

2027 Polynesian Athletics Championships

Team Cook Islands | Athlete & Family Information Memorandum

Competition	2027 Polynesian Athletics Championships
Location	Auckland, New Zealand
Competition dates	11-14 March 2027
Who may apply	All age groups permitted by the Championships
EOI closing date	4 December 2026
Online EOI form	athleticscookislands.org/team-ci-2027
Funding	Self-funded

About the opportunity

Athletics Cook Islands is inviting Expressions of Interest from athletes wishing to represent the Cook Islands at the 2027 Polynesian Athletics Championships. This is an opportunity to gain international competition experience, develop performance and compete alongside other Cook Islands representatives.

Who can join?

Athletes from all age groups may express interest, provided their age group and events are offered by the organisers. Applicants must meet Cook Islands national representation eligibility requirements and be appropriately prepared for their nominated events. Under-18 athletes require parent or guardian consent.

How selection will work

There will be no separate ACI selection trials for this event. Athletes should submit an online EOI and include recent competition performances, proposed events and their coach's details. The Selection Panel may seek a coach recommendation or additional evidence of readiness. Athletes must have achieved the Minimum CI standard between 1 January 2026 – 28 February 2027.

Selection is subject to ACI approval, competition entry rules, team management capacity and confirmation of funding or self-funding arrangements.

Funding and costs

Athletes that have been selected for the Athletics New Zealand Pacific Project will be fully funded under that programme, subject to confirmation of the covered expenses. All other interested athletes must be prepared to self-fund their participation.

We are yet to confirm whether travel will be arranged centrally by Athletics CI (still self-funded) or individually. This will be advised once we Expressions of Interest close.

Self-funded costs include flights, accommodation, meals, transport and insurance. Athletics CI will cover entry fees, uniform and team manager costs. Do not book non-refundable travel until ACI confirms acceptance and arrangements.

Key steps

1. Express interest	Complete the online EOI by 4 December
2. Assessment	ACI reviews eligibility, readiness, event entries and capacity.
3. Team confirmation	Successful applicants receive written notification and funding/payment requirements.
4. Preparation	Complete the Athlete Agreement, documentation, payments and team preparation.

Connection to Pacific Games 2027

The Championships may be a useful opportunity for athletes preparing for the 2027 Pacific Games in Tahiti. However, participation does not guarantee Pacific Games selection. Any result used for Pacific Games selection must satisfy that event's separate selection policy, including its qualifying period.

Further information

EOI form: athleticscookislands.org/team-ci-2027 EOI deadline: 4 December 2026

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Schedule B: Cook Islands Qualification Standards

These are the minimum requirements. Meeting these standards doesn't guarantee selection.

N.B. All times are based on electronic times. For hand times add

0.24 to 100m, 110m and 200m and 0.14 to 400m

	Women		Men	
	U18	Open	U18	Open
100m	13.7	12.7	11.95	11.40
200m	28.00	26.50	23.9	23.10
400m	62.00	59.00	56.00	51.50
800m	2.30.00	2.20.00	2.10.00	2.03.00
1500m	5.10.00	5.00.00	4.30.00	4.14.00
2000m Steeplechase	8.25.00		7.44.00	
3000m Steeplechase		13.00.00		11.00.00
3000m	11.00.00		10.00.00	
5000m		22.30.00		16.50.00
10000m		42.00.00		35.00.00
100m Hurdles	19.00	17.00		
110m Hurdles			17.00	17.00
400m Hurdles	76.00	68.00	68.00	60.00
5000m Walk	35.00	34.00	30.30	30.00
10000m Walk		62.00		56.00
Long Jump	4.90	5.00	6.00	6.20
Triple Jump	10.00	11.00	11.20	13.00
High Jump	1.50	1.60	1.70	1.85
Pole Vault	2.40	3.00	2.70	3.40
Discus	28.00	35.00	36.00	40.00
Hammer	30.00	32.00	30.00	40.00
Javelin	30.00	35.00	43.00	45.00
Shotput	11.00	12.00	12.00	13.20