

WORLD UNIVERISTY GAMES NAPLES 2019
NEW ZEALAND WATER POLO (NZWP) TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

1. Application of this Nomination Criteria

- 1.1 This Nomination Criteria is issued by the Board of **NZWP**.
- 1.2 This Nomination Criteria shall take effect from 10 November 2018.
- 1.3 This Nomination Criteria applies to:
- (a) all Athletes wishing to be considered for nomination to the World University Games Team to compete in the Games in a Water Polo Event; and
 - (b) **NZWP**, including its Selectors that wish to nominate a Team to UTSNZ to be selected to the University Games Team for the Games.

2. Selectors

- 2.1 **Composition:** The Selectors have been appointed by the **NZWP** Selection Panel and ratified by the Board of **NZWP**. The Selectors who will consider nomination of the Team and its Athletes to UTSNZ for consideration of selection in the Games Team are:
- Angie Winstanley-Smith (High Performance Manager and Women's National Coach)
 - Davor Carevic, Men's National Coach

3. Nomination Procedure

- 3.1 **Conditions of Nomination:** The Selectors may only consider an Athlete for nomination as part of a Team if the Athlete has satisfied the following conditions of nomination:
- (b) demonstrated to the satisfaction of **NZWP** 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
 - (c) acted in such a manner so as not to bring the Athlete, the Team, the sport, **NZWP** or the UTSNZ into public disrepute; and
 - (d) to **NZWP** 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 **NZWP's**, FISU's or UTSNZ's Integrity Regulation; and

- (d) students who are currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at a university or similar institute whose status is recognised by the appropriate national academic authority of their country;
- (e) former students of the institutions mentioned in a) who have obtained their academic degree or diploma in the year preceding the event.

3.2 All competitors must satisfy the following conditions:

- (a) be a national of the country they represent;
- (b) be at least 18 and no older than 25 years of age on 31 December the year of the event.

3.3 University and Tertiary Sport New Zealand (UTSNZ) Criteria

- (a) You must be a New Zealand citizen and hold a current, full NZ passport.
- (b) If studying in NZ, you must be attending a New Zealand Tertiary Education Institution as recognised by the Ministry of Education and endorsed by University and Tertiary Sport New Zealand.
- (c) If studying overseas you must be studying at a University or similar Tertiary Education Institution that is recognised as holding Tertiary status by the appropriate academic authority of that country and approved by University and Tertiary Sport New Zealand.

3.3 Graduates

- (a) You must have successfully completed and graduated from your Tertiary Institution and course as per the University and Tertiary Sport New Zealand General Criteria in the twelve (12) months preceding the FISU event.
- (b) You must provide an original copy of your Graduation Certificate, signed and witnessed by a New Zealand Justice of the Peace.

3.5 Other

- (a) Student athletes seeking selection from non-UTSNZ Member campuses may be charged an additional participation fee as determined by University and Tertiary Sport New Zealand for that event.
- (b) Overseas based student athlete eligibility will be considered on a case by case basis.

INSTITUTIONS RECOGNISED BY NEW ZEALAND MINISTRY OF EDUCATION & ENDORSED BY UNIVERSITY AND TERTIARY SPORT NEW ZEALAND

**International Programme only
New Zealand Universities**

1. The University of Auckland
2. AUT University
3. Lincoln University
4. Massey University (Albany, Palmerston North & Wellington Campuses)
5. University of Canterbury
6. University of Otago
7. Victoria University of Wellington
8. Waikato University

Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics

1. Ara Institute of Canterbury (ARA)
2. Eastern Institute of Technology (Hawkes Bay) (EIT)
3. Manukau Institute of Technology
4. Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology (NMIT)
5. Northland Polytechnic (NorthTec)
6. Otago Polytechnic
7. Southern Institute of Technology (SIT)
8. Tai Poutini Polytechnic
9. The Open Polytechnic of New Zealand
10. Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology
11. Unitec Institute of Technology (Unitec)
12. Universal College of Learning (UCOL)
13. Waikato Institute of Technology (Wintec)
14. Wellington Institute of Technology (Weltec)
15. Western Institute of Technology at Taranaki (WITT)

Wānanga

1. Te Wānanga o Aotearoa
2. Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi
3. Te Wānanga -o-Raukawa

3.2 **Qualification:** New Zealand must qualify for places in a Water Polo Event in accordance with the FISU's Qualification System for the Games ("FISU Qualification System") and/or FISU requirements for the Games. Qualification for a place in an Water Polo Event by a Team does not guarantee that Athletes in that Team will be nominated or selected to compete in the Water Polo Event) at the Games.

3.3 **Nomination if Nomination Criteria Met:** Provided the requirements set out in clause 3.1 and **Error! Reference source not found.** are met, the Selectors shall nominate those Athletes it considers meet the Nomination Criteria set out below.

