



Gymnastics Australia
Women's Artistic Gymnastics

**GYMNASTICS AUSTRALIA
NOMINATION POLICY
2018 COMMONWEALTH GAMES
WOMEN’S ARTISTIC CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Version 1 – 21 June 2017

The ‘Event’	The 2018 Commonwealth Games (‘the Event’) will be conducted at the Gold Coast, QLD, Australia from 4 th – 15 th April 2018
Performance Targets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A minimum of 5 medals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1 team medal ○ 4 individual medals
Competition Format	<p>Commonwealth Games:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FIG I rules for Competition I MAG and WAG (Team Competition) • FIG II rules for the Individual All Around Competition • FIG III rules for the Apparatus Finals
Nomination Date	GA will nominate athletes & officials to the Commonwealth Games Australia (‘CGA’) on Monday 26 th February 2017.
Nominated Selection Events	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Senior and Junior National Training Camp, AIS Canberra, 3-8 July 2017 2. Senior and Junior National Training Camp, AIS Canberra, 7-11 August 2017 3. Senior and Junior National Training Camp, Japan, 4-8 December 2017 (dates to be confirmed) 4. Senior and Junior National Training Camp, AIS Canberra, 8-13 January 2018 (dates to be confirmed) 5. Senior and Junior National Training Camp, AIS Canberra, 13-18 February 2018 (dates to be confirmed)
Eligibility	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In order to be eligible for nomination, an athlete must meet all of the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Be age eligible for the Event, minimum age of 16 years in the year of competition (born in 2002 or earlier) ii. Be an Australian Citizen iii. Hold a current Australian passport iv. Be a member of Gymnastics Australia (‘GA’) v. Must not have breached CGA Anti-Doping By-Law, unless the athlete has already been sanctioned by the breach and completed the sanction imposed vi. Must not by their actions or omissions brought themselves or Gymnastics into disrepute vii. Participate in the Nominated Selection Events viii. Be registered and active in the AMS in regard to training load ix. Sign the CGA 2018 Team Agreement 2. If an athlete has not participated in the Nominated Selection Event the athlete may still be eligible if:


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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The athlete is a Special Consideration athlete as per the Selection Policy (Part A - Article 5.7); or ii. The athlete is an Additional Athlete as per the Selection Policy (Part A - Article 6.1).
The ‘Team’	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Women’s Artistic Gymnastics (WAG) Team (‘the Team’) refers to athletes and officials (i.e. coaches and support personnel). 2. The maximum number of athletes to be selected to the Team will be five (5) athletes to travel to the Commonwealth Games. Up to three (3) additional non-travelling reserves will be named. 3. The number of athlete allocations for gymnastics is yet to be finalised and subject to confirmation from the Commonwealth Games Federation (‘CGF’) to CGA. 4. The Nomination Panel may select fewer than the maximum number advised by the CGA.
Nomination Panel	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Nomination Panel will be comprised of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. National Performance Director (NPD) or delegated GA representative – Chair ii. WAG National Coach iii. 2 x International Technical Experts appointed by GA iv. Medical Expert (i.e. National Performance Services Coordinator or delegated representative) 2. The final list of athletes, coaches and support personnel (e.g. team management and/or medical staff) to be nominated for selection will be prepared and submitted by the NPD.
Nomination Process and Criteria - Athletes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Athletes seeking selection to the 2018 Commonwealth Games team agree to be bound by the process outlined in this policy. <p>Nominated Selection Events</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Only athletes who meet the eligibility criteria listed above will be considered for nomination. 3. An athlete who meets the Eligibility criteria listed above and is a member of the Senior and Junior National Squad can attend the Nominated Selection Events. 4. An athlete who is not a member of the Senior and Junior National Squad may be invited to attend one or more of the Nominated Selection Events as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Invited due to performance(s) at the Australian Championships or Australian Classic ii. Invited via recommendation of the National Coach 5. All athletes will complete Verifications at the Nominated Selection Events. Verifications are assessed by FIG judges and will include full apparatus routines (on standard FIG equipment) as well as physical testing, as directed by the National Coach. 6. All results from Verifications will be documented and will be used by the Nomination Panel in nominating athletes to the Team. 7. The Nomination Panel will meet at the conclusion of all of the Nominated Selection Events. 8. The Nomination Panel will meet to select up to a maximum of five (5) athletes to be nominated to the CGA. 9. A maximum of three (3) non-travelling reserve athletes may be named in no priority order. 10. Athletes will be nominated to the Team based on their ability to achieve the targets listed in the section ‘Performance Targets’. 11. The final list of athletes to be nominated for selection to the Team will be prepared and submitted by the NPD.

