

Olympic Nomination Criteria

Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games

Taekwondo

1 Definitions and Interpretation

1.1 Definitions

Unless otherwise defined below, capitalised terms in this Nomination Criteria have the meaning given to them in the AOC Olympic Team Nomination and Selection By-Law, certain of which have been reproduced below for the sake of convenience.

AOC means the Australian Olympic Committee Inc and any of its officers, employees or agents and any committee it convenes including the AOC Selection Committee.

AOC Olympic Team Nomination and Selection By-Law means the document adopted by the Executive which governs, among other things, the nomination and selection of Athletes to a team for an Olympic Games or Olympic Winter Games.

AOC Selection Committee means the committee established by the AOC to send athletes and appoint officials to the Australian Olympic team for the Games.

AOC Selection Criteria means the criteria adopted by the AOC in respect of the Games which outlines the requirements for an athlete to be selected by the AOC to participate in the Games.

Athlete means a person who:

- (a) participates in the Sport; and
- (b) is recognised by the National Federation or the AOC as eligible for nomination to the AOC for selection to the Team pursuant to this Nomination Criteria.

Executive means the Executive of the AOC.

Extenuating Circumstances means:

- (c) injury or illness;
- (d) equipment failure;
- (e) travel delays;
- (f) bereavement or disability arising from death or serious illness of an immediate family member, which means a spouse, de facto partner, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild or sibling; or
- (g) any other factors considered by the National Federation to constitute extenuating circumstances.

Games means Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

International Federation means World Taekwondo (WT).

National Federation means Australian Taekwondo (AT).

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Nomination Date means 14 April 2021.

Qualification Period means 8 November 2018 to 31 March 2021

Qualification System means the eligibility, participation and qualification criteria for the Sport in respect of the Games issued by the International Federation.

Sport means Taekwondo.

Sport Entries Deadline means the date on which entries to a Games must be submitted by the AOC.

TSP means the Taekwondo Selection Panel as defined in clause 6.7.

Team means the team of athletes and officials selected by the AOC to participate in the Sport at the Games.

WT Olympic Ranking refers to the rankings of Taekwondo athletes in Olympic weight categories, and is restricted to one athlete per nation in each category.

1.2 Interpretation

- (a) Unless the context otherwise requires, reference to:
 - (i) a clause is to a clause of this Nomination Criteria;
 - (ii) the singular includes the plural and the converse also applies;
 - (iii) persons include incorporated and unincorporated bodies, partnerships, joint ventures and associations and vice versa and their legal personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns and substitutes; and
 - (iv) a party includes the party's executors, administrators, successors and permitted assigns and substitutes.
- (b) If a person to whom this Nomination Criteria applies consists of more than one person, then this Nomination Criteria binds them jointly and severally.
- (c) A reference to time, day or date is to time, day or date of Sydney, Australia.
- (d) Headings are for convenience only and do not form part of this Nomination Criteria or affect its interpretation.

2 General

- 2.1 This Nomination Criteria is issued by the board of the National Federation. The National Federation must provide, or otherwise make available, this Nomination Criteria to all Athletes.
- 2.2 The National Federation may only nominate Athletes to the AOC in accordance with this Nomination Criteria.
- 2.3 This Nomination Criteria will take effect on and from {date AOC approval} and will cease to have effect on the Nomination Date, or such later date as is determined by the AOC in accordance with clause 8.2.
- 2.4 This Nomination Criteria applies to:
 - (a) all Athletes;
 - (b) the National Federation; and
 - (c) the AOC.

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- 2.5 The terms of the AOC Olympic Team Nomination and Selection By-Law are incorporated by reference into this Nomination Criteria. The National Federation must provide, or otherwise make available, the AOC Olympic Team Nomination and Selection By-Law to all Athletes.

3 Long List

- 3.1 For the purpose only of identifying prospective members of the Team, the National Federation or AOC may maintain a Long List of Athletes.
- 3.2 For the avoidance of doubt, membership of the National Federation's or the AOC's Long List does not increase decrease or otherwise affect an Athlete's prospects of being nominated by the National Federation, or being selected by the AOC, to the Team.

