



# 2022 Commonwealth Games Nomination Criteria for Gymnastics Australia

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## 1. Application of this Nomination Criteria

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1.1 This Nomination Criteria is issued by the Board of Gymnastics Australia (GA).

1.2 This Nomination Criteria shall take effect from the date it is released and will cease to have effect at the conclusion of the 2022 Commonwealth Games, Birmingham (B2022) B2022.

1.3 This Nomination Criteria applies to:

- (a) all Athletes wishing to be considered for nomination to the 2022 Commonwealth Games Team (Games Team) to compete in the Gymnastics Event for Men's Artistic Gymnastics (MAG), Women's Artistic Gymnastics (WAG), and Rhythmic Gymnastics (RG).
- (b) GA, including its Selection Panel/s appointed by GA to consider the nomination of athletes to Commonwealth Games Australia (CGA), for selection to the Games Team for the 2022 Commonwealth Games, Birmingham (B2022).

## 2. Performance Aim for B2022

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- 2.1 The 2022 Commonwealth Games represents the pinnacle of sporting achievement within Commonwealth nations.
- 2.2 GA will nominate athletes that will assist Australia achieve its aspiration for Australia “to be the No. 1 nation in both gold and overall medals at the 2022 Commonwealth Games”.
- 2.3 GA’s performance aims for B2022 is to achieve Top 3 ranking in gold medals and overall medal tally. To achieve this performance target GA will nominate athletes to CGA who GA considers have the greatest potential of winning medals. Listed below within each Gymsport is the priority order of events for selection. There is no prioritisation between MAG, WAG or RG.
- (a) MAG Individual Apparatus, Individual All-Around, then Team Event.
  - (b) WAG Team Event, Individual All-Around then Individual Apparatus.
  - (c) RG Team Event, Individual All-Around then Individual Apparatus.

### 3. Selection Panel(s)

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3.1 **Composition:** A Selection Panel for each of the Gymsports of MAG, RG and WAG has been appointed by GA's CEO. The Selection Panel(s) will identify the athletes for nomination to CGA, according to this nomination policy, for consideration of selection in the Games Team. The composition of each Selection Panel is:

#### Men's Artistic Gymnastics

National Performance Director (TBC)

Rohan Kennedy – appointed technical

Andrew Cordery – appointed technical

#### Women's Artistic Gymnastics

National Performance Director (TBC)

Heidi Rose – appointed technical

Kym Dowdell – appointed technical

#### Rhythmic Gymnastics

National Performance Director (TBC)

Virginia Elliott – appointed technical

Dani Le Ray – appointed technical

## 4. Nomination Procedure

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4.1 **Conditions of Nomination:** The Selection Panel(s) may only consider an Athlete for nomination if the Athlete has satisfied the following conditions of nomination:

- (a) is an Australian citizen who is eligible to represent Australia as per the FIG rules.
- (b) is a registered member of and in good standing with GA.
- (c) meets all eligibility rules, including any age requirements, imposed by FIG or the organisers of B2022 for which GA is nominating to CGA.
- (d) signed and returned a completed 2022 Athlete Team Agreement (Athlete Application) to CGA, in the form prescribed by CGA prior to the Nomination Date.
- (e) demonstrated to the satisfaction of GA that they are not suffering any physical or mental impairment that would prevent them from competing in the Games to the highest possible standard.
- (f) acted in such a manner so as not to bring the Athlete, the sport, GA or CGA into public disrepute.
- (g) has not breached CGA Anti-Doping By-Law, unless the athlete had already been sanctioned by the breach and completed the sanction imposed.
- (h) to GA's knowledge has not used or administered any substance which, if it had been detected as being present in the Athlete's body tissue or fluids, would have constituted doping, or used any prohibited method or committed any other doping offence as defined in GA's SIA's, FIG's or CGA's Anti-Doping By-law.

