



AMA Athlete of the Year Awards Criteria

- Each nominee **MUST** be a financial member with one of the State/Territory Masters Associations who are current members of Australian Masters Athletics Inc.
- Performances must have been achieved in the previous calendar year.
- Nominations must be received by the AMA Secretary by **31 January each year**.
- **Only one athlete** from each State/Territory may be nominated for each award.
- An athlete may be nominated in more than one category. However, is limited to winning only ONE category.
- There are **TEN ATHLETE** award categories which cover the major event areas and recognise outstanding achievements in the previous calendar year.
- States/Territories will need to complete a **separate nomination form** for each one of their nominations.
- Forms must be completed electronically and not converted to any other format. Handwritten forms will not be accepted.
- AMA retains the option of adding additional nominations, particularly when States/Territories do not take up the opportunity to nominate athletes.
- Please provide photos of your nominees. These are to be emailed as individual attachments to the AMA Secretary as high-resolution jpeg files (at least 1MB).
Please DO NOT embed the photos in the nomination form or the email.
- Finalists will be announced prior to the AMA National Championships with winners announced at the social function during the National Championships.

Closing date for all nominations is 31 January each year.

ATHLETE AWARDS - SEVEN CATEGORIES:

1. Sprints/Hurdles
2. Middle Distance/Steeplechase
3. Distance
4. Walks
5. Jumps
6. Throws
7. Multi Events/Relays

Information Required:

- Details of the FOUR (4) best performances in the relevant event category including the time/distance, finishing position, name and date of competition
- Records achieved i.e. World, Regional, National, State or Championship
- World ranking (via www.mastersrankings.com)
- Age grade percentages **if available**
- Other - Achievements in open competition if applicable
- **Only one athlete** from each State/Territory may be nominated in each event category.

OUTSTANDING ATHLETES - TWO CATEGORIES:

1. Most Outstanding Male Athlete
2. Most Outstanding Female Athlete

Information Required:

- Records and achievements as set out above
- **Only one nomination** from each State/Territory for each category.

OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE - ONE CATEGORY:

1. Most Outstanding Individual Performance

Information Required:

- This category is a little different from the above.
- An athlete may be nominated for an outstanding performance that results in a record feat or a unique or high achievement. But an athlete may also be nominated for a performance where they achieved well, whilst overcoming personal difficulties, injuries or other obstacles.
- **Only one nomination** from each State/Territory for this award.

Closing date for all nominations is 31 January each year.



AMA Annual Awards Criteria Administration Officiating Coaching

- Each nominee for the Administrator and Official awards **MUST** be a financial member with one of the State/Territory Masters Associations who are current members of Australian Masters Athletics Inc. Each nominee for the Coach award **MUST** be a financial member with Athletics Australia or Australian Track & Field Coaches Association (ATFCA)
- Nominations must be received by the AMA Secretary by **31 January each year**.
- There are **THREE** Award Categories which cover Administration, Officiating and Coaching and recognise outstanding contributions/achievements in the previous calendar year.
- States/Territories will need to complete a separate nomination form for each one of their nominations.
- Forms must be completed electronically and not converted to any other format. Handwritten forms will not be accepted.
- AMA retains the option of adding additional nominations, particularly when States/Territories do not take up the opportunity to nominate individuals.
- Please provide photos of your nominees. These are to be emailed as individual attachments to the AMA Secretary as high-resolution jpeg files (at least 1MB).
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ADMINISTRATION AWARD - ONE CATEGORY:

1. Administrator of the Year

Information Required:

- An administrator may be nominated for this award for significant contributions to Masters Athletics at a State/Territory, National or International level for the previous calendar year.
- The nomination will be assessed against, but not limited to, the impact the nominee has had on the following areas within the sport:
 - Membership/Participation
 - Financial
 - Leadership & Planning
 - Member Communications
 - Compliance
 - Sustainability
 - Competition
 - Teamwork

Note: the nomination does not have to cover all areas listed above.

- **Only one nomination** from each State/Territory is permitted for this award.

OFFICIAL AWARD - ONE CATEGORY:

1. Official of the Year

Information Required:

- An official may be nominated for this award for significant contributions to Masters Athletics at a State/Territory, National or International level for the previous calendar year.
- The nomination will be assessed against, but not limited to, the impact the nominee has had on the following areas within the sport:
 - Membership/Participation
 - Leadership & Planning
 - Sustainability
 - Competition
 - Teamwork
 - Technical

Note: the nomination does not have to cover all areas listed above.

- **Only one nomination** from each State/Territory is permitted for this award.

COACH AWARD - ONE CATEGORY:

1. Coach of the Year

Information Required:

- A coach may be nominated for this award for significant contributions to Masters Athletics at a State/Territory, National or International level for the previous calendar year.
- The nomination will be assessed against, but not limited to:
 - Athlete results in Masters competitions
 - Mentoring and support
 - Development of Masters athletes
 - Demonstrated sportsmanship towards all concerned in masters athletics (including officials)
 - Nominees must be an accredited coach with Athletics Australia or ATFCA.
- **Only one nomination** from each State/Territory is permitted for this award.

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