

## **DYNAMIC NEW ATHLETICS (DNA) U20 CLUBS**

### **1501. PROMOTION AND RIGHTS**

1501.1. The European Athletic Association (hereinafter European Athletics) shall promote a European Champion Clubs DNA Competition in Track & Field U20 for men and women (hereinafter the DNA U20 Clubs) every year.

1501.2. All rights in and arising from the DNA U20 Clubs are the exclusive property of European Athletics. These rights include but are not limited to rights of ownership, marketing, advertising, broadcasting, filming, televising and all or any other means of exploitation. No other entity may exercise any of these rights without the written consent of European Athletics.

1501.2.1. For the strict and limited purpose of promoting European Athletics, the sport of Athletics or any particular athletics competitions and for non-commercial use, European Athletics may without charge and on a worldwide basis use any images of European athletes in any media at or in conjunction with any athletics competitions in which European Athletics has an ownership interest, including DNA U20 Clubs.

1501.2.2. Should an athlete not agree with such procedure, a written letter stating the reasons for this opposition shall be sent to the European Athletics Headquarters in Lausanne two (2) weeks prior to the respective event.

1501.2.3. Furthermore, the use of event images on social media sites is not prohibited.

1501.3. The athletes acknowledge and agree to European Athletics' use of the personal data, included but not limited to the first name, name, date of birth, club affiliation, results, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation Act on Data Protection, as well as disclosure of athletes' personal data to European Athletics affiliates, employees, agents, representatives and third party organisations worldwide for the purpose of promotion of the sport and to provide statistics.

1501.3.1. Athletes further acknowledge and agree to European Athletics' use of the personal data if required to do so by law or in the good faith belief that any such preservation or disclosure is reasonably necessary to comply with legal process, enforce these Regulations, respond to claims that any content violates the rights of third parties, or protect the rights, property, or personal safety of other users or the public.

### **1502. PROGRAMME, STRUCTURE, ELIGIBILITY AND SCORING**

#### **Programme**

1502.1. The DNA U20 Clubs will be staged over 2 (two) days and in accordance with the applicable Competition, Advertising, Doping and other relevant Rules and Regulations of World Athletics if no other information is provided in these Regulations or other relevant Competition Information (e.g. Team Manual).

1502.2. The programme shall comprise the following 12 (twelve) events for Men and Women:

| <b>Races</b><br>(all finals)  | <b>Jumps &amp; Throws</b><br>(all head to head competition)             |
|---|---|
| 100m women<br>200m men<br>100m/110m hurdles women & men<br>800m women<br>400m hurdles men<br>Mixed 4x400 relay: 2 men, 2 women<br>The Hunt: 600m w - 400m m - 200m w - 800m m           | Long Jump men<br>High Jump women<br>Shot Put women<br>Javelin Throw men |
| Total of 18 athletes to compete (9 women and 9 men)   |   |
| Note: European Athletics reserves the right to change events and/or change the gender of different events for each edition to enlarge the possibility for different athletes to compete |   |

### **Structure & Eligibility**

1502.3. The DNA U20 Clubs comprises one single competition where men and women represent as a single team, usually the respective U20 national champion clubs of European Athletics Member Federations.

A club is defined as a public or private, permanent organisation of persons jointly participating in, and/or supporting development of, athletics, irrespective of the legal form under which it is organised. To be eligible to participate in an DNA U20 Clubs event, a club must be an affiliated member of, and/or registered by, or otherwise recognised by a written instrument by the Member Federation.

National teams or any other selection of athletes out of all eligible athletes of the Member Federation can't be clubs under these Regulations if not agreed otherwise by European Athletics based on very specific reasons brought forward by the respective Member Federation.

1502.3.1. In general, only clubs recognised by the Member Federation as National Champions of the preceding year are eligible to take part in the DNA U20 Clubs event. If the champion club is not able to take part then the Member Federation may nominate the second placed club team and so on.

If the Member Federation has National Club Champions separated by gender it might decide if a joined team shall be eligible to participate in DNA U20 Clubs.

