

BY-LAW ARTICLE XXVII

Outdoor Track & Field

Boys and Girls

Sect. 1: Outdoor Track and Field shall be administered by the NHIAA Outdoor Track Committee and the rules of the National Federation will govern the sport when applicable.

Sect. 2: State Divisional Championships

- A. Only NHIAA member schools are entitled to enter the divisional championships.
- B. The results of these meets will be used to qualify for and to organize the Meet of Champions which will follow.
- C. If an athlete meets the Automatic Qualifying Standards, he/she may be entered in the divisional meet. The meet director will fill the field from all the entries meeting the Provisional Standards by the following formula: on an eight (8) lane track up to a maximum of 16 entries in the running events, and 16 entries plus ties in the field events unless it interferes with meet management; on a six (6) lane track up to a maximum of 18 entries in the running events and 18 entries plus ties in the field events, unless it interferes with meet management. If an athlete does not meet the Provisional Standards, he/she may not be entered. For an athlete to compete in the State Championships, he/she must have participated in at least one Outdoor Track meet during the regular season. (Refer to the Policies and Procedures Manual for Qualifying Standards.)
- D. Conversion of times for English distances to metric qualifying standards for track events is not allowed. All field event distances and heights will be measured in English units.
- E. All participants must meet the eligibility standards of the NHIAA.
- F. A competitor may participate in no more than four (4) events.
- G. Point scoring will be 10, 8, 6, 4, 2, 1.
- H. Awards: Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in each of the divisional meets, in addition, six (6) ribbons will be awarded to the top six (6) finishers in the finals of each event, including relays, in each division for boys and girls.

Sect. 3: Meet of Champions (CM 1.2017)

- A. A Meet of Champions will be held for both girls and boys.
- B. The top performers in each event in each Divisional Meet will qualify for the Meet of Champions according to the following formula: Top three in each division. In addition, the field will be filled with the next Fastest FAT performances from the season regardless of division. The field is determined by the number of lanes on the host track. Relay teams will qualify for the Meet of Champions using the same procedures as individuals. The NHIAA Outdoor Track Committee shall be solely responsible for determining the proper seeding position of all entrants.
- C. The rules and events for the Meet of Champions will be the same as those used in the divisional meets.
- D. Relay teams will qualify for the Meet of Champions using the same procedures as individuals.
- E. Awards: Official NHIAA place medals will be awarded to the top six (6) finishers in each event, including relays for boys and girls.

Sect. 4: State Records

State Records will be considered when they occur in NHIAA sanctioned meets under the following conditions:

- Satisfy all provisions of Rule 10, National Federation Track and Field Rule Book.
- Performances at NHIAA Division Championship Meets, Meet of Champions, or New England Championship Meet in which there are three (3) watches on any one place; or any performance occurring at a meet with fully automatic timing (F.A.T.)

Any meet not fulfilling the above criteria may submit a request, in advance, to the Outdoor Track Committee to have performances considered for State Record approval. Nominations for new State Records must be submitted in writing (on the appropriate form) to the Outdoor Track Committee by the **third** weekend of June of the current season.

NOTE: National level competitions sanctioned by the National Federation and the NHIAA will be considered for State Records.

Sect. 6: Divisional Alignment

Outdoor track shall be aligned into three (3) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

2023-24 Boys & Girls Outdoor Track Divisional Alignment

| DIV. I (1010+) | | DIV. II (600-1009) | | DIV. III (1-599) | | | |
|-----------------------|------|---------------------------|------|-------------------------|-----|-------------------------|-----|
| 20 Schools | | 18 Schools | | 41 Schools | | | |
| Pinkerton | 3117 | Goffstown | 1006 | Laconia | 589 | Hopkinton | 322 |
| Nashua South | 1875 | Oyster River | 863 | Pelham | 580 | Mascoma | 319 |
| Nashua North | 1690 | Hollis/Brookline | 833 | Sanborn | 565 | Newport | 300 |
| Dover | 1548 | Merrimack Valley | 794 | Stevens | 546 | Inter-Lakes | 292 |
| Concord | 1515 | Milford | 780 | Kearsarge | 515 | Derryfield | 281 |
| Exeter | 1513 | Man. West (B) | 777 | Fall Mountain | 501 | Franklin | 275 |
| Man. Memorial | 1483 | Pembroke | 752 | Gilford | 494 | Newmarket | 272 |
| Bedford | 1454 | Kingswood | 735 | Winnisquam | 456 | Mascenic | 270 |
| Londonderry | 1363 | Kennett | 730 | Monadnock | 444 | Epping | 246 |
| Keene | 1358 | Con-Val | 711 | Campbell | 432 | Bishop Brady | 242 |
| Man. Central | 1342 | Souhegan | 709 | Newfound | 419 | Gorham | 236 |
| Spaulding | 1331 | Coe-Brown | 697 | Prospect Mnt. | 417 | Woodsville | 225 |
| Merrimack | 1158 | Hanover | 690 | Somersworth | 393 | Wilton-Lyndeborough | 159 |
| Salem | 1158 | Bow | 630 | Conant | 386 | Por. Christian at Dover | 150 |
| Winnacunnet | 1139 | Plymouth | 626 | Belmont | 384 | Moultonborough | 144 |
| Alvirne | 1069 | Lebanon | 614 | Hillsboro | 373 | Profile | 142 |
| Windham | 1062 | *John Stark | 587 | Raymond | 364 | Hinsdale | 139 |
| Timberlane | 1048 | *St. Thomas | 416 | Berlin | 360 | Sunapee | 133 |
| Portsmouth | 1040 | | | White Mountains | 352 | Concord Christian | 106 |
| *Bishop Guertin | 803 | | | Trinity | 331 | Holy Family | 58 |
| | | | | | | Mt. Royal | 51 |

*Petition