



2021 OCEANIA SHOOTING FEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

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1. BACKGROUND

- a) The Oceania Shooting Federation (**OSF**) Championships (**OCH**) are conducted according to International Shooting Sport Federation (**ISSF**) rules.
- b) The OSF is conducting the OCH for Pistol, Rifle and Shotgun athletes in 2021. The details for the event are as follows:

Year	Date	Disciplines	Location
2021	15 th -22 nd NOV	Pistol - Rifle – Shotgun	Brisbane, AUSTRALIA

- c) Shooting Australia (**SA**) may select athletes (see clause 5) to the team (**Team**) to participate in the OCH. SA is under no obligation to select any, or the maximum number of, athletes for any event at the OCH.
- d) This Selection Criteria (**Selection Criteria**) details the process established by SA for the selection of athletes to the Team to represent Australia at the 2021 OCH.

2. OBJECTIVES

- a) SA’s objectives when considering selections to the Team are to:
 - (i) Maximise the number of medals that SA can win in benchmark events including (but not limited to) the 2024 Olympic Games and the ISSF World Championships; and/or
 - (ii) Use this and other ISSF events to provide elite and pre-elite athletes with exposure to high-quality international competition that will help to accelerate their development for 2024 and beyond.
- b) For the avoidance of doubt, the objectives in clause 2(a) simply provide context to and for these Selection Criteria and in no way impact on the selection of the Team by the SA Selection Panel (**Selection Panel**) or the exercise of discretion (if any) by the Selection Panel.

3. SA SELECTION PANEL

- a) The Selection Panel shall comprise the SA National Coach (discipline specific), the relevant SA Member Organisation’s High-Performance Committee Representative and the SA High Performance Director.
- b) The Selection Panel will select the Team subject to, and in accordance with, the terms of this Selection Criteria.

4. EVENTS

- a) The Selection Panel may select athletes to the Team for the following events at the 2021 OCH:

MEN'S EVENTS

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

WOMEN'S EVENTS

50M RIFLE 3 POSITIONS
50M RIFLE PRONE
10M AIR RIFLE
25M PISTOL
10M AIR PISTOL
TRAP
SKEET

- b) If there are any other non-Olympic events, including Mixed Gender events, on the program at the OCH, the Selection Panel may select athletes to compete in such non-Olympic event at its absolute discretion.
- c) If there are any Team or Mixed Team Events at the OCH, the Selection Panel, at its absolute discretion, may select athletes to compete in any such Team or Mixed Team event from amongst the Team selected for the OCH in accordance with clause 9.

5. TEAM SIZE

- a) SA may select and enter two (2) teams or up to six (6) athletes in each event (as set out in clause 5(b)) as part of the Team for the 2021 OCH.
- b) The Selection Panel may consider all eligible athletes for selection to Australia A. Then only those eligible athletes who were not selected in Australia A will be considered by the Selection Panel for selection in Australia B.
- c) For the avoidance of doubt:
- i. It is the Selection Panel's position that selection in Australia A is the "highest" of the two (2) teams.
 - ii. Up to three (3) athletes may be selected for each of the Men's Events and Women's Events (clause 4) as part of Australia A;
 - iii. Up to three (3) athletes may be selected for each of the Men's Events and Women's Events (clause 4) as part of Australia B; and
 - iv. Positions in Australia B will only be filled once all positions in Australia A have been filled.
- d) Neither this Selection Criteria, SA nor OSF require SA to select any, or the maximum number of, athletes to the Team for the OCH. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this

Selection Criteria operates to require the Selection Panel to exercise any discretion to select any athletes to the Team or fill all available positions on the Team. Final Team members and composition of the Team are determined at the absolute discretion of the Selection Panel.

- e) Subject to confirmation from the OSF and the OCH local organising committee, athletes selected for the Men’s Events and Women’s Events in Australia A shall be eligible to make the OCH Championship final, and athletes selected for the Men’s Events and Women’s Events in Australia B shall be eligible to make the OCH Open final.

6. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- a) In order to be eligible for consideration for selection to the Team for the OCH 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 Games, World Championships and Commonwealth Games;
 - (iii) Meet this Selection Criteria and all eligibility requirements imposed by the ISSF and OSF;
 - (iv) Have achieved an Average Performance Score (**APS**) that meets or exceeds the Minimum Performance Standard for the relevant event in accordance with clause 7; and
 - (v) Sign and abide by the SA Athlete Agreement as per clause 12.

7. MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARD

- a) To be eligible for consideration for selection to the Team athletes must have achieved an APS that meets or exceeds the Minimum Performance Standard for the relevant event as detailed in clause 7(c).
- b) The APS is determined by SA based on the average of each athlete’s top three (3) qualification scores in SA-endorsed events conducted within the Performance Window (**Performance Window**). SA-endorsed events are events that appear on the SA Calendar with the label “SA Endorsed”. The SA Calendar can be found on the SA website at <http://shootingaustralia.org/high-performance/oceania-championships>. The Performance Window for the 2021 OCH shall be from 1 March 2019 until 12 September 2021.
- c) The Minimum Performance Standard (MPS) for each event is as follows:

MEN’S EVENTS

EVENT	MPS
50M RIFLE 3 POSITIONS	1125.6
50M RIFLE PRONE	606.4
10M AIR RIFLE	601.8

WOMEN’S EVENTS

EVENT	MPS
50M RIFLE 3 POSITIONS	1121.1
50M RIFLE PRONE	603.5
10M AIR RIFLE	601.8

50M PISTOL	535
25M RAPID FIRE PISTOL	559.7
10M AIR PISTOL	556.8
TRAP MEN	108.0
SKEET	108.9

25M PISTOL	558.7
10M AIR PISTOL	553.0
TRAP	103.5
SKEET	104.4

d) Athletes who achieve the Minimum Performance Standard in one event may be cross entered into another event within the same discipline at the absolute discretion of the Selection Panel.

8. PROCESS FOR OBTAINING AN OCH SELECTION SCORE

a) The process for obtaining a Selection Score for the 2021 OCH (**Selection Score**) is as follows:

- (i) Athletes will have an opportunity to participate in up to five (5) OCH Selection Events (**Selection Events**) to accumulate points (**Event Points**) that contribute to their OCH Selection Score. Specific dates and locations of Selection Events can be found on the SA Website at <http://www.shootingaustralia.org/high-performance/oceania-championships/>;
- (ii) At each Selection Event, athletes will be awarded Event Points based on the combined total of their Qualifying Points (**Qualifying Points**) and Finishing Points (**Finishing Points**);
- (iii) Qualifying Points will be calculated and awarded in the following manner:
 - i. The Qualifying Points that each athlete is to receive for each Selection Event is equal to their qualification score at that event. For example, an athlete competing in the Trap event and who achieves a qualification score of 120 will receive 120 Qualifying Points;
- (iv) Finishing Points for Pistol and Rifle at each Selection Event will be calculated and awarded in the following manner:
 - i. In an event which allows for a maximum of 8 people in the final, the athlete that finishes in 1st place is awarded 4 points, 2nd place 3.5 points, 3rd place 3 points, etc. regardless of the number of starters in the final;
 - ii. In an event which allows for a maximum of 6 people in the final, the athlete that finishes in 1st place is awarded 3 points, 2nd place 2.5 points, 3rd place 2 points, etc. regardless of the number of starters in the final;
 - iii. An athlete who does not make the final will receive no Finishing Points.
- (v) Finishing Points for Shotgun at each Selection Event will be calculated and awarded in the following manner:
 - i. The Finishing Points awarded to each athlete are equal to their score in the final. For example, an athlete competing in the final of the Skeet event and who achieves a score of 55 in that final shall awarded 55 Finishing Points;

- ii. An athlete who does not make the final will receive no Finishing Points.
- (vi) For the avoidance of doubt, the process for accumulating Event Points is the same for all OCH Selection Events;
- (vii) At the end of the Selection Events, each athlete will obtain a Selection Score which is calculated based on the combined total of the three (3) highest Event Points achieved in all the Selection Events. Accordingly, and for the avoidance of any doubt, where an athlete:
 - i. **Participates in four (4) or more Selection Events:** their Selection Score is calculated based on the combined total of the three (3) highest Event Points achieved in all the Selection Events. All other Event Points are disregarded.
 - ii. **Participates in three (3) or less Selection Events:** their Selection Score is calculated based on the combined total of the Event Points achieved in all of the three (3) or less Selection Events they participated in; and
- b) At the end of the Selection Events, Selection Scores for all eligible athletes will then be ranked from highest to lowest.

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

- a) Subject always to clauses 5, 6 and 7, the Selection Panel will select athletes to the Team according to the following process (**Selection Process**):
 - (i) Australia A
 - a. The athletes with the two (2) highest Selection Scores in their particular event at the conclusion of the Selection Events shall be selected to the Team by the Selection Panel. If two or more athletes are tied based on their Selection Scores, the tie will be broken as outlined in clause 9(a)(iii).
 - b. In relation to the third position in each event, SA may select an athlete that the Selection Panel determines, at its sole and absolute discretion.
 - (ii) Australia B
 - a. SA may select up to 3 athletes in each event that the Selection Panel determines, at its sole and absolute discretion.
 - (iii) In the event of a tie, the Selection Panel will consider the following criteria, in the order listed, until the tie is broken:
 - i. Total Qualifying Points from all Selection Events where the athletes participated head to head;
 - ii. At the absolute discretion of the Selection Panel.
 - (iv) For the avoidance of doubt, only those athletes that remain tied after consideration of the first criterion (9(a)(iii) i.) will be considered against the second criterion (9(a)(iii) ii.) to break the tie.

