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**International Representative Race Walk Fixture
Race Walking Association – Inter-Area Match
21st March 2020
Selection Policy February 2020**

Overview

The overall objective of the international competitions programme is to prepare Welsh athletes to perform at the best of their ability at major, senior Championship events (e.g. World Championships and the Commonwealth Games). As part of that strategy, Welsh Athletics is committed to providing domestic and international competition opportunities to developing and aspirational Welsh athletes. International competitions are categorised as one of the following;

1. **International Matches** (where a Welsh team is fielded in a competitive fixture against other teams)
2. **International Overseas or Domestic Fixtures** (either an overseas or domestic competition that provides Welsh athletes of the appropriate standard with a conducive environment to achieve a good performance outcome)

Athlete Eligibility

To be considered for selection, athletes must satisfy the following;

1. Be eligible to compete for Wales by either:
 - a. Birth
 - b. Parentage
 - c. Retention
 - d. Residence (minimum 2 years, and not having competed for another nation in the previous 12 months)

Race Walking Association – Inter-Area Match – Sheffield - 21st March 2020

The race walking inter-are match is classified as a **Domestic International Fixture**.

Welsh Athletics will select to compete:

- Up to two Senior Men and up to two Senior Women
- Up to two U20 Men and up to two U20 Women
- Up to two U17 Men and up to two U17 Women

The race distance for this international will be **5000m**

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There is no obligation to fill all positions.

Expressions of interest

All expressions of interest must be with submitted to Liz Davies (National Talent Development Coordinator – Endurance) by Sunday 1st March 2020

Selection Process

The selection meeting will take place on **Monday 2nd March 2020**.

Selection Criteria

Athletes must have recently achieved the following time standard to be selected for the Welsh team.

Senior Men = Sub 25:00

Senior Women = Sub 28:00

U20 Men = Sub 27:00

U20 Women = Sub 30:00

U17 Women = Sub 31:00

U17 Men = Sub 29:00

Performances at the Molly Barnet Open Walks in Coventry will be prioritised for selection.

Appeals Process

There shall be no right of appeal to the selection of the Welsh team made by the Panel.

De-Selection Process

De-selection of an athlete may occur following;

1. Failure to achieve the standard fitness testing protocols
2. Failure to adhere to the Welsh Athletics athlete code of conduct

In the event that an athlete sustains an injury following acceptance of their position on the team, they are required to inform the Team Leader immediately.

Confirmation of Team Staff

The following positions will be confirmed by the Panel following the selection of the athletes:

1. Team Leader (if applicable)

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2. Team Managers
3. Team Coaches
4. Team Medical Staff (if applicable)

Amendment

Welsh Athletics reserves the right to amend this Selection Policy at its sole discretion and will make any amended version publicly available (including the date on which the amendment was made) at www.welshathletics.org