



# **2019 OCEANIA SHOOTING FEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS**

## **SELECTION CRITERIA**

***Date Effective: 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019***

## 1. BACKGROUND

- a) The Oceania Shooting Federation Championships (**OSFChamps**) are conducted according to ISSF rules.
- b) Shooting Australia (SA) is conducting the OSFChamps in 2019 and the details for this event are as follows:

Year	Discipline	Dates	Location
2019	Pistol / Rifle / Shotgun	1 <sup>st</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Sydney, AUSTRALIA

- c) SA may select athletes (see clause 5) to the team (**Team**) to participate in one or more events at the OSFChamps. Subject to clause 9, SA is under no obligation to select the maximum number of athletes for any event.
- d) This Selection Criteria (**Selection Criteria**) details the process established by SA for the selection of athletes to represent Australia at the OSFChamps.

## 2. OBJECTIVES

- a) SA's main objective when selecting the Team is to secure the maximum number of quota places for Australia to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.
- b) For the avoidance of doubt, the objective above provides context to the Selection Criteria only and in no way impacts on the selection of the Team by the SA Selection Panel or the exercise of discretion (if any) by the SA Selection Panel.

## 3. SA SELECTION PANEL

- a) The SA Selection Panel will be made up of SA's High Performance Director, the relevant SA Member Organisation's High Performance Committee Representative and one other member endorsed by the SA Board (**SA Selection Panel**).
- b) The SA Selection Panel will select the Team according to the terms of this Selection Criteria.

## 4. EVENTS

- a) The SA Selection Panel may select athletes to the Team for the following events at the OSFChamps:

### **MEN'S EVENTS**

10M AIR RIFLE
50M RIFLE 3 POSITION
10M AIR PISTOL
25M RAPID FIRE PISTOL
TRAP
SKEET

### **WOMEN'S EVENTS**

10M AIR RIFLE
50M RIFLE 3 POSITION
10M AIR PISTOL
25M PISTOL
TRAP
SKEET

- b) The SA Selection Panel, in its absolute discretion, may select athletes to compete in any Mixed Team Events from amongst the Team selected in accordance with clause 9.

## **5. TEAM SIZE**

- a) Up to three (3) athletes may be selected to the Australia A Team per event, and up to three (3) athletes may be selected to the Australia B Team per event by the SA Selection Panel. Neither this Selection Criteria, nor SA or ISSF require SA to select the maximum number of athletes to the Team. For the avoidance of doubt, subject to clause 9, nothing in this Selection Criteria operates to require the SA Selection Panel to exercise any discretion to select any athletes to the Team or fill all available positions on the Team, and the final Team members and composition of the Team are determined at the absolute discretion of the SA Selection Panel.

## **6. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

- a) To be eligible for consideration for selection to the Team an athlete must:
- (i) Be a registered financial member of a SA Member Organisation;
  - (ii) Be eligible to compete for Australia in shooting events in future Olympic, World Championship and Commonwealth Games;
  - (iii) Meet all eligibility requirements imposed by ISSF; and
  - (iv) Sign and abide by the SA Athlete Agreement as per clause 10.

## 7. SELECTION EVENTS

	<b>Pistol</b>	<b>Rifle</b>	<b>Shotgun</b>
<b>Selection Event 1</b>	Performance Series – Brisbane BISC, QLD 13-16 June	Performance Series – Adelaide Wingfield, SA 28-31 March	Performance Series – Echuca Echuca Gun Club, VIC 3-5 May
<b>Selection Event 2</b>	Performance Series – Brisbane BISC, QLD 2-4 August	Performance Series – Adelaide Wingfield, SA 8-11 August	Performance Series – Brisbane Brisbane Gun Club, QLD <b>Dates TBC</b>
<b>Selection Event 3</b>	Performance Series - Sydney SISC, NSW 19-22 Sept	Performance Series - Sydney SISC, NSW 19-22 Sept	Performance Series - Sydney SISC, NSW 20-22 Sept

## 8. QUALIFYING PROCESS FOR THE MEN'S EVENTS AND WOMEN'S EVENTS

- a) The below process details the qualifying process for the OSFChamps (the **Qualifying Process**) for the Men's Events and the Women's Events as listed in 4(a):
- (i) Athletes will have an opportunity to participate in the three Selection Events for the relevant discipline throughout the Qualifying Process in order to accumulate points;
  - (ii) At each Selection Event, athletes will be awarded points based on:
    - a. Their finishing position after the finals at that event (Finishing Points) (see clause 8(a)(iii)); and
    - b. Their qualifying score at that event (Qualifying Points) (see clause 8(a)(iv)).
  - (iii) Finishing Points will be calculated and awarded in the following manner:
    - A. In an event which allows for a maximum of 8-person finals: First place is awarded 8 points, second place is awarded 7 points, etc. regardless of the number of starters in the final.
    - B. In an event which allows for a maximum of 6-person finals: First place is awarded 6 points, second place is awarded 5 points, etc. regardless of the number of starters in the final.

