

2016 RIO OLYMPIC GAMES
NOMINATION CRITERIA FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

NEW ZEALAND JUDO FEDERATION INCORPORATED

1. Application of this Nomination Criteria

- 1.1 This Nomination Criteria is issued by the Board of **Judo New Zealand**
- 1.2 This Nomination Criteria shall take effect from March 30, 2015.
- 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 an Individual Event; and
 - (b) **Judo New Zealand**, including its **Judo New Zealand** Selectors, that wish to nominate Athletes to NZOC to be considered for selection to the Games Team for the Games.

2. Judo New Zealand Selectors

- 2.1 **Composition:** The **Judo New Zealand** Selectors from **Judo New Zealand** shall be the Judo New Zealand National Selectors Panel as set out in the Judo New Zealand By-Laws (B-701).

3. Nomination Procedure

- 3.1 **Conditions of Nomination:** The **Judo New Zealand** Selectors may only consider an Athlete for nomination if the Athlete has satisfied the following conditions of nomination:
- (a) returned a completed Athlete Application to **Judo New Zealand** 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 **Judo 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 sport, **Judo New Zealand** or the NZOC into public disrepute; and
 - (e) to **Judo 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 **Judo New Zealand's**, the International Federation's (IF's) or NZOC's Anti-Doping Bylaw; and
 - (f) from 5 February 2016 has provided their name and contact address details to the NZOC for the purpose of out of competition drug testing by DFSNZ.

- 3.2 **Qualification:** New Zealand must qualify for places in an event(s) in accordance with the International Federation's Qualification System – Games of the XXXI Olympiad – Rio 2016 ("IF Qualification System") 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 clause 3.1 and 3.2 are met, the **Judo New Zealand** Selectors shall nominate those Athletes it considers meet the Nomination Criteria set out below.

4. Nomination Criteria

- 4.1 **Nomination Criteria:** The **Judo New Zealand** Nomination Criteria for nomination to the Games Team 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 an Athlete to compete in the Judo "Event(s)", the **Judo New Zealand** Selectors must be satisfied overall that:
 - i. the Athlete is or are capable of achieving a top 16 placing at the Games in the Judo Event(s), with the potential to win an Olympic Diploma (top 8 placing); and
 - ii. the Athlete has a track record of sufficient quality and depth that the **Judo New Zealand** believes demonstrates the Athlete (will be competitive at the Games and will perform credibly in the Judo Event(s).
 - (b) Evidence: In determining whether or not the Athlete has met the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria for Judo Events in clause 4.2(a) above, the **Judo New Zealand** Selectors shall consider the Athlete's performances and results in the Judo Event(s) at which they seek to be selected for the Games in the following Key Events during the period Qualification Period:
 - (i) **Tournament result performance:** A top 16 finish at any IJF Senior World Championships, IJF World Masters or IJF Grand Slam event, provided that the Athlete under consideration has fought and won at least one fight. Wins resulting from an opponent not presenting themselves to compete shall not be considered as wins for the purpose of this Nomination Criteria.

OR

- (ii). **Tournament result performance:** A top 8 finish at any IJF Grand Prix event, provided that the Athlete under consideration has fought and won at least one fight. Wins resulting from an opponent not presenting themselves to compete shall not be considered as wins for the purpose of this Nomination Criteria.

OR

- (iii). **Head-to-head performance:** Any fight at any international competition run according to IJF rules within Qualification Period where the Athlete under consideration has defeated an opponent who has at any time within the Qualification Period been ranked on the IJF World Ranking List (WRL) in a position higher than or equal to the point at which 32 unique countries are achieved when counting down from the top ranked athlete.

Note: Clause 4.2(b)(iii) shall not include wins against athletes from countries that belong to the Oceania Judo Union (OJU). This principle exists due to the disproportionate amount of WRL points available through Oceania Continental Championships results despite the significant difference in the quality of the Oceania event compared to other Continental Championships. However, the **Judo New Zealand** selectors, at their sole selection, may consider wins against OJU athletes if, in their view, the quality of the OJU opponents is comparable to that of other non-OJU country athletes on the list. Any WRL position of a defeated opponent in a different weight category shall not be considered.

4.3 **Specific Nomination Factors:** When considering the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria above, the **Judo New Zealand** Selectors may also take into account any one or more of the following factors about an 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 **Judo 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 **Judo New Zealand** Selectors consider relevant.

