# **GENERAL MEET INFORMATION:**

The information below includes General Information about the UAGTCA Outdoor Meet #1. It is important to also refer to the UAGTCA website for more in depth and additional information: http://www.uagtca.org/

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Athletes must be pre-entered in order to participate in any of the UAGTCA meets.

- Birth Verification for all athletes new to the UAGTCA must be submitted to UAGTCA birth verifier at dianejackson@uagtca.org no later than 9:00pm EST the Wednesday preceding each meet.
- Entries and Fees must be entered and paid no later than 11:00pm EST the Wednesday preceding each meet. All actual meet entries must be made via paMileSplit.com Paper or emailed entries will not be accepted.
- **Performance List** will be posted on the UAGTCA website the Thursday preceding each meet and must be confirmed by coaches no later than 6:00pm EST.

Entries that do not meet these deadlines will automatically be removed from the meet. There absolutely will be no entries accepted on the day of the meet. Past participation levels have always been very high and we anticipate similar numbers in 2018. Therefore, you are strongly advised to create a MileSplit account, register, complete your roster and, where necessary, have your athlete's ages verified early (you will be unable to enter your athletes in any meet until they are verified).

Once you have submitted and paid for your entries by the entry deadline, no changes will be permitted. There are no fee refunds or transfers permitted unless an event is officially cancelled by the UAGTCA, in which case, based on the circumstances, a refund or credit will be issued. Only entries confirmed and paid for by these Deadlines will be processed. All unconfirmed or unpaid for entries may be removed from the meet without notification. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

You are encouraged to register early so that we have sufficient time to resolve any last-minute difficulties that may occur.

# **REGISTRATION & BIRTH VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Visit the UAGTCA website for Step-by-Step instructions on Meet Registration.

The age of all athletes under 19 must be verified by the UAGTCA Birth Verifier prior to being entered into any meet event. The UAGTCA accepts copies of Passports, Birth Certificates, School Records and other official documents that clearly show the athlete's date of birth. The UAGTCA Birth Verifier will make the final determination as to the appropriateness of the document provided.

#### **VERY IMPORTANT REGISTRATION AND BIRTH INFORMATION:**

# THE NAME USED TO REGISTER THE ATHLETE MUST APPEAR EXACTLY AS IT IS LISTED ON THE OFFICIAL BIRTH VERIFICATION DOCUMENT

Example: Birth Certificate identifies name as "Joseph Blow"

Entry in MileSplit MUST MATCH birth verification document; DO NOT ENTER ATHELETE AS "Joe"
Blow

# NOTE: The entry will be REJECTED as wrong name!

 Athlete entry in MileSplit must note "Joseph Blow" --- NOT "Joe Blow". Athletes' first and last names should be shown on the roster as they appear on the verification documents submitted. Middle initials and nicknames should not be used.

Submit birth verification request and documents to Diane Jackson either by email to dianejackson@uagtca.org or by US mail to 1104 Summit Lane, Oreland PA 19075.

The following rules must be adhered to when submitting Birth Certificates for Verification:

- Do NOT fax age verification documents unless instructed to do so by the verifier.
- •UAGTCA recommends that the age verification document submitted be in the form of a .PDF or image document as an e-mail attachment.
- Email UAGTCA Age Verifier for a comprehensive list of your teams existing birth verified roster.
- All requests received after the deadline will be processed for the future meets.
- The name of all athletes that you are requesting age verification for, must already appear on your roster.

# **AGE DIVISION:**

Proper Age Group / Division for Entries is STRICTLY ADHERED TO.

ATHLETES WHO ARE NOT ENTERED IN THE PROPER AGE GROUP WILL BE SCRACTCHED BY THE UAGTCA FROM THE EVENT

Age Determination as of December 31, 2018

BIRTH YEAR	DIVISION ATHLETE MUST BE ENTERED IN
2010 or Later	8 & Under
2009 or 2008	9 & 10
2007 or 2006	11 & 12
2005 or 2004	13 & 14
2003 or 2002	15 & 16
2001 or Earlier	Open Division

# **COMPETITION RULES: (USATF 2018 Sanctioned Event)**

These meets are governed by the current USATF Rules of Competition except very limited circumstances the UAGTCA Rules state differently.

