



**WORLD ATHLETICS MARATHON
ROAD RUNNING CHAMPIONSHIPS
IAU 50K WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
SELECTION CRITERIA 2023**

1. PREAMBLE

The 2023 World Athletics Marathon Championships are scheduled to be held in Budapest, Hungary on August 26-27, 2023 World Athletics Road Running Championships will be held in Riga, LAT on the 30th September to 01st October 2023 and IAU 50km World Championships in India on the 05th November 2023.

2. KEY DATES

Qualifying Periods		
Date	Events	Notes
December 1, 2021 – May 30, 2023	Marathon and 35km Race Walk	See Appendix A for Qualifying Standards
January 31, 2022 – July 30, 2023	10,000m, 20km Race Walk, Combined Events	
July 31, 2022 – July 30, 2023	All Other Events	
Important Dates		
12 March 2023	ASA Marathon Championships	
30 March – 01 st April 2023	ASA Senior Track and Field Championships	
10 March 2023	Preliminary/Squad Announcement	
21 April 2023	To submit your Preliminary Entries through EES, http://evententry.worldathletics.org , including the price of your Quota and Area Champion Athletes' airline ticket	
25-27 April 2023	Relay Squad Camp – Botswana Race	
01 May 2023	Team Announcement – Auto Qualification	
30 May 2023	Declaration Deadline – Final – Marathon and 35km Race Walk	
31 May 2023	World Athletics to publish Tracking List for Marathon and 35km Race Walk	
01 June 2023	Marathon Team Announcement	
01 June	To enter all your Team Members' visa information in EES	
03 June	Half Marathon Championships	Half Marathon Selection
17 June	5K Championships	5K selection
8 July 2023	To apply for your Team Members' visa	
30 July 2023	Declaration Deadline – All Other Events	
01 August	Preliminary Entries	WARRC
02 August 2023	World Athletics to publish final Tracking List	
03 August 2023	Team Announcement (Including Provisional	

	Selections of Additional athletes pending final WA Qualified List)	
04 August 2023 (24 hours after Team Announcement)	Deadline to Submit Appeals	
05 August 2023 (midnight, Monaco time)	World Athletics to confirm list of athletes qualified as “Next best by World Rankings”	
07 August 2023 (midnight, Monaco time)	World Athletics Final Entries Deadline	
08 August 2023	To verify that all your legal aged Athletes have signed electronically their Athlete Agreement and you have emailed those concerning under 18s Athletes.	
15 August 2023	Team Departure	
16 August 2023	Arrival at the Budapest	
19-27 August 2023	Competition	
28 August 2023	Team return	
08 September	Final Entries	WARRC
27 September	Departure	WARRC Team Departure
30 Sept -01 st October	World Road Running Championships	
02 October	Return	WARRC Team Departure
5 November 2023	IAU 50K World Championships	India

3. ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for selection in any ASA team, athletes must fulfil the following criteria:

- Be a South African citizen (SA ID-document/number)
- Be in possession of a valid SA passport with an expiry date not less than 6 months after returning from the specific championships
- Be a member of a South African club, affiliated to ASA, and registered on the ASA registration system
- Be in good standing with ASA, the Provincial Federation and the club he/she is affiliated to.
- In possession of an ASA License for the relevant year and confirm that the License Declaration was signed, and respect the conditions of the ASA License.
- Familiar with the content of the “ASA Integrity Code”, and the “Basic Broadcasting, Advertising and Social
- Media Guidelines for Athletes, Coaches and Officials” in the ASA Rules and Regulations, and abides by it.
- Sign an ASA Team Declaration, International Travel Waiver if and when nominated for the Team

3.1 Age Criteria

- Only athletes who are 18 years of age on the 31st December 2023 will be allegeable for selection

4. SELECTION CRITERIA WORLD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS - MARATHON TEAM SELECTION

Team sizes, eligibility criteria, and selection procedures are as follows:

Selection Event(s) – Selection to South African Team for the 2023 World Athletics Marathon Championships / 2023 World Athletics Road Running Championships (hereinafter referred to as the “Championships”) Marathon: will be based on results from certain performances between December 1, 2021 and May 30, 2023, as further described below.

Events Being Contested

- Women’s Team: Marathon (3 athletes)
- Men’s Team: Marathon (3 athletes)
- Marathon 18 month from 01st December 2021 to midnight 30 May 2023 (regardless of the time zone)
- All performances must be achieved during an official competition organised in conformity with World Athletics (WA) Rules.
- All performances must be achieved during competitions organised or sanctioned by ASA.

