeeding events where he/she is entered.

1.4 Pre-competition Procedures

1.4.1 Call Rooms

The control of athletes for competition will be held in the Call Room. All athletes must present themselves at the Call Room according to the scheduled check-in times.

Athletes who fail to appear on time at the Call Room without a valid reason (e.g., without a medical certificate issued by the official doctor of the competition) will be excluded from participating in that particular event and all further events in the Athletics competition, including relays.

Team Officials are not allowed to enter the Call Room.

1.5 Athletes Reporting Times

The time limits for athletes to report to the

Call Room before each event are as follows:

Event Type	Latest Reporting Time
Track events (except Hurdles and Relays)	Thirty (30) minutes before official start of event
Hurdles and Relays	Thirty-five (35) minutes before official start of event
Field events (except Pole Vault and High Jump)	Fifty (50) minutes before official start of event
High Jump	Sixty (60) minutes before official start of event
Pole Vault	Ninety (90) minutes before official start of event
Race Walking	Thirty (30) minutes before official start of event

Procedures within Call Room

The procedures in the Call Room for the identification of the athletes by means of the accreditation cards and bib numbers are as follows:

- Checking the athlete's uniform
- All athletes must wear the official uniform of their delegation.
- Inspection of personal belongings
- According to the WA Rule 143, use by athletes of cassette recorders, radios, mobile phones, cameras, etc. shall not be permitted.
- Confiscated articles may be retrieved at the Call Room after the event.

After completion of the necessary procedures in the Call Room, the athletes will gather behind a designated Technical Official who will accompany them to the start of the competition area of their event.

Team Managers should ensure that all their athletes comply with all the WA Rules and Regulations, including the above, before entering the Call Room to avoid any delays

1.6 Schedule for Entering the Arena

The schedules for athletes to enter the competition arena are as follows:

Event Type	Entering the Field of Play (FoP)
Track Events	Ten (10) minutes before official start of event
Hurdles and Relays	Fifteen (15) minutes before official start of event
All Field Events (except High Jump & Pole Vault)	Thirty (30) minutes before official start of event
High Jump	Forty (40) minutes before official start of event
Pole Vault	Sixty (60) minutes before official start of event

1.7 Competition Procedures

2.6.1 Bib Numbers

All athletes must wear the bib numbers they have received. Numbers shall coincide with the numbers on the entry list or official program.

Every athlete must wear two (2) bib numbers during the competition, on the chest and on the back, except in jumping events where only one number may be worn on the chest or the back.

Bib numbers must be worn in accordance with WA Rules and Regulations, and must not be cut, folded or obscured in any way.

Failure to comply with the WA Rules 143.8 may result in a disqualification or sanction

EVENTS TO BE COMPETED

EVENTS	U16 BOYS	U16 GIRLS	U18 MEN	U18 WOMEN
100M	☐	☐	☐	☐
200M	☐	☐	☐	☐
400M	☐	☐	☐	☐
800M	☐	☐	☐	☐
1500M	☐	☐	☐	☐
3000M				☐
5000M			☐	
110MH	☐		☐	
100MH		☐		☐
400MH	☐	☐	☐	☐
2000M STEEPLECHASE			☐	☐
4X100m RELAY	☐	☐	☐	☐
4X400m RELAY	☐	☐	☐	☐
2000M WALK	☐	☐	☐	☐
4x400m UNIVERSAL RELAY	☐		☐	
HIGH JUMP	☐	☐	☐	☐
LONG JUMP	☐	☐	☐	☐
TRIPLE JUMP	☐	☐	☐	☐
SHOT PUT	☐	☐	☐	☐
DISCUS THROW	☐	☐	☐	☐
JAVELIN THROW	☐	☐	☐	☐

HEIGHT AND WEIGHT PER EVENTS:

Events	U18 & U16 BOYS	U18 & U16 GIRLS
100m Hurdles	-	0.762m
110m Hurdles	0.914m	-
400m Hurdles	0.838m	0.762m
Shot Put	5kg	3kg
Discus Throw	1.5kg	1kg
Javelin Throw	700g	500g

IMPLEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

The Organizing Committee (PSC – Batang Pinoy) will provide all the implements and equipment for the competition, warm up and for training at the respective sites. All equipment will conform to the WA rules. However, personal implements will only be allowed, provided the same is submitted at Technical Information Center one (1) day before the scheduled time of competition of the event.

