



AGE DIVISION UPDATES 2026 MULES TRACK & FIELD

IN YOUTH TRACK AND FIELD, AGE DIVISIONS ARE USED TO ENSURE FAIR DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE COMPETITION THAT IS CONSISTENT THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE COMPETITION SEASON. DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNING BODIES MAY HAVE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT AGE GROUPINGS, BUT GENERALLY, THEY FOLLOW SIMILAR PATTERNS. AGE DIVISIONS ARE EXPRESSED IN TWO-YEAR INCREMENTS AND ARE BASED ON YEAR OF BIRTH (AGE ON DECEMBER 31 OF THE COMPETITION YEAR). HERE IS THE BREAKDOWN FOR MADERA UNIFIED AND MADERA COUNTY EVENTS:

AGE DIVISION	BIRTH YEAR FOR THE 2026 COMPETITION YEAR	PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED AS...
9 - 10	BORN 2016 AND 2017	BANTAM
11 - 12	BORN 2014 AND 2015	MIDGET
13 - 14	BORN 2012 AND 2013	YOUTH
15 - 16	BORN 2010 AND 2011	INTERMEDIATE

EXAMPLE: IF AN ATHLETE TURNS 13 YEARS OLD ON DECEMBER 30 AND THE COMPETITION YEAR IS 2026, THEY WOULD COMPETE IN THE "13-14" AGE DIVISION FOR THE ENTIRE 2026 SEASON EVEN IF THEY WILL BE AGE 12 FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE CALENDAR YEAR.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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