

**BY-LAW ARTICLE XXVIII**

**Outdoor Track & Field**

**Boys and Girls**

**Sect. 1:** Outdoor Track and Field shall be administered by the NHIAA Outdoor Track Committee and the rules of the National Federation will govern the sport when applicable.

**Sect. 2: State Divisional Championships**

- A. Only NHIAA member schools are entitled to enter the divisional championships.
- B. The results of these meets will be used to qualify for and to organize the Meet of Champions which will follow.
- C. If an athlete meets the Automatic Qualifying Standards, he/she may be entered in the divisional meet. The meet director will fill the field from all the entries meeting the Provisional Standards by the following formula: on an eight (8) lane track up to a maximum of 16 entries in the running events, and 16 entries plus ties in the field events unless it interferes with meet management; on a six (6) lane track up to a maximum of 18 entries in the running events and 18 entries plus ties in the field events, unless it interferes with meet management. If an athlete does not meet the Provisional Standards, he/she may not be entered. For an athlete to compete in the State Championships, he/she must have participated in at least one outdoor track meet during the regular season. (Refer to the Policies and Procedures Manual for Qualifying Standards.)
- D. Conversion of times for English distances to metric qualifying standards for track events is not allowed. All field event distances and heights will be measured in English units.
- E. All participants must meet the eligibility standards of the NHIAA.
- F. A competitor may participate in no more than four (4) events.
- G. Point scoring will be 10, 8, 6, 4, 2, 1.
- H. Awards: Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in each of the divisional meets, in addition, six (6) ribbons will be awarded to the top six (6) finishers in the finals of each event, including relays, in each division for boys and girls.

**Sect. 3: Meet of Champions (CM 1.2017)**

- A. A Meet of Champions will be held for both girls and boys.
- B. The top performers in each event in each Divisional Meet will qualify for the Meet of Champions according to the following formula: Top three in each division. In addition, the field will be filled with the next Fastest FAT performances from the season regardless of division. The field is determined by the number of lanes on the host track. Relay teams will qualify for the Meet of Champions using the same procedures as individuals. The NHIAA Outdoor Track Committee shall be solely responsible for determining the proper seeding position of all entrants.
- C. The rules and events for the Meet of Champions will be the same as those used in the divisional meets.
- D. Relay teams will qualify for the Meet of Champions using the same procedures as individuals.
- E. Awards: Official NHIAA place medals will be awarded to the top six (6) finishers in each event, including relays for boys and girls.

**Sect. 4: State Records**

State Records will be considered when they occur in NHIAA sanctioned meets under the following conditions:

- Satisfy all provisions of Rule 10: Records of the National Federation Track and Field Rule Book.
- Performances at NHIAA Division Championship Meets, Meet of Champions, or New England Championship Meet in which there are three (3) watches on any one place; or any performance occurring at a meet with fully automatic timing (F.A.T.)

Any meet not fulfilling the above criteria may submit a request, in advance, to the Outdoor Track Committee to have performances considered for State Record approval. Nominations for new State Records must be submitted in writing (on the appropriate form) to the Outdoor Track Committee by the **third** weekend of June of the current season.

**NOTE:** National level competitions sanctioned by the National Federation and the NHIAA will be considered for State Records.

**Sect. 6: Divisional Alignment**

Outdoor track shall be aligned into three (3) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee.

**2024-25 Boys & Girls Outdoor Track Divisional Alignment**

<b>DIV. I (1010+)</b>		<b>DIV. II (600-1009)</b>		<b>DIV. III (1-599)</b>			
<b>20 Schools</b>		<b>17 Schools</b>		<b>42 Schools</b>			
Pinkerton	3079	Timberlane	986	Laconia	590	Trinity	327
Nashua South	1704	Oyster River	844	Pelham	556	Hopkinton	300
Nashua North	1626	Man. West	781	Sanborn	524	Newport	292
Concord	1464	Merrimack Valley	763	Monadnock	499	Derryfield	291
Dover	1417	Pembroke	756	Stevens	499	Inter-Lakes	285
Bedford	1404	Hollis/Brookline	750	Gilford	492	Newmarket	280
Spaulding	1390	Kingswood	746	Fall Mountain	490	Franklin	272
Exeter	1384	Kennett	707	Kearsarge	485	Bishop Brady	261
Man. Memorial	1365	Milford	698	Prospect Mountain	410	Mascenic	260
Keene	1341	Souhegan	693	Somersworth	406	Epping	221
Londonderry	1291	Hanover	689	Winnisquam	403	Profile	221
Man. Central	1161	Coe-Brown	662	Newfound	394	Woodsville	212
Merrimack	1102	Con-Val	658	Hillsboro-Deering	382	Portsmouth Christian	178
Salem	1096	Plymouth	651	White Mountains	375	Hinsdale	164
Winnacunnet	1073	John Stark	648	Conant	373	Gorham	141
Goffstown	1043	Lebanon	618	Belmont	360	Moultonborough	141
Alvirne	1025	Bow	611	Campbell	356	Sunapee	132
Portsmouth	1024			St. Thomas Aquinas	354	Wilton-Lyndeborough	131
*Windham	995			Berlin	348	Holy Family	66
*Bishop Guertin	771			Raymond	343	Canaan, VT	52
				Mascoma	342	Mount Royal	49
		*Petition					