

## Minimum Criteria of Membership

The process to select athletes for induction into the IAAF Hall of Fame is managed by the **IAAF Hall of Fame Selection Panel** and was approved by the IAAF Executive Board.

To keep the process as independent and as transparent as possible the IAAF Hall of Fame Selection Panel consists of well-known, highly-regarded athletics historians and statisticians. The Panel is chaired by IAAF Senior Vice President Bob Hersh (USA), who has himself been a member of the Association of Track and Field Statisticians (ATFS) for more than 35 years.

### 2012 – Inaugural year

To immediately confer the required stature upon Membership of the Hall of Fame, the IAAF established very strict requirements in the inaugural year. The Minimum Criteria for an athlete to qualify for membership were as follows:

- 1) Athletes must have won at least two Olympic or World Championships gold medals AND at set least one World record,
- 2) Athletes must have been retired for at least 10 years at the time of election to the IAAF Hall of Fame.

*In its inaugural year 24 athletes were inducted based upon the above criteria.*

### 2013 and beyond

From 2013 onwards, the very strict criteria agreed to select the inaugural list of 24 members in 2012 (at least 2 Olympic or World titles plus at least 1 World Record) was extended to allow athletes whose achievements had an extraordinary impact on our sport to be considered as well.

Each year the IAAF Hall of Fame Selection Panel will propose at least 4 new additions to the IAAF Hall of Fame some time prior to the annual World Athletics Gala.

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