#### **MEET RESULTS:**

Results will normally be available on the UAGTCA website at http://www.uagtca.org/ no later than by the Tuesday following each meet. In most cases, however, they every attempt will be made to make

results available earlier. You are also able to view Real-Time Results during each meet by following clicking on the Live Results link on the UAGTCA website.

Any errors in the results must be reported within one week of their being posted on the UAGTCA website. Any error not reported within this time frame will be corrected but may not be included for championship seeding purposes. The final responsibility to report all errors belongs with the Coach/Athlete.

# **UNATTACHED ATHLETES:**

If you are not with a club (i.e. Unattached), you must still enter at paMileSplit.com and all rules and entry deadlines apply.

# **RACE BIBS:**

A \$1.00 fee will be assessed for the Initial Competition Number provided to each athlete. This one time fee will be invoiced separately from the entry fee and must be paid, in cash, at the registration table on the day of the meet. This and replacement numbers are the only cash transactions that will be handled at the meet. You are required to pay for all new competitor numbers provided. if requested (in-writing or via e-mail at uagtca@uagtca.org) beforehand, the \$1.00 bib fees can be paid in advance of the day of the meet.

You must save your bib number for reuse after each meet in the outdoor meet series. Only UAGTCA assigned bib numbers may be used. If your bib number is lost or damaged it must be replaced. Lost or damaged competitor bib numbers will be reissued at a cost of \$2.00 per number.

# **ENTRY FEES:**

\$8.00 Per Individual Event

\$28.00 Per Relay Event

# **PAYMENTS:**

Payment of ALL fees (except as noted above regarding \$1.00 bib fee) must be made by 11:00pm EST on the Wednesday before each meet. There are No partial payments or partial packet pick-ups permitted. Entry payment must be made to PayPal after all entries have been entered in MileSplit.

Any club or individual who submits a check that is returned will be required to pay by credit card, cash or money order for future entries. All entries not paid for by the payment deadline will be removed from the meet and the User and Club will be placed on the Non-payers list. Users and Clubs on the Non-Payers list will not be permitted to participate in any other UAGTCA meet until the outstanding debt is satisfied.

# **EVENT LIMITATIONS:**

An athlete may enter a maximum of 3 events, 1 of which must be a field or relay event. You may enter no more than 2 individual running events. Event limitations for these meets will be strictly enforced. Violation of this rule the first time will result in the suspension of that athlete for one meet. Violation of the rule a second time by the same club or athlete will result in the suspension of the club for the series.

#### TIMING:

The UAGTCA utilizes Finish Lynx timing provided by Marc Logue of Pioneer Timing for all of our meets. All times are fully automatic (FAT). Individual times are only available online after the official results are posted. No individual times are provided at the meets. Results are, however, uploaded to the web as each event is completed. Disputes are resolved by the Meet Referee after a formal protest has been lodged and the decision of Meet Referee is final. There is no Jury of Appeals and no informal photo reviews will be conducted.

#### FIELD IMPLEMENTS:

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	UG	UB	10G	10B	12G	12B	14G	14B	16G	16B		
Shot Put	2kg	2kg	6lb	6lb	6lb	6lb	6.b	4kg	4Kg	12lb	4kg	12lb
Discus					1kg	1kg	1kg	1kg	1kg	1.6kg	1kg	1.6kg
Javelin	300g	300g	300g	300g	450g	450g	600g	600g	600g	800g	600g	800g
Turbo					450g	450g						
Javelin												

# FIELD EVENTS ADJUSTMENTS:

There will be 3 attempts permitted in the Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus and Javelin Throw. In the long Jump there will be only one additional board added per division.

# **EVENT AGE RESTRICTIONS:**

Athletes must be at least 7 years of age, on the day of the meet, in order to participate in the 800 Meter Run or 1500 Meter Run. Athletes must be at least 5 years of age by 12/31/2018 in order to participate in all other events. An Athlete May NOT Compete Outside of Their Age Division or Gender

# **AWARDS:**

Preliminary Meets - Ribbons 1st - 6th Place

Championship Meet - Medals 1st - 3rd Place / Ribbons 4th – 6th Place

Awards for each meet are distributed at the meet, including the Championship meet.

During the Championship meet, a trophy will be awarded to the first and second place team in each male and female age division.

