



U15 / U17 Berkshire Schools Track and Field Championships 2021

Congratulations you have been selected as one of the final entrants to the Berkshire Schools Track and Field Championships being held on Saturday 12th June 2021.

You have been selected because:

1. You entered using the google form by the deadline.
2. You had achieved at least the district standard in your chosen events.
3. You were in the top 12 of entrants in your chosen event.

We must follow strict Covid guidelines set by Palmer Park and England Athletics, and these are the conditions of our licence. Please make sure that you read the attached rules and guidelines below and follow these on the day.

You will compete in your selected event on **Saturday 12th June**. Please see the information below for how the day will run:

Before the day:

- If you now cannot compete, please let us know on berkshireschoolsaa@gmail.com
- You should be wearing a school vest / top (not club vests) as this is a school's competition – please speak to your school about borrowing one of these for the weekend.
- You will need to provide your own number printed on card and 8 safety pins– 2 numbers – one front and back. This is the number next to your name on the entries sheet. You must print them from this source (lower part of page – PDF's)-
<https://www.esaa.net/schemes/tfcup/numberprints.html#numbers> You may be able to ask your school to do these for you.
- Decide on your one spectator who will be coming with you.
- Make sure you read the below instructions and follow these on the day.

All athletes and spectators must undergo a self-assessment for any COVID-19 symptoms on the day. No-one should leave home to participate in sport or to spectate if they, or someone they live with, have symptoms of COVID-19 currently recognised as any of the following:

- **A high temperature**
- **A new, continuous cough**
- **A loss of, or change to, their sense of smell or taste.**

An individual who displays any such symptoms or if you have also been in contact with anyone with Covid or had a positive test should not attend the championships and must follow NHS guidance on self-isolation and testing.

On the day:

- You are only allowed one other person / spectator to come into the stadium with you – this could be a parent or teacher. Club coaches are allowed separately to that.

- You will not be allowed entry into the stadium before a specified time before your event (see timetable for more information). It is therefore advised that you do most of your warmup outside the track in Palmer Park with the person you have come to the championships with.
- You will enter the stadium via the left-hand side gate from the car park – DO NOT enter through the main entrance.
- Upon entry you and your accompanying adult will need to sign in (we will require a phone number and email address for test and trace purposes which will be destroyed as soon as the appropriate time has passed) / scan the QR code, be wearing a mask, have a temperature check and sanitize your hands. You will then be given a wrist band which you will need to wear to show that you have signed in officially.
- The toilets accessed from the side of the stands will be open, but no refreshments will be available so please bring water / food that is required.
- When sitting in the stand you should not sit next to anyone who is not in your household / support bubble and should leave a couple of seats between you and the next people in that row.
- Your one spectator should remain in the stand and should not enter the track, infield or on the cycle track.
- If you are doing a throwing event and have your own implement, please bring it – get it checked with the technical judge before using. If you do not have your own there will be stadium implements you can use but these will need to be wiped down between uses. You will possibly be asked to also collect your implements after each throw to reduce the contact with multiple persons.
- Please do not report to your area too soon – listen for the announcements of when to go to the track and respective field areas.
- All track events will be either be straight finals (or if two heats then it will be based on times – fastest times over the heats will be declared the winners).
- The top 3 in each event after their event has finished will be invited to go to the table in the centre of the track and collect a medal – these cannot be presented officially.
- You must then collect your belongings and your spectator and leave the stadium. If you need to cool down, then please do this outside the stadium in the park. You will not be allowed to remain in the stadium and cheer on your friends I am afraid.

After the day

- Results will be posted on the Berkshire Athletics website, sent to schools and be on powerof10 as well as links on social media (Twitter and Facebook)
- If you have achieved the entry standard or above on this day or in a competition recently this season you will be considered for the Berkshire team to be put forward to ESAA.
- BSAA will be meeting after the competition to select on this team and will put this forward to ESAA by the 22nd June. ESAA will then select the top 16 in each event from all county's entries (based on powerof10 performances) and notify the counties as to which athletes will compete at the ESAA Championships in July.
- We will then notify you as soon as we know if you are successful.

We wish you good luck on the 12th June at the Schools Championships!