

Competition Opportunity – NI & Ulster

Celtic Cross Country 2018 Selection Policy

This year's event will be hosted by Northern Ireland & Ulster on Saturday 6th January (Greenmount).

U17, U20 and U23

NI & Ulster Teams: Up to 4 Men and 4 Women per age group

Competitors must be U17, U20 and U23 in 2018.

Selection – current form across all events will be a factor in selection.
Final Selection will be made during the week beginning 18th December.

Selections will be largely based on the following competitions however other competitions may also be taken into consideration.

All athletes must fill in an Expression of Interest form which will be available on the Athletics NI Website from 25th November and must be completed by 16th December.

Selection Panel:

Selections will be made by the Athletics Northern Ireland & Ulster Athletics selection panel comprising

1. The Athletics NI Chairman or other board member if unavailable (Voting)
2. The Director of Coaching and Athlete Development or other staff member if unavailable (voting)
3. A representative of Ulster Athletics Council (voting)

The Athletics Northern Ireland Chairman may also (at his discretion) seek assistance (in a non-voting capacity) from anyone else he/she feels may be of help.

Any voting member of the Selection Panel shall declare his or her conflict of interest in respect of any selection issue and shall not be entitled to vote on that issue.

U17 Boys/U17 Girls

Ulster Even (28 Oct) & Uneven (12th Nov) Age Group Championships
(Ulster U16 Champions Auto Selected)

Irish Even (26th Nov) & Uneven Age (17th December) Group Championships
(Highest placing Ulster U16 Medallists Auto Selected)

Priority Order

1. Irish Even & Uneven Age Group Championships
2. Ulster Even & Uneven Age Group Championships

U20 Men/ U20 Women

Ulster Even (28 Oct) & Uneven (12th Nov) Age Group Championships
(Ulster U19 Champions Auto Selected)

Irish Even (26th Nov) & Uneven Age (17th December) Group Championships
(Highest placing Ulster U18 & U19 Medallists Auto Selected)

Irish Life Health Senior Cross Country Championships (26th Nov)

Malcolm Cup (2 Dec)

Priority Order

1. Irish Even & Uneven Age Group Championships
2. Irish Life Health Senior Cross Country Championships
3. Ulster Even & Uneven Age Group Championships
4. Malcolm Cup

U23 Men/ U23 Women

Bobby Rea Memorial (28 Oct)

Irish Life Health Senior Cross Country Championships (26th Nov)
(Top two Ulster U23 Finishers Auto Selected)
(Top Ulster U20 Finisher in Junior Race Auto Selected)

Malcolm Cup (2 Dec)

Priority Order

1. Irish Life Health Senior Cross Country Championships
2. Malcolm Cup
3. Bobby Rea Memorial