

Senior National Men & Women's Program Selection Criteria for Nomination to the 2018 Commonwealth Games

This document will outline the process and time frames that will be applied for the final nomination and selection of 2018 Commonwealth Games team.

Objective

To identify and nominate a team of athletes who have the potential to achieve a podium outcome.

Mandatory requirements

Nominated athletes for selection by Basketball Australia to Commonwealth Games Australia must meet the mandatory inclusions:

- i. Be Australian citizens;
- ii. Be registered members of their Sport or eligible to represent their sport;
- iii. Have not breached CGA Anti-Doping By-Law, unless the athlete has already been sanctioned by the breach and completed the sanction imposed;
- iv. Have not by their actions or omissions brought themselves or the sport of basketball into disrepute; and
- v. Sign the 2018 Team Agreement

Criteria for selection of 2018 Commonwealth Games team

The Head Coach and coaching staff will have the responsibility to select a squad of athletes based upon the assessment of current performances in the lead up to the Games and experience. Positional balance will always factor into the selection process and a team that can achieve a podium outcome is the objective.

The Squad is to be made up of eighteen (18) athletes. The Head Coach can exercise discretion in the makeup of the squad which will remain fluid until the team of twelve (12) athletes is formally nominated to CGA on 20th February 2018.

For the purposes of selection to nominate athletes to the Australian 2018 Commonwealth Games Team, athletes will only be considered who to the satisfaction of Basketball Australia have met the criteria.

The Selection Panel may consider any Factor or combination of Factors that is in the opinion of the Selection Panel, relevant for consideration when nominating athletes to CGA and may attribute whatever weight it deems appropriate to any Factor when making its decision. The list of factors below may be taken into consideration by the Selection Panel:

- i. Compliance and commitment to the athlete's Individual Performance and Servicing Plan including recording of data (Athlete Management System) and appropriate communication as determined by Head Coach and Medical Team;
- ii. Performances in playing for the national team during the period 1 July 2016 to 28 February 2018;
- iii. Performances in training with the national squads during the period 1 July 2016 to 28 February 2018; and
- iv. Performances in NBL, WNBL, WNBA (USA) NBA (USA) and Elite European Leagues or other major leagues overseas during the period 1 July 2016 to 28 February 2018.

Basketball Australia Selection Panel has sole and absolute discretion, in their decision to nominate the team taking into consideration:

- i. The positional balance of the team (for example, a team consisting of solely guards would lack balance);
- ii. The possession by an athlete of outstanding statistics in club competition, however this alone is not a determinative factor;
- iii. demonstrated ability to work with other Athletes nominated for the team;
- iv. demonstrated ability and willingness to play within the 'Style of Play';
- v. fitness, health and wellbeing including the state of injury/illness;
- vi. specific positional skills as well as versatility to play alternative positions; and
- vii. demonstrated attitude and commitment to Basketball Australia and previous Basketball Australia teams/squads;

Extenuating Circumstances

In considering the performances of Athletes at events, training camps or other attendances required Basketball Australia's Selection Panel may in their discretion give weight to extenuating circumstances.

For the purposes of this, "extenuating circumstances" means an inability to compete and/or attend events, trials, training camps or other attendances arising from:

- i. injury or illness;
- ii. travel delays;
- iii. bereavement or disability arising from death or serious illness of an immediate family member; or
- iv. any other factors reasonably considered by Basketball Australia to constitute extenuating circumstances.

A decision in each case of Extenuating Circumstances will be made by Basketball Australia's Selection Panel on an individual basis.

Amendments to Nomination Criteria

BA with the approval of CGA may amend this Nomination Criteria. Amended criteria will be posted on the BA website.

Appeals

The Appeals process applicable to the nomination of the team is available from Basketball Australia's General Manager, High Performance.