

**2016 RIO OLYMPIC GAMES**  
**AMENDED 3 NOMINATION CRITERIA FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS**

**NZ OLYMPIC WRESTLING UNION & ASSOCIATED STYLES ( INCORPORATED)**

**1. Application of this Nomination Criteria**

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- 1.1 This Nomination Criteria is issued by the Board of the **New Zealand Olympic Wrestling Union & Associated Styles (Inc.) (NZOWU&AS)**
- 1.2 This Nomination Criteria shall take effect from **March 27<sup>th</sup> 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 a Wrestling Event; and
  - (b) NZOWU&AS, including its NZOWU&AS Selectors, that wish to nominate Athletes to NZOC to be considered for selection to the Games Team for the Games.

**2. NZOWU&AS Selectors**

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- 2.1 **Composition:** The **NZOWU&AS** Selectors shall be appointed by **NZOWU&AS** member clubs' voting delegates at the AGM, **NZOWU&AS**, who will consider nomination of Athletes to NZOC to be considered for selection in the Games Team are:

Convener of Selectors (Director of Technical) – Iain Adamson

Selectors - Mark Grayling, Wayne Smith, Peter Pouri-Lane

**3. Nomination Procedure**

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- 3.1 **Conditions of Nomination:** The **NZOWU&AS** 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 NZOWU&AS prior to the Application Date in the form prescribed by the NZOC; and
  - (b) returned a completed Athlete Agreement to NZOWU&AS prior to the Nomination Date; and
  - (c) demonstrated to the satisfaction of NZOWU&AS 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, NZOWU&AS or the NZOC into public disrepute; and
  - (e) to NZOWU&AS'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 the NZOWU&AS's, the International Federation's (IF's) or NZOC's Anti-Doping Bylaw; and

- (f) meet the age eligibility requirements of the Wrestling Events being that all Athletes must be born on/or before 31 December 1997 (19 years of age). Athletes born between 1 January 1998 and 31 December 1998 will have to provide a medical certificate and authorisation of a parent or legal guardian to the IF; and
- (g) hold a valid licence issued by NZOWU&AS; and
- (h) the Athlete has participated in the 2015 National Championships; and
- (i) from **5 February 2016** has their name and contact address details registered with Drug Free Sport New Zealand for the purpose of out-of-competition drug testing.

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 (United World Wrestling) and/or IF requirements for the Games. Qualification for a place in any event(s) by an Athlete does not guarantee that Athlete 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 **NZOWU&AS** Selectors shall nominate those Athletes it considers meet the Nomination Criteria set out below.

#### 4. Nomination Criteria

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4.1 **Nomination Criteria:** The **NZOWU&AS** 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 a Wrestling Event, the NZOWU&AS Selectors must be satisfied overall that:
  - i. the Athlete is capable of achieving a top 16 placing at the Games in the 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 NZOWU&AS believes demonstrates the Athlete will be competitive at the Games and will perform credibly in the Wrestling Event(s).
- (b) Evidence: In determining whether or not the Athlete has met the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria for Wrestling Events at which they seek to be selected for the Games, in clause 4.2(a) above, the

NZOWU&AS Selectors shall consider the Athlete's performances and results in the Wrestling Event(s) in the following Key Events during the period **August 1<sup>st</sup> 2015 to May 8<sup>th</sup> 2016**:

- i **Oceania Championships 2016 (New Zealand)**
- ii **Africa/Oceania Qualifying Tournament 2016 (Egypt)**
- iii **1<sup>st</sup> International Qualification Tournament 2016 (Mongolia)**
- iv **2<sup>nd</sup> International Qualification Tournament 2016(Turkey)**

4.3 **Specific Nomination Factors:** When considering the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria above, the NZOWU&AS 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 NZOWU&AS 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 NZOWU&AS Selectors consider relevant.

4.4 **Own Enquiries:** In considering any one or more of the above factors, the NZOWU&AS 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 NZOWU&AS 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 Games Team, the NZOWU&AS 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 NZOWU&AS Selectors shall follow the procedure set out in clause 7 of the NZOC / NZOWU&AS Agreement.