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	12. Nominated athletes are not members of the 2018 Team until the CGA confirms the selection of these nominated athletes.
De-selection	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An athlete nominated to the Team can be denominated based on any of the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The athlete becomes ineligible according to the eligibility guidelines ii. The athlete fails to sign and adhere to the 2018 Athlete Agreement 2. Once selected by CGA, an athlete may be deselected by CGA on advice from GA if the athlete is ill or injured and is not deemed physically and medically fit to be selected in the Team
Nomination Process and Criteria - Officials	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Team officials will be nominated for selection to the Team for the Event based upon the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The number of available accreditations ii. Their past experience and performance in international competition iii. Their proven ability to meet or exceed National Team standards and expectations iv. Their ability to manage their own stress and support the needs of teammates in high pressure situations v. Their ability and commitment to attend all Team meetings, activities (including training camps) and events as required by GA 2. Coach and Judge Nominees must be current technical members of GA and must be and remain compliant with all GA policies including the Code of Conduct and Member Protection Policy.
Team Preparation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. It is a requirement that athletes, including reserve athletes and officials who are selected to the Team will attend a pre-Commonwealth Games Training Camp at the AIS from the 26th March to the 29th March (dates may vary) as part of the Team preparation until departure to the Gold Coast. 2. Reserve athletes will return home at the end of the pre-Commonwealth Games Training Camp.
Funding	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Athletes selected to the Team will be fully funded by GA & CGA. 2. Officials selected to the Team will be fully funded by GA & CGA.
Appeals	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Athletes seeking selection to the Team for the Event agree to be bound by the Nomination Process and Criteria outlined in this policy. 2. An athlete who is eligible for nomination pursuant to this selection policy but who has not been nominated for selection may appeal their non-nomination only in accordance with Selection Policy Part A - Article 7. 3. Officials have no right to appeal against non-nomination and/or non-selection to the Team.
Approval of Nominations and Selection to the Team	The final selection of nominated athletes and officials to the Team will be subject to approval by the GA Chief Executive Officer.
Announcement	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Athletes will be advised of their nomination/non-nomination shortly after the conclusion of the Nominated Selection Event. 2. The final nominations are subject to GA’s approval following the outcome of any appeals. 3. CGA is solely responsible for the announcement of the gymnastic team and will consult with GA to determine an agreed time and place. 4. All athletes and officials who have taken part in the nomination process agree not to announce or make comment regarding the likely or pending selection/non-selection of any team members to the media or on personal websites and social media until the Team has been publicly announced by CGA.

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Injury, Illness and Potential Replacement – Athletes and Officials	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. All selected team members and personal coaches of selected athletes (i.e. if not selected themselves) must agree to report any information relating to training fitness (athletes only), illness and/or other injuries which could affect their ability to engage in training or competition at full capacity.2. Selected athletes must declare any medications that they are taking and remain compliant with all WADA and ASADA regulations.3. GA may require team members (i.e. athletes and officials) to submit to a full medical with a doctor(s) approved by GA.4. Selected and/or reserve athletes may also be required to undertake a performance readiness test at the discretion of the WAG National Coach.5. In the event that a confirmed selected athlete is not fully fit and hence unable to compete at the standard at which they were selected in order to achieve the targets listed in the section ‘Performance Targets’, the WAG National Coach will advise the Nomination Panel and CGA. The CGA will determine if the athlete is withdrawn from the Team for the Event.6. Reserve or replacement athletes will be nominated for the selection to the Team based on their competition readiness (i.e. as determined by the WAG National Coach) and in accordance with the Nomination Process and Criteria outlined in this policy.
Nomination Criteria Amendment	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. This Policy may be amended or supplemented by GA in conjunction with CGA especially when matters arise which have not been provided for in these criteria.2. Any variation or amendment must be endorsed by CGA before finalisation.
Selection Policy Approved:	
Date:	21 June 2017