

Ingle Farm Little Athletics Centre Centre Best Performance Policy



1. Valid Events (Little Athletics)

- a. In order for a Centre Best Performance to be established for an event, the event must be approved by, the South Australian Little Athletics Association Inc. (hereinafter SALAA), and shall be subject to any age and/or gender restrictions placed on the event by the SALAA.
- b. Centre Best Performances will not be kept for Relay Events, except where a complete history of results for the event has been obtained. The following relay events have a complete history of records:
 - U9-U11, U12-U14, U15+ Mixed Medley Relay (100, 100, 200, 400).
 - All U17 Relays.
 - All U16 Relays, excluding Mixed Gender Relays
 - U11, U12, U13, U14, and U15 4x200m Relays
- c. Centre Best Performances will not be kept for Multi-Events (Quadathlon, Pentathlon, etc.), and this clause shall not be removed until such a time as a complete history of our results for State and Northern Regional Multi-Event Days, and Quadathlons dating back to 1973/74 is obtained. Individual Events within a Multi-Event programme (e.g. discus) are eligible for Centre records in those individual events.
- d. Records shall not be kept for Cross Country, and this clause shall not be removed until such a time as a complete history of our results for Cross Country dating back to its establishment can be obtained.
- e. Centre Records will not be kept for Tiny Tots in any event.

2. Valid Events (Recreational Athletics)

- a. In order for a Centre Best Performance to be established for an event, the event must be listed as a standard event under the 'Ingle Farm Little Athletics Centre Recreational Athletics Rules' (Rec Aths Rules).
- b. Centre Best Performances shall be kept for all Relay Events, subject to Clause 2.a.
- c. Centre Best Performances will not be kept for Multi-Events.
- d. Centre Best Performances will not be kept for Cross Country.
- e. Centre Best Performances s can only be set when representing the Ingle Farm Little Athletics Centre at a home meet, or pre-arranged visit to another Little Athletics Centre, who are running the event to the same rules.

2. Valid and Suspect Performances.

- a. Any performance at the Australian Little Athletics Championships shall be considered valid unless proven otherwise.
- b. Any performance that is ratified as a State and/or National Best Performance shall be considered valid unless proven otherwise.
- c. All other performances are subject to review by the IFLAC, and may be declared suspect if it is deemed to be so.
- d. Any performance better than a State Best Performance, but not ratified as one, shall automatically be considered suspect, unless the athlete holds, or has held, a ratified State Best Performance in that event in any age group.
- e. Any performance breaking a Centre Best Performance more than **thirty (30) years old** shall be considered suspect, subject to **Clause 2.a** and **Clause 2.b**.

3. Review of Suspect Performances.

- a. Upon a performance that beats a Centre Best Performance appearing suspect the Recorder shall withhold that record. An official will then be appointed to monitor that athlete in future competitions. The official cannot be a relative of the athlete in question, a relative of the current record holder, or one of the individuals officiating when that the suspect performance was recorded.
- b. In the event that the athlete can repeat a similar performance and that the official is satisfied that the performance was legal, and that the event was properly conducted, then the suspect performance shall be considered valid.
- c. If the athlete cannot achieve a similar performance then the suspect performance shall be discarded.
- d. In the event of a dispute as to whether a suspect performance should be discarded occurs, a vote of the Committee shall determine the outcome. Relatives of the athletes whose performance is in question, or of the athlete who holds the current record shall abstain from the vote.

4. Proof of Age

- a. If there is doubt that an athlete does not belong to the group in which they have beaten a Centre Best Performance, then the Registrar and / or the Committee have the right to require the athlete in question to show acceptable proof of age to the Centre Registrar, President, or the Public Officer, prior to the record being ratified.
- b. Proof of age must be shown **prior to the end of the season or within one (1) calendar month**, whichever ends later, off the day on which it was requested. If this does not occur, the performance will be discarded.
- c. Proof of age cannot be sighted by a relative of the athlete in question, or a relative of the athlete currently holding the record.
- d. The Centre Registrar shall keep note of which athletes have provided acceptable proof of age. Athletes will not need to show proof of age again, even in subsequent seasons, unless this register is lost or damaged.

- e. Acceptable proof of age shall be issued by a recognised source and shall be:
 - I. Any document which clearly states the name and birth-date of the athlete.
 - II. Any photo identification that clearly states the name and birth-date of the athlete.
- f. Recognised sources include:
 - I. Any State, Territory, or Federal Government Department, of the Commonwealth of Australia.
 - II. Any other source that the Committee may decide to be acceptable, or be required to accept by any applicable laws or by-laws.

5. Modification to Event Rules

- a. If the rules of an event are modified for any age group for which State Best Performances are currently kept, then the existing Centre Best Performance shall stand, unless the SALAA considers the old rule set to be a 'defunct event' as demonstrated by their State Best Performance Progression document.
- b. If the rules of an event for any other age group are modified then the decision to classify the event as defunct will come down to the IFLAC Committee.
- c. If the rule changes result in a reversion to a previous rule-set then the previous Centre Best Performance shall be reinstated.

6. Centre Best Performances in Defunct Events.

- a. For events made defunct prior to the end of the 2014-15 Season we will attempt to identify the Centre Best Performance at the time the event was made defunct.
- b. For events made defunct after that time, any defunct record will be kept for possible future use.