# **Special Awards:**

The top three (3) Outstanding Male and Female Athletes in each division will be honored at the Championship meet based on points earned during the four preliminary meets only. Points are earned for each event on a 10-8-6-4-2-1 point basis for 1st - 6th place finishes respectively. Relay points are awarded to the top 3 teams on a 12-8-4 point basis and are split equally among the 4 team members. In addition, 10 bonus points are awarded for any performance that breaks (not ties) the current UAGTCA Meet Record for that event. If multiple athletes break the current record then each is awarded bonus points. If no current record exists then no bonus points are awarded regardless of the performance.

The top 2 teams in each division will receive a trophy based on scoring in the Championship meet. Scoring is on a 10-8-6-4-2-1 point basis for 1st - 6th place finishers respectively. Relays are scored as individual events in the Championship meet.

Awards that are not given out at the meet can be picked up locally or they will be sent to the Club contact at the conclusion of the series. Please remember that this is a manual process and can take up to 3 weeks. We will attempt to mail ribbons only once. You may contact Robin Stovall at uagtca@uagtca.org with questions regarding awards.

# **CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATION:**

An athlete must complete an event at least once (i.e. Athlete must have made a valid qualifying mark and not have been disqualified) during one of the four preliminary meets in order to qualify for that event in the Championship meet. The mark, in addition, must meet or exceed the established event qualifying standard for that event and age division in order to be considered. Although the UAGTCA attempts to schedule events twice during the 4 preliminary meets, we make no guarantee that all events will actually be held twice. We strongly advise all athletes to participate in the event that they intend to run in the championship the first time it is offered. Seeding for the Championship will be based solely on marks achieved during our 2018 preliminary meets. We do not accept outside marks for the Championship regardless of source. The UAGTCA Event limitations will be in effect for all meets. Alternates to relays are the only athletes who are permitted to compete in the Championship meet without having competed previously. However, all other participation criteria must be met. These athletes will only be permitted to participate on a relay if the team has previously qualified for that relay in one of the 4 preliminary meets. An athlete cannot have switched affiliation from another club or have competed Unattached after UAGTCA Outdoor Development Meet #2.

# **CLERKING AREA:**

Only participating athletes are permitted in the clerking area. Absolutely No Coaches, Parents or Spectators will be permitted in this area. A Coach or parent is permitted to escort athletes in the 8&U Division to the clerking area. They are not, however, permitted to go in. Violation of this rule will result in the immediate disqualification of the Coach and athlete from the meet. There will be no warnings given. All individual points for that entire meet will be forfeited. Coaches who are disqualified from 2 meets will not be permitted to enter athletes into any other UAGTCA sponsored competition.

# **ATHLETES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS:**

The UAGTCA will take special care to address the needs of athletes requiring special care during our competitions. We ask that that the coach or individual accompanying the athlete to the clerking area advise the clerk that the athlete has a Special Need. Please identify the athlete and the Need and do not assume that the clerk is automatically aware of the 'NEED'. While every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate the athlete, it is the sole responsibility of the coach to see to it that we are made aware of the situation.

# **SEED MARKS:**

Seed Marks are how we assign athletes to heats in all events. If you submit an entry and do not enter a seed mark then your athlete will be listed as having No Time (NT), No Distance (ND) or No Height (NH)

for the event and will be placed in an unseeded heat or section regardless of past known performances or reputation. An athlete's past performances in most UAGTCA sponsored meets are available by clicking on the athletes name when making the entry. Marks must be submitted in the proper metric or english format and be within the acceptable range for the event entered. Championship seed marks are automatically recovered from the best mark achieved in the preliminary meets of the current year and cannot be changed by the User. No outside marks will be accepted for the championship meet.

#### **CHANGING TEAM AFFILIATION:**

Athletes are not permitted to change team affiliation after meet 2. They can, however, remove their team affiliation and list themselves as Unattached at any time. This change in affiliation will only apply to the current outdoor series of UAGTCA competitions. All points earned to that point in the series will be retained by the athlete.

#### **USE OF RELAY ALTERNATES:**

All Relay alternates must be declared by 12:00 noon the day of the meet and must already be entered in the meet for that day and be associated with the team requesting the change. No Change of Team affiliation is permitted. Alternates are permitted to scratch from an individual event in order to be eligible to participate on a relay. Requests for alternates must be presented at the registration desk and a permission slip must be secured at the time.