- 4.4 **Own Enquiries:** In considering any one or more of the above factors, the **Judo 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 **Judo 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 **Judo 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 **Judo New Zealand** Selectors shall follow the procedure set out in clause 7 of the NZOC / **Judo New Zealand** Agreement.

5. **Extenuating Circumstances**

- 5.1 **Extenuating Circumstances:** In considering the nomination of Athletes in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, the **Judo 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 **Judo New Zealand** Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances.
- 5.2 **Athlete to Advise:** Athletes unable to compete at events, trials, or other attendances required under this Nomination Criteria, must advise the Judo New Zealand National Technical Director (NTD) 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 NTD is not notified of any extenuating circumstances in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, then the **Judo 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 **Judo New Zealand** Selectors to provide a medical certificate and/or to undergo an examination by a health practitioner/s nominated by the **Judo New Zealand** Selectors, and to provide that opinion and/or report to the **Judo New Zealand** Selectors. Any failure to agree to such a request may result in the **Judo 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 **Judo 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 **Judo New Zealand** against their non-nomination to the NZOC by the **Judo New Zealand** Selectors of **Judo New Zealand** provided that the Athlete has returned a completed:
- (a) Athlete Application to the **Judo New Zealand** by the Application Date (that has been certified by the **Judo New Zealand**); and
 - (b) Athlete Agreement in the manner directed by 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 11 of the NZOC / **Judo New Zealand** Agreement.

7. Inconsistencies

- 7.1 **NZOC / Judo New Zealand Agreement:** In the event there is any inconsistency between this Nomination Criteria and the NZOC / **Judo New Zealand** Agreement, the NZOC / **Judo New Zealand** Agreement shall prevail.
- 7.2 **IF Qualification System:** If this Nomination Criteria imposes a higher qualification standard or a lesser number of participants than stated by the IF Qualification System, 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 27 July 2015, by which Athletes must submit a completed Athlete Application in accordance with clause 6.1(a) of the NZOC / **Judo New Zealand** Agreement.
- 9.2 **Athlete** means a person who wishes to be considered for nomination to the Games Team.
- 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 6.1(b) of the NZOC / **Judo New Zealand** Agreement.
- 9.4 **Athlete Application** means the form that must be completed by any athlete applying to be nominated and selected to the Games Team and which is attached as Schedule A to the NZOC / **Judo New Zealand** Agreement.

- 9.5 **Board** means the Board of **Judo New Zealand** as constituted under the Constitution.
- 9.6 **Constitution** means the Constitution of **Judo New Zealand**.
- 9.7 **Games** means the 2016 Olympic Games to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from 5 August 2016 to 21 August 2016.
- 9.8 **Games Team** means the New Zealand Team at the Games selected in accordance with the NZOC Selection Policy for the Games.
- 9.9 **IJF** means the International Judo Federation, the international federation for Judo New Zealand.
- 9.10 **Judo Event** means the following events at the Games:

Men's Judo Events	Women's Judo Events
-60kg	-48kg
-66kg	-52kg
-73kg	-57kg
-81kg	-63kg
-90kg	-70kg
-100kg	-78kg
+100kg	+78kg

- 9.11 **Judo New Zealand** means Judo New Zealand Incorporated.
- 9.12 **Judo New Zealand Selectors** means the selectors appointed by **Judo New Zealand** in accordance with clause 2 of this Nomination Criteria.
- 9.13 **Key Events** means the events listed in clause 4.2(b) being international, continental or national competitions which are a major or pinnacle event for the sport or are at least the equivalent of a World Cup or World Championship, and have an equivalent field of competitors to that which is likely to occur at the Games.
- 9.14 **Nominated Athlete** means an Athlete who has been nominated to the NZOC by **Judo New Zealand**.
- 9.15 **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".
- 9.16 **Nomination Date** means 10 June 2016 (and includes any alternative date as agreed between NZOC and **Judo New Zealand**), by which **Judo New Zealand** must submit any Nominated Athletes to the NZOC.
- 9.17 **NZOC / Judo New Zealand Agreement** means the agreement entered between NZOC and **Judo New Zealand** for the Application, Nomination and Selection Process for the Games.
- 9.18 **Over-Riding Nomination Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 4.2.
- 9.19 **Qualification Period** means 1 May 2014 to 30 April 2016.
- 9.20 **Specific Nomination Factors** means the nomination factors set out in clause 4.3.

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

- Agreement between NZOC and NSO for the 2016 Olympic Games;
- NZOC Selection Policy;
- Athlete Application Form; and
- Athlete Agreement.