

# **Entry to Track & Field Championships Information**

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## **Read this before completing entry form**

### **Information applicable to all KCAA Track & Field Championships**

1. All of KCAA championships are run under UKA rules as amended by KCAA rules. Further details can be found at the bottom of the Track & Field page on the KCAA website.
2. UKA rule G2(21) requires competing athletes to be eligible to compete either by birth or residence, and registered. So you need to provide your England Athlete Registration number. If you do not know it please ask your club membership secretary.
3. Age groups, except Masters, are as at midnight 31/08/21, except Under 20's which is midnight 31/12/21.
4. Athletes may only compete within their own age group, except Under 20's who may also compete as seniors. In this case you must select which age group (U20/Senior) you will be competing in at the championships; you will not be allowed to compete as both at the same event.
5. Qualification to enter KCAA Championships is by birth or continuous association as per UKA Rule G2 S6 or residence. To qualify by residence, you must have continuously lived within the KCAA Administrative & Qualification Area (broadly Kent historic county boundary which now includes some south London Post Codes) for at least nine months prior to the championships. Further details can be found at the bottom of the Track & Field page of the KCAA website. If you have any doubts please contact the Entry Secretary.
6. Your Personal Best (PB) should be one obtained within the last 18 months.
7. To enable KCAA to fulfil its remit as a competition provider and run championships, leagues and training it needs to collect and hold data on clubs and individual athletes. When a club affiliates to KCAA it is giving permission for us to use that information to contact them (primary means being email to club secretary). If they cease to be a member that information will be removed from our current clubs listing and contact information.

Kent County Championships and League meetings are held in compliance with UKA Rules for Competition as modified by various Championship or League Rules. To ensure that athletes are eligible to compete one or more of the following details will need to be provided (Personal data as defined by the GDPR\*): date of birth, club affiliation, residential qualification and England Athletics unique registration number (URN) as well as contact information (primary means being email – see Under 17 note below). Not only is this data used to run the current competition, it is then held historically as part of the record of Personal Performances, Championship Best Performances, Records etc., unless you ask us to remove your name from our records by emailing [results@kcaa.org.uk](mailto:results@kcaa.org.uk) but this would mean any record information may no longer appear in future KCAA programmes. Our results team automatically provides all result information to the KCAA website, Po10 and Athletics Weekly and as requested by Team Managers, Newspapers, & Officials.

Athletes who are U17 - Team Selection requires that any athlete who is under 17 provides a parent or guardian email address, so that they are aware of communications re possible selection.

\* GDPR - General Data Protection regulation

8. Entries may be submitted via the online entry form or submitted electronically to the entry secretary after completing the non online entry form. Payment for non online entries must be made by BACS transfer. Our BACS account details are: Barclays Plc. Sort Code: 20-06-72 Account No.: 40546445 Account Name: Kent County Athletic Association. Payment to be referenced by competitors name and Championship name. The entry will not be accepted until the Treasurer has confirmed receipt of payment. Payment by cheques & Postal Orders will not be permitted. An on going list of accepted entries will be issued on our website.
9. Online entries will be issued you a confirmation email. **If you do not receive one your entry has not been accepted for some reason**, either try again or contact the Entry Secretary.
10. KCAA is totally dependent on volunteer officials to run its championships and wishes to recognise the added commitment when one of them also officiates on the same day they are competing. In this case they are entitled to enter 1 event for free per day. For Postal Entries just reduce payment by the amount & put a note on the form. Unfortunately in entering Online you will need to initially pay the full amount & then ask the Entry Secretary to make a refund via PayPal or the Treasurer by cheque.
11. Athletes with a disability may compete in any KCAA championships event whenever possible. You will be eligible for medals & recognition as if competing in a specific event under IPC rules. If there are specific requirements to compete (i.e. tie down / wheelchair / etc.) please contact the Entry Secretary to check if this is possible or not.
12. Late Entries will not be accepted; unless the reason was outside of your control.
13. Timetables for the championships will be put on the KCAA website approximately 1 week before the competition date. They will not be mailed out in advance.
14. Your Bib numbers must be collected from the athlete registration desk at the Championships, when you initially register. You must confirm your registration for each event at least an hour before its scheduled start time, otherwise you may not be able to compete.
15. Personal implements may be used but in the case of field events they must be taken to the equipment room at least 90 minutes before your event warm up time. Personal starting blocks may be used except indoors or where Start Information System (SIS) is in use when it will be stadium blocks only.
16. Club or School colours must be worn or clothing acceptable under UKA Rule T5.1.
17. KCAA seeks to provide good competition & therefore races may be combined with other ages or counties where it is seen by the organisers to improve the competition experience for all athletes.
18. If after qualifying for a second round or final, you need to withdraw, you must inform the referee for that event. You will be allowed to withdraw but may not be allowed to compete again during the championships, without good reason as per UKA Rule T4.4.
19. Masters athletes who compete in multi age group events will only be issued with one medal.
20. KCAA does not require camera users to register the use their cameras as the prolific use of personal tablets & smartphones make this impractical to police. Should one of these

photographs appear on a club website or in social media you need to contact them direct should you wish it removed.

At some meetings we have press reporters and official championship photographers from whom you can purchase photographs of athletes in competition. Those photographers are easily identified wearing brightly coloured bibs.

Also within the competition and medal presentation areas people authorized by KCAA may take photos for publicity & promotional purposes, especially for our Website or Facebook page. When entering these areas you need to be aware that it is assumed that you are giving permission for such photographs to be taken. Should a photo appear on our Website or Facebook page which you would like removed; please contact the track & field committee secretary on [trackandfield@kcaa.org.uk](mailto:trackandfield@kcaa.org.uk)

## 21. COVID

The current ban on spectators, except one supporter for athletes needing support, does included Coaches but it is anticipated further advice may be forthcoming prior to the Championships.

Athletes are reminded of the need for appropriate social distancing and travelling as households or bubbles with no car sharing, mini buses or coaches.

Athletes will only be permitted in the competition area when they have to compete and will need to leave once their event is complete.