

## SA Masters Athletics Inc.

### JOB DESCRIPTION – NATIONALS TEAM MANAGER

#### **MAIN PURPOSE**

To be the main SAMA contact at the annual Masters National Championships.

#### **DUTIES**

1. Be available as the SAMA contact for all competition issues.
2. Liaise with the sprint, field, distance and walk groups where necessary.
3. Be the conduit for any protest lodged by a SAMA member.

#### **Protests (from the Competition manual)**

Any protests concerning an athlete's right to compete must be lodged with the Referee before the start of the relevant event. If the matter is not promptly resolved, the athlete in question shall be allowed to compete "under protest" pending a subsequent decision. Any protest arising from the competition shall be made to the Referee not later than 30 minutes after completion of the relevant event. Any appeal against the Referee's decision shall be in writing to the Jury of Appeal and accompanied by a deposit of \$50 which shall be forfeited if the appeal is considered frivolous, returned if upheld and otherwise at the discretion of the jury.

4. Act as coordinator/organiser for relay teams.

#### **Relays (from the Competition manual)**

- 4 x 100m and 4 x 400m relays will be conducted
  - Age bands for women are 120-169, 170-219 and 220+ and for men 120-179, 180-239 and 240+
  - States may enter more than one team in an age band however, only the highest placed team from that state is eligible for medals. The exception to this is when two or less states compete in a relay age band - then any additional teams competing become eligible for the bronze (or silver and bronze if only one State) medal(s).
  - If more than one State nominates a second team and there are not sufficient lanes then the Competition Director shall draw second teams for the available lanes from a hat.
  - Beyond the above, if sufficient lanes are available, composite teams can be entered at the discretion of the Competition Director. Composite teams are not eligible for medals.
  - Age is based on adding together the age group and not actual age. Teams must be entered in the age bracket that their total indicates (moving to a lower age bracket is not permissible).
  - A state team cannot be a combination of women and men
  - All teams, indicating team members and up to two reserves must be submitted to the Competition Director at least two hours before the nominated event.
  - Athletes can be nominated for more than one age division but can only compete in one.
  - A team can only race with the athletes nominated on their final entry form.
  - Nominated runners can run in any order, not necessarily the order shown on the entry form.
5. Knowledge of IAAF rules would certainly assist the function but are not essential.
  6. A brief report to the committee on the championships and the SA team's performance would be welcomed.