

GOLD COAST 2018 COMMONWEALTH GAMES
AMENDED NOMINATION CRITERIA FOR TEAM EVENTS

NETBALL NEW ZEALAND INC.

1. Application of this Nomination Criteria

- 1.1 This Nomination Criteria is issued by the Board of Netball New Zealand Incorporated (“Netball New Zealand”).
- 1.2 This Nomination Criteria shall take effect from 18th February 2016.
- 1.3 This Nomination Criteria applies to:
- (a) all Athletes wishing to be considered for nomination to the Games Team to compete in the Games in the Event; and
 - (b) Netball New Zealand including its Netball New Zealand Selectors that wish to nominate a Team to NZOC to be selected to the Games Team

2. Netball New Zealand Selectors

- 2.1 **Composition:** The Netball New Zealand Selectors shall be appointed by the Chief Executive, Netball New Zealand, in accordance with Netball New Zealand Policy.

3. Nomination Procedure

- 3.1 **Conditions of Nomination:** The Netball New Zealand Selectors may only consider an Athlete for nomination as part of the Team if the Athlete has satisfied the following conditions of nomination:
- (a) returned a completed Athlete Application to the NZOC prior to the Application Date, in the form prescribed by the NZOC; and
 - (b) returned a completed Athlete Agreement in the manner prescribed by the NZOC prior to the Nomination Date; and
 - (c) demonstrated to the satisfaction of Netball New Zealand that they are not suffering any physical or mental impairment that would prevent them from competing in the Games to the highest possible standard; and
 - (d) acted in such a manner so as not to bring the Athlete, the Team, the sport, Netball New Zealand or the NZOC into public disrepute; and
 - (e) to Netball New Zealand’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 Netball New Zealand’s, the International Federation’s (IF’s) or NZOC’s Integrity Regulation; and

(f) from **4 October 2017** has provided their name and contact address details to NZOC for the purpose of out of competition drug testing with Drug Free Sport New Zealand.

3.2 **Qualification:** New Zealand must qualify for places in an event(s) in accordance with the Gold Coast Games Manual, other CGF rules and / or IF requirements for the Games. Qualification for a place in any event(s) by an athlete (or group of athletes) does not guarantee that athlete (or group of athletes) will be nominated or selected to compete in the event(s) at the Games.

3.3 **Nomination if Nomination Criteria Met:** Provided the requirements set out in clauses 3.1 and 3.2 are met, the New Zealand Netball Selectors shall nominate those Athletes it considers meet the Nomination Criteria set out below.

4. Nomination Criteria

4.1 **Nomination Criteria:** The Netball New Zealand nomination criteria is made up of two parts:

- (a) the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria specified in clause 4.2; and
- (b) the Specific Nomination Factors specified in clause 4.3.

4.2 **Over-Riding Nomination Criteria:**

- (a) In determining whether or not to nominate a Team for the Event, the Netball New Zealand Selectors must be satisfied overall that:
 - i. the Team is capable of achieving a top 3 placing in the Games in that Event; and
 - ii. the Team has a track record of sufficient quality and depth that Netball New Zealand believes demonstrates the Team will be competitive at the Games and will perform creditably in the Event.
- (b) Evidence: In determining whether or not the Team has met the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria in clause 4.2(a) above, the Netball New Zealand Selectors shall consider the Team and each Athlete's performance and results in the following Key Events during the period 2015 to 2018:
 - i. 2016
 - International Netball Super Series (NZ, Australia, England & South Africa)
 - Taini Jamieson Series (NZ v Jamaica)
 - Constellation Cup (NZ v Australia)
 - ii. 2017
 - International Netball Super Series (NZ, Australia, England & South Africa)
 - Taini Jamieson Series (NZ vs tbc)
 - Constellation Cup (NZ v Australia)

iii. 2018

International Netball Super Series (NZ, Australia, England & South Africa)

- 4.3 **Specific Nomination Factors:** When considering the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria above, the Netball New Zealand Selectors may also take into account any one or more of the following factors about any Athlete:
- (a) any other performances or results in competitions / events in addition to the Key Events;
 - (b) adequate fitness and a commitment to maintain a fitness and training programme as agreed with the applicable coach(es);
 - (c) demonstrated good behaviour, including a commitment to training and attendance at training camps;
 - (d) demonstrated compatibility with others in a team environment;
 - (e) demonstrated compliance with the rules of events and competitions;
 - (f) understanding and respect for the obligations that accompany being a member of a New Zealand team when competing at the Games, including respect for team members and support staff;
 - (g) willingness to promote Netball New Zealand in a positive manner;
 - (h) demonstrated ability to take personal responsibility for self and their results;
 - (i) proven ability to be reliable; and
 - (j) any other factor(s) the Netball New Zealand Selectors consider relevant.
- 4.4 **Own Enquiries:** In considering any one or more of the above factors, the Netball New Zealand Selectors may make such enquiries of the Athlete, or other persons, as they see fit.
- 4.5 **Weight to be Given to Specific Nomination Factors:** The Netball New Zealand Selectors may give weight to any one or more of the Specific Nomination Factors and, if it does, to apply such weighting to one or more Athletes. No particular factor shall be weighted more or less significantly by reason only of the order in which that factor appears in this Nomination Criteria.
- 4.6 **Extenuating Circumstances:** In any decision regarding the nomination of Athletes to the Team, the Netball New Zealand Selectors may, in their sole discretion, take into account any extenuating circumstances in accordance with clause 5 below.
- 4.7 **Nomination Procedure:** After consideration of this Nomination Criteria, the Netball New Zealand Selectors shall follow the procedure set out in clause 9 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

