



Protocols for Track & Field

AAU The Leader in the Safe Return to Sports



The following protocols are designed to enhance your safety and have been reviewed by the local health department and comply with national, state and local guidelines. As those guidelines change, our protocols may also change. We understand that these times are challenging, and we appreciate everyone's patience and understanding as we navigate as responsibly as we can. Together, we can find new ways to have fun while being diligent to maintain proper physical distancing. Please be responsible and help us safely implement these requirements to ensure the safety of all involved.

Packet Pick-Up ([Click Here for House/Location](#))

- Masks will be required by all staff and individuals in packet pick-up.
- 2 people per club will be allowed entry for packet pick-up with a limited number of people allowed in the room at a time (please plan accordingly).
- Social distancing will be encouraged while in line to pick up packets and designated by signage.
- Sanitizing stations will be available at each table and upon entry.

Facility Entrance Requirements

- Daily temperature checks at the gate will be conducted. If you have a temperature greater than 100.4, entry will be denied. Persons with an elevated temperature will be sent to a secondary screening area. Daily wristbands will be provided to those who pass the temperature check.
- All athletes, coaches, spectators, officials, volunteers and other staff will be denied entry if any of the following applies to them:
 - You have had close contact with an individual infected with COVID-19 within the last 14 days.
 - You are currently experiencing - or in the past 14 days have experienced - fever, cough, shortness of breath.
 - You have had close contact within the last 14 days with an individual suspected of being infected with COVID-19 (including individuals exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms).
 - You have traveled to an area that is under a travel advisory by the US State Department.
- All athletes, coaches, spectators, officials, volunteers and other staff will be required to sign the provided waivers
 - [Adult Waiver](#)
 - [Youth Waiver](#)
- All athletes, coaches, spectators, officials, volunteers and other staff will be required to wear a mask while in the facility. Athletes do not have to wear a mask while competing, but can do so if they so choose.
- Social distance will be required and labeled by markings on the ground as you enter the facility.
- Due to facility capacity limitations, once an athlete completes their race or event we encourage the athlete and family members/spectators to exit the facility. There will be a continual flow through the Entrance/Exit area.

Athlete Areas & Equipment

- All common throwing implements, hurdles, batons and starting blocks will be sanitized with BIOPROTECT™ ([Click Here to Learn More](#)).
- Bottled water will be provided to athletes for hydration purposes. Water coolers and water fountains will not be in use.
- Sanitizing stations will be present in all athlete areas.
- Athletes will enter the Clerks Areas in groups of 8, and will stand behind lane numbered signs placed 6 ft. apart with their heat. Athletes will remain socially distanced to the best of their ability while being escorted from clerking to staging tents.
- Staging Tents will have numbered signage in a socially distanced manner to keep heats together on their way to the starting line.
- Athletes should maintain social distancing in the Warm Up Area.

Spectator Areas

- Spectators, Athletes (while not competing), Officials, Volunteers and other staff will be required to wear a mask at all times.

- Hand wash stations will be located near portable restrooms and hand sanitizer will be placed around the facility.
- No tents or beach umbrellas will be allowed in the stands.
- Capacity limitations will be enforced in the spectator stands, with sections of the bleachers marked off to promote social distancing.
- Spectators are encouraged to bring their own seating, especially for the throws and jumps.
- Hand rails and stadium seating will be sanitized with BIOPROTECT™ ([Click Here to Learn More](#)).

Field Event Competition

- Check in one hour before scheduled event. Flights will consist of 12-18 athletes at a time. Athletes that do not make the finals will be required to leave the competition area.
- Top 8 athletes will go to the Contactless Awards Area.

Running Event Competition

- Time Finals (TF): Runners will compete in their event; Top 8 will go to Contactless Awards Area.
- Semi-Finals (SF): Runners will compete and leave the track at the end of the race.
- Finals (F): Runners will run their race and be sent to the Contactless Awards Area.

Contactless Awards Area

- Competitors will come pick up their medals at the designated area ([Click Here to View Stadium Map](#))
- Individual photo opportunities will be available in a socially distanced set-up.
- Athletes and their families will be required to leave the area after medals are received and photos taken.

Required Safety Measures:

- Wear a mask or face covering.
- Wash your hands often.
- Avoid close contact and stay at least 6 ft. from other people.
- Cover coughs and sneezes.