If no National Club Champions are recognised or if the Member Federation decides that the National Club Champions selection varies too much from the DNA U20 Clubs format, it might set up other selection criteria for the club eligible to participate.

1502.3.2 A Club may only select national or foreign athletes to compete in the DNA U20 Clubs who are eligible under the Member Federation terms of eligibility at the date in the year in which the DNA U20 Clubs is held. Provided that such an athlete is a bona fide member of that club for a period starting at least on 1 April of the year of the DNA U20 Clubs.

1502.3.3 An athlete cannot compete for 2 different clubs which participate in at least one of DNA U20 Clubs competitions of the same year.

1502.3.4 An athlete may not be declared eligible to compete by two participating clubs. In the event that an athlete does appear on two lists of eligible athletes, then the clubs respective federations may consult together (before the final entries) to agree for which club the athlete will compete in that competition. In the event there is no agreement between the involved federations, then the athlete will be excluded from that competition.

1502.3.5 Selected foreign athletes must comply with the Member Federation's rules of qualification currently in force and must present their resident card or passport.

1502.3.6. The number of foreign athletes is not limited for each club team in DNA U20 Clubs.

1502.3.7. Member Federations must provide the list of eligible national and foreign athletes to European Athletics in due time before the DNA U20 Clubs.

1502.3.8 The Technical Delegate reserves the right to inspect resident cards or passports.

1502.4. All European Athletics Members Federations in good standing shall be entitled to participate in the DNA U20 Clubs.

1502.5. Each club team shall consist of one athlete in each event, except relays.  
There is one relay team for 4x400m mixed relay and one for the Hunt (600m women - 400m men - 200m women - 800m men).

1502.6. The participating club teams will be put into one single Group (comprising of 12 or 18 club teams).

In case the organising club is not one of the qualified Clubs, it may be allowed to compete as a host team and the respective number of clubs will be reduced to 11.

In case the number of interested teams exceeds the number of 12 or 18 (11 or 17 in case the organising club is not qualified) European Athletics will select the participating clubs, mainly based on three criteria:

- DNA development on National Level
- Participation and ranking of the respective clubs in international DNA format events
- Participation of the respective clubs in former ECCC events

### **Scoring**

1502.7 The winner of each individual event and relay shall score 12 points, second placed 10 points, third placed 8 points, fourth placed 6 points, fifth placed 4 points and sixth placed 2 points. Athletes or relay teams with no valid performance, disqualified or not finishing shall not score.

1502.8 If two or more athletes or relay teams tie for a place in any individual event or relay, the relevant points shall be divided equally between them (including in the field events, if two athletes in the final head-to-head round have no valid results).

1502.9 After eleven (11) events, the team scoring will determine the starting positions of the last (i.e. twelfth) event –the Hunt.

- 1502.10 The winner of the last race (The Hunt) is the overall winner of the match (i.e. the last event determines the winner of the competition). The second placed team will be second in the final classification, and so on. The teams with no valid performance in the Hunt (e.g. disqualified or not finishing) will be classified in the final standing of the match according to their standing before the Hunt (i.e. after eleven (11) events), but behind the teams who finished the race.
- 1502.11 In case of a tie in the Hunt the actual times recorded by the teams to .001 second shall be considered to break the tie, if the tie remains the teams concerned share the position, including the winner.

### **Qualification and Final Matches**

- 1502.12 The DNA U20 Clubs is a competition of 2 (or 3) qualification matches and 2 (or 3) final matches. In each match there are six (6) teams. The draw for the composition of the qualification matches and the order will be made by European Athletics, once the final registrations of all teams have been received and the result will be communicated to the participating teams.
- 1502.13 In case of 12 participating club teams, the top 3 teams of each qualification match on the first day will advance to the Final A on the second day. And the bottom 3 teams of each qualification match on the first day will advance to the Final B on the second day.  
In case of 18 participating club teams, the top 2 teams of each qualification match on the first day will advance to the Final A on the second day. The mid 2 teams of each qualification match on the first day will advance to the Final B on the second day. And the bottom 2 teams of each qualification match on the first day will advance to the Final C on the second day.  
After the final matches on the second day an overall ranking of all teams will be created.
- 1502.14 As long as there's no more than one Group there's no promotion or relegation. However, the first club team is entitled to participate in next year's edition.
- 1502.15. Special technical rules applicable to the DNA U20 Clubs are in Appendix 2.