4. Nomination Criteria

4.1 **Nomination Criteria:** The **NZWP** Nomination Criteria for nomination to the Games Team is made up of two parts:

- (a) the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria specified in clause **Error! Reference source not found.**; 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 to a Water Polo Event, the Selectors must be satisfied overall that:
 - i. the Team has qualified a team place at the Games in accordance with the following:
 - The entry/ nomination and the payment of guarantee;
 - those teams who finished in the top five (5) of the previous Summer Universiade competition will be automatically qualified to participate; but must fulfil the conditions of the FISU entry procedure;
 - Those teams finishing on the bottom three (3) of the previous Summer Universiade competition will be replaced by new applying teams to ensure the turnover;
 - The team of the host country is automatically qualified;
 - The remaining participating teams will be selected by a wild-card system according to criteria defined by the CTI-UE (geographical and continental representation, FISU ranking, FINA ranking).
 - ii. all Athletes available and eligible to compete in the Team are an equal or higher standard and quality to the athletes who comprised the Team during qualification; and
- (b) In determining whether or not the Team has met the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria for Water Polo Events in clause 4.2(a) above, the Selectors shall consider the Team and each Athlete's performances and results in the Water Polo Event at which they seek to be selected for the Games in the following Key Events during the period 2 April 2018 to 10 June 2019:
 - Intercontinental World League 2018
 - World Youth Championships 2018
 - World Cup (Women) 2018
 - Intercontinental World League 2019
 - World League Super Finals 2019
 - NZWP National League 2019

- #### 4.3 **Specific Nomination Factors:** When considering the Over-Riding Nomination Criteria above, the Selectors may also take into account any one or more of the following factors about a Team and its Athletes:

- (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 **NZWP** 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 Selectors consider relevant.

4.4 **Own Enquiries:** In considering any one or more of the above factors, the Selectors may make such enquiries of the Athlete, or other persons, as they see fit. Athletes must contact the High Performance manager at NZWP if they would like to nominate themselves for potential selection. (Due to the expression of interest being completed in July 2018).

4.5 **Weight to be Given to Specific Nomination Factors:** The 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 Selectors may, in their sole discretion, take into account any extenuating circumstances in accordance with clause **Error! Reference source not found.** below.

5. Extenuating Circumstances

5.1 **Extenuating Circumstances:** In considering the nomination of Athletes to a Team 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.

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 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 Selectors to provide a medical certificate and/or to undergo an examination by a health practitioner/s nominated by the Selectors, and to provide that opinion and/or report to the Selectors. Any failure to agree to such a request may result in the 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 Selectors will make a decision on a case-by-case basis.

6. Appeal Procedure

6.1 **Nomination Appeals:** An Athlete may appeal to NZWP against their non-nomination to the UTSNZ by the Selectors **NZWP**.

6.2 **Procedures for Nomination Appeals:** An athlete may appeal to the CEO of NZWP in writing within 48 hours of the team announcement.

7. Inconsistencies

7.1 **FINA Qualification System:** If this Nomination Criteria imposes a higher qualification standard or a lesser number of participants than stated by the FINA 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 UTSNZ has 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 **Athlete** means a person who wishes to be considered for nomination to the Team for the Games.

9.2 **Board** means the Board of **NZWP** as constituted under the Constitution.

9.3 **Chief Executive** means the Chief Executive Officer of **NZWP** and includes his / her nominee.

9.4 **Constitution** means the Constitution of **NZWP**.

9.5 **FINA** means the International Swimming Federation.

9.6 **Games** means the FISU World University games to be held in Naples, Italy from 4 July 2019 – 14 July 2019.

9.7 **Games Team** means the New Zealand Team at the Games selected in accordance with the UTSNZ Selection Policy for the Games.

9.8 **Key Events** mean international, continental or national competitions listed in clause 4.2(b) 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.

9.9 **NZWP** means New Zealand Water Polo Incorporated.

9.10 **Nominated Athlete** means an Athlete who has been nominated to the UTSNZ as part of the Team by **NZWP**

9.11 **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”.

9.12 **UTSNZ** means the University and Tertiary Sport New Zealand.

9.13 **Over-Riding Nomination Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause **Error! Reference source not found.**

9.14 **Selectors** means the selectors appointed by **NZWP** in accordance with clause 2 of this Nomination Criteria.

9.15 **Specific Nomination Factors** means the nomination factors set out in clause 4.3.

9.16 **Team** means a team of 11 Athletes (including substitutes) competing together in a Team Event.

9.17 Water Polo Event means a men's 10 team or women's 10 team water polo tournament at the Games.

9.18 **FISU** means Fédération Internationale du Sport Universitaire