

Questions/Answers about the Legion and National Youth Track and Field Championships

Q: What are the age classifications for Legion and Youth Championships?

A: 15 and under and 17 and under (in both cases as of Dec 31 of the year of competition)

Q: How may athletes become eligible to compete?

A: There are two ways to enter to the Legion and Youth Championships:

- a) through Provincial Legion qualifying procedures (done by the Legion Command) or,
- b) by registering with AC if the athlete has achieved the standard (open registration)

Q: Can you register to compete in both U15 and U17 by open AC registration?

A: No. Athletes who register with AC can compete in Youth (U17) events only. Athletes that are age eligible and wish to compete in the U15 must qualify through the provincial Legion programs.

Q: Can athletes compete in two different age classes?

A: There's only one age class for the Open Athletes (U17).

For the Legion athletes, they will compete on their age category only.

Q: Will the National Youth Track and Field Championships feature a relay event?

A: No. There will only be Legion Championships relays; athletes from the Open category are not allowed to enter into relays.

Q: Can the Combined Events athletes be part of a relay team?

A: No. Legion rules will apply as always. Combined event athlete (decathlon and heptathlon) can't be part of a relay team.

Q: Do Legion registered athletes and Open athletes compete in the same Races/events?

A: Yes, both groups compete together in the same events.

Q: Will Open athletes count in Provincial Legion scoring?

A: No. Open athletes are designated as non- scoring athletes for the event .

Q: Can open athletes qualify for medals?

A: Yes. There will be only one set of medals.

Q: Does Athletics Canada offer a National Championship for 15/16 years old?

A: The National Youth TF Championship is a new event for youth athletes ages 16/17. For now, we don't have any national competition specifically available for athletes under this age group. However, a talented athlete younger than 16 can enter the competition given that has achieved the entry standard.

Graphic description of the Legion and National Youth Track and Field Championships:

