



# 2021 USATF Gulf Association Youth Championships

**Friday- Saturday  
June 25-26, 2021  
Challenger Columbia Stadium  
1955 West NASA Blvd  
Webster, TX 77598**

## AGE DIVISIONS & ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Age Divisions
8 and under (born 2013 and later) * athletes must be at least 7 years of age on December 31 <sup>st</sup> .
9-10 (born 2011-2012)
11-12 (born 2009-2010)
13-14 (born 2007-2008)
15-16 (born 2005-2006)
17-18 (born 2003-2004) * Athletes who are still 18 the final day of the USATF National Junior Olympic Track & Field Championships are eligible to compete in the 17-18 age division



**Individuals:** Only U.S. citizens, aliens living in the United States and foreign exchange students are eligible to compete in these Championships. See the USATF Rules for more information and exceptions. A competitor must compete in his/her age division only. There will be no "moving up" in any events, including relays. Competitors in the 8 & Under, 9 - 10 and 11 - 12 age divisions may compete in a maximum of three (3) events, including relays. Competitors in the 13 - 14, 15 - 16 and 17 - 18 age divisions may compete in a maximum of four (4) events, including relays. Combined events are not included in the event count. All athletes must be 2021 members of USATF in good standing.

**Relay Teams:** Only registered 2021 USATF member clubs may enter a relay team(s). All athletes representing the club must be affiliated with and members of that club as part of their USATF membership. Visit [www.usatf.org/membership](http://www.usatf.org/membership).

## ENTRY PROCESS:

Individual Entries: **\$10** per event  
Relay Entries: **\$40** per relay team

Club Administrators and Unattached Athletes should register online at <https://www.athletic.net> by **June 21, 2021 at 11:59 pm**. **Late entries will not be allowed**. Online registration opens **May 24, 2021**. **Fees must be paid online by the close of registration**. Accuracy of data entered is the responsibility of each club and/or athlete. Please validate data within Athletic.net for accuracy prior to submitting entry. An instructional video on the online registration process may be accessed by visiting, <http://cs.athletic.net/blog/b/athletic/archive/2016/01/18/getting-started-athletic-net-tutorials.aspx>

**Age Verification:** All athletes must be current USATF members and age verified according to the established USATF Date of Birth Verification Policy. The policy can be found at: [www.usatf.org/programs/youth](http://www.usatf.org/programs/youth).

**ADVANCEMENTS: USATF Gulf Association Championship is a Non-Advancement Championship.** Any athletes interested in the **2021 National Junior Olympic Championship**, please reference the **2021 Nation Junior Olympic Championship Guidelines of Participation.**

**AWARDS:** USATF Gulf Association Medals will be awarded to the top three (3) individuals and the top three (3) relay teams in each event of each age division.

**EVENT CHECK-IN:** There will be separate check-in areas for Running and Field events. Athletes must check in at these designated areas 45 minutes prior to the event's scheduled starting time. All athletes will be required to remain in the designated warm-up areas after checking in.

**EVENT RESULTS:** Live events results will be available at [www.AdkinsTrak.com](http://www.AdkinsTrak.com)

**PROTESTS:** There will be a **\$100** fee for all protests. Protests must be submitted to the Protest Referee at once and not later than 30 minutes after a result has been announced. The protest fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld.

**RULES – CONDUCT & FACILITY:** USATF Competition Rules will be followed during the Association Championship. Clear Creek ISD COVID-19 Protocols along with USATF Gulf Association COVID-19 Protocols will be enforced. Spectators and Participants are viewing and participating at their own risk.

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# Guidelines of Participation

The **2021 National Junior Olympic Championship** will observe the following Guidelines of Participation. In an effort to preserve the integrity of the championship in accordance with USATF and local government COVID-19 guidelines and/or restrictions, it has been determined that the number of entries per event for each age group must be limited.

## Entry Guidelines/Procedures:

- All athletes must be current USATF members and age verified according to the established USATF Date of Birth Verification Policy. The policy can be found at: [www.usatf.org/programs/youth](http://www.usatf.org/programs/youth).
- All athletes must enter a verifiable time/mark into [athletic.net](http://athletic.net) upon registration. Times must be achieved using fully automatic timing (FAT). All hand times will be converted to FAT. Overrides, no time (NT) or no mark (NM) will **NOT** be considered.
- In the case, multiple athletes are tied for the last position, all athletes in that position will be considered for acceptance into the championship at the discretion of the Youth Executive Committee. Once the maximum field size per event has been reached (according to the chart below) athletes who entered earliest will be given preference. If an athlete's entry is not accepted a refund will be issued.
- All performances must be FAT and verifiable by providing official results or field event sheets, immediately upon request.
  - Instructions for uploading results into [athletic.net](http://athletic.net) can be found at: <https://support.athletic.net/article/f242hq8ok6-uploading-results-overview>
  - If further assistance is required when uploading these results, please forward an email to: [usatf.support@athletic.net](mailto:usatf.support@athletic.net)
- Acceptance of late entries will be determined on-site based upon the status of the Entry Limitations Guidelines listed herein. Final decision on the acceptance of late entries will be binding and if accepted must adhere to the following policy:
  - If accepted, late entries must be processed no later than 3pm on the DAY BEFORE the scheduled event. NO EXCEPTIONS.
  - Changes/corrections must be reported no later than 3pm on the DAY BEFORE the scheduled event. Coaches/athletes are responsible for the review and verification of all entries upon receipt of the packet.
  - **Combined Events:** To assure the safety of the athletes and the management of the event entry numbers, the 2019 Combined Event Standards (modified) will be utilized.
    - For all Associations/Regions that host an Association/Region Championship and contest the Combined Event(s), the top 2 athletes, plus the athletes that meet the document standards will be allowed to advance into the Junior Olympic Championship.
    - For unattached athletes and those athletes that are new to the USATF Junior Olympic program and competing in a Combined Event for the first time, the current USATF Youth Division documented waiver process from will be utilized. The procedure for requesting this waiver is as follows:
      - Request for Waiver is to be forwarded to the Association Youth Chair
      - Association Youth Chair will review and forward to the Region Coordinator
      - Region Coordinator will review and forward to the designated Zone Representative
      - Final decision will be determined by the USATF Youth Executive Committee and athlete/coach will be notified.

Event	Field Size
100m	80
200m	80
400m	80
800m	80
1500m	80
3000m	48
80/100/110m Hurdles	80
200/400m Hurdles	80
2000m Steeplechase	48
1500/3000m Race Walk	48
Long Jump	48
Triple Jump	48
High Jump	48
Pole Vault	48
Shot Put	48
Javelin	48
Discus	48
Hammer	48
4 X 100m Relay	40
4 X 400m Relay	40
4 X 800m Relay	40

*\*Seeding will be done random regardless of time/mark entered for the first rounds of competition.*

*\*The Youth Division reserves the right to increase the number of entries. The decision to do so will be based upon USATF and local/state COVID-19 guidelines and if it is determined to be in the best interests of the competition and/or athletes already entered.*

**COVID-19 Protocol:**

- Athletes will be required to show proof of a negative COVID test or verification of full vaccination within 7 days of their competition date during the 2021 Junior Olympic Championship in order to compete.
- Spectator and athletes are asked to arrive no more than 120 minutes prior to the start time of their event and leave following the completion of their event to assist with social distance and stadium occupancy number.

**USATF REMAINS COMMITTED TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ALL INVOLVED IN THE 2021 USATF NATIONAL JUNIOR OLYMPIC TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP AND ALL COVID-19 PROTOCOLS WILL BE ENFORCED.**

# USATF GULF ASSOCIATION 2021 MEET GUIDELINES

## COVID-19 GUIDELINES

### 1. **Athlete Pre-Registration Required**

1. All participating and competing Athletes, Coaches, and Officials must be registered USATF members.
2. All teams must pre-register athletes using Athletics.net or other meet Management system with USATF membership verification capability.
3. No “Walk Up”; non-registered Athlete participation will be allowed.

### 2. **Social Distancing Requirements**

1. All spectators and athletes in attendance MUST practice social distancing (6 feet or more) during the event.
2. ALL meet Administrators, Officials, and Meet management staff are encourage wear face coverings at times during the management of the meet when Social Distancing is not possible.