### 4.2 Athlete Slot Quota:

- (a) The Commonwealth Games Federation has set athlete quota restrictions for the Games.
- (b) CGA has allocated to GA, 13 Athlete Slot Quotas – five (5) MAG, five (5) WAG and three (3) RG.
- (c) Gymnastics Australia may only nominate athletes to CGA up to the number of athlete slots allocated per Gymsport.

## 5. Nomination Criteria – Men’s Artistic Gymnastics (MAG)

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### 5.1 Nomination Criteria:

In determining whether or not, to nominate an Athlete to the Gymnastics Event, the Selection panel must be satisfied overall that the Athlete:

- i. has met the Gymsport specific performance requirements (clause 5.2)
- ii. has a track record of performance and results in additional key events (clause 5.3) that GA believes demonstrates the Athlete will be competitive at the Games and will perform creditably in the Gymnastics Event.

### 5.2 Specific Performance Requirements:

The requirements to be met by an athlete to be considered for selection are as follows:

- Senior National Camp, 18 to 23 April 2022, NTC, AIS Canberra.

Athletes **must** attend Senior National Camp for apparatus verification<sup>1</sup>

The selection panel may consider verification results as per clause 5.3 additional performance considerations.

### Nominated selection event 1

- Australian Championships 10-25 May 2022, Gold Coast Queensland.

To determine the quota allocation:

Athletes must compete in the Australian Championships

- i. Quota Spot 1 – 1st in Individual All Around (Day 1) achieving a score of 82.0 or above
  - ii. Quota Spot 2, 3, 4 and 5 (and Quota Spot 1 - if the above score is not achieved) – Athlete most likely to achieve a medal, by priority:  
In the event of the number of athletes achieving benchmark scores is greater than the number of positions available, the selection panel, in its absolute discretion, may consider athletes for nomination to CGA, who best contribute to the performance aims as set out in clause 2.3 and 2.3
    - a. Athlete likely to achieve an apparatus gold medal.
- Apparatus score achieved on day 1 or day 2, equal to or greater than the benchmarked apparatus score below.

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<sup>1</sup> Athletes residing internationally or unable to attend for valid reason may submit application for exceptional circumstance.



Top 8 scores on 2021 Code of Points - Tokyo2020 Olympic Games											
FX		PH		SR		VT		PB		HB	
D	FS	D	FS	D	FS	D	FS	D	FS	D	FS
6.2	14.766	6.3	14.766	6.2	14.800	5.5	14.466	6.5	15.333	6.2	14.400

- b. Athlete likely to achieve an apparatus medal.
- Apparatus score achieved on day 1 or day 2, equal to or greater than the benchmarked apparatus score below.

Top 16 scores (12 on VT) on 2021 Code of Points - Tokyo2020 Olympic Games											
FX		PH		SR		VT		PB		HB	
D	FS	D	FS	D	FS	D	FS	D	FS	D	FS
6.0	14.333	6.0	14.300	5.9	14.333	5.4	14.274	6.4	15.133	6.1	14.033

- c. Athletes' ability to contribute to the overall performance aims based on results at Australian Championships as a priority. Additional performance considerations in clause 5.3 will be considered.
- d. The selection panel, in its absolute discretion, may consider athletes who compete on multiple apparatus for prioritisation for quota allocation.

### 5.3 Additional performance considerations:

- (a) The selection panel, in its absolute discretion, may consider an athlete's performances and results in the additional following Key Events during the period January 2022 to June 2022:
- 2022 FIG International competitions
  - Senior National Camp, 18 to 23 April 2022, NTC, AIS Canberra.

### 5.4 Replacement Athletes

- (a) In the case of athlete withdrawal due to injury or illness a replacement athlete will be selected based on athletes' ability to contribute to the overall Performance Aims as outlined in clause 2.3.b to achieve a medal based on results at Australian Championships and additional performance considerations in clause 5.3.

- i. Athletes in consideration for replacement selection will be required to attend a performance verification<sup>2</sup> prior to confirmation of selection to show competition performance readiness.