### **1503. ENTRIES AND CONFIRMATION**

- 1503.1. Per each European Athletics Member Federation one club team may declare its interest to participate.
- 1503.1.1 If the number of interested/entered clubs is not matching the number of 12 or 18 clubs, European Athletics might allow two or more clubs from a Member Federation to participate.
- 1503.1.2. Only athletes aged from 16 to 19 years on 31 December of the year of the competition may compete.

- 1503.1.3. There is no limit of disciplines one athlete can compete in. Meaning, a single athlete can compete in as many events as entered.
- 1503.2. Each European Athletics Member Federation may be represented only by athletes eligible in accordance with World Athletics Rules.
- 1503.3. Preliminary Entries: Not later than 3 (three) months (14:00 CET) before the first day of the DNA U20 Clubs, each club shall send to European Athletics (usually via the teams' on-line entry system) a preliminary list of athletes, the numbers of accompanying officials, together with their travel details and full contact details.
- 1503.4. Final Entries: Not later than 10 (ten) days (14:00 CET) before the first day of the DNA U20 Clubs, each club shall send to European Athletics a final list of its athletes for the main team (9+9) plus the reserves and the names of accompanying officials. As many as needed reserves could be entered. Meaning no limits. But it should be clearly indicated which ones are to travel and which ones are 'non-travelling' for accommodation and invoices planning purposes.  
Final Entry information shall be supplied in the manner to be prescribed by European Athletics (usually via the teams' on-line entry system) and shall include such details as required by European Athletics, including the names and best performances of each athlete.
- 1503.5. If case of late injuries (after the final confirmation but before the first call times of the discipline), the substitution with a reserve or any athlete from the main team is possible. But the injury has to be confirmed by the appointed medical officer and done before the first call times.
- 1503.6. Final Declarations: Confirmation of the Final Declaration of athletes to compete shall be made according to the procedures defined in the Team Manual.
- 1503.6. Participating clubs in the DNA U20 Clubs must provide European Athletics with a full set of their club team vests until the closing of the final entries and will have the obligation to wear them throughout the competition.

The competition and the warm-up attire of the athletes representing qualified clubs in the DNA U20 Clubs events may have advertising, as permitted, under the regulations of the respective Member Federations. If a Member Federation's regulations differ from World Athletics Advertising Regulations in regard to clothing of athletes, Member Federation's regulations shall prevail for the DNA U20 Clubs events, on exceptional basis.

All competitors must wear registered vests of the same design and colour of the club they are representing. Teams composed of different clubs must ensure that the athletes wear the respective club team vests for the competition.

- 1503.7 A club which cancels its participation after having entered in the preliminary entries shall be prevented from participating in the next subsequent edition of the respective competition for which the club may be qualified.
- 1503.8 In case of withdrawal before the preliminary entries the Member Federation shall consult the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> classified clubs in the championships to replace the withdrawer.

After the preliminary entries European Athletics will consult further interested clubs according to above mentioned selection criteria.