4.1 Round 1 - Automatic selections

- The winner of the 2023 ASA Marathon Championships with World Athletics qualifying standard during the qualifying period will automatically be selected for the marathon team to world championships 2023

4.2 Round 2 - All remaining eligible individual athletes

- The number of places available in this round will only be known after the completion of Round1. Athletes will be selected in this round if they satisfy both of the following:
- Have achieved at least one qualification standard in the qualification period- 01st December 2021 to midnight 30 May 2023 (regardless of the time zone)
- AND demonstrate current form and fitness.

If more athletes satisfy the criteria above than places available, a combination of criteria will be considered (not listed /in priority order):

- The achievement of World Athletics qualification standards;
- 2022/23 World Athletics World Ranking, and 2022/23 World Athletics ‘Top List’ ranking;
- Current form;
- Head-to-heads, within the qualification period;
- Previous major competition history;
- Injury/illness status;
- Position at the relevant National Championships; and

- Performance at the relevant National Championships.

Qualification Standards

Men	No. Athletes	Event	Women	No. Athletes
Standard			Standard	
2:09:40	3	Marathon	2:28.00	3

Note: Athletes should note that they are not mandated to compete at the designated National Champs events in order to be eligible. However, athletes who choose not to compete in the relevant National Championship events accept that they will not be considered for automatic selection at Round 1. Their selection will therefore be at the discretion of the Panel in Round 2.

5. SELECTION CRITERIA WORLD ATHLETICS ROAD RUNNING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

5.1 Event Programme

- The 2023 World Athletics Road Running Championships will be held in Riga, LAT on the 30th September and 01st October 2023

5.2 Individual events

Men	No. Athletes	Women	No. Athletes
Road Mile	1	Road Mile	1
5K	2	5K	2

5.3 Individual and Teams event

Men	No. Athletes	Women	No. Athletes
Half Marathon	4	Half Marathon	4

5.4 Team Entries

Half Marathon

Each Member federation will be allowed to enter maximum of 5 athletes (Male/Female team) AND Maximum of 4 athletes will be allowed to participate (3 athletes will count for Scoring points for team competition)

5.5 Selection Criteria

Round 1 - Automatic selections

- The top 3(three) finishers at the 2023 ASA Half Marathon Championships will automatically be selected for the half marathon team to world championships 2023.

Round 2 - All remaining eligible individual athletes

- The number of places available in this round will only be known after the completion of Round1. Athletes will be selected in this round if they satisfy both of the following:

- Demonstrate current form and fitness.

Selection criteria will be considered (not listed /in priority order):

- 2023 World Athletics World Ranking, and 2023 World Athletics ‘Top List’ ranking;
- Current form;
- Head-to-heads,
- Previous major competition history;
- Injury/illness status;
- Position at the relevant National Championships; and
- Performance at the relevant National Championships.

5.6 5K Road Running

Each member federation will be allowed to enter maximum of 3 athletes (Male/Female Team) AND maximum of 2 athletes will be allowed to participate.

Selection Criteria

- The top 2(two) finishers at the 2023 ASA National 5k Championships will automatically be selected for the 5K team to world championships 2023.

5.7 Road Mile

Each member federation will be allowed to enter maximum of 3 athletes (Male/Female Team) AND maximum of 2 athletes will be allowed to participate.

Selection Criteria

- The top 8 athletes at the 2023 ASA Senior National track and Field Championships will be invited to participate at the Continental Tour Challenger on the 24th April during the mile event – The Winners of Male/Women will be automatically be selected for team.

6. STANDARDS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE 2023 ASA 50 KILOMETER NATIONAL TEAM

- To be considered for the ASA 50 Kilometer National Team, runners must meet one of the following qualification standards, as well as other eligibility requirements.
- Athletes will be selected to the team based on the order of the criteria below until all the team spots are filled.

6.1 **Automatic selection** will be given to male and female athletes who finish first at the 2023 Nedbank 50km

Minimum qualifying performance standards for auto qualification and consideration:

- Male: 50 km Road or Track - Sub 3:00:00;
- Female: 50 km Road or Track - Sub 3:33:00;

6.2 **Additional selections** will be selected from the 2023 Two Ocean Ultra Marathon and Comrades Marathon performances

Notes

- If the first South African finisher in one of the automatic qualifying races declines a position, it will be offered to the next highest finishing South African (and so on until filled) provided minimum qualification standards are met.
- Additional selections will be made by ASA Road running Commission.