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<sup>2</sup> In lieu of formal camp opportunity to attend performance verification video verification may be considered.

## 6. Nomination Criteria – Women’s Artistic Gymnastics (WAG)

### 6.1 Nomination Criteria:

In determining whether or not, to nominate an Athlete to the Gymnastics Event, the Selection panel(s) must be satisfied overall that the Athlete:

- i. has met the Gymsport specific performance requirements (clause 6.2)
- ii. has a track record of performance and results in additional key events (clause 6.3) that GA believes demonstrates the Athlete will be competitive at the Games and will perform creditably in the Gymnastics Event.

### 6.2 Specific Performance Requirements:

The requirements to be met by an athlete to be considered for selection are as follows:

- All selected team members will be required to attend a performance verification on 2nd July 2022, prior to international departure to show competition performance readiness.

#### Nominated selection event 1

- Australian Championships 10-25 May 2022, Gold Coast Queensland.

To determine the quota allocation:

Athletes must compete in the Australian Championships

- i. Quota Spot 1 – 1st in Individual All Around (Day 1) achieving a score of 53.3 or above
  - ii. Quota Spot 2 – 2nd In Individual All Around (Day 1) achieving a score of 53.3 or above
  - iii. Quota Spot 3, 4 and 5 (and Quota Spot 1 and/or Quota Spot 2 - if the above scores are not achieved) – Athlete most likely to achieve a medal, by priority:  
In the event of the number of athletes achieving benchmark scores is greater than the number of positions available, the selection panel, in its absolute discretion, may consider athletes for nomination to CGA, who best contribute to the performance aims as set out in clause 2.2
- a. Athlete likely to achieve an apparatus gold medal.
- Apparatus score achieved (Day 1), equal to or greater than the benchmarked<sup>3</sup> apparatus score below.

Potential to medal on an apparatus			
VT	UB	BB	FX
14.3	13.80	14.10	14.1

<sup>3</sup> Benchmark scores have been determined based on the Commonwealth Games Federations competing at the Tokyo2020 Olympic Games. These results have been revised based on the 2022-2024 WAG Code of Points.

- b. Athlete likely to achieve more than one apparatus medal.
- Apparatus score achieved on a minimum of two (2) events (Day 1), equal to or greater than the benchmarked<sup>4</sup> apparatus score below.

Potential to medal on an apparatus			
VT	UB	BB	FX
13.90	13.1	13.2	13.5

- c. Athletes' ability to contribute to the overall team score to achieve a team medal based on results at Australian Championships (Day 1) as a priority. Additional performance considerations in clause 6.3 will be considered under extenuating circumstances in clause 8.

### 6.3 Additional performance considerations:

The selection panel, in its absolute discretion, may consider an athlete's performances and results in the additional following Key Events during the period January 2022 to June 2022:

- i. 2022 FIG World Cups
- ii. 2022 FIG Jesolo Cup
- iii. 2022 Australian Championships Day 2
- iv. National Camp Feb 2022 - verification<sup>5</sup>

### 6.4 Replacement Athletes

- (a) In the case of athlete withdrawal due to injury or illness a replacement athlete will be selected based on Athletes' ability to contribute to the overall team score to achieve a team medal based on results at Australian Championships (Day 1) as a priority. Additional performance considerations in clause 6.3 will be considered under extenuating circumstances in clause 8.
  - i. Athletes in consideration for replacement selection will be required to attend a performance verification on 2nd July 2022, prior to confirmation of selection to show competition performance readiness.

<sup>4</sup> Benchmark scores have been determined based on the Commonwealth Games Federations competing at the Tokyo2020 Olympic Games. These results have been revised based on the 2022-2024 WAG Code of Points.

<sup>5</sup> Video verification\* maybe considered due to exceptional circumstance for National Camps. \*Refer video verification policy.

