



19th World University Orienteering Championships 2014

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Team Ireland Selection Criteria and Supporting Information



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Introduction

Student Sport Ireland is the sole sanctioning body responsible for identifying, selecting and organising Irish teams and individuals to attend the 2014 FISU World University Championships.

WUC Orienteering Events

Men and Women
Individual Sprint Distance Race
Individual Long Distance Race
Individual Middle Distance Race
Relay Race
Mixed Relay Race

Participation

Each country may enter a maximum of twelve (12) competitors with a maximum of six (6) male and six (6) female competitors.

Each country may enter:

- Four male and four female runners in the long distance race;
- Four male and four female in the middle distance race;
- Three male and three female in the sprint distance race;
- Two men's teams of three runners and two women's teams of three runners in the relay race;
- One team of two female runners and two male runners in the mixed relay race.

2014 World University Orienteering Championship Selection Criteria

To be eligible for consideration athletes must have:

1. Competed in Sprint or Middle/Long World Ranking Events since January 2013 and
2. Achieved a top 3 placing in the Male/Female Elite (or equivalent category) at one of the provincial championships, a top 5 placing in the Shamrock O-Ringen, or a top 5 placing in a discipline at the Irish Championships in the same period and
3. International representation experience at a senior level, i.e. European, World Championship, World Cup Races, or Eurometing.

Student Selection

The Team Manger will submit to Student Sport Ireland the student list for participation at the Championships. SSI High Performance Committee, aided by the selection criteria outlined above and student nomination forms submitted (see below), will review each student nominated individually and adopt her/his nomination as appropriate.

1. The Team Manager will nominate eligible student who have achieved the selection criteria to be considered for selection for the WUC by SSI HPC;
2. All students being considered to participate at the WUCs must meet the FISU and SSI Eligibility Criteria for International Competitions published on the SSI web site. Please click on the following link to view the eligibility criteria: [SSI Eligibility Criteria for International Competitions](#);
3. All students nominated must complete and submit a student nomination form for the SSI HPC to review and ratify where appropriate.

Ultimately the decision of whether a student athlete is selected on the team that travels to the Championships rests with SSI High Performance Committee.

Nomination Forms:

To establish that individual student meet the above selection criteria, FISU and SSI Eligibility Criteria and to subsequently facilitate submission of his/her Nominative Entry Forms to FISU students will be required to submit to Student Sport Ireland:

- a completed stamped and signed hard copy of SSI's [Student Nomination Form](#);
- hard copy [academic eligibility form](#) signed and stamped by the college registrar's office;
- two passport photos and
- a copy his/her passport page.

Please note that unsigned and unstamped forms will not be processed and returned.

Age: The competitors must be at least 17 and less than 28 years of age on 1st January 2014.

Funding: Student Sport Ireland itself will not be in a position to provide any funding to support student participating at WUCs.

Ultimately the cost of participation is the responsibility of the student but in many instances the NGB does provide significant support. In addition the student's college may be in a position to also support his/her participation. It is advised that student under consideration approach their Sports Officer in their college to indicate their interest in participating in the event at the earliest opportunity and to determine if the College may be in a position to support their participation.

The costs associated with participation at the Championships include but not limited to:

- Flights (to be booked by NGB or Team Manager);
- Participation Fee: €60 per person per day (included transfers, accommodation and meals);
- Travel Insurance: €25 approx.
- FISU Registration Fee (€20 per person);
- Student Sport Ireland Admin Fee (€75 for SSI member students, €150 for non SSI member students);
- Walk Out Polo shirt (approx. €25)
- Competition Gear (sourced via NGB).

For further information or clarification please contact the Team Manager, Mr. Greg McCann.