- C. An athlete who does not make the final will receive no Finishing Points.
- (iv) Qualifying Points will be calculated and awarded in the following manner:
- A. The Qualifying Points that each athlete is to receive for each Selection Event is equal to their qualifying score for that event.
  - B. For example, an athlete winning the Women's Shotgun Trap event in a qualifying score of 117 will achieve 117 Qualifying Points.
- (v) The process for accumulating points is the same for all three Selection Events.
- (vi) At the end of the Selection Events, each athlete will obtain a selection score (Selection Score) which is to be determined based on the combined total of the Finishing Points and the Qualifying Points achieved throughout the two Selection Events where the athlete achieved their highest Qualifying Points scores (regardless of Finishing Points scores). Accordingly, and for the avoidance of any doubt, where an athlete:
- A. **Participates in all three Selection Events:** their lowest Qualifying Points score (and any Finishing Points obtained at the Selection Event where that Qualifying Points score was achieved) obtained across the three Selection Events is disregarded, and their Selection Score is calculated based on the combined total of the Finishing Points and Qualifying Points achieved in the other two Selection Events.
  - B. **Participates in two or less of the Selection Events:** their Selection Score is calculated based on the combined total of the Finishing Points and Qualifying Points achieved in all of the two or less Selection Events they participated in.
- (vii) The Selection Score of each athlete will then be ranked at the completion of the Selection Events (with a higher score outranking lower scores).

## 9. SELECTION PROCESS FOR MEN'S AND WOMEN'S EVENTS

- a) Subject always to clause 5(a), athletes to compete in the OSFChamps in the Men's and Women's Events listed in clause 4 will be selected according to the following process:
- (i) In relation to the Australia A Team in each event, SA may select the three athletes in order in accordance with the following process:

- A. The Athlete who finishes with the highest Selection Score in their particular event during the Selection Events will be selected first by the SA Selection Panel;
- B. The Athlete who finishes with the second highest Selection Score in their particular event during the Selection Events will be selected second by the SA Selection Panel;
- C. The Athlete who finishes with the third highest Selection Score in their particular event during the Selection Events will be selected third by the SA Selection Panel;
- D. In the case of a tie between athletes with their Selection Score in their particular event during the Selection Events, the athlete (from amongst the tied athletes) with the superior head-to-head finals results across all three (3) Selection Events will be selected.
- E. If the tie still cannot be broken after the application of clause 9(a)(i)D, the SA Selection Panel, at its sole and absolute discretion, will select the athlete (from amongst the still-tied athletes). Without in any way limiting the discretion of the SA Selection Panel, in making a determination as to which of the still-tied athletes to select under this clause, the SA Selection Panel may (but is not obliged to) consider the following factors (**Factors**):
  - I. International podium performances since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019;
  - II. International qualifying and finals performances since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019;
  - III. International head-to-head performances since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019;
  - IV. All domestic performances since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019 including qualifying and finals as well as head-to-head performances;
  - V. Commitment to training and preparation for competition;
  - VI. Form and performance trends of the athletes; or
  - VII. Any other factors the SA Selection Panel considers relevant.
- F. The discretion granted to the SA Selection Panel in clause 9(a)(i)E is absolute and it need not be exercised. In exercising its discretion, the SA Selection Panel may consider any Factor, or combination of Factors that is, in the opinion of the SA Selection Panel, relevant for consideration when selecting the Team and may attribute whatever weight it deems appropriate to any particular Factor when making its decision. For the avoidance of

doubt, the SA Selection Panel is not required to consider, turn their mind to or rely on all the Factors in the exercise of their discretion to make a Selection Decision (for example, the SA Selection Panel is therefore entitled to rely on no Factor, one Factor, two Factors, three Factors, etc. or a combination of a number of Factors in the exercise of discretion to make a selection decision).

- (ii) In relation to the Australia B Team in each event (where applicable) and subject always to clause 5(a), SA may select athlete/s in accordance with the following process:
  - a. The SA Selection Panel will select athlete/s to the Australia B Team that the SA Selection Panel determines, at its sole and absolute discretion. Without in any way limiting the discretion of the SA Selection Panel, in making a determination as to which athlete/s to select under this clause, The SA Selection Panel may consider the Factors.
  - b. The discretion granted to the SA Selection Panel in clause 9(a)(ii)E above is absolute and it need not be exercised. In exercising its discretion, the SA Selection Panel may (but is not obliged to) consider any Factor, or combination of Factors that is, in the opinion of the SA Selection Panel, relevant for consideration when selecting the Team and may attribute whatever weight it deems appropriate to any particular Factor when making its decision. For the avoidance of doubt, the SA Selection Panel is not required to consider, turn their mind to or rely on all the Factors in the exercise of their discretion to make a Selection Decision (for example, the SA Selection Panel is therefore entitled to rely on no Factor, one Factor, two Factors, three Factors, etc. or a combination of a number of Factors in the exercise of discretion to make a selection decision).