#### ATHLETE AND SPECTATOR CONDUCT:

Each team participating in the UAGTCA series is responsible for the conduct and control of the athletes and all spectators associated with the team. We work hard to maintain a good relationship with our neighbors. A few unfortunate incidents have forced the UAGTCA to adopt a zero-tolerance policy for acts of violence or vandalism. Athletes involved in any incident will be asked to leave the venue and on any repeated incident the team will be disqualified and not be allowed to participate in future UAGTCA sponsored events.

# SMOKING, DRINKING AND ILLICIT DRUG USE POLICY:

The UAGTCA maintains a strict NO SMOKING, DRINKING or ILLICIT DRUG USE policy during any of our competitions. The stadium area is a Smoke, Alcohol and Drug Free zone. Any Club or individual smoking, drinking or using illicit drugs will be asked to vacate the premises immediately. You are reminded that in all cases the stadiums that we use are associated with schools that are, by law, drug free zones and specific civil penalties will also apply.

# **PARKING CONSIDERATIONS:**

There is ample parking available at the Charles Martin Stadium (Northeast High School), which are used most often. The lots, are available for use by teams and spectators on a first come first served basis. There is no Reserved parking or tailgating permitted. You are asked to use these parking lots whenever possible and not park on the street so as not to inconvenience the people who live and work in the area. Cars parked illegally will be removed at the owner's expense.

# **FOOD CONCESSIONS:**

A food concession stand will be open throughout the competitions. The items carried and prices charged are at the discretion of the concessionaire. Please share any concerns, requests or complaint with the persons in charge. Remember that there is no cooking or open flames allowed in the stands, the parking lots, or on or near the track. Please clean-up your area before leaving the meet. Trash bags are available at the concession stand free of charge.

# **PRIVATE VENDING:**

Private Vending within the confines of the stadium may only be done with the knowledge and consent and Vendor Fee Payment made to the UAGTCA. The sale of outside food, candy, or items of any kind without permission is strictly prohibited. The sale of other non-food items without the knowledge and consent of the UAGTCA is also prohibited. Vendors seeking permission to sell at any UAGTCA meet must secure permission in advance of the competition by contacting the Meet Administrator before the competition begins. Attempts to by-pass this restriction will result in disqualification from the competition and notification of the authorities where warranted.

# **RESTROOMS:**

Public Restrooms will be available during the competitions, However, NO CHANGING FACILITIES OR SHOWERS ARE AVAILABLE AT ANY OF THE VENUES. Remember that these are public facilities that belong to the Schools. The UAGTCA hire attendants to help us maintain them as best we can during the meets. Please come dressed to compete and we ask your help, when necessary report any restroom facility that needs attention to our registration desk.

# **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

There is No Fixed Time Schedule for these meets and the order of events will not change without at least 24 hours notice. Events do run off quickly, however, so please plan accordingly. There is no refund for missed events. Every attempt will be made to make event calls over the stadium Public Address system where available. However, the ultimate responsibility to be near the clerking area when an event is being clerked remains with the athlete. If an event is cancelled a credit will be issued for future event fees or at the discretion of the UAGTCA a refund may be given.

# **ORDER OF EVENTS:**

Order of	f Events fo	r the 2018 UAGTCA Outdoor Meet 1 - 5/5/2018	- 8:00AM
		Deadline 5/2/2018 at 11:00PM – Entries made via MileSplit	
		ligh School – Charles Martin Stadium, Philadelphia, P	A.
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		Running Events	
3000 Meter Run	Final	11-12 G/B; 13-14 G/B; 15-16 G/B; OW; OM	Female & Male
200 Meter Dash	Final	8&U G/B; 9-10 G/B; 11-12 G/B; 13-14 G/B; 15-16G/B; OW; OM	Female & Male
800 Meter Run	Final	8&U G/B; 9-10 G/B; 11-12 G/B; 13-14 G/B; 15-16G/B; OW; OM	Female & Male
400 Meter Relay	Final	8&U G/B; 9-10 G/B; 11-12 G/B; 13-14 G/B; 15-16G/B; OW; OM	Female & Male
		Field Events	
Long Jump	Final	8&U G/B; 9-10 G/B; 11-12 G/B; 13-14 G/B; 15-16G/B; OW; OM	Female & Male
Discus Throw	Final	11-12 G/B; 13-14 G/B; 15-16 G/B; OW; OM	Female & Male
Shot Put	Final	8&U G/B; 9-10 G/B; 11-12 G/B; 13-14 G/B; 15-16G/B; OW; OM	Female & Male