## 7. Nomination Criteria – Rhythmic Gymnastics Individual (RG)

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7.1 **Nomination Criteria:** In determining whether or not, to nominate an Athlete to the Gymnastics Event, the Selection panel(s) must be satisfied overall that the Athlete:

- i. has met the Gymsport specific performance requirements (clause 7.2)

7.2 Specific Performance Requirements: The requirements to be met by an athlete to be considered for selection are as follows:

### Nominated selection event 1

- Australian Championships 10-25 May 2022, Gold Coast Queensland.

To determine the quota allocation:

Athletes must compete in the Australian Championships

- i. Quota Spot 1 – 1st in Individual All Around
- ii. Quota Spot 2 – 2nd in Individual All Around
- iii. Quota Spot 3 – will be allocated by the selection panel, in its absolute discretion, to the athlete with the greatest potential to contribute to winning a medal in the team all around event based on performances at:
  - a. 2022 Australian Championships individual all around and finals
  - b. Domestic and International competitions since January 2021
  - c. Previous results at Youth Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, Junior & Senior World Championships, Olympic Games which have an equivalent field to that which is likely to occur at the Games

### 7.3 Replacement Athletes

- a. In the case of athlete withdrawal due to injury or illness a replacement athlete will be selected based on Athletes' ability to contribute to the overall team score to achieve a team medal based on clause 7.2iii.
  - i. Athletes in consideration for replacement selection will be required to undertake a performance verification, prior to confirmation of selection show competition performance readiness.

## 8. Extenuating Circumstances

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- 8.1 **Extenuating Circumstances:** In considering the nomination of Athletes in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, the Selectors may, in their sole discretion, give weight to any extenuating circumstances which may include, but are not limited to, the following:
- (a) injury or illness;
  - (b) travel delays;
  - (c) equipment failure;
  - (d) bereavement or personal misfortune; and/or
  - (e) any other factors reasonably considered by the Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances.
- 8.2 **Athlete to Advise:** Athletes unable to compete at events, trials, or other attendances required under this Nomination Criteria, must advise the Chair of the Selection Panel(s) of the extenuating circumstances and reasons, in writing, with as much advance notice as possible and ideally seven (7) days prior to the commencement of the event, trial or other attendance. If the Chair of the Selection Panel(s) is notified of any extenuating circumstances in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, then the Selection Panel(s) have no obligation to rely on such circumstances.
- 8.3 **Medical Certificate:** In the case of injury or illness, Athletes may be required by the Selection Panel(s) to provide a medical certificate and/or to undergo an examination by a health practitioner/s nominated by the Selection Panel(s), and to provide that opinion and/or report to the Selection Panel(s). Any failure to agree to such a request may result in the Selection Panel(s) being unable to consider the injury or illness as an extenuating circumstance.
- 8.4 **Case by Case:** In the case of any extenuating circumstance/s, the Selection Panel(s) will make a decision on a case-by-case basis.
- 8.5 **Nomination Procedure:** After consideration of this Nomination Criteria, the Selection panel(s) shall follow the procedure set out in clause 9 of the CGA Nomination and Selection Regulation.

## 9. Appeal Procedure

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9.1 **Nomination Appeals:** An Athlete may appeal to GA against their non-nomination to CGA by the Selection Panel(s) provided that the Athlete has returned a completed Athlete Team Agreement to the CGA by the Nomination Date.

9.2 **Procedure for Nomination Appeals:** An Athlete who wishes to appeal against any decision of the Nomination Panel to not nominate the Athlete to Commonwealth Games Australia for selection in the 2022 Australian Commonwealth Games Team may bring an appeal in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, and not otherwise.

An Athlete may appeal their non-nomination on one or more of the following grounds:

- (a) That in making the nomination decision, the Nomination Panel did not follow the procedure specified in clause 10.1.
- (b) That this Nomination Criteria was not properly applied by the Nomination Panel.
- (c) That the appellant Athlete was not afforded a reasonable opportunity by Gymnastics Australia to satisfy this Nomination Criteria.
- (d) That the Nomination Panel was affected by actual bias in making its decision in relation to the appellant Athlete.
- (e) That there was no material on which the Nomination Panel's decision could reasonably be based.

