



2018 School Games Finals: Thursday 30th Aug- Saturday 1st Sept, Loughborough University

Pentathlon GB - Selection Policy & General Information

Pentathlon GB (Laser Run) has been selected into the prestigious 2018 School Games Finals which are to be held from the Thursday 30th August – Saturday 1st September at Loughborough University.

There will be four Regions represented at the Finals; Scotland, England North, England Midlands and England South and each will be supported by two Team Managers/Coaches. There will be a Year 7&8 (U14) and Year 9 &10 (U16) team for each region which will include five males and five females per age group.

Regions will be based on the current regular regional structure and will be as follows:

- Scotland
- England North (North, Yorkshire, North West)
- England Midlands (West Midlands, East Midlands, East)
- England South (South, South West, South East)

Age

To be eligible to participate in the 2018 School Games Finale, athletes must be in Year 7, 8, 9 or 10 and must be born within the following age groups; all dates are as at 31st December 2018

Age as at 31st December 2017

U14 (Year 7 & 8) – 31st August 2006- 1st September 2004

U16 (Year 9 & 10) – 31st August 2004 – 1st September 2002

Qualifying

There are a number of Qualifying Competitions across the Country which are part of the GB Laser Run Series. Athletes may wish to attend as many as they can, and are not limited to competing in their Region. Rankings will be based on an Athletes Home Club or Area as specified on the entry and their best result on the Ranking List will be taken.

Selection will be made following the complete of the GB Laser Run Series. The final competition will be held on the 28th June, and following this competition all results will be put onto a ranking list for selection of the Teams. This will be published week commencing 2nd July, and selected athletes will receive an invitation to the email address provided on entry by Monday 9th July.

There will be five males and five females selected for each team (U14 & U16), for each Region. These athletes will be the top five for each Region on the Ranking List in their age group. Once athletes have been notified of their selection on the team, they will need to be full members of Pentathlon GB and confirm their place. Where a

place is declined or due to injury etc. the next eligible athlete on the list will be invited to join the team. There will also be a non- travelling reserve selected for each team.

Athletes who are on Silver or Gold on the English Talent Programme, or who are a member of the World Class Talent Programme are not eligible to be selected. This is because the aim of this event is to attract new competitors to the sport. However they are welcome to compete in the GB Laser Run Series, or help assist with the competition. If you would like to do this please contact Rachael Handley – rachael.handley@pentathlongb.org

All travel, food and accommodation costs are covered for all selected athletes. Travel will be arranged by the UK School Games and athletes will be notified of a meeting point and time. There is to be no drop off to the competition venue, all athletes will travel with their team and Team Managers/Coaches. If parents wish to attend the competition, they are able to purchase tickets for the competition - <https://www.schoolgamesfinals.org>

Athletes will compete in an individual Laser Run on the Friday, where there will also be a Team Competition taken from the results. On the Saturday there will be a Laser Run Mixed Relay in which athletes will compete for their Region.

Any questions or appeals regarding the Selection Policy should contact Rachael Handley – rachael.handley@pentathlongb.org

General Information

The 2018 School Games Finals information can be found here - <https://www.schoolgamesfinals.org>

Financial Support

- Cost of entry to the finals, travel, food and accommodation, competition vest will be provided to each selected athlete.

Equipment & Clothing

- There will be a competition vest provided to each athlete, but the each athlete is required to provide their own black shorts/ leggings, trainers and other clothing for the competition period.
- Laser Pistols – will be provided at both the qualifying events and the Finals

Travel

- Travel to/from the event venue is the responsibility UK School Games. Transport arrangements will be communicated to selected athletes. Athletes will travel with their Team, Team Manager and Coach. Parents who wish to attend the competition, must purchase tickets through the School Games website - <https://www.schoolgamesfinals.org>

Competition Format

Class	Running Sequence	Total Distance	Shooting Sequences	Distance to Target
Years 7 and 8	3 x 400m	1200m	3 x 5 hits	5m
Years 9 and 10	3 x 400m	1600m	4 x 5 hits	5m

GB Laser Run Series Dates

Venue	Date		Venue	Date
University of Bath (South West)	9th or 10th June		Durham School (North)	28 th April
Bishop Burton College (Yorkshire East)	6 th May		Stirling University (Scotland)	12 th May
Wyndley Leisure Centre (West Midlands)	13 th May		Ashville College (N.Yorkshire)	26 th May
Malvern College (West Midlands)	27 th May		Rossall School (North West)	27 th May
Berkshire School Games (South) (Closed entry to Berkshire School Games)	27 th June		Watford Leisure Centre, Woodside	26 th May
Scarborough College (Yorkshire)	6 th June		Ashford School, Kent (South East)	16 th June (TBC)