PACIFIC GAMES 2027

Team Cook Islands | Athletics Athlete Information

Location	Tahiti, French Polynesia
Athletics competition	31 July to 6 August 2027
Expected athletics team	Approximately 10 to 15 athletes, subject to final allocation
EOI closing date	4 December 2026
Qualifying results	1 October 2026 to 15 March 2027
Optional Cook Islands trials	17 to 20 March 2027
Team confirmation target	By 31 March 2027
EOI form	https://athleticscookislands.org/team-ci-2027

The opportunity

Athletics Cook Islands invites eligible athletes, including Cook Islands athletes living overseas, to express interest in representing Team Cook Islands at the Pacific Games 2027. The overall Cook Islands delegation is expected to include more than 150 athletes across sports.

Who can apply?

Athletes must be at least 16 years old by 31 December 2027 and meet Cook Islands national representation eligibility and applicable Pacific Games and CISNOC requirements. Applicants must be in good standing with ACI, available for team travel and competition, and willing to meet team training, conduct and administrative requirements. Athletes under 18 require parental or guardian approval.

How selection will work

Complete the online Expression of Interest by 4 December 2026. The competitions you list are not a final or exclusive list. You may submit results from other suitable competitions for consideration later.

Submit official, verifiable results achieved at appropriately officiated competitions between 1 October 2026 and 15 March 2027. Provide official result links or documents and relevant performance details.

Optional trial events will take place in the Cook Islands from 17 to 20 March 2027. You do not need to attend if you submit acceptable results from other competitions. However, every athlete must provide an eligible competition result or participate and record a valid result at the designated trials. Results from these March trials will also be considered.

The Selection Panel will consider performance, competitiveness, current form, fitness, preparation, team balance and available places. Athletes will be assessed against the existing ACI Open qualifying standards (see Selection Policy). Meeting a standard or attending a trial does not guarantee selection. The ACI Board will approve nominations, and CISNOC will confirm final Team Cook Islands selection.

Important dates

4 December 2026: online EOI closes.

15 March 2027: last day of the regular qualifying-results period.

17 to 20 March 2027: optional Cook Islands trials.

By 31 March 2027: target for final team confirmation.

31 July to 6 August 2027: athletics competition in Tahiti.

If selected

Athletes will be required to accept selection, sign the Athlete Agreement, submit passport and other required documents, meet payment deadlines, and follow the agreed preparation programme. The athlete contribution amount is to be confirmed. Travel arrangements and athlete contribution amounts are not yet confirmed. The General Selection Policy currently provides for an initial $300 payment within 48 hours unless event-specific arrangements are issued.

Apply online

Complete the Pacific Games 2027 Athletics Expression of Interest by 4 December 2026:

https://athleticscookislands.org/team-ci-2027

Read the full Pacific Games 2027 Athletics Selection Policy and the Athletics Cook Islands General Selection Policy before applying.

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