## 5. Extenuating Circumstances

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- 5.1 In considering the nomination of Athletes in accordance with this Nomination Criteria, the NZOWU&AS 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 NZOWU&AS Selectors to constitute extenuating circumstances.
- 5.2 Athletes 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 NZOWU&AS Selectors have no obligation to rely on such circumstances.
- 5.3 In the case of injury or illness, Athletes may be required by the NZOWU&AS Selectors to provide a medical certificate and/or to undergo an examination by a health practitioner/s nominated by the NZOWU&AS Selectors, and to provide that opinion and/or report to the NZOWU&AS Selectors. Any failure to agree to such a request may result in the NZOWU&AS Selectors being unable to consider the injury or illness as an extenuating circumstance.
- 5.4 In the case of any extenuating circumstance/s, the NZOWU&AS Selectors will make a decision on a case-by-case basis.

## 6. Appeal Procedure

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- 6.1 **Nomination Appeals:** An Athlete may appeal to NZOWU&AS against their non-nomination to the NZOC by the NZOWU&AS Selectors provided that the Athlete has returned a completed:
- (a) Athlete Application to the NZOWU&AS by the Application Date; and
  - (b) Athlete Agreement to the NZOWU&AS by the Nomination Date.
- 6.2 **Procedures for Appeals:** Any appeal under clause 6.1 must be made in accordance with the procedures set out in clause 11 of the NZOC / NZOWU&AS Agreement.

## 7. Inconsistencies

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- 7.1 **NZOC / NZOWU&AS Agreement:** In the event there is any inconsistency between this Nomination Criteria and the NZOC / NZOWU&AS Agreement, the NZOC / NZOWU&AS 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

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- 8.1 **Prior to Nomination Date:** This Nomination Criteria may be amended or supplemented from time to time by the Board, 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

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- 9.1 **Application Date** means 22 March 2016, by which Athletes must submit a completed Athlete Application in accordance with clause 6.1(a) of the NZOC / NZOWU&AS 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 / NZOWU&AS 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 / NZOWU&AS Agreement.
- 9.5 **Board** means the Board of **NZOWU&AS** as constituted under the Constitution.
- 9.6 **Chief Executive** means the President of **NZOWU&AS** and includes his / her nominee.
- 9.7 **Constitution** means the Constitution of **NZOWU&AS**.
- 9.8 **Games** means the 2016 Olympic Games to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil from 5 August 2016 to 21 August 2016.
- 9.9 **Games Team** means the New Zealand Team at the Games selected in accordance with the NZOC Selection Policy for the Games.
- 9.10 **Key Events** means the events listed in clause 4.2(b) being international, continental or national competitions which are major or pinnacle events for the sport or are at least the equivalent of a World Cup or World

Championship, and have an equivalent or higher field of competitors to that which is likely to occur at the Games.

- 9.11 **Nominated Athlete** means an Athlete who has been nominated to the NZOC by **NZOWU&AS**.
- 9.12 **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”.
- 9.13 **Nomination Date** means on or before 9 May 2016 (and includes any alternative date as agreed between NZOC and **NZOWU&AS**), by which **NZOWU&AS** must submit any Nominated Athletes to the NZOC.
- 9.14 **NZOC** means the New Zealand Olympic Committee Incorporated.
- 9.15 **NZOC / NZOWU&AS Agreement** means the agreement entered between NZOC and NZOWU&AS for the Application, Nomination and Selection Process for the Games.
- 9.16 **NZOWU&AS** means the New Zealand Olympic Wrestling Union and Associated Styles (Incorporated).
- 9.17 **NZOWU&AS Selectors** means the selectors appointed by **NZOWU&AS** in accordance with clause 2 of this Nomination Criteria.
- 9.18 **Over-Riding Nomination Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 4.2.
- 9.19 **Specific Nomination Factors** means the nomination factors set out in clause 4.3.
- 9.20 **Wrestling Event:** means the following wrestling competitions:

<b>Men’s Events</b>		<b>Women’s Events</b>
<b>Freestyle</b>	<b>Greco-Roman</b>	<b>Freestyle</b>
Up to 57kg	Up to 59kg	Up to 48kg
57kg – 65kg	59kg – 66kg	48kg – 53kg
65kg – 74kg	66kg – 75kg	53kg – 58kg
74kg – 86kg	75kg – 85kg	58kg – 63kg
86kg – 97kg	85kg – 98kg	63kg – 69kg
97kg – 125kg	98kg – 130kg	69kg – 75kg

**OTHER APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS (all located at [www.olympic.org.nz](http://www.olympic.org.nz))**

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