



ATHLETE SELECTION POLICY

This policy outlines the criteria that Clane AC will follow when it is necessary to select athletes for certain competitions. For certain competitions there are restrictions on the number of athletes that the club can enter such as the following :

- Kildare and Leinster Championships (indoor & outdoor) where a club is only permitted to enter 3 athletes in field events. This typically applies at each age.
- Relay teams consisting of 6 athletes where 4 athletes compete in the event with 2 athletes as alternates on the team.

All athletes registered with the club are required to compete in the Kildare league and only those who competed will be considered for selection for Kildare and/or Leinster Championships.

The placings of athletes in the field events at the Kildare league competitions may be used to determine which athletes compete in the corresponding event in the Kildare Championships. Alternatively a local competition may be run where time permits to determine which athletes are selected to compete in the championships.

When selecting relay teams the club will inform athletes of the intention to enter a team in a specific competition. A race of the interested , eligible and available athletes will be conducted locally at the club to select a team of 6. After specific relay training the running order and the 4 runners for the event will be confirmed. Each of the athletes will be informed at the appropriate time. Parents will also be kept informed and parents are requested to keep the club coaches updated on the athletes' availability.

Note typically the Kildare indoors championships are for either even or uneven ages and the outdoors will be the alternative i.e. if the indoor event is u10 and u12 , then the outdoors will be u11 and u13.

Clane AC will at all times act in a fair and open manner with all athletes and to keep them informed where this selection policy applies.