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**AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH
GAMES TEAM**

(BIRMINGHAM 2022)

NOMINATION CRITERIA

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1. Definitions and Interpretation

a. Definitions

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

CGA means the Commonwealth Games Australia Inc and any of its officers, employees or agents and any committee it convenes including the CGA Selection Committee.

CGA Commonwealth Games 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 a Commonwealth Games.

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

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

Athlete means a person who:

- i. participates in the Sport; and
- ii. is recognised by the National Federation or the CGA as eligible for nomination to the CGA for selection to the Team pursuant to this Nomination Criteria.

Executive means the Executive of the CGA.

Games means 2022 Birmingham Commonwealth Games.

International Federation means Fédération Internationale de Hockey (FIH).

National Federation means Hockey Australia.

Nomination Date means for the Hockeyroos (Women's Team): Monday 23 May 2022 and for the Kookaburras (Men's Team): Monday 13 June 2022.

Reserve Athlete has the meaning given in the Qualification System.

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

Sport means Hockey.

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

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

b. Interpretation

- i. Unless the context otherwise requires, reference to:
 - a clause is to a clause of this Nomination Criteria;
 - the singular includes the plural and the converse also applies;
 - 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

- a party includes the party's executors, administrators, successors and permitted assigns and substitutes.
- ii. If a person to whom this Nomination Criteria applies consists of more than one person, then this Nomination Criteria binds them jointly and severally.
- iii. A reference to time, day or date is to time, day or date of Sydney, Australia.
- iv. Headings are for convenience only and do not form part of this Nomination Criteria or affect its interpretation.

2. General

- a. 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.
- b. The National Federation may only nominate Athletes to the CGA in accordance with this Nomination Criteria.
- c. This Nomination Criteria will take effect on and from the date of approval by the CGA and will cease to have effect at the conclusion of the Games.
- d. This Nomination Criteria applies to:
 - i. all Athletes;
 - ii. the National Federation; and
 - iii. the CGA.
- e. The terms of the CGA Commonwealth Games Team Nomination and Selection By-Law are incorporated by reference into this Nomination Criteria. The National Federation must provide, or otherwise make available, the CGA Team Nomination and Selection By-Law to all Athletes.

3. Long List

- a. For the purpose only of identifying prospective members of the Team, the National Federation or CGA may maintain a Long List of Athletes.
- b. For the avoidance of doubt, membership of the National Federation's or the CGA'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 CGA, to the Team.

4. Athlete Quota Positions

- a. The National Federation may only nominate Athletes to the CGA for selection to the Team where, pursuant to the Qualification System, the International Federation has awarded the CGA or the National Federation athlete quota positions.
- b. A National Federation may not nominate more Athletes than are permitted to be nominated by the CGA under the Qualification System.
- c. The National Federation will nominate the maximum number of Athletes that are permissible 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:

- i. is an Australian citizen;
- ii. is a member of the National Federation;
- iii. satisfies the Qualification System;
- iv. is likely to satisfy the CGA Selection Criteria;
- v. has not breached the CGA Anti-Doping By-Law, unless the Athlete has been sanctioned for the breach and has completed the sanction imposed;
- vi. 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; and
- vii. has pre-signed the 2022 CGA Team Membership Agreement

6. Selection Criteria

The Selection Criteria is available within the Hockey Australia Selection and Appeals Policy accessible on the Hockey Australia website.

7. Nomination Criteria

The National Federation will nominate athletes who, to the satisfaction of the HA National Selection panel, will achieve success at Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games.

- a. The National Federation will only nominate Nationally Identified Athletes (NIAs), which means Athletes who are members of the:
 - i. 2021 or 2022 Hockey Australia Australian National Squad;
 - ii. 2021 or 2022 Hockey Australia National Development Squad; or
 - iii. 2021 or 2022 Hockey Australia National Junior Squad.
- b. The National Federation will nominate 18 female and 18 male NIAs to the CGA for selection. An additional two (2) male and two (2) female NIAs will be nominated to the CGA as Reserve Athletes. Under the FIH Qualification System, these Athletes are non-competing Athletes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Athletes nominated as Reserve Athletes in accordance with clause 6 will not be part of the Team unless and until they are selected to replace a previously selected Athlete.
- c. The National Federation has the sole and absolute discretion to determine which 18 male and 18 female NIAs will be nominated to the CGA for selection and which additional 2 male and 2 female NIAs will be nominated as Reserve athletes.

8. Submission of Nominations

- a. The National Federation must notify Athletes of the Nomination Date in writing.
- b. The CGA may, in its absolute discretion extend the Nomination Date for the National Federation for any reason.
- c. The National Federation must nominate Athletes to the CGA by the Nomination Date. The National Federation must inform Athletes of their nomination or non-nomination by no later than:
 - i. 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;

- ii. Or 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, or such later date as the CGA advises the National Federation.

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

- e. The CGA 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 CGA Commonwealth Games Team Nomination and Selection By-Law.

9. Appeals against nomination decision

An athlete who has not been nominated by HA to the CGA, may appeal this decision. Appeals for non-nomination and selection will follow the CGA Nomination and Selection By-Law

10. Amendments

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

11. Governing Law

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