

Selection Criteria for the 2022 Commonwealth Games

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. The nomination of Boxing Athletes to represent Australia at the 2022 Birmingham Commonwealth Games (**B2022**) will be made according to the criteria outlined in this document.

1.2. These B2022 selection criteria are underpinned by the following principle:

Commonwealth Games Australia (**CGA**) has set a target of winning the most gold medals and most medals overall out of all participating nations at the B2022. Boxing Australia (**BA**) is expected to nominate a team to best contribute to the overall target of CGA.

2. CGA QUOTA ALLOCATIONS

2.1. Weight Divisions at B2022 will be as per the following, as defined by the Commonwealth Games Federation (**CGF**):

Male	Over 48-51kg	Female	Over 45-48kg
	Over 51-54kg		Over 48-50kg
	Over 54-57kg		Over 54-57kg
	Over 60-63.5kg		Over 57-60kg
	Over 63.5-67kg		Over 66-70kg
	Over 67-71kg		Over 70-75kg
	Over 71kg-75kg		
	Over 75-80kg		
	Over 86-92kg		
	Over 92kg		

2.2. The CGF has reduced the overall athlete quotas (quotas) available to CGA for B2022 in the Open Athlete Allocation Sports. CGA has a quota distribution system to determine how many quotas each sport receives – through this quota distribution system, BA has been allocated eleven (11) quotas for B2022.

2.3. The maximum number of athletes per nation is one per weight category and the total number of athletes nominated cannot exceed the quota allocated to BA by CGA.

2.4. BA, in consultation with the Combat Institute of Australia (CombatAUS), formed a working group to define the weight divisions to be contested at the B2022 Selection Event. The divisions determined to maximise medal outcomes at B2022 as referenced in clause 1.2 are:

Male	Over 48-51Kg	Female	Over 48-50Kg
	Over 54-57Kg		Over 54-57Kg
	Over 60-63.5Kg		Over 66-70Kg
	Over 67-71Kg		Over 70-75Kg
	Over 71-75Kg		
	Over 75-80Kg		
	Over 86-92Kg		

3. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1. To be eligible for consideration for nomination for B2022, an Athlete must satisfy the following requirements:
- 3.1.1. is an Australian citizen;
 - 3.1.2. was born between 1 January 1982 and 31 December 2003;
 - 3.1.3. has agreed to the 'Athletes for Australian Nomination Declaration' provided by the Board of BA;
 - 3.1.4. has not breached the CGA Anti-Doping By-Law, unless the Athlete has been sanctioned for the breach and has completed the sanction imposed; and
 - 3.1.5. 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 B2022 to the highest possible standard for that Athlete.
 - 3.1.6. must have entered the B2022 Selection Event. For the avoidance of doubt, an Athlete is considered to have entered the B2022 Selection Event if:
 - 3.1.6.1. that Athlete was entered by his or her Member Association or by BA into the Selection Event;
 - 3.1.6.2. his or her entry was accepted by BA;
 - 3.1.6.3. he or she weighed-in to a weight category of the B2022 Selection Event and made weight for that weight category.
- 3.2. However, the Athlete need not have competed in the B2022 Selection Event.
- 3.3. BA may waive the obligation for a boxer to weigh-in, in its sole and absolute discretion.

4. NOMINATION PROCEDURE

- 4.1. The National Selection Panel (**NSP**), formed in consultation between BA and CombatAUS, will nominate to CGA up to one (1) Athlete for B2022 in each Weight Category to be contested (clause 2.4) at the B2022 Selection Event.
- 4.2. In making its determination under clause 4.1, the NSP will apply the underpinning principle as outlined at clause 1.2 and may consider factors including, but not limited to, an Athlete's:
- 4.2.1. Performances at the B2022 Selection Event.

Performances at the B2022 Selection Event will be the primary consideration for the NSP in determining the athletes nominated for B2022.