#### **1504. APPLICATIONS TO STAGE THE DNA U20 CLUBS**

- 1504.1. Any European Athletics Member Federation in good standing may apply to stage the Event provided that the proposed venue and city comply with the criteria established by European Athletics and that the application is made jointly with the proposed city.
- 1504.2. Each applicant shall complete the European Athletics official application forms and supply such information and undertakings as European Athletics shall require. The applications shall be completed in English and any application that is not fully and properly completed may be regarded as invalid.
- 1504.3. The European Athletics Executive Board shall approve the time and deadlines for applications, which shall be announced by the Office, and these will normally include:
- i. Indication of interest in the event bidding questionnaire.
  - ii. Confirmation of candidature, with the name of the bid city.
  - iii. Formal application to be submitted by the Member Federation and City.
  - iv. Decision of the European Athletics Council / Executive Board (*as applicable*).
- 1504.4. The written undertakings required to be submitted with the application shall normally include:
- i. The bidding European Athletics Member Federation's and city's joint undertaking to respect the applicable Rules and Regulations of the World Athletics, European Athletics and other competent authorities and to enter into an organiser agreement with European Athletics.
  - ii. A guarantee to provide TV production for live streaming, Timing & Data Processing, Event presentation system and video wall elements.
  - iii. The undertakings in writing of relevant national, regional and other authorities that they support the application.
  - iv. A guarantee from the respective authorities for the right of safe passage and free entry into the country to all participants and free import and export of material/equipment as necessary for the organisation of the event.
  - vi. A detailed budget of income and expenditure for the event.
- 1504.6. The European Athletics Council shall be entitled to amend or vary the above procedures if it is of the opinion that it is in the interests of the Event.

#### **1505. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE VENUE**

- 1505.1. The DNA U20 Clubs shall be staged in a stadium and city which are appropriate to the event. European Athletics may establish criteria by which the suitability of a proposed venue may be decided. The city shall be of an appropriate size and standing and the stadium shall have modern facilities and be fully equipped in conformity with the respective World Athletics rules.

**1506. DOPING CONTROL**

- 1506.1. Doping control shall be conducted in accordance with the respective World Athletics Rules and Guidelines and shall be carried out under the supervision of the European Athletics Technical Delegate.

**1507. THE ORGANISING CONTRACT**

- 1507.1 Immediately after the decision of the European Athletics Council to appoint an organiser, the appointed European Athletics Member Federation shall enter into an organising contract with European Athletics, such contract to establish the respective rights and obligations of the parties in relation to the DNA U20 Clubs.

**1508. THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE EUROPEAN ATHLETICS**

- 1508.1. Notwithstanding the organising contract, European Athletics shall retain the overall care and responsibility of the DNA U20 Clubs. In exercise of this role, the European Athletics Council shall:

1508.1.1. Decide the dates, venue and the organiser.

1508.1.2. Appoint Delegates and other persons (see 1511.3).

**1509. THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ORGANISING CLUB**

- 1509.1. The organising club shall be responsible for organising and staging the DNA U20 Clubs in accordance with the organising contract and in compliance with the Rules and Regulations and directions of European Athletics.

**1510. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS**

**The Organising Club**

- 1510.1. The financial rights and obligations of the organising club shall be set out in the organising contract.

Subject thereto, the organising club shall be responsible for all costs of organising and staging the DNA U20 Clubs but may retain the income from the sale of admission tickets, local marketing (to be approved by EA) and subventions and grants from national and/or local authorities.

- 1510.2. For the avoidance of doubt, the organising club shall be responsible for the costs of the following persons:

Technical Delegate(s) appointed by European Athletics travel, accommodation and board at the event;



World Athletics Referees appointed by European Athletics travel, accommodation and board at the event (see 1511.3) and;

Technical Delegate(s) accommodation and board at the site visits.

### **European Athletics**

- 1510.3. European Athletics shall not be responsible for any costs other than those referred to in these regulations and/or the organising contract.
- 1510.4. European Athletics may pay to the organising club a contribution for the organisation of the DNA U20 Clubs.
- 1510.5. European Athletics shall be responsible for the travelling costs of Delegates appointed by the European Athletics at the site visits prior to the event and staff members travelling costs, accommodation and board when visiting the venue.

### **The Participating Club Teams**

- 1510.6. The participating club teams shall be responsible for all costs incurred as a result of their participation in the DNA U20 Clubs.
- 1510.7. Each participating club team is responsible for taking out their own insurance to cover illness or injury to any member of their party when travelling to and from and during the DNA U20 Clubs.

