

IOA Selection Policy for JWOC 2017



Junior World Orienteering Championships 2017

9th – 16th July, Tampere, Finland.

Classes: M20, W20 (max 6 runners per class)

<http://www.jwoc2017.fi/>

Eligible for selection are M/W20s and 2nd year M/W18s (born 1997, 1998, 1999). In exceptional cases first year M/W18s (born 2000) may be selected.

To compete on an Irish team athletes must hold an Ireland passport and be a current member of an IOA or NIOA club.

To be considered for selection it is compulsory to compete in the Irish Orienteering Long Championships 2017, and run the March 11th 2017 Time Trial. If there is a compelling reason for not attending this should be explained to the selectors in advance.

Selections will be based on the results of the competitions listed below (minimum 3 results). We appreciate that this is a very short list and occurs over a short period of time, so athletes may notify the selectors before 30 April 2017 of other results they would like to have taken into account (this includes competitions where athletes have run in an older age class on a different course).

Athletes with no major international competition experience will not be considered for JWOC, and it is strongly recommended that an international event is included for selection purposes in 2017.

The team will be announced immediately after the Irish Championships.

However, if team numbers allow, juniors who achieve impressive international results during May or June may be added to the team.

Note for athletes who "run up" in an older age class. If the course is the same as their age class course there is no issue. If the course is different it cannot be used as a selection result (but see note above re other results) but will count as competing if in IOC Long. (e.g. JK Sprint W21E is the same course as W20E and can be used, but JK days 2 and 3 W21E course is different and not comparable).

Selection Events

- Sun 09 Apr Long Leinster Championships, Brockagh Mt., Co. Wicklow (classes tbc)
- Fri 14 April Sprint JK Brunel University – M/W 20E or M/W 18E
- Sat 15 April Middle/Long JK day 2 Ambersham Common - M/W 20E or M/W 18E
- Sun 16 April Long JK day 3 Holmbrush - M/W 20E or M/W 18E
- Sat 22 April Sprint Test Sprint, Craigavon (NB*: to be confirmed)
- Sat 29 April Middle Irish Championships, Leim Oirthear – (M/W 20E or M/W 18E)
- Sun 30 April Long Irish Championships, Struth an Iolra, – (M/W 20E or M/W 18E)

There will be no automatic selection based on results. The selectors will also take into account athletes' level of commitment as shown by

- Orienteering regularly and often
- Attending training camps/competitions
- Achieving and maintaining a high level of fitness
- Training with relevant non-orienteering sport clubs (eg hill-running, cross-country, athletics, etc.)
- Participating in relevant non-orienteering races.
- Maintaining an online training diary e.g. Attackpoint
- Responding promptly to emails, and communicating if unable to attend training or other squad events.

Other factors such as illness, injury, exams will be taken into account if made known to the selectors.

The Selectors: Darren Burke, Mike Long, Ruth Lynam, Stephanie Pruzina

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