## 10. ADDITIONAL EVENTS

- a) SA may select athletes as set out in clause 5 to fill positions in additional events in clause 4. SA may select athlete/s in accordance with the following process:
  - (i) The SA Selection Panel will select athlete/s that the SA Selection Panel determines, at its sole and absolute discretion. Without in any way limiting the discretion of the SA Selection Panel, in making a determination as to which athlete/s to select under this clause, the SA Selection panel may consider the Factors.
  - (i) The discretion granted to the SA Selection Panel in clause 10(a)(i) above is absolute and it need not be exercised. In exercising its discretion, the SA Selection Panel may (but is not obliged to) consider any Factor, or combination of Factors that is, in the opinion of the SA Selection Panel, relevant for consideration when selecting the Team and may attribute whatever weight it deems appropriate to any particular

Factor when making its decision. For the avoidance of doubt, the SA Selection Panel is not required to consider, turn their mind to or rely on all the Factors in the exercise of their discretion to make a Selection Decision (for example, the SA Selection Panel is therefore entitled to rely on no Factor, one Factor, two Factors, three Factors, etc. or a combination of a number of Factors in the exercise of discretion to make a selection decision).

## 11. APPEALS PROCESS

- a) Appeals will be conducted in accordance with, and governed by, the procedures provided in the SA Appeals Process, a copy of which may be downloaded from the SA website: [www.shootingaustralia.org](http://www.shootingaustralia.org) or obtained by request from the SA office.

## 12. TEAM MEMBERSHIP

- a) Athletes selected to the Team are required to sign and abide by the SA Athlete Agreement to confirm their selection and agree to be bound by its terms and conditions and any such reasonable conditions as published from time to time.
- b) Acceptance of a position on a team for non-A4G Squad athletes must be made within seven days of notification. This position will be confirmed once SA has received a signed SA Athlete Agreement.
- c) In all cases, continuing membership of the Team is dependent on the athlete demonstrating to the SA Selection Panel and (discipline) National Coach that they are maintaining a suitable training regime and where deemed necessary, attending such camps as determined by the National Coach. Athletes agree that the SA Selection Panel may remove an athlete from the Team where that athlete has not:
  - i. met SA's requirements in relation to training and participation in training camps as required by SA; or
  - ii. completed, signed and returned to SA the Team Agreement as required by SA.
- d) Any incident or act related to doping in breach of the relevant policies or any incident that could bring the sport into disrepute will result in the immediate withdrawal of the athlete(s) from the Team. In addition, these athletes may be subject to suspension pending an investigation and the outcome of any subsequent appeal.

## 13. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

- a) SA reserves the right to add or remove athletes from Teams where a need is clearly established. Such right is discretionary and need not be exercised. The SA High



Performance Director must approve such changes. Examples of where this may be necessary are, but are not limited to:

- i. Injury/Illness;
- ii. Bereavement leave/personal matters;
- iii. Discipline – Breach of Athlete Agreement;
- iv. Team harmony and balance; or
- v. Already secured an Olympic quota and hence, unable to secure another.

#### 14. ANNOUNCEMENT

- a) The Team will be announced as soon as possible following the completion of the Selection Event # 3.
- b) The team will be announced via the SA website: [www.shootingaustralia.org](http://www.shootingaustralia.org) and via email to selected athletes.

#### 15. FUNDING AND LOGISTICS

- a) All entries, travel arrangements and payments to the relevant organising committee for the OSFChamps will be co-ordinated through SA. Subject to any funding provided by SA, athletes will be required to bear the cost of participation in the Team (**Participation Costs**), which will be advised to the athletes and are to be paid to SA in accordance with clause 15(b) and (f).
- b) The Participation Costs may include, but are not limited to:
  - (i) Entry fees;
  - (ii) Travel;
  - (iii) Accommodation;
  - (iv) Ammunition for competition and unofficial training (shotgun);
  - (v) Unofficial training costs; and
  - (vi) Meal allowance through a daily per diem at a rate stipulated by SA.
- c) SA may choose to provide funding to certain athletes in the Team to offset the Participation Costs, subject to the availability of funds and at the total discretion of the (discipline) National Coach. SA will determine the level of funding provided to each athlete on a case-by-case basis. In the cases of athletes who receive funding from SA, the funding will be provided in a reduction of their Participation Costs payable to SA.
- d) As a guide and dependent on team size, final make-up and funding, SA will endeavour to provide the following as a minimum:

- (i) Australia A – Entry Fees, Travel, Accommodation, Australian Uniform; and
  - (ii) Australia B – Entry Fees and Event Uniform.
- e) SA is under no obligation to invest in athletes equally.
- f) All payments of the Participation Costs to SA by an athlete must be paid in full to SA 7 days prior to the OSFChamps.
- g) Athletes agree and acknowledge that (where applicable) selection in the Team is subject to SA receiving payment of the Participation Costs, in accordance with clause 15(f) from the Athlete.

## **16. AMENDMENTS TO SELECTION CRITERIA**

- a) SA may amend this Selection Criteria from time to time. If amended, the amended Selection Criteria will be distributed as follows:
- (i) Posted on the SA website: [www.shootingaustralia.org](http://www.shootingaustralia.org); and
  - (ii) Distributed to members of SA's A4G Squad.
- b) Any amendments to the Selection Criteria shall take effect immediately on publication by SA.