### 3. **On-Site Athlete Check-in Process:**

1. Teams may only check-in one (1) age group/division at a time. All other athletes may not be in check-in area until they are called by meet administrator.
2. Athletes MUST proceed directly to the staging area after check-in.
3. Athletes check-in and staging process must be completed before teams will begin checking in the next Division/Age Group
4. Host Teams are required to provide/supply medically recommended hand sanitizer at all check-in, staging, timing, and administrative stations.
5. Athletes and coaches in designated Warm-up areas are asked to practice social distance when possible.

### 4. **Meet Staging Areas**

1. Teams will utilize a separate staging area large enough to allow social distancing of a minimum of 6 feet for all competing athletes.
2. Only competing athletes should be allowed in the “staging area.”
3. The maximum number of athletes permitted into a staging area will be determined by its size and number of athletes competing in each event. (See Starting Line Requirements Below).

4. Meet Administrators will need to escort each group or individual to the starting line from the staging area to avoid athlete incidental contact.

#### **5. Starting Line, Finish Line Requirements/Limitations**

1. Meet management will ensure that only 1 (one) heat of athletes is brought to the finish line at a time.
2. There will be a maximum of 8 athletes at the starting line in lane assigned events. There will be a maximum of 12 athletes at the start of "waterfall" or open lane events.
3. It is recommended that the Finish Line be completely cleared before the next heat of athletes are staged at the Start line.
4. Meet Management, Officials, and Volunteers should have no direct physical interaction with incoming runners unless it is determined to be a medical or confrontational emergency, or the runner appears to be incapacitated.
5. Hydration provided by each team / unattached athlete. Host Meet will designate an area for one person to serve as a Water Administrator per team/ unattached coach.

#### **6. Athlete Post-Competition**

1. Only one age group/Division will be allowed in the competition area at a time.
2. Athletes are asked to immediately leave the competition area after they have completed their event. If athlete escort is necessary, it should be done by meet medical staff, team member, or guardian of the athlete only.

#### **7. Field Implements**

1. Each athlete participating in a field event must their own implements. Athletes will not be allowed to share.

#### **8. No Group Medal or Award Ceremony May be Held in Competition Area**

1. Once results are available, teams will designate one person to pick up medals for the team. For unattached athletes, parent/guardian will pick up the awards.

#### **9. Parent/Spectators Access Guidelines**

1. Teams are requested to minimize the number of parents or spectators for each meet. Meet capacity varies between facilities. Once facility has reached capacity, the facility will be closed. We are asking everyone to be considerate.
2. Parents, Coaches, or Spectators will not be allowed on the field or in any of the Track & Field competition areas.
3. All attendees cheering from the outer perimeter of the Track or field event area, are always encouraged to Social Distance. This is the safest way for cheering spectators/parents to be allowed at meets.

4. Parents or spectators for any athlete may be asked to leave the competitive area after their athlete has completed his/her event.
5. Teams, Coaches, and Spectators are discouraged from setting up “Team Tent Camps. If tents are set up, there must be a minimum 10-foot distance between each “unassociated” team tent or camp area.

#### **10. Host Team Event Concession Guidelines**

1. Host teams will not be allowed to internally sell, distribute, or provide any perishable or “prepared food” concessions to meet attendees.
2. Athletes, coaches, spectators, and volunteers are encouraged to bring their own water bottles/sports drink.
3. Meet Host should consider using food trucks or licensed 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendors that will adhere to CDC, State, and local guideline for food service as an alternate option. Food truck vendors must be fully licensed and permitted by local jurisdictions...i.e., City, County, or State permit.

#### **11. Sanitation Requirements**

1. Host Teams will supply Hand Sanitizer at all operational Stations within the facility including but not limited to Check-In area, Staging Area, Starting Line, Finish Line, hydration area, Medals area, Vendor/Concession area and Restrooms.
2. Restrooms shall be made available only if Facility has dedicated personnel to maintain and disinfect restrooms during intermittent periods not to exceed periods greater than once per hour.

#### **12. Reporting Requirements**

1. If anyone in attendance of the event experiences symptoms or falls ill after the conclusion of the meet, Coaches, parents, or athlete representatives will notify the meet Director making them aware of a potential positive COVID-19 diagnosis. Those individuals who would have been in contact with the COVID-19 athlete will be notified in the case of a positive test result.

