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[ENTRY JOTFORM LINK 2024](#)

South West Sapphire Athletics League Rules and Terms of Entry

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Host Clubs

1. Host clubs agree to publicise and promote the Sapphire League.
 - a. This means sending out the Jotform entry link (**above**) to competing registered athletes.
 - b. Including Sapphire League in the pre meeting marketing

Entry details

2. Entry to the Sapphire League is open to all U17, Senior and Masters athletes registered with EA.
 - a. This means that athletes in the age groups below these U15 and U20, can register, but for field events their performances must be at the higher weight categories.
 - b. Track events will be based on the allocated timed performance for each race distance.
 - c. The events covered for 2024 are;
 - i. In the Under 17 Age group; M&W 3k, 800, 200, 100, LJ, HJ, Disc, Shot, **Ham, Jav**
 - ii. In the Senior Age Group; M&W 3k, 800, 200, 100, LJ, HJ, Disc, Shot, **Ham, Jav**
 - iii. Masters events M&W 1500, 100M LJ, Shot
 - iv. This means in total **48** events will be covered with the potential of **48** prizes.
3. Athletes must have entered **3** of the South West Open series meetings to qualify for a trophy.
 - a. The Open Meeting Series will be determined by those SW clubs willing to hold open meetings and to advertise the scheme.
 - b. The Series will be promulgated at the SW Sapphire League website (when established) or by Social Media in the interim.
 - c. For 2024 the confirmed "South West Open Series" meetings are shown at Para 4.
4. For 2024 the confirmed "Open Series" events are;
 - a. *Bournemouth Open 24th March 2024*
 - b. *Yeovil Open 30th March 2024*
 - c. *Yeovil Open 1st April 2024*
 - d. *Poole John Gregory Memorial Open 6th April 2024*
 - e. *Yate Jumps and Throws 7th April 2024*
 - f. ***Newquay and Par Clive Marsh Spring Open 13th April 2024***
 - g. *Yate Sprints and Hurdles 14th April 2024*
 - h. *Exeter Ken Trickey Open 21st April 2024*

- i. Exeter Devon Open 28th April 2024
- j. Gloucester Brewer Memorial Games 6th May 2024
- k. **Plymouth** Devon Open 26th May 2024
- l. Yeovil Evening Open 30th May 2024
- m. Yeovil Evening Open 27th June 2024
- n. Gloucester - Midsummer Evening Open 3rd July 2024
- o. **Newquay and Par Duchy Open 7th July 2024**
- p. Gloucester - Midsummer Evening Open 10th July 2024
- q. Gloucester - Midsummer Evening Open 17th July 2024
- r. Gloucester - Midsummer Evening Open 24th July 2024
- s. Yeovil Evening Open 25th July 2024
- t. Newquay and Par Graded Open 17th August 2024
- u. Yeovil Evening Open 29th Aug 2024
- v. Yeovil Games 7th Sept 2024
- w. Bournemouth Open 8th Sept 2024

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

5. Entry to the Sapphire League is via Jotform with payments made via Square only.
 - a. The [ENTRY JOTFORM LINK 2024](#) will be made available on social media and by the event organiser.
 - b. The data collected via Jotform will be managed by YOAC, (iCO registered).
 - c. The entry fees for 2024 will be;
 - i. £10 for one discipline for the entire series (eg for Discus at all meetings)
 - ii. £15 for two disciplines for the entire series (eg for Discus, and 800m at all meetings)
 - iii. £20 for three disciplines for the entire series (eg for Discus, 800m and Long Jump at all meetings) (you still have to enter the meetings directly)
 - d. Additionally;
 - i. For the sake of these rules an event is defined as one individual competition start.
 - ii. The definition of a meeting within these rules is a competition held at a venue on a specific day.
 - iii. A discipline is an event conducted at each meeting.

6. The entry payments are used for the provision of prizes in each category which will be either cash or a trophy depending on sponsorship, or the level of interest gained by the number of athletes taking part.
 - a. YOAC handle the entry fees on behalf of the Sapphire League on a zero profit basis.
 - b. Only fees charged by Square payment system will be deducted from the League income. All other income will be used for awards.
 - c. These fees are 1.4% plus 25p per transaction.
 - d. As "Square" do not refund their costs entry fees can not be refunded.
 - e. YOAC are investigating the potential for Sponsorship options.

Rules

7. All events will be conducted under UKA rules.
 - a. Results will be extracted from Power of 10 website.
 - b. In the event of a tie or missed result the committee will determine the outcome.

Scoring system

8. 8 points for the first REGISTERED athlete in each of the nominated events down to 1 point

Example

100m YOAC OPEN

| | | | |
|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Ann | 12.53 | Not registered for Sapphire | 0 Points |
| Barbara | 13.01 | Registered for Sapphire | 8 points. |
| Cara | 13.12 | Not registered for Sapphire | 0 Points |
| Debbie | 14.25 | Registered for Sapphire | 7 points. |
| Enid | 15.00 | Registered for Sapphire | 6 points |
| Francesca | 15.20 | Not registered for Sapphire | 0 Points |
| Ginny | 16.10 | Registered for Sapphire | 5 points. |

9. Results will be ratified against the meeting results on Power of 10 website.

10. If the result is tied at the end of the season the Trophy will be shared and or the cash prize shared.

11. Scores from the events entered will be recorded on an excel spreadsheet after each competition has taken place.

- a. The spreadsheet will be made available online after each event has been ratified.
- b. An example of the scoring spreadsheet is below;

| 100m | Yeovil | Yate | Exeter | Bournemouth | N&P | |
|-----------|--------|------|--------|-------------|-----|----|
| Ann | | 2 | 8 | | 7 | 17 |
| Barbara | 8 | 3 | 5 | | | 16 |
| Cara | | 4 | 3 | 8 | 5 | 20 |
| Debbie | 7 | 5 | 7 | | | 19 |
| Enid | 6 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 29 |
| Francesca | | 7 | 6 | | | 13 |
| Ginny | 5 | 8 | | | 8 | 21 |

Prizes and awards.

12. All funding generated from entry

fees will be used to fund prizes and awards. It is anticipated that each category should generate approximately £20 but this is very dependent on interest in the League. It is also hoped that there will be funding to provide for a Second and Third place award but this is not guaranteed.