

24th IAAF World Race Walking Cup, 15-16.05.10, Chihuahua, Mexico
Selection Policy

UKA continues to value the importance of the World Race Walking Cup and the part it plays in the progression of UK endurance athletes within the international competition pathway. European athletes dominate this event and UK race walkers can make an impact in the future. The UKA policy for the World Race Walking Cup will primarily focus on individual athletes who can be competitive and are adequately prepared for this level of race walking competition.

The official trial will be held in London on Sunday 11th April 2010.

At these trials the first eligible junior and the first two senior athletes will be selected subject to them demonstrating at least two of the following selection guidelines:

- a. Demonstrates the ability to be competitive against international opposition in race walk competition between 1st January 2010 and the trial.
- b. Current form betters the following times: 10 km U20 Men 44:05; 10 km U20 Women 50:55; 20 km Men 1:24:20; 20 km Women 1:38:00; and 50 km 4:09:00.
- c. Consistency of performances in both domestic and international race walk competitions.
- d. Competitive and consistent performances at previous World/European Race Walking Cups and global track & field championships at 5/10000m (juniors) and 20 km and/or 50 km.
- e. Clearly demonstrates consistent progression up the international competition pathway.

Up to one further junior and three senior athletes can be selected, up to a maximum of three junior and five senior athletes. Any further selections will be considered by the selectors on an individual basis, based on performances at the trial and in line with the above selection guidelines.

If the selectors feel that a team can realistically challenge for a top eight position at these championships a scoring team of at least three senior (two junior) athletes will be selected.

The World Race Walking Cup selections will take place on Monday 12th April following the trials in London and announced on Tuesday 13th April.

All athletes who do not intend to compete at London and wish to be considered for selection must ensure that they advise Carnegie Director of Race Walking Andi Drake of their situation before the selection meeting is held. Similarly, any athlete unable to compete due to illness or injury who wishes their status to be known to the selectors should contact Andi Drake at a.drake@leedsmet.ac.uk prior to the selection meeting. Selected athletes must be available for a 21 day pre-departure altitude acclimation programme at designated environmental chambers within the UK.