

SELECTION CRITERIA – 2024 AUSTRALIAN HALF MARATHON CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2024 Australian Half Marathon Championship will be conducted on Sunday 11th August 2024 at Alexandra Headlands Surf Club, Sunshine Coast, Queensland. Which forms part of the Sunshine Coast Marathon.

Athletics Victoria can select up to **six (6)** male and **six (6)** female representatives with the top three finishers in each team scoring points towards their state team result. The first three eligible men and women to finish the Half Marathon will be presented with Australian Championship medals. Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals will also be presented in the men's and women's teams' competition.

1. SELECTION CRITERIA

1.1 Eligibility

- The 2024 Australian Half Marathon Championships is open to all athletes who are registered with an Athletics Victoria-affiliated club and meet the Athletics Australia rules for National competition.
- To be eligible for an Australian Championship, athletes without permanent Australian residency must have been registered as a competing member with an Athletics Victoria club for a minimum of two years.

1.2 Half Marathon Qualification Standard

NB: All athletes must meet the qualification standard to be selected for this Championship.

- **Women: 1:30:00**

- **Men: 1:20:00**

1.3 Selectors Discretion

- The Selectors will have the final say on the composition of the team and will take into consideration aspects such as head-to-head performances, consistency of performance, injury status and support for the ON XCR'24 series.
- In deciding the remaining members of the team, the selectors will consider performances by athletes in ON XCR'24 rounds already completed, including relays.

2. SELECTION PROCESS

2.1 Nomination for Selection

Athletes interested in nominating must email Tom Gamble tom.gamble@athsvic.org.au the following information:

- Name
- Gender
- DOB
- Club Name
- AV Bib Number
- Mobile
- Relevant performances since 13th August 2023 (*time, performance event, performance date*)

All nominations must be received by **5pm on Monday 8th July 2024**

2.2 Entries Close

- Athletes need to enter themselves via the event website (with the code to be provided by AA once received from the organisers). If athletes have already entered then a refund will be provided by the organisers (post event).

2.3 Announcement of the team

The representative team, plus reserves, will be announced by **Wednesday 10th July 2024**. All applicants will be advised of team selection by email and provided Entry Codes to enter themselves into the event, via the event website.

3. ASSISTANCE PACKAGES

All State Member Associations are invited to send up to six (6) male and six (6) female athletes to contest the 2024 Australian Half Marathon Championship. The following assistance packages will be available:

- Free race entry to all nominated MA team members (**top 3 ranked athletes – athletes ranked 4-6 need to enter themselves**)
- Use of the Elite Athlete facilities on race day (**all 6 athletes**)
- An elite start at the front of the field (**all 6 athletes**)
- Allowance of \$150 dollars per athlete (**top 3 ranked athletes**) – paid by the organisers post event
- Ground transport to the start line (**if applicable – top 3 ranked athletes if staying at meet hotel**)
- Facility access into/out of Event venue for the athlete briefing (**all 6 athletes**)

4. UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

Team members will be required to wear the **current** Victorian competition uniform.

For those who already have the competition uniform we ask that you wear it both while competing and for presentations.

Additional uniform items may be purchased through Athletics Victoria's uniform supplier, [Project Clothing](#).



5. FURTHER ENQUIRIES

Enquiries regarding the Selection Criteria should be directed to Tom Gamble – tom.gamble@athsvic.org.au.

Event Website: [Sunshine Coast Marathon](#)