World Athletics Photo Award

The World Athletics’ will present an award to the best athletics photograph of the calendar year 2019 as part of the World Athletics Awards night on Saturday 23 November.

There will be two categories for the World Athletics Photo Award: Professionals & Fans (Amateurs)

Professional Photographer Award

i. Any professional photographer who has been officially accredited as PHOTOGRAPHER at any athletics event in 2019 can take part in the competition. Events include but are not restricted to World Athletics Series, Diamond League meetings, area championships, area meetings, National championships, Gold, Silver and Bronze label road races, Race Walk, Combined and Hammer Throw challenges etc…

ii. All photographers who have been accredited at a World Athletics Series event will receive an email to inform them of the competition. Any other photographer who does not belong to the WAS database but wishes to participate can do so even if he/she does not receive the above-mentioned email.

iii. All photographers are requested to submit 1 (ONE) photograph taken in 2019 by email to iaafphotoaward@iaaf.org. Submissions shall include a CAPTION, the DATE when in 2019 the photograph was taken and the technical information of the selected image. Photographers shall provide the original image (including images prior and following) to prove authenticity. The image file size shall be no larger than 5MB

iv. Submissions shall be received by Sunday 10 November midday (12pm) MONACO time and shall include all of the required details.

v. The photograph submitted must be free from any third-party rights. If you have transferred ownership to a third party then do not enter your chosen photograph into this competition as we require you to transfer, release and waive all rights in the photograph to us (see paragraph vi. below).

vi. By entering a photo in the competition, the photographer transfer, releases and waives all the rights of the said photograph to World Athletics and its usage on its platforms such as website, social media and printed material. After entry into this award you may not transfer, release or waive rights in the photograph to any third party.

vii. A panel of experts shall judge and select the top 25 entries. The selected 25 images will be part of a photo exhibition which will be on show at the World Athletics Awards between 20 and 25 November in Monaco.

viii. The panel of experts will also determine the top THREE images from the 25 shortlisted. The photographers of the top THREE images shall be informed if their selection has been successful by 15 November and will be invited to the World Athletics Awards in Monaco on 23 November 2019. The invitation will comprise economy class airfare for two; 2 nights B&B stay at the Meridien Beach Plaza hotel, Monaco and 2 tickets for the World Athletics Awards show at the Grimaldi Forum.

x. The finalists and winner of the World Athletics Photo Award will be permitted to communicate their selection/win on social media only AFTER the announcements have been made officially by World Athletics on one of its official channels.

xi. The finalists of the World Athletics Photo Award shall serve as experts’ panel to determine the winner of the World Athletics Photo Award for Fans (Amateurs).

Fan (Amateur) Photographer Award

i. Any person aged 18 or over who would like to take part in the World Athletics Photo Award for Fans (Amateurs) shall be able to do so via social media.

ii. Professional photographers are excluded but are invited to take part in the competition for Professional Photographers. Family members of a Professional Photographer who has entered the Professional Photographers competition may not enter.

iii. Only 1 (ONE) image per entrant shall be accepted.

iv. Participants will be asked to submit their image via Twitter.com by referring to the hashtag #WorldAthleticsPhotoOfTheYear

v. Entries shall be submitted between 1 to 20 November 2019.

vi. All entries that have correctly been referenced to the competition’s hashtag shall be retweeted by the World Athletics official channels. They will also be posted on the World Athletics Facebook and Instagram pages.

vii. All entries shall be judged by the THREE finalists of the professionals’ photo contest in Monaco on 22-23 November 2019.

viii. The winner of the World Athletics Photo Award for Amateurs shall be announced on 2 December 2019 via the World Athletics official channels – website and social.

ix. The prize shall consist in an invitation to one Diamond League meeting of the winner’s choice which includes economy class tickets for 2 (TWO), 2 nights’ accommodation B&B and tickets to the event.

x. Competitions are open to all persons, except employees, workers, directors, board members of World Athletics, Member Federations and Area Associations, sponsors and marketing agency and their immediate families and anyone else connected with the creation and administration of the competition.
General Conditions

1. By entering the competition, the entrant agrees to be bound by the rules and by any other requirements set out in the promotional material.
2. All entrants to a competition must comply with any age and/or other eligibility requirements set out in the Rules. Proof of age may be required before a prize-winner can claim a prize. The eligibility of any entrant is at the sole discretion of the WORLD ATHLETICS’.
3. Only one entry per person is permitted and spammers will be disqualified.
4. All entries must be made in accordance with the rules and must be received by the WORLD ATHLETICS’ by the closing date. Entries made otherwise shall be invalid.
5. The WORLD ATHLETICS’ reserves the right at its sole discretion to (without prior notice):
   a. cancel the competition; and/or
   b. to substitute the prize for another prize of equal value.
6. The Panel’s decision is final and the WORLD ATHLETICS’ shall not enter into any correspondence about that decision.
7. The WORLD ATHLETICS’ will not accept responsibility for loss through technical fault, incomplete, illegible or other damaged entries.
8. The WORLD ATHLETICS’ will not be liable if a prize cannot be provided to a prize-winner for any reason outside its control.
9. It is the entrants’ responsibility to ensure that, when entering competitions which, if won, could result in time off work, their employer is in agreement to time off. When dates are specified they cannot be altered.
10. Prizes are non-transferable, non-negotiable and no cash alternatives will be offered.
11. Depending on the nature of the prize, its use or enjoyment may be subject to further conditions or restrictions.
12. By entering the promotion, the winner(s) consent(s) to any publicity generated as a result of the promotion and use by the WORLD ATHLETICS’.
13. Where relevant, all taxes, insurances, transfers, spending money and other expenses (including meals or personal expenses upgrades etc.) are, unless otherwise specifically stated, the sole responsibility of the prize-winner.