4 Athlete Quota Positions

- 4.1 The National Federation may only nominate Athletes to the AOC for selection to the Team where, pursuant to the Qualification System, the International Federation has awarded the AOC or the National Federation athlete quota positions.
- 4.2 A National Federation may not nominate more Athletes than are permitted to be nominated by the AOC under the Qualification System.

5 Eligibility Criteria

The National Federation will not nominate an Athlete unless, as at the Nomination Date, the National Federation is satisfied on reasonable grounds that the Athlete:

- (a) is an Australian citizen;
- (b) is a member of the National Federation;
- (c) satisfies the Qualification System;
- (d) is likely to satisfy the AOC Selection Criteria;
- (e) has not breached the AOC Anti-Doping By-Law, unless the Athlete has been sanctioned for the breach and has completed the sanction imposed; and
- (f) does not, and is not likely to in the foreseeable future, suffer from any physical or mental impairment that would prevent the Athlete from competing at the Games to the highest possible standard for that Athlete.

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Automatic Qualification

- 6.1 Where an Athlete qualifies a quota place for Australia through the WT Olympic Ranking or WT Grand Slam Champions Series, in accordance with the Qualification System, the National Federation will nominate that Division for selection to the Games (**Automatic Qualification**).

Continental Qualification

- 6.2 The number of Athletes and the weight categories that the National Federation will send to the Continental Qualification Tournament will depend on the number of quota places received through Automatic Qualification (6.1).
- 6.3 In the event that Australia qualifies fewer than two Athletes per gender through Automatic Qualification, the National Federation will use the system outlined in clauses 6.4 to 6.6 to determine who will be nominated to the AOC for selection to the Games.

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- 6.4 **Weight categories:** In determining which weight categories will be represented at the Continental Qualification Tournament, the National Federation will use the following method:
- if any Athlete is ranked [6–12] on the WT Olympic Ranking from events up to 31 December 2019 (January 2020 WT Olympic Ranking), their weight category will be represented at the Continental Qualification Tournament;
 - if there are more weight categories with Athletes ranked [6–12] on the WT Olympic Ranking from events up to 31 December 2019 (January 2020 WT Olympic Ranking), than places available at the Continental Qualification Tournament, the TSP will rely on clause 6.8 to determine which weight category/ies will be represented;
 - If there are fewer weight categories with athletes ranked (6-12) on the WT Olympic Ranking from events up to 31 December 2019 (January 2020 WT Olympic Ranking), than places available at the Continental Qualification Tournament, the TSP will rely on clause 6.8 to determine which weight category/ies will be represented.

- 6.5 **Athletes within weight categories:** Within each of the weight categories that are chosen to be represented at the Continental Qualification Tournament, the National Federation will use the following method to determine which Athlete will represent that weight category at the Continental Qualification Tournament:

- if any Athlete is ranked [6–12] on the WT Olympic Ranking from events up to 31 December 2019 (January 2020 WT Olympic Ranking), they will represent that weight category at the Continental Qualification Tournament;
- if there is more than one Athlete ranked [6–12] on the WT Olympic Ranking from events up to 31 December 2019 (January 2020 WT Olympic Ranking), the athlete with the most WT Olympic ranking points collected between 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019 will represent that weight category at the Continental Qualification Tournament;
- if no Athlete is ranked [6–12] on the WT Olympic Ranking from events up to 31 December 2019 (January 2020 WT Olympic Ranking), the TSP will rely on clause 6.8 to determine who will represent that weight category at the Continental Qualification Tournament.

