

2018 NGC / SAGICOR NAAA TRACK AND FIELD OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

RULES OF COMPETITION

1. The Championship will be an Open Championships, athletes in the top 32 NAAATT 2018 rankings, for the 100m, 200m and 400m, up to the deadline for submission of entries, will be allowed to enter for those events. Junior athletes competing in field events MUST use the respective weight of implement for the events.
2. Athletes under the age of 16 years will not be permitted to participate in the individual events, except where special permission is granted by the NAAATT. For the relay events , clubs are allowed to use junior athletes, not younger than age 14.
3. Entries WILL NOT not be accepted without a 2018 season's best.
4. Athletes must be registered with the Secretary of the NAAATT for the year 2018 to be eligible to participate at the Championship.
5. No athlete will be allowed to participate in an event without his/her 2018 registration numbers properly secured on the front and back of his/her vest, except in the cases of the jumping events where one number may be worn on the front or back of his/her vest only.
6. If an athlete's registration number is lost or misplaced, he/she is not permitted to replace it. The NAAATT will provide a replacement at the TIC, at a cost of Fifteen TT Dollars (TT\$15.00) per side.
7. All athletes with the exception of those who are sponsored by sporting goods companies e.g. Adidas, Nike, Puma etc. and College athletes who are funded by their overseas schools, are to be properly attired in their club uniform, failing which they may not be permitted to compete in the event.
8. Athletes will not be permitted to participate in any event wearing the national uniform (partially or fully) of Trinidad and Tobago or any other National Federation except when permitted to do so by the NAAATT.
9. **ATHLETES MUST REPORT TO THE CALL ROOM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING CALL TIMES. FAILING WHICH THE ATHLETE MAY NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENT.**

	1st Call	2nd Call	On Field
TRACK	45mins	30mins	10mins
FIELD	60mins	45mins	30mins.

ATHLETES MUST REPORT TO THE CALL ROOM ON THE FIRST CALL.

10. Athletes are not allowed on the track or centre field except when required to participate in an event.

11. Where there are less than 3 competitors in an event, the event MAY be cancelled.
12. Any athlete who confirms their participation after the final declaration and who qualifies by reason of qualifying rounds to participate in an event must compete in the event. Failure to do so without the expressed permission of the Competition Director may result in the disqualification of the athlete from further participation in the Championship.
13. The Organizing Committee and the relevant Referee reserve the right to: **refuse entry, cancel an event or frame a new event should it become necessary to do so.**
14. All electronic devices are prohibited in the Call Room and Competition Area. The Meet Organizers will not be held responsible for the loss or damage of any such items.
15. Protests concerning the result or conduct of an event shall be made within thirty minutes (30mins) of the official announcement or posting of the result of that event. Any protest shall, in first instance, be made orally to the Referee by an athlete, by someone acting on his/her behalf or by a representative of a team. Such person or team must have a bona fide interest in the event(s) in question. To arrive at a fair decision, the Referee should consider any available evidence which he thinks necessary. The Referee may decide on the protest or may refer the matter to the jury. If the Referee makes a decision there shall be a right to appeal to the jury. Where the Referee is not accessible or available, the protest should be made to him/her through the Technical Information Centre. A protest fee of one hundred dollars (TT\$100) must accompany every protest. The protest fee is non-refundable except if the protest is upheld (**see IAAF Rule 146**)
16. Subsequent to the declaration of final entries at the Technical Meeting or by way of communication, clubs will be allowed to scratch ten percent of athletes declared, without penalty, during the competition. If more than ten percent of athletes are scratched from the competition, the said club will be required to pay one hundred dollars (TT\$100) per athlete in excess of the ten percent. For example, if a club declares 100 athletes at the technical meeting, they will be allowed to scratch 10 athletes during the competition without penalty. Failure to comply with this rule may result in the club not being allowed to participate in future NAAATT Events in 2018.