9.3 Commonwealth Games Australia has agreed in principle to adopt the jurisdiction of the National Sports Tribunal (NST) in Commonwealth Games Australia's policies and procedures for disputes and appeals arising from the nomination of athletes (including Athletes, as defined in this document) to the 2022 Australian Commonwealth Games Team.

9.4 Commonwealth Games Australia is working with the National Sports Tribunal to draft mandatory appeal provisions for the Birmingham 2022 Nominations & Appeals By-law, which will apply to all nomination appeals referred to in clause 9, and which will set out relevant process and procedures which must be followed. The National Sports Tribunal is assisting Commonwealth Games Australia in developing the Birmingham 2022 Nominations & Appeals By-law, which will be forwarded to all Birmingham 2022 sports once finalised.

## 10. Amendments to this Nomination Criteria

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- 10.1 **Prior to Nomination Date:** This Nomination Criteria may be amended or supplemented from time to time by the GA Board, before the Nomination Date, provided CGA has approved the amendment/s and supplement/s. For the purpose of version control, any amended Nomination Criteria will incorporate the version number and date of the amendment.
- 10.2 **Notice:** The GA Board will give as much notice as possible of any amendment/s or supplement/s made under clause 9.1 to this Nomination Criteria, to persons it considers may be affected by any such amendment/s or supplement/s.



## 11. Definitions

- 11.1 **Athlete** means a person who wishes to be considered for nomination to the Games Team.
- 11.2 **Athlete Agreement** means the agreement that must be completed by any Athlete wishing to be considered for nomination and selection to the Games Team in accordance with clause 8.4 of the CGA Nomination and Selection Regulation.
- 11.3 **Athlete Application** means the form set by CGA that must be completed by any Athlete applying to be nominated and selected to the Games Team.
- 11.4 **Board** means the Board of Gymnastics Australia as constituted under the Constitution.
- 11.5 **Constitution** means the Constitution of Gymnastics Australia.
- 11.6 **FIG** means the Federation Internationale Gymnastique.
- 11.7 **GA** means Gymnastics Australia, the governing body for gymnastics in Australia.
- 11.8 **Games** means the 2022 Commonwealth Games to be held in Birmingham, UK from 28 July – 8 August 2022.
- 11.9 **Games Team** means the Australian Team at the Games selected in accordance with the CGA Selection Policy for the Games.
- 11.10 **SPORT Event** means an event in the Games in which an Athlete competes in the following events:

Men's Events	Women's Events
Artistic Gymnastics	Artistic Gymnastics
	Rhythmic Gymnastics

- 11.11 **Key Events** mean international, continental, or national competition listed in clause 5.3 and 6.3 which is a major or pinnacle event for the sport or is at least the equivalent of a World Cup or World Championship and have an equivalent field to that which is likely to occur at the Games.
- 11.12 **Nominated Athlete** means an Athlete who has been nominated to CGA by Sport.
- 11.13 **Nomination Criteria** means the criteria in the Specific Performance Requirements and is also referred to as "this Criteria".
- 11.14 **Nomination Date** means on or before 30 May 2021 (and includes any alternative date as agreed between CGA and Sport), by which Sport must submit any Nominated Athletes to the CGA.
- 11.15 **NST** means National Sports Tribunal
- 11.16 **CGA** means the Commonwealth Games Australia Incorporated.
- 11.17 **Selection Panel(s)** means the selection panel(s) appointed by Gymnastics Australia in accordance with clause 3 of this Nomination Criteria.
- 11.18 **SIA** means Sport Integrity Australia.
- 11.19 **Specific Performance Requirements** means the specific performance requirements set out in clause 5.2, 6.2 and 7.2.