



2026 USATF Lake Erie Association Championships

**Saturday, June 20, 2026.
Spire Institute Geneva, Ohio**

AGE DIVISIONS & ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Age Divisions

8 & under (born 2018-+)
9 - 10 (born 2017-2016)
11 - 12 (born 2015-2014)
13 - 14 (born 2013-2012)
15 - 16 (born 2011-2010)
17 - 18 (born 2009-2008)
* athletes born in 2007 are also eligible if they do not turn 19 on or before 7/24/2026



Individuals: Only U.S. citizens, aliens living in the United States and foreign exchange students are eligible to compete in these Championships. See the USATF Rules for more information and exceptions. A competitor must compete in his/her age division only. There will be no "moving up" in any events, including relays. Competitors in the 8 & Under, 9 - 10 and 11 - 12 age divisions may compete in a maximum of three (3) events, including relays. Competitors in the 13 - 14, 15 - 16 and 17 - 18 age divisions may compete in a maximum of four (4) events, including relays. Combined events are not included in the event count. All athletes must be 2026 members of USATF in good standing.

Relay Teams Only registered 2026 USATF member clubs may enter a relay team(s). All athletes representing the club must be affiliated with and members of that club as part of their USATF membership. Visit www.usatf.org/membership.

ENTRY PROCESS:

Individual Entries: \$ 8 per event
Relay Entries: \$ 32 per relay team

Club Administrators and Unattached Athletes should register online at **Athletic.net** by June 16 at **7:00 pm. Late entries will not be allowed.** Online registration opens May 21. Pre-authorization of a credit card will be required for team entries and unattached entries will require immediate payment. Accuracy of data entered is the responsibility of each club and/or athlete. Please verify team and athlete data within Athletic.net for accuracy prior to submitting entries. Links to help documents with step-by-step instructions:

-Submitting Team Entries: <https://support.athletic.net/article/z11f8f1jja-submitting-entries-for-a-meet>

-Registering as an Individual: <https://support.athletic.net/article/90hyv0deh5-registering-for-an-event-as-an-individual>

DATE OF BIRTH VERIFICATION

USATF National Championships require that the registrants are date-of-birth verified. Members are mandated to upload/submit their birthdate verification document when completing their membership profile on the USATF Connect system. There may be other competitions that require this mandate. Check event eligibility requirements carefully when registering for an event.

DOCUMENT SUBMISSION DEADLINE

DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED FOR BIRTHDATE VERIFICATION MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN FIVE (5) BUSINESS DAYS (EXCLUDING HOLIDAYS) PRIOR TO THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE OF THE USATF SANCTIONED OR SPONSORED EVENT THAT THE REGISTRANT IS SEEKING ENTRY INTO.

HOW TO SUBMIT DOCUMENTS

Date-of-Birth verification documents must be uploaded through [USATF Connect](#). If you are having trouble uploading these documents, please reach out to the [USATF National Office](#).

BE ADVISED THAT BIRTHDATE VERIFICATION DOCUMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED OR UPLOADED BY THE NATIONAL OFFICE. PROCEDURES FOR UPLOADING THESE DOCUMENTS IN THE USATF CONNECT SYSTEM MUST BE ADHERED TO AND THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS. DOCUMENTS SENT TO THE NATIONAL OFFICE WILL BE RETURNED AND THE VERIFICATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.

IF A DOCUMENT IS ILLEGIBLE, IT WILL BE INVALIDATED AND WILL NOT BE PROCESSED. INVALIDATED DOCUMENTS WILL NOT RESULT IN AN EXTENSION OF THE SUBMISSION DEADLINE. NO EXTENSION WILL BE GIVEN FOR INVALIDATED DOCUMENTS THAT REQUIRE RE-SUBMISSION. THE FIVE (5) DAY DEADLINE WILL BE ADHERED TO.

DOCUMENTS WILL REMAIN A PERMANENT PART OF THE MEMBER PROFILE AND WILL NOT REQUIRE RE-SUBMISSION.

DATA PROTECTION

SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS/DATA PROVIDED TO USATF WILL BE HOSTED ON A SECURE PLATFORM IN USATF CONNECT. ASSOCIATION OFFICERS/EMPLOYEES PERMITTED TO VIEW MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION WITHIN THE SYSTEM HAVE BEEN REQUIRED TO HAVE SUBMITTED THE MANDATED USATF DATA PROTECTION POLICY AGREEMENT.

ACCEPTED DOCUMENTS

Accepted verification documents include copy of birth certificate, passport, certified baptismal record, driver's license, or U.S. government issued identification.

WAIVER: All athletes who participate in the USATF Junior Olympic Program must complete the Junior Olympic Participant Waiver and Release form. This form is already integrated in the online entry system and can be completed electronically; it can also be obtained via your association. All forms must be submitted at the first round of the Junior Olympic series.

AWARDS: USATF Junior Olympic medals will be awarded to the top three (3) individuals and the top three (3) relay teams in each event of each age division.

ADVANCEMENTS: The top 6 individuals and relay teams in each event of each age division will advance to the USATF Region 5 Championships to be held on July 10-12 at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio. Advancements must be completed by declaring at **Athletic.net** by **July 3 at 11:59 pm**. Declaration will open on **June 18th**.

The National Junior Olympic Championships will be held on July 27-August 2, 2026 at Cerritos College in Norwalk, CA. The top 5 athletes at the Region 5 Championships will qualify for the National Championships, in combined events the top 2 athletes will qualify. Information is available at: <https://www.usatf.org/programs/youth>

SCHEDULE:

Running Events start at 9 am – rolling schedule

Race Walk 3000m and 1500m

3000m run- 13 and up (race walks and 3000m run will be combined)

4x800m Relay

110m Hurdles- Semi/Final if less than 9 runners per age group

100m Hurdles- Semi/Final if less than 9 runners per age group

80m Hurdles- Semi/Final if less than 9 runners per age group

100m Dash- All ages/Ambulatory/Wheelchair/ Semi/Final if less than 9 runners per age group

1500m Run- All ages

Hurdles and 100m finals if needed

2000Steeplechase

4x100m Relay

400m dash-All ages/Ambulatory/Wheelchair

200m Hurdles and 400m hurdles

800m Run-All ages

200m Dash- All ages

4x400M Relay

Field events start at 9am- rolling start

Shot put- female youngest to oldest- Go to Discus after males are done/ Ambulatory will complete now

Discus- males oldest to youngest- Go to Shot put after females are done/ Ambulatory will complete now

Seated throws will contest shot put, Discus and javelin after others are done.

Javelin for everybody after all other throws

Hammer after Javelin

Pole Vault then High Jump- males oldest to youngest then females oldest to youngest

Long Jump- open pit 4 jumps pit closes at 10:30am (all long jumpers most report at 9:00am)

Triple Jump- open pit 4 jumps

Combines event will not be contested at this meet but must be entered at this meet.

IMPLEMENT WEIGH-IN: 8:00- 8:45am

EVENT CHECK-IN: There will be separate check-in areas for Running and Field events. Athletes must check in at these designated areas 30 minutes prior to the event's scheduled starting time. All athletes will be required to remain in the designated warm-up areas after checking in.

EVENT RESULTS: During competition, event results will be posted Implement weigh-in area. In addition, event results will be posted at lightningtiming.com

PROTESTS: There will be a \$50 fee for all protests. Protests must be submitted to the Protest Referee at once and not later than 30 minutes after a result has been announced. The protest fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld.

RULES – CONDUCT & FACILITY:

GATE ADMISSION FEES:

DIRECTIONS & PARKING: 5201 Spire Circle Geneva, Ohio 44041

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