

Triple Jump

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Who can do triple jump?

Only U11 - U17 athletes can do triple jump.

How do the athletes work out their run-up?

- An athlete can start from anywhere on the runway but try to make sure their run-up is not too long.
- A good guide is that the length of their run-up should be their age in strides + or 2 strides. e.g. U13 may take anywhere between 11 and 15 strides.
- If you notice that an athlete is reaching their maximum speed well before the nominated take-off area, you might suggest that they move their run-up in.

Where do the athletes jump from?

- There are 3 standard take-off areas: 5m, 7m, 9m, 11m back from the edge of the pit.
- U11 U12: take-off from a rectangle of sand or a mat (1.22m x ½m), placed at any of the four distances listed above.
- U13 U17: take-off from a board or mat (1.22m x 20cm), placed at any one of the four distances listed above.

How do they jump?

Once the athletes foot hits the take-off area, they need to hop off one leg, then step on the other foot, then jump into the pit, landing on both feet. The saying, "same, other, both" can help remember the sequence.

When is a foul recorded?

- If the athlete does not perform the hop, step, jump sequence.
- If the athlete does not finish the jump phase by landing in the pit.
- If the athlete's foot goes over the front edge of the take-off area.
- If the athlete takes off with two feet.
- If the athlete walks back through the sand towards the take-off area, after landing.
- If any sort of somersault is used.





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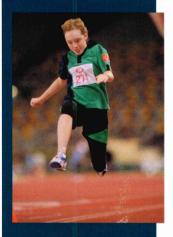
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