

B.C. ATHLETICS

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

There is confusion regarding hand vs electronic timing in the Top Ten Book. Hand timed events show as one decimal place (e.g. 24.3 sec.) while electronic times show two decimal places (e.g. 24.33 sec.)

For the short sprints (60M hurdles, 80M hurdles, 100M, 110M hurdles, 200M, and the 200M hurdles), it is necessary to add 0.24 sec. To the hand timed event to compare it with electronic timing. For the 300M hurdles and the 400M it is necessary to add 0.14 sec. To compare times.

EXAMPLE

Event1 –100M

<u>ATHLETE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>CONVERSION</u>	<u>EQUIVALENT</u>
Ron Jones	12.7 sec	0.24 sec	12.94 sec
Barry Brown	12.9 sec	0.24 sec	13.14 sec
Jerry Smith	12.91 sec	N/A	12.91 sec
Scott Lang	13.06 sec	N.A	

Therefore, Jerry Smith has the fastest time.

Event 2 – 200 M Hurdles

<u>ATHLETE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>CONVERSION</u>	<u>EQUIVALENT</u>
Ron Jones	50.6 sec	0.14 sec	50.74 sec
Barry Brown	50.8 sec	0.14 sec	50.95 sec
Jerry Smith	50.63 sec	N/A	50.63 sec
Scott Lang	50.89 sec	N/A	50.89 sec

In this second example Jerry Smith has the fastest time.

Although it would be easy to simply add 0.24 sec. Or 0.14 sec. to all the old times (as we did prior to 1999), this changes the time recorded for the athlete and, therefore, is an unacceptable practice.