## **1511. THE EUROPEAN ATHLETICS OFFICIATING PERSONS**

- 1511.1. The President and the CEO of European Athletics or their representative(s) shall have the overall responsibility for the care and supervision of the DNA U20 Clubs.
- 1511.2. European Athletics shall designate a Core Production Team, consisting of one (1) Project Leader, one (1) or two (2) Technical Delegate(s) and one (1) Event Presentation Consultant. The Project Leader shall be a member of European Athletics professional staff, having the responsibility to coordinate the European Athletics Officiating Persons and other staff members and to direct the operational management of the event in cooperation with the organiser.
- 1511.3. European Athletics shall appoint the following Delegates and other persons to provide specialist advice and guidance to the organiser:
  - 4 World Athletics Referees - Silver Level (WARS) (which can be from the host country)
- 1511.4. As soon as possible after the decision to appoint an organising club European Athletics shall inform the organising club as to the names and roles of the European Athletics



Officiating Persons and the organiser shall cooperate with and follow the reasonable and proper directions of such persons.

## **1512. PROTOCOL, CEREMONIES**

1512.1. All matters concerning protocol, ceremonies, trophies/medals and related matters shall be decided by European Athletics, which may, from time to time, establish guidelines.

### **Opening and Closing and Victory Ceremonies:**

1512.2 Subject to 1512.1, the organising club shall propose opening and closing and victory ceremonies of styles and content appropriate to the venue. These may include ceremonies and/or celebrations held either inside or outside the stadium.

Such proposals shall be subject to the approval of European Athletics and shall be appropriate to an DNA U20 Clubs.

### **1512.3. Victory Ceremonies:**

1512.3.1. The winning team shall receive the DNA U20 Clubs Cup to be provided by European Athletics. The second and third finishing teams shall receive a trophy to be provided by European Athletics.

1512.3.2. The individual members of the first, second and third finishing teams in the competition shall each receive a medal to be provided by the organising club.

### **Commemorative Souvenirs:**

1512.4. The organising club may present all participating athletes and officials with a suitable commemorative souvenir.

## **1513. INFORMATION, NAMES AND ABBREVIATIONS**

1513.1. All information shall be printed, displayed or announced in English.

1513.2. The names and abbreviations of all European Athletics Member Federations shall, at all times, conform to those approved and decided by the World Athletics.

## **1514. FINAL PROVISIONS**

1514.1. All matters not provided for by these Regulations shall be decided by the European Athletics Council.

In case of necessary interpretations or adaptations after the final entries deadline, the Technical Delegate shall take the decision after consultation with the Core Production Team.

1514.2. These Regulations are drawn up in English.

1514.3. These Regulations may be amended by the European Athletics Council.

## **APPENDIX 1.**

### **1. Timetable**

Each match shall usually take about 2:30 hours. The recommended order of events is as follows:

| <b>Match</b> |               |   |         |
|--------------|---------------|---|---------|
| 1.           | 4x400m        | X | Final   |
| 2.           | Shot Put      | W | R1, 2&3 |
| 3.           | 100m H        | W | Final   |
| 4.           | Shot Put      | W | Final   |
| 5.           | 110m H        | M | Final   |
| 6.           | Long Jump     | M | R1, 2&3 |
| 7.           | 800m          | W | Final   |
| 8.           | Long Jump     | M | Final   |
| 9.           | 400m H        | M | Final   |
| 10.          | High Jump     | W | R1, 2&3 |
| 11.          | 100m          | W | Final   |
| 12.          | High Jump     | W | Final   |
| 13.          | Javelin Throw | M | R1, 2&3 |
| 14.          | 200m          | M | Final   |
| 15.          | Javelin Throw | M | Final   |
| 16.          | The Hunt      | X | Final   |

### **2. Competition Rules**

#### 2.1 Track Events Format:

##### 2.1.1 The Hunt

The Hunt (i.e. pursuit race) is a medley relay of the following distances and order: 600m-400m-200m-800m. Each team is to have two female and two male athletes with the following distribution: 600m (women) - 400m (men) - 200m (women) - 800m (men)

The starting positions and the distance gaps between the teams, if any, are determined by the teams score/standing after eleven (11) events of the match. Each point difference between the teams in the team standing translates into 0.33 seconds of distance gap for the start of the Hunt race.

The standard 800m start in individual lanes will be used for the start of the 1st leg of the Hunt (i.e. 600m). The breaking line of 800m will be used. The leading team after eleven (11) events starts from the 800m start line of the most inner lane used, second team from the next lane, etc. In case teams are equal in score/standing after eleven (11) events, the teams start at their individual lanes at the same time.