However, the following factors may additionally be considered by the NSP in determining its nominations for B2022 should clause 4.2.1 be insufficient to appropriately determine the primary athlete best suited to meet the underlying principle as outlined at clause 1.2. These factors are:

- 4.2.1.1. recent international competition performance (if applicable) with a particular emphasis on the quality of opposition and placing achieved;

- 4.2.1.2. capabilities assessed against attributes that make up a boxing performance (i.e., physical, tactical, technical, psychological, psycho-social);
 - 4.2.1.3. ongoing commitment and application, including communication with national coaches, adherence to individual training plans, motivation to succeed and use of all available resources within a daily training environment to maximise performance;
 - 4.2.1.4. performance trend over recent times;
 - 4.2.1.5. willingness to commit to the level of training necessary to achieve the desired performance; and
 - 4.2.1.6. an athlete's health and fitness with relevance to the Selection Event or otherwise
- 4.3.** If, in the NSP's sole and absolute discretion, there is no Athlete that meets an appropriate performance standard in the relevant Weight Category, then no Athlete may be nominated to compete at B2022 in that Weight Category.
- 4.4.** An Athlete who is selected by CGA to compete at B2022 must maintain their weight for the relevant Weight Category in which he or she has been selected to compete at B2022. If an Athlete's weight is more than 5% above or below the maximum weight for his or her Weight Category two days prior to departure to the B2022, BA may recommend to CGA the athlete's withdrawal from B2022.

5. INJURY/ILLNESS OF TEAM MEMBER

- 5.1.** Athletes are required to report all performance limiting injuries, illnesses, conditions or medical operations that occur prior to or after their selection for B2022. Reporting includes providing medical evidence to the CombatAUS High Performance Director and B2022 Head Coach confirming the assessment, treatment and rehabilitation plan.
- 5.2.** An injured selected Athlete who is unable to undergo full training during the two-week period prior to departure for B2022, may be withdrawn from the Team as determined by the B2022 Head Coach in consultation with the NSP and agreement from CGA.

6. ATHLETE REPLACEMENT AND ADDITIONAL QUOTAS

- 6.1.** Should an athlete be withdrawn through means as identified in clause 4.4, 5.2 or otherwise, the NSP will apply factors 4.2 through 4.3 to determine any replacement athlete to be nominated for B2022.
- 6.2.** At the absolute discretion of the NSP, an athlete replacement may include the nomination of an athlete to an alternative division to those contested at the Selection Event should the NSP determine such a decision best aligns with clause 1.2.
- 6.3** Should CGA provide BA an additional quota or quotas in advance of the Selection Event, the NSP will determine any additional Weight Division or Divisions to be contested at the Selection Event as with that Division(s) to be contested if considered practicable by the BA Board in its sole and absolute discretion.
- 6.4** Should CGA provide BA additional quota or quotas beyond the eleven contested at the Selection Event, the NSP will use its absolute discretion to determine any additional athlete and in any Weight Division to be nominated for B2022 beyond those previously nominated through these Criteria, under the principle set out in clause 1.2

7 APPEALS

If an Athlete wishes to appeal their non-selection for B2022 under this policy, they may seek a review of the selection decision in accordance with the CGA Nomination and Selection Appeals By-Law.

8 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Any incidences which breach the current BA or CombatAUS Team Agreements or Code of Conduct involving selected Athletes will be investigated and where relevant, penalties may be applied, which could include the required return of funded monies and/or a recommendation to be removed from the B2022 team.

9 KEY DATES

Dates	Activity
November 2021	Working group to confirm the ten divisions to be contested at the B2022 Selection Event
March 2022	B2022 Selection Event
March 2022	NSP confirms nominations for B2022
18 th May 2022	Closing date for Athlete Acceptance and Nomination to CGA
May – July 2022	Commonwealth Games Preparation Camps/Competitions
28 July – 8 August 2022	Commonwealth Games (Boxing competition is 29 July – 7 August 2022)