

TECHNICAL RULES FOR ISF WSC CROSS-COUNTRY

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"We are school sport"



The competition will be run according to current ISF and IAAF rules under the direction of the ISF Technical Commission for athletics.

Specific ISF regulations are:

- 1. a. The competition is open both to school teams and selected teams.
 - b. There will be a competition organised in the following categories:
 - school teams, boys,
 - school teams, girls,
 - selected teams, boys,
 - selected teams, girls.
 - c. Each country may enter only one team in each category.
 - d. Each competitor may only compete in one team.
- 2. All competitors of the school team must have been enrolled the same school since the beginning of the school year.
- 3. All competitors of the selected team must have been enrolled at a school in the country concerned since the beginning of the school year.
- 4. Students aged 18, 17, 16 and 15 years on 31 December of the year of the World Schools Championship concerned can participate.
- 5. Each team shall be composed of a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 6 athletes and 1 teacher.
- 6. The athletes must be enrolled as full-time students at the school which they represent. They must be attending schools which provide a general education.

The following are not eligible to participate:

- a. pupils of vocational schools who only attend that school as a complement to their vocational training,
- b. school teams and pupils enrolled at schools which provide sports training without any general education,
- c. part-time (e.g. afternoon) sports schools which take pupils from a variety of schools for training in one or more sports,
- d. teams formed as part of clubs, companies, universities or other institutions.
- 7. Each participating team must be nominated officially by the organisation responsible for school sport and which is member of ISF.
- 8. Only athletes, registered on the team's list handed in at the accreditation, are authorized to take part in this competition.
- 9. Mixed teams are not allowed.

10. System of the competition:

a. The course - Distance to run:

for boys: 5000 – 5500 m for girls: 3000 – 3500 m

If laps are used then the maximum number of laps is as follows: girls a maximum of 2 laps, boys a maximum of 3 laps.

- b. Team classification:
 - (1) Four best runners from every registered team will score for the ranking.
 - (2) The team with the lowest total score will be the winner.
 - (3) In case 2 or more teams score the same number of points, the winning team will be the one of which the fourth participant will be the best ranked.
 - (4) School teams and selected teams will be classified separately.
- 11. Prize-giving.
 - a. Each participant will receive a commemorative certificate.
 - b. Each team finishing the competition and classified in team classification will be given with diploma for placement
 - c. The teams finishing first, second and third will be rewarded with medals and trophies.
 - d. The ISF Joy of Moving Trophy will be awarded to a delegation by the Disciplinary Commission following consultation with the Technical Commission ISF, the Organizing Committee and the delegations.

NB. Additional information will be included in bulletin 1, 2 and/or 3 of the relevant event