- b) In the unlikely event that a minimum of three (3) OCH Selection Events cannot be completed due to extenuating circumstances (Extenuating Circumstances), athletes will be selected to the Team by the SA Selection Panel at its absolute discretion.

10. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

- a) In determining whether an athlete has satisfied the criteria set out in clauses 7, 8 or 9, the SA Selection Panel at its absolute discretion may take in to account any Extenuating Circumstances which prevent an athlete from achieving the Selection Score which would otherwise be required to obtain selection to the Team. For the avoidance of doubt, the exercise of this discretion by the Selection Panel may result in a different athlete being selected to the Team.
- b) Without limitation, the SA Selection Panel may consider an athlete's non-attendance at a Selection Event to be an Extenuating Circumstance in its absolute discretion.
- c) In the event that an athlete determines that he or she is unable to attend a Selection Event, that athlete must notify the SA High Performance Director of his or her non-attendance in writing as soon as practicable. The High Performance Director may require an athlete to undergo a medical examination as a condition of the athlete's non-attendance at a Selection Event being treated as an Extenuating Circumstance by the SA Selection Panel.

11. APPEALS PROCESS

- a) Appeals will be conducted in accordance with, and governed by, the process detailed in the SA Appeals Process, a copy of which may be downloaded from the SA website: [Shooting Australia Appeals Policy](#) or obtained by request from the SA office.

12. TEAM MEMBERSHIP

- a) Athletes selected to the Team must sign and return the SA Athlete Agreement within seven (7) days of notification. Team selection will be confirmed once SA has received a signed SA Athlete Agreement.
- b) By signing the SA Athlete Agreement, athletes agree to be bound by its terms and conditions and any other reasonable conditions as determined and published by SA from time to time.
- c) In all cases, continuing membership of the Team is dependent on the athlete demonstrating to the SA Selection Panel and relevant National Coach that they are maintaining a suitable training regime and where deemed necessary, attending such camps as determined by the SA National Coach.
- d) Athletes agree that the Selection Panel may remove an athlete from the Team where that athlete has not:

- (i) completed, signed and returned to SA the Team Agreement as required by SA;
or
 - (ii) met SA's requirements in relation to training and participation in training camps as required by SA.
- e) 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. There is no right of appeal against a withdrawal under this clause 12(e).
- f) SA reserves the right to add or remove athletes from the Team for the 2021 OCH where a need is clearly established. The SA High Performance Director must approve such changes. Examples of where this may be necessary are, but are not limited to:
 - (i) Injury or illness;
 - (ii) Bereavement leave or personal matters;
 - (iii) Disciplinary action - Breach of SA Athlete Agreement; or
 - (iv) Team harmony and balance.

13. ANNOUNCEMENT

- a) Unless otherwise determined by the Selection Panel the Team for the 2021 OCH will be announced via the SA website www.shootingaustralia.org following the conclusion of all OCH Selection Events.

14. FUNDING AND LOGISTICS

- a) All entries, travel arrangements and payments to the local organising committee for the 2021 OCH will be co-ordinated through and by SA. Subject to any funding provided by SA, athletes will be required to bear all costs of participation in the Team for the 2021 OCH (**Participation Costs**). These will be advised to athletes and must be paid to SA in accordance with clause 14(d).
- b) 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 athletes in the Team to offset Participation Costs, subject to the availability of funds and at the total discretion of the National Coach. SA will determine the level of funding provided to each athlete (if any) on a case-by-case

basis. SA funding (if any) will be provided to athletes via a reduction of their Participation Costs payable to SA. SA is under no obligation to invest in athletes equally.

- d) All payments of the Participation Costs to SA by an athlete for the 2021 OCH must be paid in full to SA at least 7 days prior to the athlete's departure for the 2021 OCH.

15. AMENDMENTS TO SELECTION CRITERIA

- a) SA may amend this Selection Criteria from time to time. If amended, the amended Selection Criteria will be distributed by:
- i. Posting it on the SA website www.shootingaustralia.org; and
 - ii. Distributing it by email to members of the SA National Squads.
- b) Any amendments to the Selection Criteria shall take effect immediately on publication.