- 6.6 **Athletes nominated for the Games:** The results of the Continental Qualification Tournament will determine how many quota places Australia receives. The TSP will use the following method, in descending preferential order, to determine which Athletes will be nominated to the AOC for selection to the Games:

Quotas achieved through Automatic Qualification

- If an athlete is ranked 1-5 on the WT Olympic Ranking from events up to 31 December 2019 (January 2020 WT Olympic Ranking), or have won the Grand Slam Champions Series, and there is no other athlete ranked 6-12 on the WT Olympic Ranking as at January 2020, they will be nominated to the AOC for selection;
- If an athlete is ranked 1-5 on the WT Olympic Ranking from events up to 31 December 2019 (January 2020 WT Olympic Ranking), or have won the Grand Slam Champions Series, and there is another athlete ranked 6-12 on the WT Olympic Ranking as at January 2020, the TSP will rely on clause 6.8 to determine who is nominated to the AOC for selection.

Quotas achieved through Continental Qualification

- in determining which Athlete or Athletes will be nominated to the AOC for selection, should an Athlete be ranked [6–12] on the WT Olympic Ranking from events up to 31 December 2019 (January 2020 WT Olympic Ranking), they will be nominated to the

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AOC for selection, unless there is another Athlete ranked [6–16], in which case the TSP will rely on clause 6.8;

- (d) in determining which Athlete or Athletes will be nominated to the AOC for selection, should no athlete be ranked [6–12] on the WT Olympic Ranking from events up to 31 December 2019 (January 2020 WT Olympic Ranking), the TSP will rely on clause 6.8.

6.7 **Taekwondo Selection Panel (TSP):** The TSP will be comprised of:

- (a) the AT Coaching Director;
- (b) the Australian Institute of Sport Combat Sports Manager;
- (c) a legal representative;
- (d) Taekwondo coach with no connection to athletes in contention for nomination.

6.8 **Factors to consider:** the TSP may have regard to any, all or none of the following factors, in its absolute discretion, which may or may not be exercised:

- (a) the Athlete's performance during the Qualification Period, in particular during the period from 1 May 2019 to 31 March 2020, and including international events between January to March 2021 (exact dates and locations to be defined by AT as soon as the WT's 2021 international calendars are confirmed);
- (b) the Athlete's past performances at domestic and international competitions;
- (c) the Athlete's physical form and fitness;
- (d) the Athlete's age and future potential;
- (e) the Athlete's world ranking;
- (f) the benefit or detriment of the Athlete's membership in the team with respect to team dynamics and performance; or
- (g) any other factors the TSP considers relevant.

7 Extenuating circumstances

7.1 In determining whether an Athlete has satisfied the criteria set out in clause 6, the National Federation may, in its absolute discretion, have regard to Extenuating Circumstances.

7.2 In the event that an Athlete determines that he or she is unable to attend a competition, camp, training session or other event which is referred to in this Nomination Criteria, that Athlete must notify the National Federation of his or her non-attendance in writing as soon as practicable.

7.3 The National Federation may require an Athlete to undergo a medical examination as a condition of considering extenuating circumstances for an Athlete's non-attendance at a competition, camp, training session or other event which is referred to in this Nomination Criteria.

8 Submission of Nominations

8.1 The National Federation must notify Athletes of the Nomination Date in writing.

8.2 The AOC may, in its absolute discretion extend the Nomination Date for the National Federation for any reason.

8.3 The National Federation must nominate Athletes to the AOC by the Nomination Date. The National Federation must inform Athletes of their nomination or non-nomination by no later than:

- (a) 48 hours prior to the Nomination Date, where such written notice would be received by the Athlete 14 days prior to the Sport Entries Deadline; or

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(b) 24 hours prior to the Nomination Date, where such written notice would be received by the Athlete within 14 days of the Sport Entries Deadline the Nomination Date, or such later date as the AOC advises the National Federation.

8.4 Nominations submitted to the AOC must be in the form prescribed by the AOC or in a form that is otherwise acceptable to the AOC and include any such information that is required pursuant to the AOC Olympic Team Nomination and Selection By-Law.

8.5 The AOC may, in its absolute discretion, accept a nomination submitted after the Nomination Date where it is submitted by the National Federation as a result of an appeal brought in accordance with the AOC Olympic Team Nomination and Selection By-Law.

9 Amendments

This Nomination Criteria may only be amended with the written consent of the AOC Selection Committee.

10 Governing Law

This Nomination Criteria is governed by the laws of the State of New South Wales.

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