

INFORMATION REGARDING REGION MEET ENTRY

- A. A coach must consider the following items prior to region meet entry.
1. Enter as usual, i.e., the athlete(s) or relay team(s) have not qualified by standard during the season.
 2. Enter an athlete(s) or relay team(s) that have qualified by standard during the season. This may be done in one or two ways.
 - (1) enter the athlete(s) or relay team(s) and actually have them compete at the meet
 - (2) enter the athlete(s) or relay team(s) but do not have them compete at the meet.

REMEMBER IN EITHER OPTION, ENTRY MEANS PARTICIPATION. Participation limitations apply in both cases. When an athlete is entered in an event at the region meet, regardless if s/he competes, this counts as one of his/her four events.

3. A school is limited to three entries in individual events and one team in each relay event.

Situation

Season Qualifying: Four individuals qualified in the 100 meter Hurdles from the same school.

Region Meet Entry: School is limited to three entries in the 100m Hurdles. Can not qualify more than three individuals in individual events and one team per relay event.

4. The intent of the procedure of qualifying during the season is to protect the athlete(s) that are sick or injured or otherwise can not participate at the region meet, not to manipulate the team members.

- B. The region chairman shall notify each school in their region as to the procedure and time table for submitting region entries, names and a listing of entrants by events on forms supplied by the region chairman.

C. RELAY TEAM ENTRIES

1. If a relay team qualified during the season and a coach wants to run a relay team at the state meet, a relay must be entered at the region meet. **Any** four names may be listed on the relay card. The names do not need to be the same names as those that ran on the qualifying relay team. Remember listing at the region meet counts as an event even if the relay does not run.

Situation: Team A has qualified a 400 meter relay team during the regular season. At the region meet a 400 meter relay team is entered but does not run. Team A still has a 400 meter relay entered in the state meet.

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Situation: Team A has qualified a 400 meter relay team during the regular season, Team B qualified a 400 meter relay team at the region meet. At the state meet both teams ran 4

completely different individuals. Legal. Runners between region and state may be completely different individuals.

2. If participation limitations are exceeded, and one of the events the individual is listed on is a relay(s), the relay does not participate at the state meet as well as the individual is not allowed to participate in any individual events he/she may have qualified in.

Situation:

Competitor **A** has qualified and is entered in the LJ, TJ, 100, 400m relay. The coach had decided prior to the region meet that **A** would not run the 100 at the region meet but because he/she qualified during the season would enter him/her at the region so he/she could run at the state meet. During the meet, the coach decided **A** also would run a leg of the 800m Relay thinking **A** would only be participating in four events forgetting listing is considered an entry. Now **A** is entered in 5 events (LJ, TJ, 100, 400m Relay, & 800m Relay).

Because the 4 event maximum was exceeded, **A** can not participate in the state meet, neither can the two relays **A** is listed on.

Review Rule 4-1-2, 4-2-2, page 24 of the Track and Field Rule Book and situations 4.2.2A and 4.2.2D, pages 25 & 26 of the Track and Field Case Book.

3. A contestant can not be scratched out of an individual event at the state meet they have qualified for at the region meet to become eligible for a relay.
4. A contestant that has qualified by standard during the regular season is not officially entered in the state meet until they have been entered in the region meet.

Situation: Contestant **A** has qualified by standard in the 100, 200, and Long Jump during the regular season. At the region meet he/she is entered in the 100, 200, 400 and Long Jump. In the 400 meter dash he/she finishes second, thus qualifying for the state meet in all four individual events. The team has also qualified a 400 meter relay for the state meet. Contestant **A** cannot be scratched from the 400 or any other individual event to become eligible for the relay.

Situation: Contestant **A** has qualified by standard in the 100, 200 and Long Jump during the regular season. At the region meet he/she is entered in the 100, 400 and Long Jump. In the 400 meter dash he/she finishes second. The team has also qualified a 400 meter relay for the state meet. Contestant **A** is eligible for the 400 meter relay at the state meet. Even though he/she had qualified during the season in the 200 meter dash, he/she was not entered in the event at the region thus he/she is not entered in the 200 at the state meet.