In case of an early start, the race will not be aborted and the respective team(s) will be disqualified after the race in case of a significant advantage.

Ribbon handover procedures as per WA Rules (i.e. takeover zone is 20m). For the waiting athletes of second and third/final leg, WA Rule 48.4 shall be applied.

Individual devices (lights and/or gates) will be used to indicate to each team its starting time.

### 2.1.2 Mixed Relay 4x400m

Each team is to be composed of two men and two women. The running order is decided by the Team.

The team composition is to be announced by the time of final declaration, including the first leg runner. The running order for 2nd, 3rd and 4th leg can be changed during the race. To facilitate the process, one Team Leader or Coach per Team would be allowed to be in the special zone close to the relay athletes close to the competition area. Notwithstanding the aforementioned procedure WA Rule 48.4 shall be strictly applied.

## 2.2 Field Events Format:

Field events will be based on the head-to-head system. The athletes will be divided into two groups: 3 athletes in each group (Group A & Group B). The distribution of athletes will be done by European Athletics (see under Lane and Starting Order).

### 2.2.1 Each field event will consist of two stages: “group stage” and “final stage”.

| Stage         | Round                 | Group A  | Group B  |
|---------------|-----------------------|--|----------|
| “Group Stage” | 1                     | A1 vs A2   | B1 vs B2 |
|               | 2                     | A2 vs A3   | B2 vs B3 |
|               | 3                     | A3 vs A1   | B3 vs B1 |
| “Final Stage” | 5 <sup>th</sup> place | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Group A vs 3 <sup>rd</sup> Group B * |          |
|               | 3 <sup>rd</sup> place | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Group A vs 2 <sup>nd</sup> Group B * |          |
|               | 1 <sup>st</sup> place | 1 <sup>st</sup> Group A vs 1 <sup>st</sup> Group B * |          |

\* regarding the order see below

In the “group stage” each athlete will compete in two duels against two other athletes in his/her group. For the win in each duel an athlete gets 3 “spikes”, 1 “spike” for a tie and 0 for lost or foul. In case that in such a duel for whatever reason there’s only one athlete present, the athlete will get 3 “spikes” in case of a valid attempt and 0 for a foul.

After “group stage” is over athletes in each group (separately in Group A & Group B) will be ranked based on number of “spikes” collected in “group stage”.

In case of any ties between two or three athletes after “group stage”, the standing in each group is decided by the best performance. If the tie remains the second best result is to be considered. If the tie still remains it is to be broken by the Referee’s draw.

*Note: Spike is a term used to determine the positions of athletes after the initial stage of the competition in the field events (two attempts for each athlete).*

In case of two or three athletes in a group would not have any valid attempt after two jumps/throws (the “group stage”), their standing will be decided by a draw to be conducted by the relevant Referee. Thereafter, the composition of final ‘duels’ will be done:

- 3rd ranked in each group athletes will have a duel against each other for 5th place,
- 2nd ranked in each group athletes will have a duel against each other for 3rd place,
- 1st ranked in each group athletes will have a duel against each other for 1st place.

The final standing of the athletes determines the points to be received by each team as for any other individual event. However, if an athlete doesn't have any valid attempt from the "group stage" and the "final stage", i.e. 3 invalid attempts, the respective team will receive 0 points for the respective event.

Each athlete will jump once 1st, once 2nd in the group stages. In the final stage the group stage performance will decide the order: better performer jumps/throws 2nd.

#### 2.2.2 High Jump features:

In the High Jump, there are no pre-defined starting heights and progression. Each athlete decides about the height before each round without knowing the height of the competitor (meaning, before each jump he/she indicates in a special form the height he/she will jump while having "duel" with another competitor;

The referee collects the heights ordered by two athletes and then announces them before the jumps of the head-to-head format starts. The procedure of deciding the heights is repeated before each 'duel'. The athlete with lower height ordered always jumps first. In case the same height is ordered by both athletes, the order of the start list will be used.

