

Athletics Faroe 2027 Selection Policy

Purpose

This policy outlines the process for selecting the athletics team to represent Jersey at the 2027 NatWest Island Games, to be held in Faroe. The aim is to select athletes who are best placed to perform to their full potential at the Games.

Selection Considerations

Athletes who achieve the qualifying standard will be considered for selection. The Selection Panel will take the following factors into account:

- The number of times the qualifying standard has been achieved
- The margin by which the standard has been exceeded
- The athlete's age and stage of development
- The range and level of competitions entered during the 2025 and 2026 seasons
- Commitment, attitude, and conduct

These criteria will be used where there are more athletes than available places (two per event, or three in the case of the half marathon). **Meeting the qualifying standard does not guarantee selection.**

Qualifying Period

The qualifying period for athlete to achieve the standard for the 2027 Island Games is: 1 October 2025 – 7 September 2026.

Qualification Requirements

- The qualifying standard (as detailed in the standards table) must be achieved at least once during the qualifying period. However, consistency of performance, current form, and commitment across the 2025 and 2026 seasons will be considered.
- Performances submitted for consideration must be achieved at competitions recognised by UK Athletics for inclusion in the Power of 10 rankings.
- Athletes must achieve the qualifying standard in each event they wish to compete in.
- Athletes must meet all eligibility criteria set by the Island Games Association of Jersey (IGAJ).
- All financial and logistical requirements must be met within the specified deadlines.

The Jersey Athletics (JA) Selection Panel reserves the right to not select or to deselect any athlete who does not show commitment to remaining focused on performing at the games to the best of their ability. Anyone who fails to meet financial or logistical deadlines without a valid and reasonable explanation may also face being removed from the team and losing any money they may have paid.

Recognised Competitions

The following competitions may be considered (this list is not exhaustive but should as a guide for appropriate competitions):

- National and Area League competitions
- County Championships
- Inter-County Championships
- Regional and Area Championships
- National / AAA Championships
- National and International Schools Championships
- National Representative Matches
- International Invitation Matches
- Power of 10—recognised open and graded meetings
- Recognised road races for 5km, 10km, and Half Marathon will also be considered, provided the appropriate qualified officials are present.

Additional Notes

Where two athletes have very similar performances, electronic timing will take precedence over hand-timed results (e.g. 13.14 electronic will be favoured over 13.1 hand-timed). Current form may also be considered.

Up to six athletes may be named for each relay squad (4x100m male and female, 4x400m mixed) prior to the Games.

Wind-assisted performances will not be accepted.

Hand-timed performances will be accepted, provided timekeepers hold appropriate and current qualifications: however please note electronic timing will take precedence.

Indoor performances will be accepted for all field events and for track events of equivalent weight and distance. Performances in the 100m, 200m, 400m, 110m/100m hurdles, and 400m hurdles achieved at altitudes above 950 metres will not be accepted.

If you wish to be placed on the long list of athletes to be considered for selection, please email with the following details to the address listed below;

- **Name**
- **DOB**
- **Event(s)**
- **Best performance in above events in 2025/2026.**
- **Name of coach**

Enquiries

If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact: admin@jerseyathletics.org