It is important that all USATF Gulf Association teams/members who wish to host or attend an USATF Gulf Association licensed Track & Field event adhere to these guidelines as written. The safety and wellbeing of our athletes, coaches, parents, all meet attendees is our utmost priority. It is extremely important that all teams and meet host make every effort to comply with these guidelines.

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All Events are Finals

Rolling Schedule

Friday, June 25, 2021

9:00AM

## Running

<u>Events</u>	<u>Division</u>
3000 Meters	11-12G, 11-12B, 13-14G, 13-14B, 15-16G,15-16B,17-18W,17-18M
4x100 Relay	8-UB, 9-10B,11-12B,13-14B,15-16B,17-18M
800 Meters	8-UG, 9-10G,11-12G,13-14G, 15-16G, 17-18W
100M Hurdle	17-18W, 15-16G, 13-14G
80M Hurdles	11-12G
400 Meters	8-UG, 9-10G,11-12G,13-14G, 15-16G, 17-18W
4x400 Relay	8-UB, 9-10B,11-12B,13-14B,15-16B,17-18M
200M Hurdles	13-14G
200 Meters	8-UG, 9-10G,11-12G,13-14G, 15-16G, 17-18W

## Field

<u>Events</u>	<u>Division</u>
Long Jump	17-18M,15-16B,13-14B
Triple Jump	17-18M,15-16B,13-14B
Shot Put	13-14B, 15-16B, 17-18M
Discus Throw	11-12B, 13-14B, 15-16B,17-18M
High Jump	9-10B, 11-12B, 13-14B, 15-16B, 17-18M
Javelin Throw	11-12B, 13-14B, 15-16B,17-18M
Pole Vault	13-14B, 15-16B, 17-18M

\*G-Girls, B-Boys, W-Women, M-Men



# 2021USATF GULF ASSOCIATION Youth, Open & Regional Master Championship

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June 25-26, 2021

All Events are Finals

Rolling Schedule

Saturday, June 26, 2021

9:00 AM

## Running

### Events

### Division

1500 Meters	13-14G, 13-14B, 15-16G,15-16B,17-18W,17-18M
<b>1500 Meters</b>	<b>Women, Men, &amp; Master Division</b>
4x100 Relay	8-UG, 9-10G,11-12G,13-14G,15-16G,17-18W
<b>4x100 Relay</b>	<b>Women, Men, &amp; Master Division</b>
800 Meters	8-UB, 9-10B,11-12B,13-14B, 15-16B, 17-18M
<b>800 Meters</b>	<b>Women, Men, &amp; Master Division</b>
110M Hurdles	17-18M, 15-16M
100M Hurdles	13-14M
80M Hurdles	11-12B
<b>100 Meters</b>	<b>Women, Men, &amp; Master Division</b>
400 Meters	8-UB, 9-10B,11-12B,13-14B, 15-16B, 17-18M
<b>400 Meters</b>	<b>Women, Men, &amp; Master Division</b>
4x400 Relay	8-UG, 9-10G,11-12G,13-14G,15-16G,17-18W
200M Hurdles	13-14B
200 Meters	8-UB, 9-10B,11-12B,13-14B, 15-16B, 17-18M
<b>200 Meters</b>	<b>Women, Men, &amp; Master Division</b>

## Field

### Events

### Division

Long Jump	17-18W,15-16G,13-14G
<b>Long Jump</b>	<b>Women, Men, &amp; Master Division</b>
Triple Jump	17-18W,15-16G,13-14G
Shot Put	13-14G, 15-16G, 17-18W
<b>Shot Put</b>	<b>Women, Men, &amp; Master Division</b>
Discus Throw	11-12G, 13-14G, 15-16G,17-18W
<b>Discus Throw</b>	<b>Women, Men, &amp; Master Division</b>
High Jump	9-10G, 11-12G, 13-14G, 15-16G, 17-18W
<b>High Jump</b>	<b>Women, Men, &amp; Master Division</b>
Javelin Throw	11-12G, 13-14G, 15-16G,17-18W
Pole Vault	13-14G, 15-16G, 17-18W

\*G-Girls, B-Boys, W-Women, M-Men