#### 2.2.3 Long Jump, Javelin Throw and Shot-Put features: For the final head-to-head attempts in long jump, javelin throw and shot put, the jumping /throwing order (i.e. who jumps/throws last in each head-to-head 'duel') will be determined by the best result in the "group stage" (second best result if the best results are equal). In case the tie remains a draw to be conducted by the Referee to determine the order of attempts.

#### 2.3 Lane and Starting Order

Lane and starting order will be done by draw by European Athletics and provided to the teams in due time.

The distribution of athletes in groups during qualification/initial round of the field events is to be done by European Athletics based on the personal bests of competing athletes and using the zigzag distribution.

#### 2.4 Disqualification

Any disqualification of an athlete should only happen in case of a significant advantage gotten out of the infringement. The decision what's significant is taken by the respective Referee in the sense of World Athletics Technical Rules and the DNA concept.

#### 2.5 Protests

Any protest shall be made orally to the relevant Referee in the infield by an athlete or someone acting on behalf of an athlete, during the event or immediately after the event. The decision of the Referee will be final and no further appeals will be allowed. Video Recording and Control System will be used extensively to support immediate decisions by the Referee. In case of doubt, especially regarding the specific DNA format, the Referee might seek advice from the Technical Delegate(s).

#### 2.6 Coaches and Teams Areas

To facilitate communication between team members and encourage teams support and engagement, there will be designated team zone on the stands. In addition, there will be designated zones, inside the competition area, for the coaches of field events and for

4x400m Mixed Relay. Special coach stewards will bring the coaches (one coach per team for field events and relays) to the specific coaching zone.

2.7 Electronic devices

The use of electronic devices, specifically for social media activities, is strongly supported and suitable devices are allowed to be brought and used infield by athletes and coaches.

### **Appendix 2A. – Lane Draws**

|          |   |       | Lane 2 | Lane 3 | Lane 4 | Lane 5 | Lane 6 | Lane 7 |
|----------|---|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 4x400m   | X | Final | A      | B      | C      | D      | E      | F      |
| 100m H   | W | Final | B      | C      | D      | E      | F      | A      |
| 110m H   | M | Final | C      | D      | E      | F      | A      | B      |
| 800m     | W | Final | D      | E      | F      | A      | B      | C      |
| 400m H   | M | Final | E      | F      | A      | B      | C      | D      |
| 100m     | W | Final | F      | A      | B      | C      | D      | E      |
| 200m     | M | Final | A      | B      | C      | D      | E      | F      |
| The Hunt | X | Final | X      | X      | X      | X      | X      | X      |

### **Appendix 2B. – Field Event Distribution**

As an example of the distribution in field events this is one possible draw

|               |  |         | A1   | A2   | A3   | B1   | B2   | B3   |
|---------------|--|---------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Field Event 1 |  | R1, 2&3 | PB 3 | PB 2 | PB 6 | PB 1 | PB 4 | PB 5 |
| Field Event 2 |  | R1, 2&3 | PB 3 | PB 6 | PB 2 | PB 4 | PB 5 | PB 1 |
| Field Event 3 |  | R1, 2&3 | PB 4 | PB 1 | PB 5 | PB 2 | PB 3 | PB 6 |
| Field Event 4 |  | R1, 2&3 | PB 1 | PB 5 | PB 4 | PB 3 | PB 2 | PB 6 |

### **INFORMAL APPENDIX**

For clarification, especially also with regards to Regulation 1502.6 it has to be mentioned, that a National DNA concept doesn't have to follow exactly the format and competition rules mentioned above.

Neither the above-mentioned disciplines have to be the same nor the specific rules for the events. Especially for the Hunt – e.g. in case a time based staggered start isn't possible due to missing technology – the first leg runner can also start with a distance gap. European Athletics Statisticians calculated that 1m distance gap equals to 0.33 seconds time gap, i.e. each point difference between the first team and each other team after all events but the Hunt shall result in an individual start line for the respective team which is the number of point difference in meters.

Further information about the DNA concept can be found on the web at [www.dna.run](http://www.dna.run)