

PROGRESSION FROM ZONE TO REGION AND REGION TO STATE

Region	What zones are in this region?	What places automatically progress to region from zone? Please note that any places not filled by automatic progression will not be filled by additional next best performances	What is maximum number of next best qualifiers that will progress to region from across all zone results in the region?	What places automatically progress to state from region? Please note that any places not filled by automatic progression will not be filled by additional next best performances	What is maximum number of next best qualifiers that will progress to state from across all region results?	What number of relays progress from zone to region?	What number of relays progress from region to state? (NB: There is a discussion item relating to this)
1	New England, Northern Rivers and Mid North Coast	First 4 Places	4	First 2 Places	8	First 2 Places	First Place
2	Central Coast, Lake Macquarie, Hunter, and Port Hunter	First 3 Places	4	First 2 Places	8	First 2 Places	First Place
3	Western Plains, Central Tablelands and Western Ranges	First 4 Places	4	First 2 Places	8	First 2 Places	First Place
4	Eastern Riverina, Western Riverina, Mid South Coast and South Coast Highlands	First 3 Places	4	First 2 Places	8	First 2 Places	First Place
5	Northern Metropolitan and North East Metropolitan	First 6 Places	4	First 2 Places	8	First 3 Places	First Place
6	West Metropolitan, Outer West Metropolitan and North West Metropolitan	First 4 Places	4	First 2 Places	8	First 2 Places	First Place
7	Central West Metropolitan, South West Metropolitan and Mid West Metropolitan	First 4 Places	4	First 2 Places	8	First 2 Places	First Place
8	Inner City and Southern Metropolitan	First 6 Places	4	First 2 Places	8	First 3 Places	First Place

Region 5 and 8.

Both of these regions have 2 zones. In those Zone Championships (ie Northern Metropolitan, North East Metropolitan, Southern Metropolitan and Inner City) finals in laned track events are to be made up of 8 athletes, except in the following cases.

- If only 9 athletes arrive at the call room from entries to heats then the heats may be collapsed to a final of a maximum of 9 athletes.
- If after resolving a protest in an earlier heat an additional athlete is added to the final then this can result in 9 athletes being in the final.

Selection of next best performances

- Performances in heats cannot be considered in selection of next best performances.
- Performances from all competitors in a field event will be assessed for next best performances. This means that an athlete who does not reach the second round (or final 3 trials) may still perform a next best performance.
- Performances from all competitors in all events from 800 metres upwards will be assessed for next best performances.