Once the Technical Delegate approves, the implements and equipment shall be added to the pool of equipment available to all competitors during the competition.

MEDICAL FACILITIES

Medical facilities will be available at the Training and Competition Venues.

A First-aid and Emergency Medical Service First Response will be provided during the PSC BP-PNG to all participants at the competition and training venues. The service will comprise of a dedicated medical team supported by an ambulance service.

PROTEST AND APPEALS

A jury of appeal will be formed by the Competition Manager to compose the (Competition Manager, Track Referee, and Field Referee) in accordance with the PSC BP Rules as well as the World Athletics Rules (WA) Rules. Protests will be resolved according to the WA rules. A deposit of US\$100/P5,500 - will have to accompany each protest, which will be refunded if the protest is upheld.

a. Protest Concerning the Status of an Athlete

Protests concerning the status of the athlete to participate in a competition (other than relating to Classification and anti-Doping) must be made to the Competition Manager (CM) prior to the commencement of the competition.

Once the CM decides, there shall be a right of appeal to the Jury of Appeal.

b. Protest During the Conduct of the Event

Protests concerning the results or conduct of an event must be made within 30 minutes of the official announcement of the results of the event. Any protest shall, in the first instance, be made orally to the Referee by the athlete concern or by someone acting on his behalf.

An appeal to the Jury of Appeal must be made within 30 minutes of the official announcement of the decision made by the referee, in writing on the official forms, signed by a responsible official on behalf of the athlete and shall be accompanied by a deposit of USD100 or its equivalent (PhP 5,500) which will be forfeited if the protest is not upheld.

All appeals must be submitted to the TIC at the Stadium from where they will be immediately forwarded to the Secretary of Jury of Appeal.

VICTORY CEREMONY

Prizes are awarded to the top three (3) winners in the finals of all Athletics events. Every individual or member of the top three (3) teams will each be awarded a gold medal, silver medal or bronze medal for first, second or third place finish respectively.

Victory ceremonies will be held at the respective competition venues following the completion of medal competitions and announcement of the final results. Prior to the commencement of the ceremony, medalist will be ushered to the victory ceremony holding area for preparation. They will be briefed by the victory ceremony team on the ceremony protocol and subsequently escorted to the podium for the medal presentation. Upon completing the formal part of the victory ceremony that includes the playing of the Gold medalist national anthem, they will be escorted out of the podium area.

Medalists must wear their official attire or sports dress to attend the ceremony. Athletes taking part in the Victory Ceremony must wear appropriate track suits of their team and training shoes. No slippers, clogs or sandals. They will take their positions on the podium and face the official stand upon announcement of their names. The Gold medalist(s) will present on the centered, highest platform. The Silver and Bronze medalist(s) will be on equal heights, to the right and left of the Gold Medalist(s) respectively.

a. **Number of Medals at Stakes**

Medals	U16 BOYS	U16 GIRLS	U18 MEN	U18 WOMEN
GOLD	24	24	26	26
SILVER	24	24	26	26
BRONZE	24	24	26	26

Team Championships will be based on number of medals won with gold taking precedence over silver and silver over bronze. Ties shall be resolved by determining the

team who has the greatest number of national records broken and finalists nearest the medal finish, in that order.

GROUND RULES:

1. Organizing Committee shall provide the equipment and implement for all events. The technical referee shall control the use of personal equipment/implement.
2. he Organizing Committee reserves the right to make amendments and changes in these rules that they deemed necessary.
3. The Competition will observe the highest form of sportsmanship and integrity. Any participant, athlete or coach/team official displaying disrespectful behavior, verbally abuses or physically attacks any member of the organizing team or competition officials shall be immediately removed and will not be allowed to enter the competition venue. Depending on the ensuing investigation, erring parties will be given applicable sanctions by the PSC and PATAFA.
4. Accredited Technical Officials of PATAFA with competing teams shall waive their right to officiate in the meet. Likewise, they may inhibit themselves from officiating in the track or field if they have sons and/or daughters who are competing in the said meet. However, for positions requiring utmost competence and qualifications, they may still be appointed by the Organizing Committee, as necessary, provided they will inhibit themselves from ruling in cases involving their team or athlete in the competition.
5. No athletes, team officials, officiating officials and other persons are allowed in the playing field at any time, except when they are actually performing their duties. They should always stay in their respective authorized areas.
6. Smoking is strictly prohibited in the playing field, especially officials who are at their post.