New U18's Steeplechase Heights

As of the 1st April 2020 a new height requirement for Under 18 Men's Steeplechase will come into effect introduced by World Athletics;

TR23. (Rule 169) Steeplechase Races

23.5 The hurdles shall be $0.914m \pm 0.003m$ high for Senior and U20 men's events, $0.838m \pm 0.003m$ high for U18 men's events and $0.762m \pm 0.003m$ for women's events and shall be at least 3.94m wide.

UKA supplement: Under 17 Men's competitions will be held using the U18 Men's hurdle specification.

[Rule 23.5 amended in June 2019 and in force from 1 April 2020. For the current edition of rule please refer to Competition Rule 169.5.]

UKA recognises this will be a challenge for some venues to implement this requirement by April 2020, therefore we are taking a phased approach (see below) to ensure venues have time to implement these adaptations. To support venues, we have produced guidance notes on how modifications should be completed:



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- Venues hosting key steeplechase events* during the 2020 season must make the relevant
 modifications to their barriers ahead of the event date. To ensure compliance, the venue must
 provide documented evidence of the modifications by email: ehunt@englandathletics.org
- For all other events, the rule will be in operation for the U17 age group from 1st April 2021. Again, documented evidence to confirm that barrier modifications have been carried out should be sent via email: ehunt@englandathletics.org
- For guidance relating to selection for the European U18 Championships in 2020, please read the UKA selection criteria on the website.

*Venues hosting key events in 2020:
BEDFORD INTERNATIONAL ATHLETIS STADIUM – EA Championships
CARDIFF ATHLETICS STADIUM – Welsh Schools
DERBY MOORWAYS – School International
GRANGEMOUTH STADIUM – Scottish Schools and Scottish Championships
COSTELLO STADIUM - HULL - Northern Championships
KINGSTON – U17 Southern Championships
PAULA RADCLIFFE STADIUM – LOUGHBOROUGH – UK Schools Games
MANCHESTER REGIONAL ATHLETICS TRACK – English Schools
STANTONBURY STADIUM - MILTON KEYNES - BMC
PINGLES STADIUM - NUNEATON – Midland Championships
LONGFORD STADIUM - STRETFORD – BMC

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