5. Extenuating Circumstances

- 5.1 **Extenuating Circumstances:** In considering the nomination of Athletes to a Team in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, the Netball New Zealand 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 Netball New Zealand Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances.
- 5.2 **Athlete to Advise:** Athletes that are part of a Team and unable to compete at events, trials, or other attendances required under this Nomination Criteria, must advise the Chief Executive 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 Chief Executive is not notified of any extenuating circumstances in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, then the Netball New Zealand Selectors have no obligation to rely on such circumstances.
- 5.3 **Medical Certificate:** In the case of injury or illness, Athletes may be required by the Netball New Zealand Selectors to provide a medical certificate and/or to undergo an examination by a health practitioner/s nominated by the Netball New Zealand Selectors, and to provide that opinion and/or report to the Netball New Zealand Selectors. Any failure to agree to such a request may result in the Netball New Zealand Selectors being unable to consider the injury or illness as an extenuating circumstance.
- 5.4 **Case by Case:** In the case of any extenuating circumstance/s, the Netball New Zealand Selectors will make a decision on a case-by-case basis.

6. Appeal Procedure

- 6.1 **Nomination Appeals:** An Athlete may appeal to Netball New Zealand against their non-nomination to the NZOC by the Netball New Zealand provided that the Athlete has returned a completed:
- (a) Athlete Application to the NZOC by the Application Date; and
 - (b) Athlete Agreement to the NZOC by the Nomination Date.

6.2 **Procedures for Nomination Appeals:** Any appeal under paragraph 6.1 must be made in accordance with the procedures set out in clause 13 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

7. Inconsistencies

7.1 **NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation:** In the event there is any inconsistency between this Nomination Criteria and the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation, the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation shall prevail.

7.2 **Qualification Standard:** If this Nomination Criteria imposes a higher qualification standard or a lesser number of participants than stated by CGF, this shall not be regarded as an inconsistency.

8. Amendments to this Nomination Criteria

8.1 **Prior to Nomination Date:** This Nomination Criteria may be amended or supplemented from time to time by the Board, before the Nomination Date, provided NZOC has prior approved the amendment/s and supplement/s.

8.2 **Notice:** The Board will give as much notice as possible of any amendment/s or supplement/s made under clause 8.1 to this Nomination Criteria, to persons it considers may be affected by any such amendment/s or supplement/s.

9. Definitions

9.1 **Application Date** means the date agreed by Netball NZ and the NZOC, by which Athletes must submit a completed Athlete Application in accordance with clause 8.3 of the NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

9.2 **Athlete** means a person who wishes to be considered for nomination to the Team for the Games.

9.3 **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 NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation.

9.4 **Athlete Application** means the form set by the NZOC that must be completed by any Athlete applying to be nominated and selected to the Games Team.

9.5 **Board** means the Board of Netball New Zealand as constituted under the Constitution.

9.6 **CGF** means the Commonwealth Games Federation.

9.7 **Chief Executive** means the Chief Executive Officer of Netball New Zealand and includes his / her nominee.

9.8 **Constitution** means the Constitution of Netball New Zealand.

- 9.9 **Event** means the Netball Team event at the Games.
- 9.10 **Games** mean the 2018 Commonwealth Games to be held in Gold Coast, Australia from 4 April – 15 April 2018.
- 9.11 **Games Team** means the New Zealand Team at the Games selected in accordance with the NZOC Selection Policy for the Games.
- 9.12 **Key Events** means an international, continental or national competition listed in clause 4.2(b).
- 9.13 **Netball New Zealand** means Netball New Zealand Incorporated.
- 9.14 **Netball New Zealand Selectors** means the selectors appointed by Netball New Zealand in accordance with clause 2 of this Nomination Criteria.
- 9.15 **Nominated Athlete** means an Athlete who has been nominated to the NZOC as part of the Team by Netball New Zealand.
- 9.16 **Nomination Criteria** means the criteria made up of the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria and the Specific Nomination Factors, and is also referred to as “this Criteria”.
- 9.17 **Nomination Date** means on or before 2 February 2018, as agreed by the NZOC (and includes any alternative date as agreed between NZOC and Netball New Zealand by which Netball New Zealand must submit any Nominated Athletes to the NZOC.
- 9.18 **NZOC** means the New Zealand Olympic Committee Incorporated.
- 9.19 **NZOC Integrity Regulation** means the regulation adopted by the NZOC, in particular in relation to anti-doping, a copy of which is available at <http://www.olympic.org.nz/assets/Uploads/Integrity-Regulation-2015-2.pdf>.
- 9.20 **NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation** means the regulation of NZOC relation to the nomination and selection Process for all Olympic and Commonwealth games, including the Games, a copy of which is available at <http://www.olympic.org.nz/assets/Uploads/Selection-Regulation-final-Sept15-1.pdf>.
- 9.21 **Over-Riding Nomination Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 4.2.
- 9.22 **Specific Nomination Factors** means the nomination factors set out in clause 4.3.
- 9.23 **Team** means a team Athletes (including reserves and substitutes) competing together in the Event.

OTHER APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS (all located at www.olympic.org.nz)

- NZOC Nomination and Selection Regulation;
- NZOC Selection Policy;
- Athlete Application Form; and
- Athlete Agreement.